



Visitors fill the lobby of the new 200-room Hyatt Place in downtown Boca Raton in February. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Along the Coast

Vacation rental surge puts cities, state at odds

By Mary Hladky

Steve Homrich watched with growing unease over three nights as young people arriving for parties at his neighbor's home left rubber on the road while doing doughnuts on his street.

Then Friday night rolled around.

"My wife said, 'Oh my God, look out the window,'" he said. "Groups of 10 and 20 kids were walking down the street to the house. They kept coming. My wife stopped counting at 300."

That night's party in June was big — with about 500 guests — and loud, complete with a DJ.

When police arrived, the kids scattered, with some jumping over the fence into Homrich's yard.

Homrich learned that his neighbor, Thierry Chevrier, had rented out his Boynton Beach waterfront home on Northeast 15th Place through the vacation rental company HomeAway.

Chevrier, who could not be reached for comment, told Homrich he thought he was renting to an 84-year-old writer.

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Along the Coast

Tourists keep coming

County officials hail ninth straight year of record numbers

By Arlene Satchell

Palm Beach County clocked another year of record tourism in 2017, welcoming 7.89 million visitors, a 7.3 percent increase from 2016, the county's official tourism marketing corporation announced.

Discover The Palm Beaches attributed the increase in visitation to more domestic visitors, growth in groups

and meetings and innovative destination marketing campaigns that helped bolster community engagement.

"A successful tourism community equates to a thriving local economy, which is why we're so proud of nine consecutive years of visitation growth in the Palm Beaches," Jorge Pesquera, Discover's president and CEO, said in a news release. "This sustained

increase reaffirms the area's continued ability to compete for global visitors, while supporting nearly 70,000 jobs."

In 2016, Palm Beach County had a record 7.35 million visitors, up about 6 percent from the 6.9 million who visited in 2015, Discover's records show. By contrast, the county had 4.12 million visitors in 2009.

The repeat record tourism

results augur well for job creation and employment prospects for the region's future hospitality workers, industry specialists say.

"Decreased visitation means decreased jobs," said Peter Ricci, director of the hospitality & tourism management program at Florida Atlantic University. "For now, our students

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Delray Beach

St. Patrick's Day parade celebrates 50 years

By Mary Thurwachter

This is the time of year when fans of the Delray Beach St. Patrick's Day Parade give a tip of the derby to Maury Power, the Irish saloonkeeper who founded the procession in 1968.

A Chicago transplant, Power donned a tailcoat and top hat and carried a shillelagh to make an impromptu march down Atlantic Avenue in honor of the patron saint of Ireland.

"I'm Maury Power," he would say to onlookers. "Come down to my bar and have a drink."

The farther he walked, the more people would join him.

Since he died in 1996, people often bow in front of large photographs of Power that are carried in the parade, said Pat Robinson, a friend and business owner who has been in 33 parades.

Local lore claims Power, who owned Power's Lounge, carried a pig on his first march. Truth is the

tinted green porker became part of the tradition a few years later.

No one is sure exactly why.

"I think it was just something that, at the time, made perfect sense," said Power's nephew Terry.

The first piglet, Porkchop, instantly became a crowd pleaser.

Porkchop has had many successors, many of them predictably hefty — including the 200-pound Patrick, a star in the

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Parade founder Maury Power, Dennis Gallagher and Porkchop, 1988. **Delray Beach Historical Society**



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John Miller prepares a Key lime pie with his sons Luke, 13, and Jack, 15, at their Delray Beach home. The boys' brownies won first place at last year's Real Men Bake. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Editor's Note

How we approach election coverage

It's election season. Learn about your candidates and be sure to vote.

I wish it were that simple. It never is. This year the battles are already heating up and the mud of misinformation is getting thick. As a result, I'd like to clarify a few things about *The Coastal Star*:

- We don't do candidate endorsements. Never have. Never will.

- This month there are campaign signs in front of our office. We didn't put them there. Our landlord has allowed them and we made it clear all Ocean Ridge candidates are welcome to place their signs in the easement.

- Although a lot of information is passed along to the newspaper, we don't write about it without verification. We use news judgment to decide what to pursue, but are less likely to chase anonymous tips.

- We have an editorial policy of not publishing articles that might be detrimental to a candidate in the month of the election, because it's impossible for a candidate to respond in our pages if he or she believes we've made a mistake. Stories first reported in the daily news media, however, we will follow— if we think the information is of value to voters.

- We do our own public records requests. No one does these for us. We also pay our own legal bills.

- There are three principal owner/partners of *The Coastal Star*: myself, publisher Jerry Lower and sales manager Chris Bellard. Lower and I live and vote in Ocean Ridge. Bellard lives and votes in Delray Beach. We do not contribute to local candidates, nor do we campaign for them. You won't see us at "meet the candidate" events. We take salaries from the newspaper and believe the integrity of our publication is at stake if we allow our personal preferences to show.

We do vote, of course;

that's our constitutional right.

- The other owners of *The Coastal Star*, Delray Beach residents Price and Carolyn Patton, are minority investors in our newspaper. They have long been politically active in Delray Beach and contribute to local campaigns. They do not draw salaries and are not involved in story selection or placement and do not play a role in our day-to-day operation.

- The other people who work with us are independent contractors, not employees. They do not make editorial decisions at the newspaper. If they want to work on campaigns, put yard signs up or have bumper stickers on their cars, they have the right to do that.

We do our best to cover elections fairly and accurately. Nothing in our approach has changed since *The Coastal Star* began.

Unfortunately, this year our newspaper is being misrepresented around town and on social media. Some of these uninformed postings can be written off as the general blood sport of local election politics; others are blatant attempts to undermine our reporting.

We stand by our reporting. That's the bottom line.

In light of today's "fake news" environment, I believe we must not only be accurate and fair in our reporting, but we must also be transparent in how we conduct our business.

I hope this helps explain how our newspaper approaches local elections.

If you have questions, email me at news@thecoastalstar.com.

You'll find candidate profiles and related stories on Pages 16-19.

Get to know your candidates and on March 13, go out and vote.



— Mary Kate Leming, Editor

Kitchen heat doesn't disturb history-minded baker

By Jane Smith

The chairman of the Delray Beach Historic Preservation Board grows a Key lime tree in his backyard, just like the one his parents grew in their Swinton Avenue yard.

Last year, Chairman John Miller used the limes to make mini Key lime tarts in the Real Men Bake contest. He won second place. His two sons, who had helped him in previous years, baked their own dessert. Their s'mores brownies won first place.

"It was the cuteness factor," Miller said of his sons' victory. "We bake two or three times a week."

Miller met his wife, Karen, because his co-worker was so impressed with his baking abilities that she introduced him to her college friend.

That's when he learned women like men who can bake, he said.

Miller, 50, is still pondering what to make for the March 19 event at Old School Square. He has to bake 200 pieces for the eighth annual Real Men Bake and Rock at the Sock Hop.

The Delray Beach native reminisces about his carefree childhood, filled with biking to the beach, fishing in Lake Ida for bass and bluegills, and painting in the annual Halloween contest on Atlantic Avenue. Each child received a 2-by-3-foot section of storefront window to paint, he said. The painters were judged by age groups.

Miller serves on the Historic

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Preservation Board to help preserve that small-town feel. "People are moving here because of the way the city looks," he said. "It's important to preserve that."

The board twice turned down the Midtown Delray project last year. In June, Miller said, "It results in the Disneyfication of Delray, allowing an artificial, contrived, homogeneous, sanitized and oversized development right in the middle of our most significant historic district."

Midtown Delray would sit on South Swinton Avenue in the southern half of the Old School Square Historic Arts District and include the Sundry House, home of Delray Beach's first mayor. Less than 2 percent of the city's properties are part of historic districts, Miller said.

"If we can't save this historic district, we might as well resign our seats on the board," he said

in December.

Miller became a local history buff because his great-grandfather and grandfather were Delray Beach mayors. His great-grandfather was the first volunteer fire chief in the city.

"I like to be involved," he said. "I prefer to stay behind the scenes, not run for office."

He belongs to the Delray Beach Historical Society and co-chaired its 2016 *Fish Tales!* exhibit.

"I provided a lot of fishing insight," Miller said.

He lent old photos and old fishing equipment for the exhibit and built display tables that the Historical Society still uses today.

Miller owns a 25-foot SeaCraft center console boat with his brother. "We usually have fresh fish a couple times a week if the weather is good enough to go out," he said.

Miller, who works for 3M Inc. in Delray Beach, also served on the city's comprehensive plan steering committee. In 2016, he was among a group of 20 people invited to apply because of their knowledge about the community. The city will use the plan to map out how it wants to grow in 13 areas, such as housing, historic preservation and education.

He hopes his boys will catch his volunteer spirit.

"I try to involve my sons," Miller said, "but my wife keeps reminding me that we don't have to sign up for everything." ★

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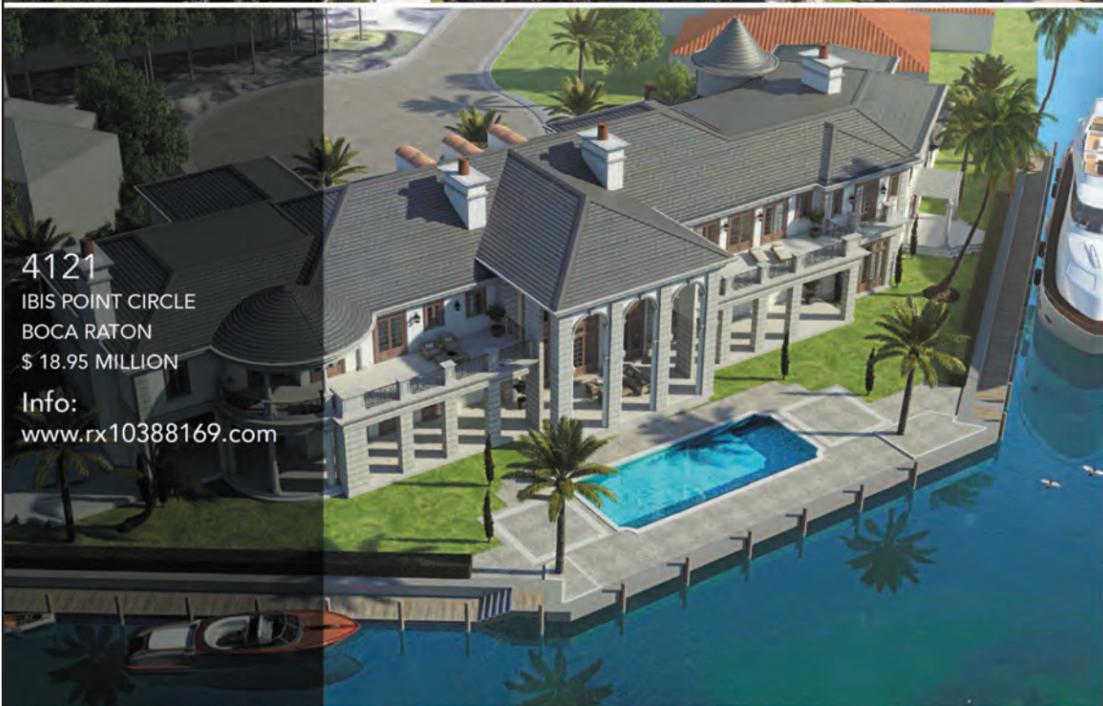
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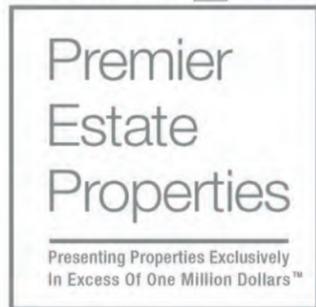


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Boca Raton

Downtown construction planning shifts to action

By Mary Hladky

A new downtown construction spurt will be starting soon.

Demolition work started in January to make way for the Mandarin Oriental Boca Raton hotel and Monarch Boca Raton, the new name of the Mizner 200 luxury condominium.

Coming down are buildings along Federal Highway north of Camino Real. The 164-room Mandarin Oriental will go up next to 101 Via Mizner, a 366-unit apartment building

that marked the first phase of the luxury Via Mizner project developed by Boca Raton-based Penn-Florida Cos.

Al Piazza, Penn-Florida's senior vice president for development, said construction of the hotel's foundation would start by mid-March. He anticipated that construction of the third component of the project, the 92-condo Residences at Mandarin Oriental, would start a few months after that.

"We are finally on our way," Piazza said in February. The 12-story hotel and condos will open in 2020, he said.

Also in March, Penn-Florida will start a redo of the now-named Via Mizner Golf Club, an 18-hole course about 3 miles away between Palmetto Park Road and Camino Real just west of Military Trail. Golfing legend Jack Nicklaus redesigned the course, at 6200 Boca Del Mar Drive.

Six months after a contentious battle over approval of plans for the now-rebranded Monarch Boca Raton ended in compromise, developer Elad Group is about to begin construction of the 384-unit, nine-story luxury condo.

Demolition of the Mizner on the Green townhouses, now occupying the Monarch site on nearly 9 acres along Southeast Mizner Boulevard, began in January. Some of the townhouses were still occupied as of February, but all occupants were expected to be out in April.

Elad plans to break ground on Monarch Boca Raton this summer.

Downtown residents were stunned when the project was unveiled in 2014 as four towers rising as high as 30 stories.

That concept was shot down because the towers well exceeded downtown height limits. The project was redesigned five times until neighbors and city officials were satisfied.

"The demolition process marks an important milestone in our journey to bring this landmark project to the Boca Raton market," Elad CEO Yoel Shargian said in a news release. "After working collaboratively with the city of Boca Raton and its community members to create a plan for this unique development, we are eager and enthusiastic to bring this project to market over the next few months." ★

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Boca Raton

Keep working on Wildflower, council tells consultant

By Steve Plunkett

Improvements to Wildflower, South Beach, Spanish River, Palmetto Dune and Red Reef parks will cost \$9.6 million to \$13.3 million, the city's waterfront parks consultant says.

The estimates do not include possibly buying another 0.7 acre at the Wildflower site, Kona Gray, with consultant EDSA Inc., said. They also omit the costs of refurbishing Rutherford and Lake Wyman parks, which are a separate project, and developing Ocean

Strand, which the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District owns.

The Wildflower proposal is the biggest ticket item, at up to \$3.6 million. That's before adding the cost of acquiring the additional land and spending up to \$900,000 fixing it up, plus anything spent to redo Silver Palm Park to the south.

EDSA's concept for Wildflower introduces "some really wonderful elements, including a splash pad, an area for children to play, the waterfront promenade. You

know the conversation earlier about art? Art would be fantastic in this park," Gray told the City Council at its Feb. 12 workshop session.

Gray and Jennifer Bistyga, the city's coastal program manager, asked council members to sign off on allowing EDSA to develop more detailed plans for Wildflower, which Boca Raton opened late last year as a mostly undeveloped, passive park at the northwest base of the Palmetto Park Road bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway.

Later on, EDSA would

develop a concept for Silver Palm, prioritize elements at the remaining parks and finalize a budget for the capital improvements.

"The other park renovations are very interesting, because we designed them but it's kind of a menu. There are some really great elements of the projects that can be implemented, but it's really up to you," Gray said.

City Manager Leif Ahnell said it was premature to discuss changes at Silver Palm until the city firms up plans for boat launches at Rutherford Park.

"Having four launches in

the city is probably too many," Ahnell said.

(Residents at a public outreach Feb. 26 appeared to agree. See story, Page 20.)

Council members told Gray to push ahead on the Wildflower plans.

Mayor Susan Haynie said changes at Palmetto Dune Park might be a hard sell with neighbors but that EDSA "really knocked it out of the park" with its other conceptual designs.

"Go forth, create parks [and] livable spaces. We love it," Haynie said. ★

TOURISM

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continue to get hired at outstanding rates surpassing 90 percent. Most are already employed by junior year and simply stay in roles in the industry upon graduation."

Last year, the Palm Beaches, as the county is dubbed for tourism marketing purposes, welcomed nearly 8 percent more U.S. visitors than in 2016. The destination's top domestic markets for increased visitation included New York, with 11 percent, or 1.1 million visitors; Fort Lauderdale/Miami with 8 percent, or 808,700 travelers; Tampa/St. Petersburg, with an 11 percent increase, and Orlando, which jumped 4 percent to

516,800 visitors.

Another top growth market was Washington, D.C., which increased 13 percent to 310,400 visitors. Discover attributed those gains in part to the opening of The Ballpark of The Palm Beaches, the new spring training home of the Houston Astros and Washington Nationals.

In 2017, international visitation to the Palm Beaches rose 0.9 percent to 745,000 travelers overall. However, a handful of key markets saw improvements despite lingering economic and currency exchange pressures, namely Canada, at 2 percent; Argentina, 8 percent; and Brazil, 2 percent.

Canada accounted for 321,270 visitors,

while Argentina and Brazil accounted for 36,620 and 28,100, respectively.

County hotels were also fuller in 2017 as travelers booked 4.6 million room nights across the destination, an increase of 4.9 percent from the previous year, Discover noted.

The tourism marketing agency said joint partnerships with the Palm Beach County Convention Center and local hoteliers were instrumental in boosting room night bookings for groups, meetings and conventions.

"We are seeing a significant shift in our ability to attract meetings and conventions throughout the Palm Beaches, and particularly citywide events in West Palm Beach," Pesquera said. "The

demand is likely to support additional room inventory in key cities."

Management at the Hyatt Place Boca Raton/Downtown hotel also heralded 2017 for capping off a solid first year of operations. The 200-room Hyatt Place at 100 E. Palmetto Park Road opened in December 2016 as Boca's first downtown hotel.

"Hyatt Place Boca Raton/Downtown had a great finish to our year one," said Audra Durham, director of sales. "[We've seen] strong demand in this market with a combination of robust corporate, extended stay, group and leisure business." ★



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South Palm Beach

Council members reconsidering participation in groin project

By Dan Moffett

After 12 years of planning, lobbying and debate, South Palm Beach Town Council members say they're now having second thoughts about staying in a county project to install concrete groins in the hope of stabilizing the town's eroding beaches.

"This is turning out to be a long project to the answer 'no,'" Mayor Bonnie Fischer said. "We're just being realistic here. I think it's about time we looked into something else."

Until expressing her doubts during a Feb. 27 workshop on the project, Fischer had been a vocal supporter of the groin plan since joining the council seven years ago.

Other council members concurred with her changing viewpoint.

"I seem to get a feeling from the crowd that the current plan isn't acceptable to our constituents," said Councilwoman Stella Gaddy Jordan after listening to a steady stream of residents' complaints for nearly two hours. "They elected us to do their bidding."

Vice Mayor Robert Gottlieb said the town should take a step back and reassess alternatives: "Let's look at the options."

The project, which was first conceived after Hurricane Wilma ravaged the town's beaches in 2005, calls for installing a network of groins from South Palm's northern boundary to the southern end of Lantana Municipal Beach. The plan's \$5 million price tag is to be split among the state (50 percent), Palm Beach County (30 percent) and South Palm (20 percent).

The reversal in the town comes after a rising tide of opposition and negative developments in recent months. Among them:

- Manalapan Mayor Keith Waters has said his town is opposed the groin plan over concerns it will interrupt the natural southward flow of sand and damage the town's beaches. Manalapan's commissioners have said they're willing to take legal action to stop the project.

"The county does not want to pit municipality against municipality," Fischer said. "I understand that."

- The Concordia East condominium in South Palm continues to refuse to sign an easement agreement with the county to allow workers on its beach, fearing legal liability or opening the door to public access.

- The Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa has joined Manalapan in opposing the use of groins.

- County environmental managers are still trying to obtain all the necessary permitting from state and federal officials and may not be able to meet the intended November start date to complete work before turtle nesting

season. If managers miss the deadline, the project would be pushed back another year.

- Increasing complaints from residents about the appearance of concrete structures on the beach and the cost to the town.

Joseph Chaison, a county engineer, told residents during the workshop that installing structures is "the least preferred" option for fighting beach erosion, but South Palm Beach has no good choices. Because the town's shoreline has a hard bottom and the water already reaches some condos' seawalls, a traditional renourishment plan would be difficult. The sand might wash away as soon as it's dumped.

Julie Mitchell, the county's environmental program supervisor, told the council the county would "continue to work with you to develop a feasible alternative" if the town decides to pull out of the groin plan and

try something else.

"At some point a decision has to be made as to whether to go forward with this project," Mitchell said.

Fischer said the council will consider its options and get back to the county.

In other business, Police

Chief Carl Webb is taking a medical leave of absence and will be away from the department "for weeks," a spokesman for the town said.

Sgt. Mark Garrison, a 17-year veteran with the town, will fill

in as chief until Webb returns.

"Chief Webb wants to thank all the residents and friends who have wished him well and offered their support," the spokesman said. ★

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Manalapan

Town to crack down on water utility violations

By Dan Moffett

After receiving the results of an inspector general's audit in February, Manalapan is moving forward with 21 recommended changes to tighten billing procedures and improve the internal controls of the town's water utility department.

Palm Beach County's Inspector General Office examined the utility's operation during the 2016 fiscal year and cited seven findings that could

use corrective action from the town.

The draft audit found no serious problems, but rather housekeeping and enforcement issues that were hurting the utility's performance or preventing the town from technically "complying with its ordinances and resolutions."

Town Attorney Keith Davis, in a written response to the Inspector General's Office, said the town already has implemented most of the

proposed changes — even though the town's "current system is working properly."

Manalapan has satisfied some of the report's concerns, he said, by retraining personnel.

Town Manager Linda Stumpf said the town is taking a more aggressive approach to deal with homeowners who aren't complying with the utility's rules, one of the complaints in the audit. Out of 253 residences, about 20 water customers still haven't had backflows inspected

and approved. Backflow valves prevent waste water from reversing direction and contaminating drinking water.

"They'll all get letters saying they have between a 60- and 90-day time frame to get their backflows repaired or inspected, otherwise their water will be turned off," Stumpf told the Town Commission during its meeting Feb. 27. "That's the only option I have at this point."

Davis said in his response that most of the issues cited were commonly seen, minor and easily remedied.

"The findings in the draft report are not outside the realm of normal or typical findings when this type of audit is conducted," the attorney wrote, "and they are meant to make a good process even better."

In other business:

- As part of its plan to expand its Police Department, Manalapan is considering partnering with the town of Palm Beach for dispatching and crime scene investigation services.

Police Chief Carmen Mattox said that, because of similar demographics, Palm Beach and Manalapan share many of the same crime problems and it makes sense for them to work together.

"I think Palm Beach is a very professional agency," Mattox said. "And they have a very outstanding dispatch center."

The chief said the Palm Beach department has crime scene specialists on hand who could come in quickly and help Manalapan with investigations.

"The other advantage is the information sharing that would be instantaneous," Mattox said. "We'd be on their radio."

The chief also said he's making progress toward screening applicants to fill four new police officer positions. Mayor Keith Waters announced a roughly \$420,000 expansion for the department in January after a spate of car thefts.

Stumpf said Stewart Satter, a resident on Manalapan's ocean side, had sent the town a check for just over \$51,000 to cover the cost of a new Ford Explorer for police. Satter promised to buy the SUV after hearing Waters' plan.

- Because of inquiries from Point Manalapan, the town will begin surveying residents informally on the possibility of bringing in natural gas service. Three years ago, a straw poll of the 144 residents on the point voted against adding the utility by roughly a 2-1 margin. ★

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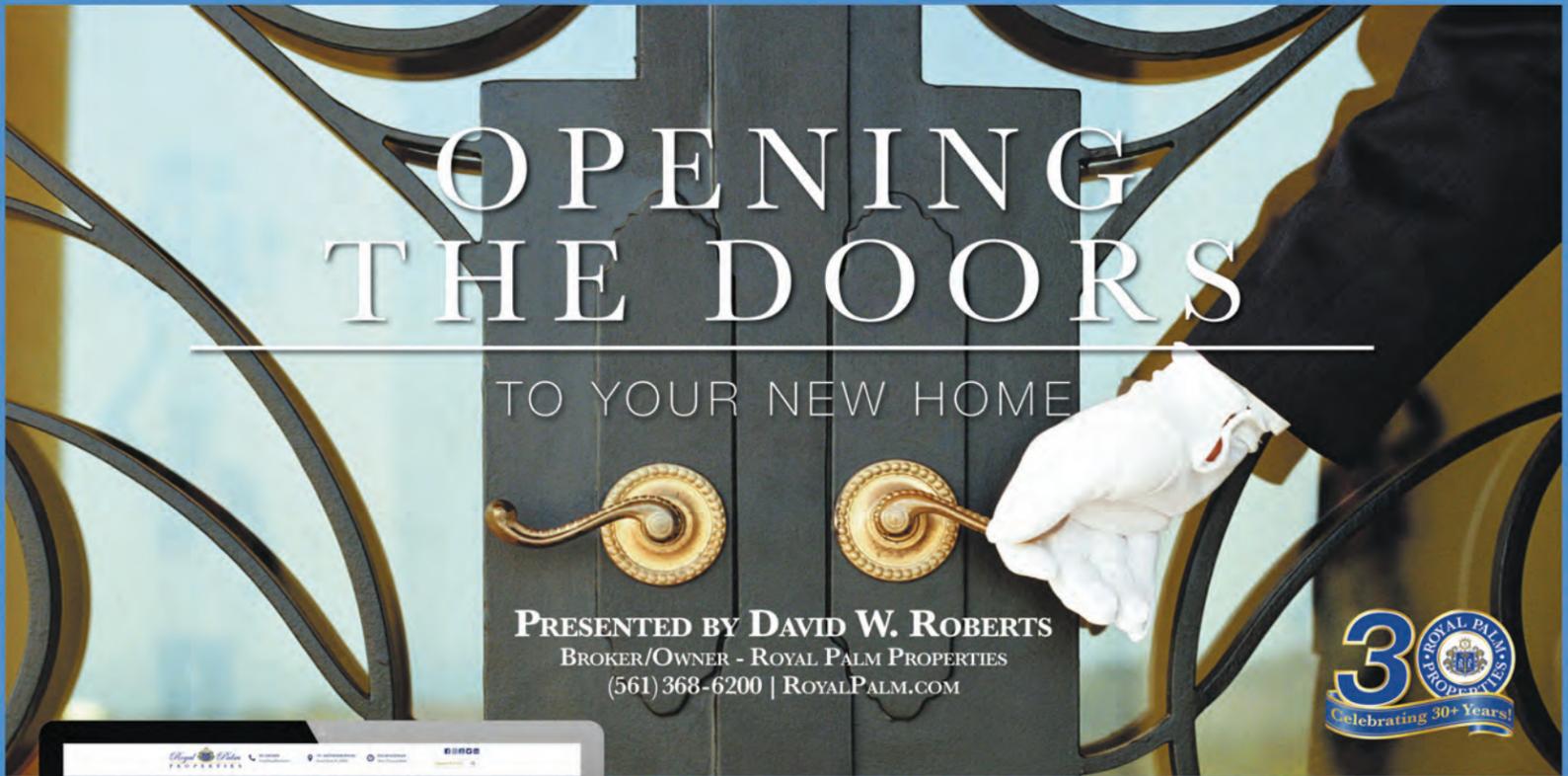
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Along the Coast

Cities continue push for rail line safety

By Jane Smith

As Brightline runs its express passenger rail service between West Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale, safety problems recur at grade crossings.

To improve safety, coastal South County cities continue to add quad-crossing gates that meet in the middle to most of the train crossings along the FEC tracks. Once that work is complete, elected bodies could petition the Federal Railroad Administration to have FEC and Brightline trains not blow horns in their cities, creating quiet zones.

In Delray Beach, eight of 11 crossings will get that treatment by the end of April, City Manager Mark Lauzier said. Those crossings are: Northeast Eighth, Second and First streets; Atlantic Avenue; Southeast Second, Fourth and 10th streets; and Linton Boulevard.

The county Transportation Planning Agency (formerly called the Metropolitan Planning Organization) is paying for the upgrades.

In addition to the crossing gates, Delray Beach installed a 4-foot-high aluminum rail fence between Atlantic Avenue and Northeast First Street. The installation followed the August 2016 death of a woman who cut across the tracks and was hit by a freight train.

City Commissioner Shelly Petrolia has asked Lauzier to let the commission know of any other areas where people are cutting across the tracks and a fence is needed.

The \$30,644 fence cost could be reimbursed by the agency through its annual grant process, Nick Uhren, its executive director, said at the Feb. 6 Delray Beach commission meeting.

He also asked the

commissioners to remind pedestrians and bicyclists to obey the crossing arms when they are down.

“Before the commission meeting, I was at the Northeast Second Street crossing,” Uhren said. “A Brightline train was approaching from the north and another Brightline train was coming from the south. The crossing arms were down and a bicyclist rode around them. Please don’t go around them and try to beat the train.”

Brightline safety issues were raised at a roundtable of mayors and their representatives hosted by U.S. Rep. Lois Frankel in late January. Mayors asked for a meeting with federal officials on the technicalities of quiet zones.

Frankel contacted the Federal Railroad Administration and followed with a reminder letter in mid-February. She was seeking a meeting in the next few weeks.

In mid-February, a Highland Beach man was injured when he stopped his vehicle on the FEC tracks for a red light at Camino Real in Boca Raton when the crossing gates came down. Benjamin Morelli, 90, was unable to get out of his car before it was struck by a northbound Brightline train, said Jessica Desir, spokeswoman for the Boca Raton police.

In Boynton Beach, which had two fatalities involving Brightline trains in January, four more intersections will be getting the quad-crossing gates, said Jeff Livergood, public works director.

The additional intersections are: Boynton Beach Boulevard and East Ocean, Southeast Fifth and Southeast 12th avenues.

The upgrades should be finished in April, he said, and will be paid for by the Transportation Planning Agency using state Department of Transportation money.

Martin Luther King Boulevard, Woolbright Road and Southeast 36th Avenue already have the quad gates, he said.

“I wish that motorists and pedestrians would use good judgment when using our roadways and crosswalks,” Livergood said.

Two lawmakers have submitted bills in the state Legislature that would require train lines that operate at speeds over 80 mph to pay to install fencing along both sides of the track, install crossing arms and pay to maintain what was installed.

Brightline argues that more regulations are unnecessary.

“Brightline has been running PSAs [public service announcements] on local radio and broadcast stations since early last year reminding the public that when you see tracks, think train! And to stay off train tracks,” its spokeswoman said. ★



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Delray Beach

Consultant depicts vision of world-class downtown

By Jane Smith

Delray Beach has a thriving downtown that is the envy of cities nationwide. With some changes, the city could create “a world-class shopping district” that is sustainable through recessions, said Robert Gibbs, an urban design consultant.

Hired by the city’s Downtown Development Authority, Gibbs gave city commissioners the draft results of what he called a “Shopability Analysis” on Feb. 20.

He focused on Atlantic Avenue between the interstate and the ocean. He talked about parking management, retail mix, sidewalks and crosswalks, store signs, parking signs and street furniture such as garbage cans and benches.

Mayor Cary Glickstein asked the overarching question: “How do we protect that which makes us valuable?”

First, Gibbs recommended the city study its parking capacity to determine the number of spaces in the downtown and whether it needs to add more, in terms of a public garage. Then the city should consider a pilot parking meter program for Atlantic Avenue west of the Intracoastal Waterway.

Gibbs likes individual meters because he thinks visitors find them easier to use. The city has purchased parking kiosks for use in the downtown between the waterway and Swinton Avenue.

As to parking fees, he recommended the first two or three hours be free. In the public garages, the lower floors should be reserved for visitors, not valet use, he said.

Parking tickets should be given on a sliding scale. “The first ticket should come with a thank-you card,” telling the visitor that no fine is levied but thanking the person for visiting Delray Beach, Gibbs said.

He also recommends installing unified signs for public parking lots and garages and private valet services to make it easier for visitors to find their way around the downtown.

Another goal suggested by Gibbs would be to enforce the sidewalk clearance of 6 feet

west of the waterway. Gibbs said restaurateurs like to encroach on the space, forcing families pushing strollers into the street.

He also advised the city to trim landscaping that encroaches on the sidewalks. Repairing or replacing buckled brick pavers on the sidewalks would allow for a smooth walking surface for pedestrians, he said.

Gibbs said cleaning sidewalks, parking garages and city parking lots weekly would make visitors think downtown Delray Beach is world class.

Three years ago, former City Manager Don Cooper wowed the commission with a similar vision of creating Disney-like levels of cleanliness and safety in the downtown. In February,

Commissioner Shelly Petrolia told Gibbs, “you are speaking our language ... You know who we are.”

Gibbs wants the city to ban anything that cheapens the downtown and makes it look like a shopping center, such as dark-tinted windows.

Vice Mayor Jim Chard asked about a digital sign for Old School Square, which often has a few events taking place simultaneously in different buildings.

“That sign will downgrade you to a strip shopping center,” Gibbs said. “Plus, if you allow that organization to have an animated sign, you have to allow it for all.”

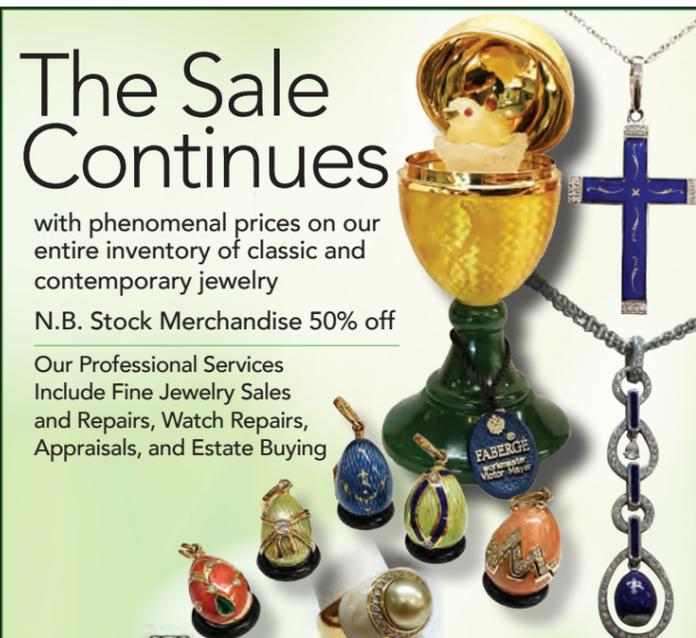
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PARADE

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2011 parade, and his predecessor Petunia, the potbellied pig famous for her fancy ruffles and sparkly tiara.

Occasionally, some of the pigs strayed from the parade path.

"Sometimes they would run free and into a store," said David Cook, owner of Hand's Office and Art Supply. "Some of them got so fat that they had to ride in the back of an SUV." Animal activists protested the pigs' involvement.

Two celebrity pigs are being driven down from Jacksonville for this year's parade, and, while they won't be painted green, parade manager John Fischer of Code 3 Events Inc. expects they'll be costumed appropriately. "One of them is quite portly and won't be able to walk the whole route, but he can ride in a stroller," he said.

This year's parade, which begins at 2 p.m. March 17, is the 50th and may be the last one, according to Fischer, a retired captain with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue.

"It's been a rollercoaster ride with the [city's] special events policies — the fee structure, pricing, what have you," said Fischer, who has managed the parade for five years. "We're a nonprofit, not a business. Maybe a large, corporate-level entity can afford these prices. But I don't see a nonprofit coming in and being able to afford the fee structure. That's why we have to respectfully bow out."

The estimate for this year's parade is \$65,000.

"We've been given a \$50,000 sponsorship by the city, which means we're responsible for \$15,000," Fischer said. "That is a far cry from what we got hit with last year when we were given an estimate of \$56,000. But on top of that there were hidden costs that were mandated on us like \$14,000 for barricades. That wasn't in the contract. That was a side mandate that we had to have."

On top of that, Code 3 had to pay about \$1,500 for insurance and a few other costs.

New Delray Beach City Manager Mark Lauzier said comparing costs from last year to this year is complicated and the side-by-side comparisons are not apples to apples.

"For example, barricade costs were paid separately by the promoter last year and we had to add those costs to create the comparison," he said. "That said, the cost increase is 9 percent and approximately \$6,200. Of that amount, service fluctuations are the main reason for the change. Assuming personnel costs increased at plus 5 percent, to obtain that portion of the cost increase yields a rough guess of \$2,500, but that's really hard to determine."

Lauzier said the decision on continuing the parades is a matter for further discussion.

"After this year's event where I will get to experience the parade firsthand, I will be talking to the fire chief, because it is a great promotional and



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community-building event opportunity that I believe he would be interested in continuing. No decision on that yet, but we will be talking soon after this one ends."

Despite financing concerns, Fischer says this year's parade will be special. Three members (maybe more) of Maury Power's family have agreed to be grand marshals. Maury's cousin James Power is flying in from Ireland. Terry Power, a nephew from Safety Harbor, will be there, as will Katie Power, Maury's granddaughter from Delray Beach.

As they have for the past three years, organizers have injected the nonprofit organization Honor Flight into the front wall of the parade. Sixty or more World War II veterans in their Honor Flight wheelchairs will be pushed by police officers and firefighters.

"There hasn't been a dry eye on the street when the veterans go by," Fischer said. "People are crying their eyes out, in a good way, just looking at that visual of veterans being treated with such honor and respect."

When the veterans reach the parade review stand, on the second story of 32 East School Square, former interim City Manager Terry Stewart (now city manager in Arcadia) will sing the national anthem.

Also at that location at Swinton and Atlantic will be



Parade manager John Fischer is also a bagpipe player. File photo/The Coastal Star

two fire department ladder trucks hanging a 20-by-30-foot U.S. flag. Those two will be part of a 12 ladder-truck team from fire departments from Miami up to Martin County.

Several large fire and police bagpipe bands are coming in from places like Long Island and Washington, D.C.

"I tell people it's not all about the firefighters, it's not all about the police, you're going to see the rest of society behind them — your schools, your civic groups, organizations, businesses, nonprofits, arts and entertainment, everything from A to Z," said Fischer, a bagpiper himself.

In conjunction with the parade, a St. Patrick's Day Festival will be March 16-17 at Old School Square. "The festival is a major fundraiser for the parade," said Fischer, who has rallied firefighters, police and drum and bagpipe bands to participate since 2009.

The crowds have grown beyond expectations since then. The all-time high came in 2012, when an estimated 100,000 people watched and celebrated.

2012 crowd out of hand

"It was scary how many people came," Fischer recalled. "It was like Times Square on New Year's Eve."

The liquor consumption was out of control and there was a shortage of portable toilets. Downtown business owners were not happy.

"With all the drinking and the 85-degree heat, people were falling over like Weebles," said Cook, a former member of the city's Downtown Development Authority. "As a merchant, you can only take so much public urination. It just got out of hand."

To remedy the predicament, parade organizers didn't ask for an open container waiver after 2012.

"It caused a little bit of an uproar in town," Fischer said. Red Solo cup protesters showed up at City Hall. But the brouhaha subsided after a while.

The liquor ban irked Robinson, owner of The Man of Steam carpet cleaning business. "We used to be able to drink in front of stores and they put the kibosh on that. It used to be fun."

After 2012, crowd size decreased — between 40,000 and 50,000 attended last year's parade. "But the quality increased," Fischer said. "Businesses were saying 'now I'll sponsor, contribute.' So that's what it did in a good way. It attracted more families. It improved the cultural value, with firefighters and cops coming in from five different countries."

Bringing in first responders from different states and countries has boosted tourism revenue, Fischer said.

"These people are coming here and getting hotel rooms," he said. "That speaks to economic impact. If you talk to the tourism council, they'll tell you what heads on beds means. Once you start killing tourism in your town, for whatever reason, whether it be a handful of merchants on the avenue that are complaining bitterly against shutting that street down, they're not looking at the big picture."

While everyone agrees the parade has been the source of merrymaking, not everyone thinks the current incarnation is better.

"It has turned into a firefighters' convention," said Mary McCarty, a former city

(and county) commissioner who appeared in several parades on behalf of the Village Pub, where she was a bartender in the 1980s. When the parade ended, she said, people would pile into Power's Lounge for corned beef and cabbage, and drinks of course.

Less local ambience

"It used to be a small-town, community thing," McCarty said. "It was good fun and something everybody looked forward to. But it got so big and a lot of locals don't go anymore."

Robinson said the parade at which he carried his two small sons years ago has lost its luster. He remembers when the parade entry fee was a \$50 donation. "Now they want your first born and a bunch of legal stuff," he said.

The business-class entry for a float currently starts at \$425 depending on size (nonprofit donations begin at \$100).

"This is the price charged by the organization before us," Fischer said. "And when we took the parade over, the parade costs were around \$35,000 — now it's \$65,000."

After Maury Power died, Ed Gallagher, owner of a former downtown nightclub called City Limits, took charge until 2007, when Nancy Stewart's company, Festival Management Team, took the reins. Fischer's Code 3 Events took over after the 2013 parade.

Since Code 3 officially took over, more than \$12,000 has been given to first responder nonprofits, Fischer said. "And we have devoted over \$1.2 million worth of personal volunteer time, and cash out of pocket, putting together the parade and running it. This has afforded the platform for many other local, national and international nonprofits to showcase themselves and get their word out."

Robinson didn't go to last year's parade, although he may attend this year's. He has many fond memories.

"For years, our float was the entertainment," he said. "We had a deejay and at the end of the parade we would put the flatbed in the parking lot behind Power's and people danced. A good time was had by all."

For several years, he hired the Florida Brass drum and bugle corps to come down from Lakeland. They played iconic Irish tunes like *Danny Boy*.

Before Maury Power died, Robinson was charged with cleaning up Power's Lounge, at the railway tracks (now the site of Buddha Sky Bar), the day after the parade. "I wore my boots because there was 2 inches of slop covering the brown and white plaid carpet in the back room."

The raspy-voiced Maury Power, a cigarette hanging out of his mouth, would be in the pub with Robinson as early as 6 a.m. And Power always offered his assessment.

"Jesus, kid, we had a hell of a time," Power said to Robinson.

And they had a hell of a lot of company. ★

Boca Raton

Opponents' case against Chabad heard by appeals court

By Sallie James

The legal wrangling surrounding a fiercely contested proposal to build an orthodox synagogue and Israel museum near Boca Raton's beach continues to rage nearly three years after the project was proposed.

A panel of three judges in Miami heard yet another round of legal arguments in late January at the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Miami. The case stems from a 2015 proposal by Chabad of East Boca to construct a sprawling 18,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art synagogue and interactive Israel museum at 770 E. Palmetto Park Road.

City activists Kathleen Barr MacDougall and Gerald Gagliardi in February 2016 accused the city of ignoring parking deficiencies and

approving a building that exceeded allowed heights. They claimed the city approved deviations and variances that did not meet legal criteria.

U.S. District Judge Kenneth A. Marra dismissed the case in July 2016, ruling the pair had no standing to challenge the city's decision because they failed to prove injury because of the city's actions. The duo specifically failed to demonstrate how the change in zoning laws harmed them. They also failed to prove how a building can be "injurious" without stating how it caused injury. Attorney Arthur Koski subsequently filed an amended complaint on behalf of MacDougall and Gagliardi, upon which the arguments on Jan. 31 centered.

The case focuses on what MacDougall and Gagliardi claim was an "illegal"

zoning change they say was unfairly beneficial to Chabad and would harm their neighborhood. They want the zoning invalidated and a federal injunction banning further application approvals.

"We are awaiting a ruling," Koski said. "They could affirm the District Court's ruling that the plaintiffs don't have standing to bring an action, or they could rule the plaintiffs do have standing to bring an action and remand it back to the district judge."

The city is again seeking to have Gagliardi and MacDougall's latest attempt dismissed as well.

The city submitted a brief to the court claiming the issue is moot because a Palm Beach Circuit Court panel in June 2016 ruled that the city should have denied the project because it lacked proper

parking.

As a result, Chabad must file a new site plan with the city to pursue the project.

"The result of the circuit court's decision is that Chabad no longer holds necessary development approvals entitling it to build on the property," attorney Jamie Cole wrote in a brief filed with the court. "Consequently, appellants' only remaining constitutional complaints are merely generalized grievances that this court lacks subject matter jurisdiction to consider."

The brief also states Gagliardi and MacDougall lack standing because they have not proved injury.

"All we're asking for is equal treatment," said Rabbi Ruvi New, head of the Chabad of East Boca Raton. "We're grateful that the City and our

local community have long treated us fairly, and we're hopeful that the Court will protect our right to be equal members of the Boca Raton community."

The synagogue proposal was controversial from the start. Residents who live in neighborhoods on the barrier island near the proposed site turned out in force to protest it, claiming it was too ambitious, would draw too much traffic and create parking issues on the 0.84-acre property. Residents also voiced opposition to the height of the proposed synagogue, claiming it would be intrusive.

The Chabad has been trying to find a new home since 2008, when the congregation wanted to move into a building near Mizner Park, but was unable to meet parking requirements there. ★

City ownership and plans for golf course amble forward

By Steve Plunkett

The city and the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District were poised to take ownership of the Boca Teeca golf course as soon as \$19 million from the sale of municipal bonds came through. The deal was expected to close March 1.

Beach and park commissioners also hired Pro Links Sports, the company that managed the Boca Raton Championship in February, to help them rank the 15 firms that want to design the new course.

Commissioners sat through seven-plus hours of presentations from the design firms over three days in late January and February.

"The next project that we

have, however, is selecting a design architect and that ... from my observation of these presentations, is going to be a monumental task for commissioners," said Arthur Koski, the district's executive director. Commissioners also reopened their request for proposals to see if any other golf course architects are interested.

The district will pay Pro Links \$12,000 a month for its consulting services. Eddie Carbone, tournament director of the Boca Raton Championship, will be the point man for the Boca Teeca guidance along with Pro Links' chief executive, Hollis Cavner.

Commissioner Susan Vogelgesang, who dealt directly with Cavner and

Carbone at the championship, said both men are "very reasonable people — they listen."

Koski said Pro Links would work with the district at least six months and possibly as long as two years. Commissioners can cancel the consulting contract with 30 days' notice.

"They've already come up with a couple of good ideas for us," Koski said.

Carbone was instrumental in persuading the city and the district to contribute \$500,000 apiece to keep this year's tournament in Boca Raton after insurance firm Allianz SE of Germany pulled out as corporate sponsor.

But Boca Raton and the Beach & Park District both said their bailouts were

one-time only. Pro Links separately is looking for another corporation to fill the sponsorship role.

For the Boca Teeca deal, the Beach & Park District planned to purchase nine holes of the course, all east of Northwest Second Avenue in the north part of the city, for \$5 million cash. The city's bond money was to pay for the 18 holes west of the road. Currently called Ocean Breeze, the course will be renamed Boca National.

The city was to take ownership of the 18 holes, then transfer title to the district after it pays off the bond issue.

At a candidate forum, Monica Mayotte and Kim Do, who are running for City Council, said part of the \$65 million the city will get from the sale of its western

golf course should be spent rehabilitating the Ocean Breeze purchase.

"That makes sense — golf for golf," Mayotte said.

Boca Teeca residents started pressing the city and the Beach & Park District more than a year ago to save Ocean Breeze, fearing developer Lennar Homes LLC would plow it under and replace their golf course views with views of more condos. ★

The next edition of *The Coastal Star* will be delivered the weekend of April 6

City funds will help animal shelter repair Irma damage

The Tri-County Humane Society will receive a \$104,000 city grant to help with repairs and reconstruction to buildings damaged by Hurricane Irma.

The City Council in February unanimously agreed to provide the no-kill animal shelter with the funds. The shelter sustained significant damage Sept. 10 when a large tree fell on the facility's isolation building during the storm. The building housed about 40 dogs and cats with contagious diseases.

The 2,400-square-foot building was too severely damaged to continue to use.

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Highland Beach

Civility on Town Commission a major issue in election

By Rich Pollack

When voters in Highland Beach take to the polls March 13, they'll be choosing from six candidates who all say restoring civility to the Town Commission is a key issue for the community — and who all think they're the candidate who can help make that happen.

"Civility is a big issue," said Peggy Gossett-Seidman, who along with Carl Gehman, George Kelvin and John Ross, is running for the three-year commission seat held by Kelvin. "I've sat through many meetings that are so dysfunctional that it makes people uncomfortable."

Over the past several months there have been several 3-2 votes, with Mayor Carl Feldman, Vice Mayor Bill Weitz and Kelvin often voting in the

majority, and commissioners Rhoda Zelniker and Elyse Riesa in the minority.

Weitz, who has served as vice mayor for the last three years, is running for re-election and is being challenged by resident Alysén Africano-Nila.

"The commission is broken down into two camps and it's all about winning," said Ross, who is making his first bid for public office in Highland Beach.

Like the other candidates, Ross thinks the commission needs to focus on town business and stop the bickering that has become commonplace.

"I'm not impressed by people shouting at one another," he said. "The reason we've become uncivil is because the commissioners don't know how to properly debate issues."

Gehman, making his second

run for a commission seat, echoes Ross' concerns, saying commissioners should focus more on setting policy and less on personalities.

"You can't get anything done if you're going to talk about each other," he said. "Let's talk about policy."

He thinks that if commissioners kept their focus on policy, meetings would be shorter and more productive.

Kelvin, who was appointed to the commission in 2017 for one year following the death of Commissioner Lou Stern, thinks the commission would do better if everyone on the board followed Robert's Rules of Order.

"There are some commissioners who aren't aware of Robert's Rules," he said. "I like to live by the rules — Robert's Rules in particular."

Bringing the commission's focus back to the issues is also a priority for both candidates running for vice mayor.

"The whole goal should be to get things done and moving forward," said Africano-Nila, also making her first bid for elected office in Highland Beach. "Mutual respect is of the utmost importance."

Weitz, who recently apologized for an outburst in November while criticizing Riesa, said he believes politics plays a role in the split.

"We need to focus on town business and forget about politics," he said.

While the split on the commission is along gender lines — and some in the community may see gender as an issue — the candidates say qualifications are more important.

"It doesn't matter if you're male or female," Gehman said. "It should be about policy."

Says Africano-Nila: "Gender isn't an issue. It's about having the right person in the office."

The mayor is paid \$15,000, while the vice mayor/commissioners are paid \$12,000.

In addition to casting ballots for a commissioner and a vice mayor, Highland Beach voters will be asked to give the town the green light to spend up to \$2.1 million on a streetscape project, which includes replacing the existing 3-mile walk path as well as other improvements.

The project needs voter approval because the town's charter prohibits commissioners from spending more than \$350,000 on any one project without it. ★

Four candidates running for one commission seat

Highland Beach voters will elect a town commissioner from among four candidates and a vice mayor from two running. Both seats are three-year terms. Voters also will decide on whether to fund the construction of a streetscape improvement project at a maximum cost of \$2.1 million. — Steven J. Smith



George Kelvin
(incumbent)

Personal: 80+; graduated from Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, N.Y., with a B.F.A. in art; married; three children,

four grandchildren; 20-year resident of Highland Beach.

Professional: Retired; was a scientific and medical illustrator, working for such publications as *Scientific American*, *Forbes* and *Discover* magazine. Also illustrated college textbooks in medicine and science.

Political experience: Has served one year on the Highland Beach Town Commission, taking over for the late Lou Stern.

Positions on issues: Supports the streetscape improvement project; wants more crosswalks with appropriate lighting; opposes Milani Park development.

Quote: "My most pressing goal is to serve the residents of Highland Beach to the best of my ability. Whatever comes up, I am looking out for their interests."



Carl Lee Gehman

Personal: 69; attended two years at Lancaster Business School; married; four children, seven grandchildren;

four-year resident of Highland Beach.

Professional: Served in the Marine Corps in Vietnam (Purple Heart); was a sales and marketing manager for 30 years; invented and currently markets the Roller Tanner, a device used to apply oils, creams, medications and cleaning agents.

Political experience: None.

Positions on issues: Wants to develop and restore seascape, beaches and shores; advocates for a thriving, fun and enjoyable community in which to live and play; wants to bring back the "barrier" in barrier island; supports managing Town Hall spending; wants to gather input from residents on the 3-mile walkway; advocates protection of wildlife for future generations.

Quote: "Gehman, the voice of reason. Let's restore civility to politics."



Peggy Gossett-Seidman

Personal: 64; graduated from Michigan State University with a B.A. in creative writing

and minors in journalism and history; married; three children; 27-year resident of Highland Beach.

Professional: Combines writing, marketing and public relations skills for South Florida publications, schools and organizations.

Political experience: None.

Positions on issues: Advocates enforcement of ordinances to protect residents and property; wants to see more federal, state and county grants written for town improvements; wants more crosswalks and street lighting in town; wants streetscape plan revised before it's passed to incorporate current budget and better construction materials; wants to bury cables and wires in underground conduits; endorses implementation of more evening commission meetings for working residents and better Town Hall dialogues; wants Milani Park to remain green and protected; favors alleviation of street flooding; advocates vigilance for the Intracoastal Waterway, seawalls, beaches and sea levels.

Quote: "Highland Beach should be run as a whole entity like a big family, not to favor special interests or benefit select citizens. It's not a problem getting things done when they're done correctly. I will serve as a strong, independent commissioner who will maintain dignity and decorum while considering any voting issue with the interests of all people always in my mind."



John Ross

Personal: 70; graduated from Syracuse University with a B.A. in political science, then went

to the State University of New York in Albany and got a master's degree in public administration; married; one child; 6-year resident of Highland Beach.

Professional: Spent his career in information technology, building IT systems to run big businesses and governments. Worked at American Management Systems, which was acquired by CGI Group. By the end of his career, he was chief information officer.

Political experience: None.

Positions on issues: Concerned with the dysfunction on the current Town Commission; wants a comprehensive plan to deal with rising waters and beach replenishment; wants more street crossing efforts put in place; wants a comprehensive budget review; wants removal of invasive plant species; would like public transportation set up for indigent and elderly people.

Quote: "I'd like to make Highland Beach as efficient and safe a town as is humanly possible."

Voters to decide ballot question about streetscape project

Highland Beach voters will be asked to approve setting aside \$2.1 million for a refurbished walking path. Here is the exact wording for the ballot question:

Approval to expend funds for streetscape improvements

May the town pledge and expend ad valorem taxes in an amount not to exceed two million, one hundred thousand dollars to fund streetscape improvements consisting of constructing a new walk path, upgraded signage, landscaping, lighting, and other similar accessories?

YES
NO

Candidate profiles compiled by Steven J. Smith

Highland Beach

Two vie to be vice mayor

An incumbent is running against a political newcomer to be the town's second-in-command. — *Steven J. Smith*



Alysen Africano-Nila

Personal: 53; B.A. in education

from Dowling College; married; two children; resident of Highland Beach for five years.

Professional: Background in teaching and corporate banking and finance in New York City; currently teaches part time at all grade levels.

Political experience: None.

Positions on issues: Interested in developing a comprehensive plan coordinated with FDOT to fix town drainage before proceeding with streetscape plan; wants to determine feasibility of underground utilities to modernize the town and minimize power outages; wants safer roads, bike paths and crosswalks; advocates keeping Milani Park undeveloped; concerned with keeping beaches clean and restoring natural environment; supports incorporating the town finance advisory board into the Town Commission to raise level of expertise regarding financial decisions; wants more civility and cooperation on the commission.

Quote: "My unique blend of career experience will be a valuable asset to the commission. I bring extensive financial expertise and the ability to lead, yet be fair, balanced and work as a team member with the commission, staff and our residents helping bring Highland Beach into the future."



William 'Bill' Weitz
(incumbent)

Personal: 72; Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the

University of Miami; unmarried; resident of Highland Beach for 20 years.

Professional: Former military psychologist, retired from the U.S. Army at the rank of lieutenant colonel; worked for the Veterans Administration for 18 years running outpatient clinics for combat veterans and their families; currently works as a forensic psychologist performing psychological services for state and federal courts.

Political experience: Has served as vice mayor of Highland Beach for the last three years.

Positions on issues: Feels the current Town Commission is micromanaging the town manager; wants to maintain high quality town services with conservative financial approaches; wants the town to reunify with St. Lucy Catholic Church in terms of cooperative programming and relationships; feels the town needs a new five-year strategic plan.

Quote: "I'm running on my basic belief that I have the competence, experience and commitment to public service which will benefit this town. I've shown those skills in my prior three years of service and I look forward to serving the town with the same level of energy."

Candidate profiles were compiled by conducting telephone interviews. Candidates were asked to supply personal information regarding their age, education, marital status and number of years residing in their municipalities. They were also asked to provide a brief history of their professional life and experience, if any, in holding public office. Finally, they were asked about their positions on issues facing their communities and to provide an overarching quote detailing the reasons they believe they should be elected (or re-elected) along with a current photograph.

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Boca Raton

Council candidates quizzed at forum

By Steve Plunkett

If campaign contribution dollars were votes, Deputy Mayor Jeremy Rodgers would be the shoo-in for the March 13 City Council election.

As of Feb. 9, Rodgers had collected \$57,970 in donations and a \$5,000 self-loan, campaign finance reports show. His election war chest far eclipsed that of his challenger for Seat C, Kim Do, who had \$1,800 in contributions and a \$30,889 self-loan. It also outpaced donations for all three hopefuls for Seat D: Monica Mayotte (\$19,325 from contributors; \$25,000 from herself), Armand Grossman (\$23,405 in contributions; \$50,000 self-loan), and Paul Preste (\$850 self-loan; he is not seeking contributions).

Grossman and Preste did not become candidates until Jan. 10 and Jan. 8 respectively, around the time incumbent Robert Weinroth withdrew from the council race to run for County Commission. Mayotte opened a campaign finance account in October.

Similarly, Do became a candidate Dec. 27; Rodgers started his re-election account in July.

At the city's first forum for this election, the candidates introduced themselves, answered questions and pleaded for votes. Comcast, AT&T U-verse and Hotwired are replaying the Feb. 8 session on Sundays, Mondays and Fridays before the vote, said the Federation of Boca Raton Homeowner Associations, which sponsored the event.

The federation also planned a "speed meet" session with the candidates for 8 a.m. March 6. And *The Boca Raton Tribune* scheduled a forum for 6 p.m. March 8 at the Wayne Barton Study Center, 269 NE 14th St.

Rodgers, a computer security expert at IBM and a cryptologic warfare officer in the Navy Reserves, said he seeks re-election to continue the work he has started as a council member.

"In my three years here, I've fought for limiting building heights, for controlling heights on the beach, protecting development rights on the beach, [and] not allowing our beach to be overrun by mansions," Rodgers said. "I've fought for responsible growth in development. I've also really fought for the best use of your tax dollars — my tax dollars and your tax dollars."

Rodgers wants to woo more corporate headquarters and entrepreneurial startups to Boca, partly because he knows his IBM job could end at any time. "I don't want two or three or four places in this community where I can send my résumé. I want 10, 20, 30,

40, 50," he said.

Do is a newcomer both to politics and to Boca Raton, having moved to the city in 2017. Born in Vietnam, Do came to the United States as a teenager in 1983. She is a certified public accountant and lawyer who began her career at the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C. Her two children attend Boca Raton Community Middle School.

"With all my CPA and my experience working in finance, I believe that adds a lot to making sure that your [tax] money is well-spent," Do said.

Do said she entered the race when she realized Rodgers was unopposed. "No one should win by default," she said. "I'm presenting you choices."

Mayotte is a part-time sustainability specialist at JM Family Enterprises after having information technology stints there and at Burger King headquarters in Miami-Dade County. She also is a former chair of the city's Green Living Advisory Board. She is endorsed by city firefighters, the police and council member Andrea O'Rourke.

"I won't tax you more, and my technology background will help bring the kind of efficiencies and improvements that will keep our city on fiscal track. We should be working together more, residents and businesses, to move our community forward," Mayotte said.

Grossman graduated in Florida Atlantic University's inaugural class, then spent 30 years as a teacher and administrator in Miami-Dade schools. He won two terms to the Miami Springs City Council and more recently was president of the FAU Alumni Association, chairman of the FAU Foundation board and on the Palm Beach County Planning Commission. He has the endorsements of County Commissioner and former Mayor Steven Abrams, former Mayor Susan Whelchel and FAU coaching legend Howard Schnellenberger.

"I first came to Boca Raton 53 years ago, in 1965. I fell in love with South Florida in general and Boca Raton in particular, and I've had a longstanding love affair with the area," Grossman said.

Preste, an internist with a medical practice and health-care delivery business in Fort Lauderdale, said the current City Council is too reactive.

"I would like to suggest that we at the council and mayoral level try to be and work at a more proactive level regarding our future plans for our wonderful city," he said.

The mayor is paid \$38,000 a year, while council members are paid \$28,000 a year. ★

Three candidates compete for Seat D

Boca Raton is governed by a five-member City Council elected at large to designated seats on a nonpartisan basis. The mayor and council members are elected for three-year terms. Members who have served two consecutive terms are not eligible to be elected to that office for the succeeding term. The mayor's and council members' seats designated A and B are elected in one year; the council members in the seats designated C and D are elected in the following year. The electorate changed the City Charter in 2006 to provide for two three-year terms. — *Steven J. Smith*

SEAT D



Armand Grossman

Personal: 74; B.A. in political science, master's

degrees in human behavior and in business administration, all from Florida Atlantic University, as well as a certificate from Harvard University in finance; married; two children; resident of Boca Raton for 19 years, from 1965-1967 then 2002-present.

Professional: Spent 35 years in Miami-Dade County public schools as a school administrator, basketball coach and guidance counselor; taught psychology of personal performance to freshmen at FAU from 2003-2006; taught entrepreneurship as a professor at Northwood University from 2011-2013; currently owns Green Tree Media, a TV production company.

Political experience: Was vice mayor of Miami Springs from 1977-1981 and was director of the Dade League of Cities; recently appointed to the board of trustees for FAU and the Palm Beach County Planning Commission.

Positions on issues: Concerned with overdevelopment, traffic flow and overcrowding in the schools.

Quote: "In terms of building, we need to catch our breath, take a beat and figure out what we really need and what is really important. I think Boca Raton is the shining city on the beach. It is a fabulous place to live, work, learn and play. It is my intention as an experienced leader to maintain that status."



Monica Mayotte

Personal: 55; graduated from Florida State

University with a B.S. in management information systems from the School of Business; married; two children; resident of Boca Raton for 21 years.

Professional: Started out as an IT professional for 20 years — programmer, project manager, business analyst — then left the business world to raise her children. Returned six years ago to JM Family Enterprises — the parent company for Southeast Toyota in Deerfield Beach — as a contractor in the environmental services department calculating the company's carbon footprint.

Political experience: None.

Positions on issues: Overdevelopment, which is affecting traffic, parking and the overall quality of life; wants to bring back transparency and accountability to the City Council.

Quote: "My main driving force is to be the voice of the residents of Boca Raton. I spent nine years as an advisory board member and it opened my eyes to the fact that the residents' voices aren't being heard loud enough."



Paul G. Preste

Personal: 65; graduated summa cum laude from the

University of Florida with a B.S. in chemistry; graduated from the University of South Florida Medical School with a medical doctor degree; attended the University of South Carolina and received a degree of internal medicine specialist; married; two children; 12-year resident of Boca Raton.

Professional: Practices internal medicine at Preste Medical, his own Fort Lauderdale practice, and has associations with several major area hospitals.

Political experience: None.

Positions on issues: Concerned with traffic flow, overdevelopment, high-density population, overcrowded schools and a local government that might not truly represent its residents.

Quote: "I will be the best candidate with the most faithfulness to the people of Boca Raton. My goal is to make Boca Raton continue to be a wonderful place to live and to do those things that make a community great. I am equipped because I know people, I understand people and I am able to make that happen."

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Two vie for Seat C

An incumbent is running against a political newcomer for the second council seat in Boca Raton. — Steven J. Smith

SEAT C



Kim Do

Personal: 48; bachelor's degree in accountancy /

business from the University of San Diego; law degree from the University of Washington, a master of law degree from Georgetown Law Center; single mother; two children; resident of Boca Raton for less than a year.

Professional: Started her business law career with the federal government in Washington, D.C., then went into the private sector, working for various financial institutions including hedge funds in her native Vietnam. One of her positions was head of legal for a multinational fund that managed an investment portfolio of over \$2 billion in various asset classes. Declined to disclose what career she is currently engaged in.

Political experience: None.

Positions on issues: Wants to increase school capacity and services; advocates for more job creation and smart growth.

Quote: "I believe that with my well-rounded education, high-level working experience and passion, I will add a global perspective to the leadership of Boca Raton and help make the city an even more fantastic place."



Jeremy Rodgers
(incumbent)

Personal: 39; graduated from Florida

Atlantic University with bachelor's and master's degrees in computer engineering and a minor in business; married; four children; 20-year resident of Boca Raton.

Professional: Has worked for IBM for the last 18 years as a technical sales lead with government agencies, law enforcement and military entities. Is a Navy reservist.

Political experience: Three years on the Boca Raton City Council.

Positions on issues: Wants to see everyone in town properly represented; wants to provide job opportunities for future generations; wants Boca to be a city friendly to veterans, making sure they can find jobs or start their own businesses; wants to see Boca evolve into a city where the technology field can flourish.

Quote: "We live in an amazing city. It takes continual work to make sure we continue to live in such an exceptional city. There's a lot of potential out there — the next great invention, the next great startup. The next great leader might be a student who comes from our schools. It's my job to see that our city is set up to be the foundation for that to happen."

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Boca Raton

Public input scuttles talk of boat launches at Rutherford Park

By Steve Plunkett

Boaters and landlubbers alike appear to have put the kibosh on a proposal to add boat launches at Rutherford Park.

Only one person held up his hand signaling a desire to proceed at the end of a crowded outreach session Feb. 26 at the Downtown Library.

“Who will be accountable for the opinions that you’ve heard here today, which is 99 to 1?” asked the boater who sought the show of hands.

Dan Grippo, the city’s municipal services director, said his department would carefully consider the input.

“Clearly no one here wants boat ramps, so it probably won’t go anywhere,” Grippo said. “Typically, from my

experience here in six years, when the public speaks out, you tend to get what you want in the projects we’re in charge of. ... If you don’t want them, trust me, they don’t happen.”

The evening started off calmly, with consultant Mike Jenkins of Applied Technology and Management Inc. polling the room to determine that more than half the 150 attendees owned a boat, perhaps a quarter owned a kayak or paddleboard.

Jenkins went through the concept: adding two double boat launches to a centrally located spoil island in the park, along with a bridge to reach the island, converting the parking area to accommodate 67 boat trailers and seven cars without trailers, adding three boat

wash-down areas.

Few residents were impressed.

“I don’t want to spend 2 miles of idle speed coming down to get to Palmetto Park Road and then go outside.

... That trip would add 20 minutes ... each way,” said Bill Trinka, who wanted assurances that the double launch at Silver Palm Park would remain where it is.

Over and over, residents asked about Silver Palm. Jennifer Bistyga, the city’s coastal program manager, tried with little success to keep the discussion on Rutherford Park, the announced topic of the evening. While the session was open to the public at large, at the City Council’s direction Bistyga had made an effort to invite all Boca Raton boaters who held Silver Palm launch permits.

Other residents were concerned about effects on the environment. Michele Peel, president of the Friends of Gumbo Limbo, cautioned that the proposed boat launches would be right across from the nature center.

“This is Gumbo Limbo’s backyard,” she said. “People come to get close to nature ... to see animals that are living over in the ... area, animals that are not compatible with having an active, motorized boat launch there. Those animals will disappear.”

Still other concerns were raised about how boaters would ignore markings leading to the main Intracoastal Waterway channel 450 feet away and take shortcuts over seagrass, how trailer traffic would clog Northeast 24th Street and Federal Highway, and whether boaters and paddleboarders could coexist close by.

Bistyga passed out a survey for residents to fill out but did not have to go far to advise the City Council about what happened. Mayor Susan Haynie, Deputy Mayor Jeremy Rodgers and council members Scott Singer and Andrea O’Rourke were quietly watching the proceedings.

Overall, the gathering gave a collective thumbs-up to plans to remove exotic plants and restore Rutherford’s boardwalk and canoe trails. Several people complained about homeless people congregating in the park.

Gene Folden, chairman of the marine advisory board, said “it’s hard to say” how representative the session was of the city’s overall boating community, but that attendees had made their point.

“Their message was, they like their Silver Palm Park,” Folden said. ★

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Boca Raton

Council tasks city staff with devising rules for Midtown development

By Mary Hladky

Key decisions on how to proceed with the proposed Midtown development have been pushed well into the future.

City Council members on Jan. 23 postponed a vote on ordinances that set a framework for how Midtown could be built.

Instead, they voted 4-1, with Mayor Susan Haynie dissenting, to have staff develop a "small area plan" for the Midtown area between Interstate 95 and the Town Center at Boca Raton, where the developer proposes a "live, work, play" transit-oriented development that would include 2,500 residential units where none now exists.

One problem, however, was that council members and the developer had no idea what a small area plan is. The idea had been advocated by council member Andrea O'Rourke after Midtown neighbors objected to the project, largely out of fears that Midtown would put a lot more traffic on already overcrowded streets. But she was unable to explain specifically what she was seeking.

Council members tossed into city Development Services

Director Brandon Schaad's lap the task of determining what a small area plan would encompass.

What became clear when Schaad presented his report at the Feb. 12 Community Redevelopment Agency meeting was that creating the plan will delay decisions on how Midtown can proceed until July at the earliest, and probably later than that.

Schaad's proposed schedule would include public hearings in March and April to allow city residents to weigh in, analysis that would be completed in May, recommendations in June and a final report in July.

Schaad described the timeline as "aggressive."

"We are not guaranteeing this is done in July," said City Manager Leif Ahnell, adding that the city might need to hire a consultant to help.

Topics that would be considered include the mix of residential, retail and office, design of streets, ideas for a redesign of Military Trail, assessment of right-of-way needs, new infrastructure such as water and sewer lines and roads and how they would be paid for, and other matters such as open space, parking and allowable building heights.

Much of that, however, already has been done by the developer and city staff as the ordinances were developed.

"I am thrilled we are doing this, and I wish we had done this a year ago," O'Rourke said.

Angelo Bianco, managing partner of developer Crocker Partners, declined to comment after the meeting.

But the delays increase the possibility of litigation. Attorneys representing Crocker Partners contended in November that some key changes city staff made earlier to the proposed ordinances were illegal or unconstitutional.

Bianco has long signaled that he and other property owners in the Midtown area have waited long enough for the city to create the rules by which they can develop the area.

The project has bedeviled city officials from the start. Crocker Partners drafted the proposed ordinances. But that prompted complaints that the developer had assumed control of a city process, and the City Council ordered staff last summer to take back the reins.

That caused delays as staff reworked the ordinances. The revised versions, which were tweaked again after the city's Planning and Zoning Board offered recommendations, shocked the developer.

Landowners still could build 2,500 units, as originally proposed. But they could not be built until a new Tri-Rail station is operating in the heart of the project and until all street infrastructure is built, power lines buried and landscaping completed. Building heights were reduced to 105 feet from 145.

One reason for the disconnect on Midtown is that city officials have not seen renderings of what the area redevelopment would look like. That's because they don't exist.

Crocker Partners wanted the ordinances in place so they know what will be permitted before they spend \$1 million or more on site plans.

Bianco has tried in vain to reassure council members that once the site plans are created, they will have the opportunity to approve or disapprove them.

"We will come to you with a plan," he said in January. "We need to know before we spend the time and money that we are doing something that is not wasteful. We need the rules. ... In all other redevelopments, you get a set of rules first. Then you get a plan." ★



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Highland Beach

Tough new rules in place for filmmakers in town

By Rich Pollack

Moviemakers and others who want to film in Highland Beach be warned: Town officials and the Palm Beach County Film and Television Commission will work together to welcome you — but there are a lot of rules you're going to have to follow.

The Town Commission partnered with the county's film commission last month in an amendment to a 2013 interlocal agreement that provides filmmakers with a "one-stop-shop process" should they consider taking advantage

of Highland Beach as a setting during their next project.

In a resolution that passed unanimously, town commissioners agreed to strengthen the previous agreement, which lets the film commission be the first point of contact for those interested in filming in the town and serve as the liaison between the two groups.

The filming company would be required to fill out an application for review by the film commission staff to see if the project is a good fit and meets a dozen requirements set

out specifically for Highland Beach.

Film commission staff would then contact the town manager and police chief to review the application and make sure Highland Beach gives the green light for the production to proceed.

County Film Commissioner Chuck Eldred says the rules specified by the town are among the toughest in the county.

"This is one of the most one-sided interlocal agreements about film and television permitting any community can adopt," he said.

Sparked by complaints last year from residents about the production of a made-for-television movie about the mob and a subsequent party, the agreement with the county sets out 12 provisions. It also gives the town the right to block filming if leaders think the production would be disruptive or not a good fit for the community.

Among the requirements set out in the agreement are:

- Filming can take place only between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., with no filming on Sundays or town holidays without prior written approval from the town manager.
- A parking plan and off-site parking and a lighting plan, if applicable, must be provided to the town manager for approval.
- At least two days before production begins, filmmakers will have to notify in writing property owners within 500 feet of the production site when filming will start and how long it is expected to last.

• Film crew members cannot trespass on neighboring properties.

• The town manager or film commissioner may require the filming crew to have onsite security in place.

Eldred said as part of the process, the county film commission, an arm of the county's Tourist Development Council, has authority to pull a filming permit if any of the provisions of the agreement is broken.

Throughout the process, he said, the film commission will do the heavy lifting and work to ensure the best interests of the community come first. The film commission, he said, will continue to work with the town to make any other adjustments needed down the road.

"The interlocal agreement takes the burden of reviewing permits and working closely with the filmmakers off of the town," Eldred said. "We do all the work." ★

Spring Fling offers both fun and function

By Rich Pollack

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Or maybe you'd like to bring your kids to a scavenger hunt or get your pet registered in case he or she gets lost?

If you're a Highland Beach resident, you can get all of those things accomplished at the town's annual Spring Fling, set for 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 24 at Town Hall.

"The Spring Fling is a free, fun-filled event for both adults and children," said Town Clerk Lanelda Gaskins. "It's a great way to meet and greet town commissioners, staff and other residents."

The fling will be packed with things to do for everyone in the family, including pets.

The town will provide free hot dogs, sodas, water and

chips, and a variety of local food vendors will offer samples.

Representatives from the Highland Beach Public Library will conduct a book fair, offering surplus books, and firefighters will show off the town's new fire apparatus and offer free blood-pressure screenings.

Returning this year will be the Proshred truck, which will shred paper documents from residents at no charge.

As it has done for the past few years, the Highland Beach Police Department will have staff on hand to photograph your pet and enter the picture and information into a department database to assist recovery should the pet become lost.

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The welcome sign covers an entire wall at the new Customs building. Rich Pollack/The Coastal Star

Boca Raton

After tours for guests, new customs facility will complete move-in

By Rich Pollack

After years of planning and months of construction, a new U.S. Customs and Border Protection building at Boca Raton Airport is now complete, with operations expected to begin within several weeks.

The 4,400-square-foot facility was more than six months behind schedule because of construction and weather delays, but the city gave the agency a certificate of occupancy last month. It will be open to tours by community and business leaders this month.

Following the open-house tours, U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials will begin moving computers and other equipment into the building.

“There’s been tremendous support of this project in the community,” said Clara Bennett, the airport’s executive director.

Boca Raton officials said the center would work as another avenue to promote the city.

“The new facility will be a benefit to international companies wishing to relocate to Boca Raton,” said Mayor Susan Haynie. “Plus it adds to our global presence.”

Bennett said that during the invitation-only tours, visitors would have the chance to see a facility with a contemporary and attractive design.

“The goal was for it not to be a typical cookie-cutter building,” she said. “We wanted it to be a modern, state-of-the-art facility unique to Boca Raton that represents where the airport is going in the future.”

With a clean and open appearance, the facility has a modern design with a combination of metal and glass.

An eye-catching feature of the center is a large map of the world on a blue background with the words “Welcome to Boca Raton” on the wall.

“It represents the international nature of the facility,” Bennett said.

The \$4.3 million station will make it easier for air passengers coming from outside the country to Boca Raton to clear customs.

Now, planes coming from outside the United States

planning to land at Boca Raton Airport must first stop at an airport with a customs facility, such as Palm Beach International Airport or Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport. The passengers would then fly to Boca Raton Airport.

Bennett says the new Boca Raton center will enhance convenience for air travelers coming in from overseas, improve safety and decrease fuel costs because it will eliminate an additional landing and takeoff.

The center will also serve boaters coming from overseas who need to clear customs.

Once fully operational, the center will be open Thursday through Monday from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., considered the busiest times for international travelers at the airport. Additional hours will be available at an extra cost but must be prearranged.

While taxpayers fund customs facilities at Palm Beach International and Fort Lauderdale Executive airports at no cost to arriving travelers, Boca Raton Airport’s center will be a user-fee center, with travelers paying for the service.

The Airport Authority will pay Customs and Border Protection to operate the facility and will cover a variety of costs, including the salaries of assigned officers.

To recoup the estimated operational costs of \$244,000 for the first year and about \$205,000 every year afterward, the airport developed a fee structure that will enable it to pay for the service in approximately five to six years.

Groundbreaking for the new center took place in July 2016, and construction was scheduled to wrap up within a year. A turnover in construction managers, as well as delays caused by Hurricane Irma, pushed back the schedule.

Bennett said once the contractor is done with a checklist, customs officials would be taking over the final stages of preparation for a public opening.

“The keys will be given to customs officials and they’ll begin moving in their hardware,” she said. ★

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After the Parkland shooting

Boca Raton and Delray Beach city halls — Feb. 19, 21



In the days after the Feb. 14 mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, students from south Palm Beach County schools, including Boca High, West Boca High and Atlantic High in Delray Beach, conducted walkouts and marches in solemn solidarity with Stoneman Douglas students. Seventeen students and teachers were killed at Stoneman Douglas.

ABOVE: Students pause for 17 seconds of silence outside Boca Raton City Hall during a rally against gun violence.

RIGHT: (l-r) Elena Gaucher and Olivia Wojtecki, both Boca High seniors, and Carah Phillips, a Palm Beach State College student, show support at the 'Rally to End Gun Violence in America' outside Delray Beach City Hall.

BELOW: High school and middle school students gather outside Boca Raton City Hall in a rally against gun violence.

Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



Boca Raton

Camino Real Bridge to close for year of renovation

By Steve Plunkett

The city's historic Camino Real Bridge will close for a year to motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians while the 79-year-old structure undergoes long-needed repairs.

The connection between the barrier island and the mainland is set to close April 12. Detour signs will direct vehicular and foot traffic to the Palmetto Park Road bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway.

Broward County-based Kiewit Infrastructure South Co. submitted the winning low bid of \$8.9 million to Palm Beach County, which is responsible for the bridge.

The planned work includes minor widening of the fixed and bascule bridge elements and relocating the bridge-tender house from the south to the north on the island side. Also on the to-do list in the 253-foot-long project area are renovating and replacing the fender system, new mechanical equipment for the bridge, reconstruction of the roadway approaches and sidewalks and minor drainage improvements.

County engineers once hoped to tear down the bridge and replace it with a new, \$44 million span, but learned during the permitting process that it was protected as part of a county historic district.

"The new bridge will have a similar architectural design, the same clearance height and a similar railing," Boca Raton says on its website.

The two-lane drawbridge handles about 7,600 vehicles a day, according to the county's Historic Traffic Growth Table for 2017. By comparison, about 15,200 vehicles use the four-lane span at Palmetto Park Road, the table shows.

The Camino Real roadway was originally designed by architect Addison Mizner to connect the railroad station to the Boca Raton Resort and Club. In 1929 developer Clarence Geist put a temporary swing bridge at the end of the road to cross the Intracoastal.

The Public Works Administration built the permanent drawbridge 10 years later.

In 1997 the County Commission created the Camino Real Road and Bridge Historic District at the Boca Raton Historical Society's urging.

"What makes the area and these resources so important is Boca Raton did not evolve like other cities of its age, but rather was born of a grand conceptual plan" by Mizner, the county's registry of historic places says.

The bridge, also known as the Boca Raton Club Bridge, is one of three in the county deemed "structurally deficient" by the state. The others are the Southern Boulevard bridge connecting Palm Beach and West Palm Beach, which is now being replaced, and the U.S. 1 bridge over the Intracoastal in Jupiter. The state is evaluating replacement alternatives for the bridge. ★

Ocean Ridge

Lucibella trial postponed until end of April

By Steve Plunkett

Standing outside the courtroom, former Ocean Ridge Vice Mayor Richard Lucibella could not hide his disappointment at having to wait 10 more weeks for his felony trial to begin.

He and defense attorney Heidi Perlet appeared for a calendar call Feb. 20 before Circuit Judge Meenu Sasser, who set a "date certain" of April 30 for the proceedings.

"We were going to get bumped anyway," Perlet told her client, who is accused of felony battery on a law enforcement officer and two other charges.

"I know that. I was just hoping we could do it in March," Lucibella responded.

The case of a burglary suspect who

sought a speedy trial knocked Lucibella's original date off the judge's calendar. Rafael Llovera's trial took the rest of the week, with a jury finding him guilty of a lesser charge, trespassing, along with battery of the occupant and resisting arrest without violence.

Lucibella's new trial date is a year and three weeks past the original schedule, which called for the proceedings to begin April 10, 2017.

Lucibella, who also faces charges of resisting arrest with violence, another felony, and firing a weapon while under the influence of alcohol, a misdemeanor, waived his right to a speedy trial when the lawyers needed more time to question witnesses.

He has pleaded not guilty to all charges.

Perlet, a law partner of defense

attorney Marc Shiner, said the trial will feature testimony from more than 20 witnesses.

Lucibella was arrested Oct. 22, 2016, after Ocean Ridge police went to his oceanfront home to answer neighbors' reports of hearing gunfire. They confiscated a .40-caliber handgun and found five spent shell casings on the backyard patio.

He and a police supervisor, Lt. Steven Wohlfiel, were both on the patio and "obviously intoxicated," the officers said. They later determined the seized gun was Wohlfiel's.

Lucibella resigned his vice mayor and town commissioner positions Dec. 7, 2016.

His trial was postponed first to July 2017, then October, then February and now April. ★



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Boca Raton

Three 100-foot-tall towers, each with 16 condos, would front East Royal Palm Road at Fifth Avenue. **Rendering provided**



Nine-story condo project gets CRA approval

By Mary Hladky

A 48-unit luxury condominium, one in a long line of downtown projects awaiting city approval, has gotten the go-ahead for construction. The project, 475 Royal Palm, won unanimous approval Feb. 26 from Boca Raton City Council members

sitting as Community Redevelopment Agency commissioners.

In January, the city's Community Appearance Board unanimously recommended approval, and the Planning and Zoning Board agreed with a 6-1 vote.

The developer, Boca Raton-based Group P6, plans three

100-foot towers, each with 16 units. Parking for condo owners, guests and employees of the Morgan Stanley office building north of the condo will be in an underground parking garage.

The 201 parking spaces exceed the 184 required by the city. Seven parking spaces will be available to the public in the garage, and four more on the street. Nearly 45 percent of the project site will be open space, more than the 36 percent required.

Group P6 and RLC Architects have included public art, including a pineapple mosaic in a nod to the city's history of pineapple cultivation and additional mosaics that represent the four seasons and the city's slogan as "a city for all seasons."

Council members and two members of the public who spoke in favor of the project praised the buildings' design.

"It is a beautiful property," said one neighbor. "It will be quite an addition to the neighborhood."

Council members imposed three conditions for their approval.

If the city decides speed bumps are needed to calm traffic on Royal Palm Road, the developer will pay for them or reimburse the cost if the city pays for them. The developer already had offered to pay.

The project is not now designed for valet parking. If the developer wants to add that, city staff can approve the site plan change. If disagreements arise, the matter will come back to the council for a decision.

The developer will pay a School Board-imposed impact fee of nearly \$18,000. The council required that the money go to the city, which will determine how the money is spent on Boca Raton public schools.

Group P6 is working on two other downtown projects. The 24-unit, 327 Royal Palm luxury condo at 327 E. Royal Palm Road has been approved and is under construction. The developer has proposed Concierge at 22 SE Sixth St., west of Federal Highway, for senior residents. It would have 110 memory-care, assisted-living and independent-living units. ★

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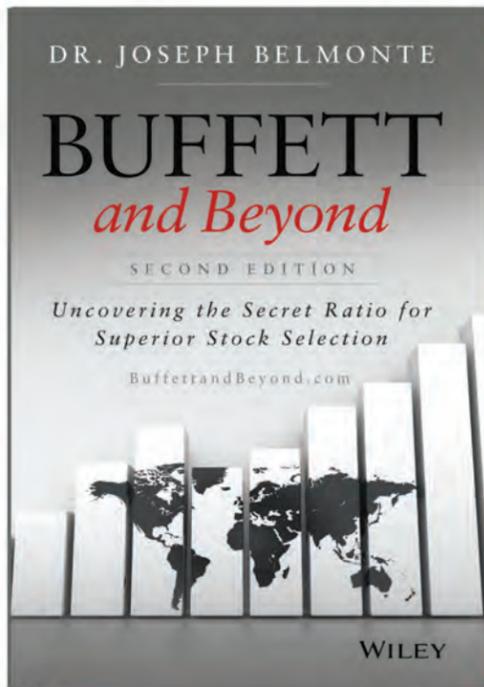
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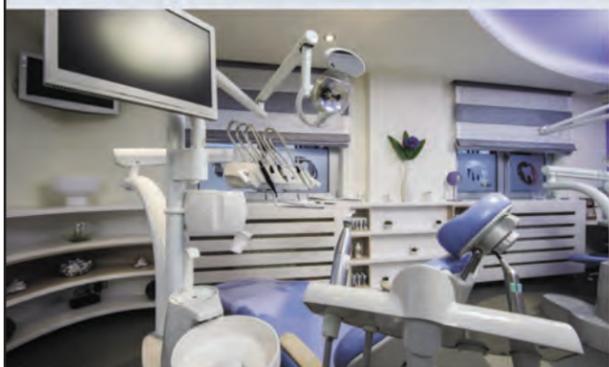
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Edith 'Edie' Hamm Ruh

LANTANA — Edith "Edie" Hamm Ruh died on Jan. 29. She was 89 years old.

Edie Ryan entered the world Dec. 12, 1928, the daughter of Bertie and Arthur Ryan, in



Washington's Crossing, N.J. She spent a seemingly idyllic childhood chasing her two older brothers, Sensor and Jack, along Jacob's Creek and summers camping on a family island along the Delaware River.

Always popular, quietly adventurous, painfully humble, tomboyishly athletic and naturally beautiful, the young Miss Ryan was well-liked and highly respected.

As a young teenager, she helped the WWII effort by packing parachutes for the Civil Air Patrol and climbing aboard small aircraft to help pilots spot U-boats off the coast of the Jersey shore.

She and her childhood friend Ruthie Dowdell built a tandem bicycle and took biking trips, camping along the way, as far away as to the Delaware Water Gap on the border of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, by themselves.

After her mother and father died (far too young), Miss Ryan married Joe Hamm.

Together they built an Airstream-like trailer and took off to tour the United States. They made it as far as Briny Breezes, where they lived for several years.

Kids arrived on the scene (John "Eric" in 1951 and Tom in 1954), which meant moving the trailer to the F1 spot each summer so that the boys could live directly across from the ocean and spend their days with toes in the sand.

They eventually moved into a home made of concrete block with a pool in Boynton Beach, which provided more room for more kids (Cathie in 1960 and Karen in 1961).

The Hamms divorced, forcing Edie into the workforce full-time to raise four kids on her own. She excelled at her job starting at the recently opened Bethesda Memorial Hospital, where she studied to become one of the first

intensive care specialty trained nurses in Palm Beach County. She eventually managed the critical care units.

Life took a pleasant turn when she met dentist Frank Ruh while on a cruise to Alaska with her best friend and nursing colleague, Mickey Gragg. Edie and Frank fell in love. Being that Frank was a native Californian, they moved to LaQuinta, Calif., to begin a 30-year span of love, travel, laughs and more family to embrace.

The couple resettled in The Villages for approximately 15 years before Frank's death.

For the past several months, Mrs. Ruh had been a resident of Arbor Oaks in Lake Worth. While there, she forged friendships with ladies like herself — all independent, capable, humble and kind.

Mrs. Ruh will always be remembered for her radiant smile, natural beauty, quiet determination, kind caring and sense of personal responsibility to do what is right. She will be missed by all those who were blessed to have known her.

Mrs. Ruh is survived by her sons Eric and Tom, daughters Cathie and Karen, sons-in-law Mark Calvert and John "Zeke" Czekanski, and grandchildren Britt Calvert, Leigh Calvert, Wilson Calvert, Quinn Lowry and Kate Lowry.

Mrs. Ruh's extended family includes the Ruhs of California and Washington, where she was known as "Lala" and "Grandma Edie" to grandchildren Emily Davenport and family, Julia Phillips and family, and Taylor Vail. Additional family includes numerous nieces and nephews in the Ryan, Davis, Hamm and VanSelous families.

Friends are too numerous to count but include fellow volunteers at The Living Desert, Cornerstone Hospice of The Villages, Operation Homebound, Operation Shoebox and members of The Villages Croquet Club.

Lastly, her dog Lilly remains behind, sad to have lost her very best friend.

Celebrations of Edie's life will be held March 10 in Lantana and June 9 in Doylestown, Pa.

— Obituary submitted by the family

Vince Canning

By Ron Hayes

DELRAY BEACH — Back in the late 1980s, when Canning



Shoes had already been a landmark on East Atlantic Avenue for nearly four decades, Vince

Canning introduced a new policy.

Bring in a pair of old shoes and he would give you \$10 off your new pair.

And then he donated those old shoes to the South County Migrant Association.

"Your Sole Mate" is the shoe store's slogan, but to those who knew him, Mr. Canning was the whole community's soul mate, an always jovial gentleman with an infectious smile, a weakness for Mickey Mouse and Buster Brown wristwatches, and a seemingly tireless need to serve others.

Mr. Canning died on Feb. 18 after several years of failing health. He was 88.

"He was just one of those caring people," said his nephew Mark Denkler, who has owned the store since Mr. Canning's retirement in 1994. "When we first came here, homeless people would come in and he would give them money to go to Publix."

On his first Valentine's Day as the store's new owner, Denkler recalled, Mr. Canning handed him \$100 and told him to go to the bank, get 50 \$2 bills and give one to any customer who came in wearing red — even if the customer didn't buy any shoes.

"So I had homeless people in here scaring off the customers, plus I'm giving all this money away," Denkler said, laughing warmly at the memory. "But that's just the way he was."

Mr. Canning's fondness for Valentine's Day was not a coincidence.

Vincent Valentine Canning Jr. was born on Christmas Day 1929 in Indianapolis, the youngest of 11 children. After earning a business degree from the University of Missouri in 1951, he served in the U.S. Marines for two years, then worked for the Brown Shoe Co. in St. Louis, where he met his wife, Patricia Lyng Canning, who survives him.

The couple's daughter, Karen, died in infancy.

In 1957, Mr. Canning arrived in Delray Beach to take over Warren's Better Shoes, the family shoe store his father,

Vincent Sr., had owned since 1952, and for the next 37 years he somehow found time to run the business while volunteering for any public or private organization whose mission he admired. By 1993, the old shoe trade-in policy had become Open Your Heart/Open Your Closet, a joint project with the city's Downtown Development Authority, whose executive director was Marjorie Ferrer.

"For me, he was *the* volunteer," Ferrer said. "If I needed anybody to do anything, I could call Vince. He was a wonderful, sweet, beautiful person."

In time, Mr. Canning expanded the business to stores in Boynton Beach, Boca Raton and Pompano Beach. Those outlets were sold as retirement neared, but his devotion to the community never flagged.

In 1967, he became a founding member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society where, as a board member, he helped buy the migrant association's first trailers.

He was also a board member of the Delray Library and Delray Playhouse, Old School Square, the Achievement Centers, CROS Ministries and the Boca Raton and Boynton Beach Chambers. As a past president of the Delray Chamber, he was awarded its Lifetime Achievement Award, and was also honored by the Exchange Club, Rotary International, the Kiwanis Club and St. Vincent Ferrer Church.

"He was the family shoe store in town," Denkler said. "Everybody knew this man who was always nice and had a loud voice and always smiled who fit a whole generation of kids in their shoes."

When Mr. Canning died, his nephew added, he was wearing a Buster Brown wristwatch.

In addition to his wife and nephew, he is survived by a sister-in-law, Jane Coose; nieces and nephews Shawn, Keith, Tom, John and Ann Denkler, as well as Cynthia Epperson Coleman, Donald, Mark and Eric Epperson; and Jane Thompson, Anne Marie Epperson Leung and Emily Coose Weber; and 30 great-nieces and great-nephews.

In honor of his Irish heritage, a memorial service will be held at St. Vincent Ferrer Church, 840 George Bush Blvd., in Delray Beach on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, at 10 a.m.

Donations may be made to the St. Vincent de Paul Society at the church address.

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Gulf Stream

Town keeps up assault on ‘discouraged’ design elements

By Steve Plunkett

Town commissioners in February continued a new crusade against approving “discouraged” elements in house plans, sending a proposal that already had been rejected once by the Architectural Review and Planning Board back to the architect for further tweaking.

Mayor Scott Morgan, who first challenged the town’s list of “discouraged” elements in December, said requests for higher eaves and second-story ceilings at 2929 N. Ocean Blvd. were problems.

“It’s a home that employs the maximum of two discouraged elements, and that is eave height and the second-story height, which serves to create a huge middle mass of the house,” Morgan said at the commission’s Feb. 9 meeting. “The second-story eave height’s way too high; you’ve got a box in the middle.”

Carlos Linares, with Randall Stofft Architects, said ceilings on the second floor would be 10 feet, 6 inches, making the eaves reach up 26 feet, the high end of the discouraged range. The preferred height for a second story in Gulf Stream is no more than 24 feet.

“The master [bedroom], the lounge, the views are on the second floor for this particular home,” Linares said.

Commissioner Paul Lyons was not impressed with a proposed gatehouse and 8-foot-tall wall along State Road A1A. The house just to the south has a gatehouse that’s grandfathered in, he said.

“I have a reference point which is that house. I can look at it and see what this might look like, and I don’t think I’d want to replicate it,” Lyons said.

Commissioners also objected

to the number, size and style of windows planned for the home.

Lyons said Gulf Stream’s definition of Bermuda-style architecture places emphasis on “simple, straightforward” design.

“It’s clear to me what that means. This design, in the context of that general description, I think is 180 degrees from that,” Lyons said.

At the commission’s suggestion, Linares withdrew his application and will confer with Town Manager Greg Dunham before returning to the ARPB. He previously removed a chimney after the review board objected to its being taller than 35 feet. The home will now have a ventless fireplace, Linares said.

Morgan first chafed about discouraged elements when a homeowner on Palm Way asked to have black garage doors and shutters. The town discourages any color except white.

In other business:

- Dunham said crews started connecting customers in the north part of town to underground power: “to date, 11 homes on Polo, nine on Gulfstream, three on Golfview.” He said some streetlights come on during the day while others do not come on at all and will have to be adjusted. The brightness also will be fine-tuned, he said.

- Commissioners approved an ordinance limiting the use of temporary storm shutters to two weeks before a hurricane is expected to strike and two weeks after.

- The mayor mailed residents a report saying, among other things, the town “is in excellent financial shape, and town operations are functioning smoothly and well.” ★

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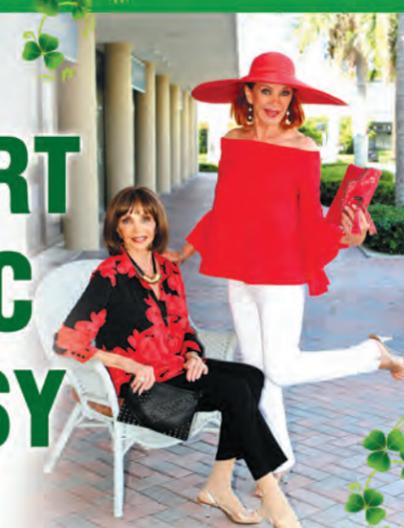
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10 Questions

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Tom Ambrose

A desk job in New York City was never going to sit right with Tom Ambrose.

A native of Oklahoma who got his master's degree in geology from nearby Rutgers University in New Jersey, Ambrose was doing geological studies on the Permian Basin of west Texas from a Manhattan office building when he heard about an oil discovery in Cuba in 1956.

Off he went, heading into a life as rich as the oil preserves he would discover, taking him to destinations as exotic as Singapore, Trinidad and Tobago and other South American locales, including lengthy stays in Colombia and Ecuador.

Ambrose thought he was heading into a stable political situation in Cuba, but six months after he arrived, Fidel Castro arrived from exile in Mexico and the revolution began. He stuck it out until 1959 when his company was nationalized, and he headed back to the U.S. with his wife, Thora, and daughter, Natalie.

Ambrose, 91, and his wife bought property in Ocean Ridge in 1974, as he put it, "when the town had plenty of open spaces, land crabs and other wildlife." They built a house in 1990 inspired by their seven years in Indonesia, with the sense they can feel like they live in Bali without making the 22,000-mile round trip there.

Ambrose is a member of both the Palm Beach chapter of the Circumnavigators Club (www.circumnavigators.org/chapters/palm-beach-florida/), for those who have been around the world in one direction, and the more exclusive Explorers Club (www.southfloridaexplorers.org), for those with an interest in exploration and who have conducted scientific flag expeditions around the world.

— Brian Biggane



The home Tom Ambrose and his wife built in 1990 is inspired by the seven years they spent living in Indonesia, where Ambrose worked as a geologist. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Q: Where did you grow up and go to school? How do you think that has influenced you?

A: I was born and grew up in Oklahoma City when it was surrounded by oil wells, so I had a strong interest in natural resources. I later attended the University of Oklahoma, the oldest petroleum geology school in the U.S., where I earned a B.S. in geology. For a change of scenery, I went east to Rutgers

University in New Brunswick, N.J., where I was awarded an M.S. after doing geological field trips to the Catskills and the famous Palisades of the Hudson River.

The geology department was one of the oldest in our country. Geology Hall was built in 1869, the same year the first collegiate football game in the U.S. was played just up the street on College Avenue between Rutgers and Princeton (Rutgers won).

I would say where I grew up, around oil, influenced me more than my education did.

Q: What professions have you worked in? What professional accomplishments are you most proud of?

A: The day I turned 18 I received a notice from my draft board to report for field artillery training at Fort Sill, Okla., in the summer of 1944. By the time training ended World War II was winding down, so I missed the last troop ship to Europe. How lucky I was, though I did spend two years in the service during the war.

After the war, and with two degrees, I got my first professional job as a geologist with a major American oil company based at 70 Pine St. (the third-highest skyscraper in New York) in the financial district.

In the 1950s, New York was the financial center of the oil industry, most of which has

since moved to Texas.

I spent a total of 40 years in international oil exploration before retiring to Florida.

The professional accomplishment I am most proud of is finding oil. I found oil in Cuba, on the deepest well ever drilled there. It wasn't commercial, but it was oil. Found oil in Colombia; that was a huge operation.

Worked and found oil in Ecuador. Found oil in Indonesia, offshore, and finally went to Trinidad, where we didn't find any because it had been pumped out by then.

Q: What advice do you have for a young person selecting a career today?

A: Choose STEM. That's science, tech, engineering and math studies, and stay with them into the future. The U.S. needs you. The Asians are running ahead of us, so we do need technical people.

Q: How did you choose to make your home in Ocean Ridge?

A: Everything I do has maybe a geological slant. I like "the Ridge" with an elevation to 22 feet — the highest coastal ridge between Key West and Martin County. It should give some protection from flooding during an ocean surge, especially with rising sea levels.

Also, the big houses they're building by the beach now could

act as a sort of Chinese wall against flooding. If any water comes in I'd expect it to come from the Intracoastal.

Q: What is your favorite part about living in Ocean Ridge?

A: In addition to the friendly neighbors, everything is so close, convenient and available just across the Intracoastal. We once lived at the very north end of the town of Palm Beach and it was a 6-mile round trip to shopping, banking, etc., and even farther to the nearest gas station. Very inconvenient. We also like the natural areas within Ocean Ridge, which preserve the mangroves and beach foliage along A1A. The Inlet Park is also great for boating.

Q: What book are you reading now?

A: *One Man's View of the World*, 2013, by Lee Kuan Yew, the first prime minister of Singapore. The world statesman turned Singapore into a world-class city-state since independence in 1965. Today it has the fourth-highest GDP in the world, 2 percent unemployment, top education, builds more offshore oil rigs than any other country, and has a government-funded health care system. Our son, Serge, graduated from high school in Singapore when we lived there in the late 1980s.

Q: What music do you listen to when you need inspiration? When you want to relax?

A: I don't really get inspiration from music; to relax I like mostly tropical Latin music, which I learned during my 15 years living in Latin America, where both my children were born. I love Latin music, especially the Buena Vista Social Club music from Cuba.

Q: Do you have a favorite quote that inspires your decisions?

A: "The trail is the thing, not the end of the trail. Travel too fast and you miss all you are traveling for." — Louis L'Amour. People go on a cruise and don't know anything about the countries they visit. You've got to appreciate these other places.

Q: If your life story were made into a movie, who would you want to play you?

A: Gene Hackman, who I met personally. He's about my age. We were in Tangier, Morocco, once while Gene was in town and a reporter came to me and wanted an interview, thinking I was Gene. Later I met him along with the reporter, who took my picture with him, and I still have it.

Q: What makes you laugh?

A: This is old time, but the Three Stooges and old-time movies. They were so funny. Slapstick comedy. I don't have a big sense of humor but I like that.

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Along the Coast

I-95 welcomes mostly finished Spanish River interchange

By Steve Plunkett

State transportation officials planned to open two more ramps on Interstate 95's new interchange at Spanish River Boulevard.

The Florida Department of Transportation scheduled a ribbon-cutting ceremony to unveil the interchange on Feb. 28 — Day 1,676 on the construction calendar. Opening that day were the I-95 southbound exit ramp to Spanish River Boulevard (Exit

48A) and the I-95 northbound entrance ramp from Spanish River Boulevard.

Still under construction are new ramps from eastbound Yamato Road to Spanish River Boulevard and north from Spanish River to Yamato Road.

"Please note that this is an expedited ramp opening schedule; there is still contract work left to be done on this project, and contract time currently runs through March," project spokeswoman Andi Pacini said.

The state DOT and

contractor Astaldi Construction Corp. invited dignitaries from the county Transportation Planning Agency, Boca Raton, Florida Atlantic University, Palm Beach State College and Boca Raton Airport to the ceremony.

Mayor Susan Haynie, who also chairs the governing board of the Transportation Planning Agency, was looking forward to the grand opening of the interchange. The Spanish River connection is Boca Raton's fifth entrance/exit on I-95.

"Even though it's only half-

open, it's already diverting traffic," Haynie said.

Pacini said "fantastic weather" combined with the contractor's moving resources from "previously critical areas" enabled Astaldi to compress the construction schedule.

The existing northbound and southbound I-95 lanes from the Yamato Road Bridge to slightly south of Spanish River Boulevard will be repaved with a single layer "to ensure that the lanes that were shifted to build the bridges over I-95 are clearly marked with new pavement and

new striping," Pacini said.

Construction crews started work on the interchange in January 2014.

The \$69 million project meant widening Spanish River Boulevard west of FAU Boulevard and constructing 13 bridges between Spanish River Boulevard and Yamato Road.

It also included signalized intersection improvements and the addition of auxiliary lanes on Yamato Road, and sound wall construction along Yamato Road and on the east side of I-95 north of Yamato Road. ★

Lantana

Police contract approved by Town Council

By Mary Thurwachter

The Lantana Town Council, at its Feb. 26 meeting, approved a collective bargaining agreement between the town and the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association. The agreement, which reflects an overall 5 percent salary increase for sworn officers, is good from Oct. 1, 2018 through Sept. 30, 2020.

Some of the differences

from previous contracts, said Mayor Dave Stewart, include giving officers promoted to detective 10 percent increases to their hourly rate, giving officers promoted to sergeant 15 percent increases, and giving detectives who are promoted to sergeant 5 percent increases.

Any officer selected as Employee of the Quarter receives a bonus day off equal to his scheduled shift hours.

Lantana has 32 sworn

officers; another will be added in April.

Stewart said that for this coming fiscal year, the increases reflected in the new contract will cost the town \$162,000, and \$167,000 the year after.

Dave Arm, Chamber of Commerce president, supported the contract.

"One of the nice things about living in a small seaside town is the fact that we have our own Police Department,"

he said. "In my 10 years here, I've found them to be incredibly responsive. They take care of problems efficiently."

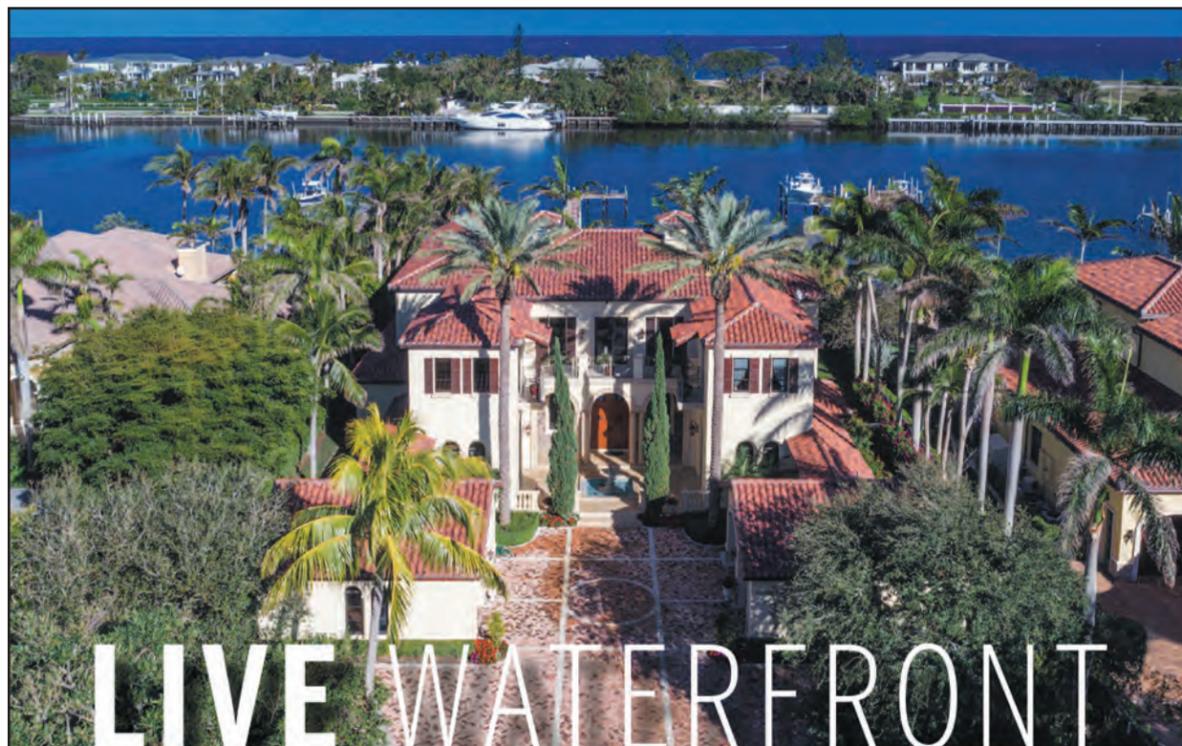
"You need to retain good officers like this and a 5 percent increase doesn't sound like a whole lot to me. A 10 percent increase for someone who gets a promotion sounds pretty standard."

In other action, the town:

- Approved spending \$96,000 for enhancements

at the sports complex on Eighth Street. Among the improvements will be the construction of a basketball court.

- Recognized Cmdr. Robert Hagerty as Police Department employee of the fourth quarter of 2017. For the past six months, he has coordinated the move to and renovation of the new police headquarters next to the sports complex. ★



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RENTALS

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The actual renter secured the reservation with a stolen credit card. Chevrier's house was trashed and some of his property stolen.

"It is going to become a bigger and bigger issue," Homrich said of vacation rentals. "You feel you are living in a desirable area, and then you very well may end up with a rental property next to you. To me, it changes the character of the neighborhood completely."

The vacation rental business is growing rapidly. Pegged as a \$30 billion industry in the U.S. two years ago, it is forecast to top \$36 billion this year.

As the industry has grown, so have complaints from neighbors about vacation renters partying into the early morning hours, jamming streets with cars and disrupting the quality of life in once-quiet residential neighborhoods.

State wants to set rules

Yet the state Legislature has been hostile to allowing local governments to set the rules for vacation rentals. In 2011, lawmakers prohibited cities from regulating short-term vacation rentals. The legislation, though, allowed cities that had put regulations

in place before 2011 to continue to enforce them.

In 2014, the Legislature relented a bit, allowing local governments to adopt vacation rental ordinances that addressed issues such as noise and parking. But cities still could not prohibit short-term rentals or regulate their length or frequency.

This year, bills have been introduced in the state House and Senate that would take away control from local governments.

A Senate bill, introduced by Sen. Greg Steube, R-Sarasota, would prohibit local governments from setting rules for short-term rentals and give that power to the state. Vacation rental companies support the bill.

It originally would not allow cities to enforce rules they set before 2011, but that has since been removed.

A House bill, introduced by Rep. Mike LaRosa, R-St. Cloud, prohibits cities and towns from adopting ordinances specific to vacation rentals.

"I think it is horrible," Homrich said of the proposed legislation. "That just seems to go against what local cities are all about. They are about making sure single-family neighborhoods stay single-family neighborhoods."

Vacation rentals surge

Meanwhile, the vacation rental business keeps getting bigger in Florida.

Airbnb, one of the best-known companies, posted 75 percent year-over-year growth in the number of Florida guests in 2017, with 40,000 hosts in the state renting their properties to 2.7 million guests and earning \$450 million. In 2016, 32,000 Florida hosts rented to 1.5 million guests and earned \$273 million.

Airbnb now has 2,300 hosts in Palm Beach County, up from 950 in 2015. Airbnb rented to 72,500 people last year and earned \$17.1 million, up from \$9.5 million in 2016, according to the company.

For years, vacation rental companies billed themselves as giving regular people a way to earn extra income by renting out a spare bedroom. At the same time, the companies offered a far less expensive and potentially more interesting alternative to hotels.

Indeed, many media reports told of hosts earning relatively modest amounts, but enough to stave off foreclosure during the Great Recession or to take a vacation.

But over time, the nature of the business began to shift.

Investors snapped up properties for the purpose of turning them into full-time rentals. The hotel industry, feeling the heat from vacation rentals and going on the offensive, released a report last year that said vacation rentals had become big business, with many hosts renting out entire homes. Hosts listing multiple homes for rent are the fastest growing segment of Airbnb's business, the report by the American Hotel & Lodging Association said. Airbnb disputed the findings.

The vacation rental bills are among a flurry of proposed legislation that city officials say is attempting to strip them of governing powers that are enshrined in the state constitution and known as "home rule."

Cities try to defeat bills

The effort so concerns the Florida League of Cities and Florida Association of Counties that they have made defeating the bills a top priority.

"We have dealt with this for many years, but this is the year

it is the most pervasive," said Richard Radcliffe, executive director of the Palm Beach County League of Cities. "We have had statements from legislative leadership that they feel they know better what is good for cities and people than we on the local level do."

"The bottom line is you can't legislate a neighborhood from Tallahassee. That is what we do."

Ocean Ridge Town Manager Jamie Titcomb agreed that the effort to strip cities and towns of the ability to regulate has intensified this year.

"There is a full-court press to preempt local government from matters we deal with on a daily basis. It is more ramped up than I have seen in the past," he said.

"We aren't worried about a person renting out a room," added Titcomb, whose town prohibited rentals of fewer than 30 days before 2011. "We are concerned about the preemption of local codes, zoning and quality of life regulatory matters that impact our residents."

With the Feb. 14 massacre of 17 students and teachers at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland consuming much of the oxygen in Tallahassee, the fate of the vacation rental legislation was not clear at the end of February.

Cities' rules vary

Delray Beach has pre-2011 rules that do not allow a turnover in home occupancy more than three times a year and require a property owner who rents to get a landlord permit that costs \$75 a year, said Michael Coleman, director of community improvement.

Boynton Beach has no regulations on short-term rentals. Boca Raton's pre-2011 rules do not permit short-term rentals for less than six months. First-time violators can be fined up to \$1,000 per day and repeat violators up to \$5,000 per day.

Delray Beach Mayor Cary Glickstein said his city's regulations, enacted before vacation rentals were widespread, fall short of what is needed to monitor and control the rentals. As things stand now, state law severely limits the ability of his city and others to do more.

"What we do have is inadequate to protect single-family and multifamily properties from de facto hotel uses," he said in an email. "Private property rights should not supersede the reasonable expectations people have for the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of their homes, and cities should be able to regulate and restrict ... abuses of zoning laws."

The proposed legislation, he said, "is irresponsible, reflecting ill-advised views of legislators, many of whom live in rural areas that have no appreciation for why well-run cities don't need Tallahassee to impose their will or tell us

what's best for our citizens."

Boca Raton's code would appear to have strong enough teeth to keep people from renting through vacation rental companies.

But a look at Airbnb's Boca Raton listings shows that quite a few are, apparently because they don't know the rules or don't care. The company declined to say how many hosts it has in Boca Raton or other south Palm Beach County cities and towns.

Rentals available in mid-February ran the gamut: a spare bedroom, a detached guesthouse and even an entire waterfront mansion.

Airbnb has similar listings for properties in all of southern Palm Beach County's cities and towns. Listings for its competitors such as HomeAway and VRBO add to the tally.

Complaints alert cities

Boca Raton spokeswoman Chrissy Gibson said the city has not received many complaints from neighbors — the chief way Boca Raton and other cities learn of problem vacation rentals.

City records show one vacation rental code violation in 2014, 16 violations in 2015 and seven in 2016. Total fines levied were \$105.

If cities want to be proactive, they can do some sleuthing on their own by looking at the rentals listed online by vacation rental companies.

But Marc Woods, rental housing inspector for Delray Beach, said "it is difficult at best" to get information this way that would allow the city to take action.

Airbnb, for example, does not list the exact address of its rentals or the property owner, making it very hard to figure out if the owner is in violation of city or county regulations.

Delray Beach does not keep statistics, but Woods said he investigates 35 to 40 complaints about vacation rentals a year, and additional investigations are handled by code enforcement officers.

"A lot of vacation rentals are not a problem," Woods said. "Some of them are a terrible problem."

Complaints, he said, often arise from large parties on patios or pool decks, and the size of the problem "seems to be proportionate to the size of their pool deck."

While cities and towns battle noise and crowd complaints, county and state officials have other concerns.

Some taxes shirked

Many hosts do not pay the tourist development tax, or bed tax, and sales tax due on rentals, because they are unaware that they should or just don't want to. The vacation rental companies have not done so on their behalf.

Palm Beach County Tax Collector Anne Gannon has sued the companies twice. In

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2012, companies including Expedia, Orbitz, Priceline and Travelocity agreed to pay the county \$1.9 million.

She sued again in 2014, alleging Airbnb, HomeAway, TripAdvisor and CouchSurfing International failed to register as rental dealers and did not pay the bed tax of 6 cents per dollar owed on short-term rentals. A trial date will be set in May.

"We are going to trial," Gannon said. "We are not looking to settle."

Her office also is doing outreach to homeowners to educate them on their obligation to pay the tax, which has improved compliance. Beginning in May, vacation rental owners will be able to register their properties and pay bed taxes online.

Counties have long been frustrated that bed tax money was going uncollected. But Airbnb's tough stance against helping began to soften in 2015. In April, both the Miami-Dade and Broward counties' commissions approved deals with Airbnb under which the company will collect the 6 percent Miami-Dade tax and the 5 percent Broward tax from its hosts and remit the money to the counties every month.

The tax deals were expected to bring in at least \$6 million annually to Miami-Dade and \$1 million to Broward. Both counties plan to seek similar deals with other home-sharing platforms.

The agreements don't require Airbnb to release any information about hosts or their addresses and don't require payment of previous uncollected taxes.

Thirty-seven other counties in Florida also have such deals,

but not Palm Beach County. In an op-ed to *The Palm Beach Post* in May, Tom Martinelli, policy director for Airbnb Florida, pressed Gannon to follow suit, saying it would ease the county's burden of collecting the taxes.

In response, Gannon said she is "willing, even eager" to do so, but could not agree to keep host and property location information confidential. That, she said, gives Airbnb a competitive advantage over its rivals. More important, without that information, she can't check to see if Airbnb is paying all it owes.

Airbnb also reached an agreement in 2015 with the state Department of Revenue in which the company collects the state sales tax from its Florida hosts.

In 2017, Airbnb turned over \$33 million in sales tax revenue to the DOR and \$12.7 million in bed tax revenues to the 39

counties, the company said.

Outside help boosts compliance

For cities and counties at a loss on how to get hosts to comply with vacation rental regulations, private industry is offering solutions.

Delray Beach is considering contracting with Host Compliance, a Silicon Valley company founded in 2015. Gannon has used Host Compliance and two other similar companies but does not have contracts with them.

Host Compliance says it can identify which properties are being used as vacation rentals, ensure that renters and hosts comply with local ordinances, can increase vacation rental tax collections and free up city and town staff for other priorities.

The company uses big data and algorithms to gather information, although humans check the results.

Its clients in Florida include Fort Lauderdale, Hollywood, Pompano Beach, Hallandale Beach and Monroe County, but none so far in Palm Beach County.

A May memo drafted by Jamael Stewart, Delray Beach's assistant director of community improvement, said Host Compliance would charge the city about \$18,000 a year.

Host Compliance founder and CEO Ulrik Binzer said cities and counties get back five to 10 times what they spend to hire his company through increased collection of sales and bed taxes and fees for permits.

"Cities that wait for the phone to ring [with a complaint] are not having a lot of luck with compliance," Binzer said. "Cities and counties that have decided they want to do something about it will actually make money." ★

Boynton Beach

Town Square figures on near horizon

By Jane Smith

The big reveal for Town Square will come March 13.

That's when Boynton Beach staff will unveil the final cost to residents and the prices the city-owned parcels will fetch from developers to build apartments, a hotel and a public parking garage, City Manager Lori LaVerriere told city commissioners on Feb. 20.

At the same meeting, commissioners approved changing the land use and rezoning of seven city-owned parcels in the 16-acre Town Square project area by 4-1 votes. They also approved the master plan for the project by a 4-1 vote.

Town Square consists of four blocks, bordered by Boynton Beach Boulevard on the north, Seacrest Boulevard on the west, Southeast Second Avenue on the south and Northeast First Street on the east. The project will hold the historic high school, the Schoolhouse Children's Museum, a combined City Hall and library building, and a parking garage.

A new Fire Station No. 1 will sit just outside the project on the east side of Northeast First Street.

Commissioner Mack McCray voted no three times because he doesn't think the city has the money to do the ambitious project, estimated to cost \$133 million.

Boynton Beach plans to issue private equity bonds that it will pay off in 25 years, said Colin Groff, the assistant city manager leading the Town Square project.

The city's Community Redevelopment Agency received county approval in January to use tax dollars to build the city hall and a fire

station. Its share will be \$81 million over 25 years, just before the agency will sunset.

The plan calls for the current library to be demolished. At the Feb. 20 meeting, resident Herb Suss said the library is a fairly new building and pleaded with commissioners not to tear it down. "That's a no-no," he said.

The library has leaks, said Vice Mayor Justin Katz. It would be more costly to fix and move City Hall to another site than it would be to demolish the library and build a combination building that houses City Hall and the library, he said.

Before the library is demolished, the city will have to find a temporary location. The historic Woman's Club building was considered initially. But it does not have enough parking, and the historic nature of the building would make it difficult to do renovations needed to house the library, Groff said.

The city is looking at five sites, Groff said in late February. In addition, he is trying to find a 5,000-square-foot building near the current library for people who walk to the library to use, he said.

The historic high school renovation is expected to be finished in August. The city received a reprieve in December when the 4th District Court of Appeal dismissed a 4-year-old lawsuit. Architect Juan Contin sued the city over its decision not to let him go forward with a plan to turn the high school into an events and destination center. He lost on the lower court level.

The appellate review board did not issue an opinion, which means Contin cannot appeal the decision to the Florida Supreme Court. ★

Josie's gets reprieve to remain when Riverwalk is redeveloped

By Jane Smith

The Riverwalk Plaza redevelopment is on hold at the southeast corner of Federal Highway and Woolbright Road in Boynton Beach.

The owner of Josie's Ristorante in the plaza is jubilant that the owner, Isram Realty, will let the restaurant stay in its place at the northern edge of the 9.8-acre complex. Riverwalk sits south and west of the Woolbright Road Bridge.

"I met with him last week," owner Stephanie Setticas said in mid-February. "He will build around us." The Boynton Beach restaurant has about 10 years remaining on its lease.

Isram Realty Chairman Shaul Rikman could not be reached for comment. Isram had planned to demolish the main building in the shopping plaza and build a 10-story apartment project in its place.

Luke Therien, the Prime Catch restaurant owner, confirmed the developer's deal with the neighboring restaurant.

Therien was negotiating with Isram to trade .25 acre of mangroves along the Intracoastal Waterway for 50 guaranteed parking spaces for his diners. Therien's family owns the land under the waterfront restaurant and adjacent property.

"Josie's wanting to stay means a different parking agreement will have to be worked out," Therien said. "Josie's will get some of the parking spaces that we were supposed to get."

New plans for the apartment building will have to be submitted to Boynton Beach's

planning and zoning division for review.

"A revised site plan — for either minor or major review — would be required only if the plan details actually changed," said Michael Rumpf, planning and zoning director. "A simple change like moving internal square footage around, or even entrances can require at least a minor — administrative only — review. Multiple, minor modifications would be common for this size of project."

He said one criterion for determining whether a change is minor or major is if the change presents a 5 percent increase in the project's square footage. Such major changes would need approval from the city's planning and development advisory board, which makes recommendations to the City Commission, according to Rumpf.

It's unclear at this time how substantial a change the new plans would entail.

The approved plans include a 10-story, U-shaped apartment building with 326 units, along with 41,970 square feet of retail space. A 2020 completion date was anticipated when plans were submitted to the city in December 2015.

Harry Woodworth, a former president of the Inlet Communities Association, hopes the public can be part of the review process "in a meaningful way." As president of the homeowners association, he attended many Boynton Beach meetings where he felt residents' input was ignored. ★

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Lantana

Harassment complaint against mayor filed with ethics board

By Mary Thurwachter

Lantana Mayor Dave Stewart faces sexual harassment allegations after a resident accused him of asking for sex in exchange for speed bumps on her street.

The mayor denies the woman's claims.

Catherine Padilla, 54, filed the complaint in January with the Florida Commission on Ethics. She told *The Coastal Star* she and Stewart had become friends when both attended meetings of the Hypoluxo-Lantana Kiwanis Club.

Their relationship took an



Stewart

after which he drove her to a motel and propositioned her for sex. Padilla said she "wasn't interested" and that Stewart drove her back to her car.

She said Stewart called her a week or two later and said he would guarantee her street would get speed tables, a safety measure for which she had lobbied, if she would have sex

objectionable turn in 2015, according to Padilla, when, after a morning Kiwanis meeting, the two had lunch

with him at the motel.

"I said absolutely not," Padilla told *The Coastal Star*. "I said I'm not interested. I made it perfectly clear."

Stewart, who has been mayor for 18 years, said he has never asked for, or accepted, anything in exchange for a vote.

"These accusations are totally and completely false," the mayor said. "I will not dignify them by making a statement. I continue to focus on doing what's best for the residents of Lantana."

In August 2015, the Town Council voted in favor of the traffic-calming speed humps for Padilla's street. But Padilla

said the harassment continued with calls to her from the mayor the day before and after the 4-0 vote (council member Lynn Moorhouse was absent).

"The day after that meeting, the mayor called me and he said, 'Well, aren't you going to thank me?' and I said for what?" Padilla said. "And he said 'for the speed bumps.' But I did that myself. There was no reason to thank him. He didn't do anything. He just went along with it because it was unanimous. And he got really belligerent and he said, 'Fine, then I'm going to yank those speed humps right out of there.'"

The speed humps on her street have not been removed.

Padilla said she waited so long to file the complaint because she was afraid — and because her focus was elsewhere.

"I have a son that's in the military and we had a death in the family and also I contracted a really bad illness that could have killed me," she said. "I was in and out of the hospital for a whole year."

Her ex-husband, Herminio Padilla Jr., died while working at the East Central Regional Sewage Plant in West Palm Beach in January 2015. He fell through a metal floor grating,

dropped into sewage and was lodged in a 42-inch pipe.

Catherine Padilla said she finally felt strong enough to file the complaint against the mayor this year, on Jan. 4. She filed an amendment to that complaint on Jan 11, when the mayor came to her house to talk to her about the complaint and she called police.

Stewart, according to the police report, told officers he had learned of the ethics complaint filed with the state and had gone to Padilla's house to talk with her about it.

Padilla, according to the police report, said that when she opened the door and saw Stewart, she shut it, locked it and took a photo of Stewart in his car before he left. The two never spoke during the incident, both told police.

Stewart's term expires this year, but because he had no opposition he will continue as mayor for the next three years.

Padilla said all she wants from Stewart is admission of guilt and an apology.

Complaints filed with Florida Commission on Ethics are not public record until the investigation has concluded. A spokesperson for the state would not say how long it would take for that to happen. ★

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Briny Breezes

Briny pioneers to lead golf cart parade

By Dan Moffett

After 63 years of marriage, Chuck and Betty Foland pretty much know everything there is to know about each other.

Except maybe for one thing. "I still don't know where he got the money from," Betty says.

That would be the \$2,500 Chuck gave to retiring strawberry farmer Ward Miller in 1958 to buy a prime lot in what is now Briny Breezes.

It seemed a bit of a risky extravagance at the time. In today's dollars, that was close to \$22,000, after all. Back then, the Folands had year-and-a-half-old twin daughters in their 28-foot Airstream camper and the expenses of a young family waiting back home in Syracuse, N.Y. But Chuck didn't waver. In fact, he decided to buy a second lot for \$2,000.

"I realize now it was a pretty smart move to make," Betty says with a smile. "But at the time I thought he was crazy."

It turned out to be the investment of a lifetime — and an important part of Briny Breezes' beginning as an independent community. The Folands and their children and their children's children and their children's children's children have been regular winter visitors to Briny ever since.

The shareholders of the cooperative that owns Briny Breezes plan to celebrate its 60th anniversary on March 24 with a golf cart parade led by the Folands and other Briny pioneers, the early investors who took a chance and helped shape the improbable history of the seaside mobile home park.

What did the pioneers have in common? Most were from the Midwest and middle-class families, most liked each other and all of them just liked being in Briny.

Curt and Beverly Mosher, from Damascus, Ohio, spent their honeymoon here 67 years ago and have been returning

ever since. Her father was an original stockholder.

"Maybe people pay \$8 million for a house down the road here," Beverly says with a laugh. "But they aren't having the fun we're having in our clubhouse."

Violet Schoeni's first visit was in 1925, when she was only a year old and strawberries really were growing on the land. Sisters Betty Lewis and Judy Munson came with their parents in the 1950s from Courtland, N.Y., just south of Syracuse. Dan Harkness came with his family from Elkhorn, Wis., in 1953, and joined the first group of investors.

Don Gross started coming down from Chicago in 1949 and then bought a lot nine years later. He put the property in his mother's name and lives in Briny full-time now. His children and grandchildren have followed.

Dorothy McNeice, one of the town's historians, arrived in Briny from Port Huron, Mich., during the fall of 1938 in an 18-foot travel trailer. She was 11 years old. Ward Miller charged her family \$7 a week to rent a space. Her father ran a grocery store for the community. Then World War II came to Briny's doorstep.

"It was very hectic here during the war years," she recalls. "The German submarines were sinking our ships. We'd get up in the morning to go to school and see ships burning just off the coast."

Civil defense wardens came around to make sure the campers maintained a blackout at night. Many families chose to stay up North until after the war.

David Bayless, Beverly Mosher's brother, was playing football at Muskingum College in Ohio in 1958 when his father, Paul, bought a lot from his friend Miller. When Fidel Castro overthrew Fulgencio Batista in 1959, Cuban refugees made their way to Briny. The Bayless family and other



Some of the early residents to be honored at Briny Breezes' 60th anniversary parade: (l-r) Dorothy McNeice, Dan Harkness, sisters Betty Lewis and Judy Munson, David Bayless, Violet Schoeni, Betty and Chuck Foland, Curt and Beverly Mosher and Don Gross. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

Brinyites took the Cubans in and helped them resettle.

In the late 1950s, amenities were minimal in the young community.

There was one telephone, in the office, and residents were summoned by loudspeaker to come take their calls. The main water hookups were little more than garden hoses. Toilets and showers were in bathhouses. Those who had TVs used rabbit-ear antennas to capture black-and-white images. Electric service could be unreliable. And there was no air conditioning.

But the Briny pioneers kept things informal and trusted each other. The trailer doors weren't locked at night.

"There was supposed to be a town marshal. But I never saw him," Chuck Foland says.

Business transactions moved quickly from hand to hand.

"Briny was always a cash place," Bayless recalls. "We called it cigar boxes. The park would keep a box of cash and put it on the table when the time came to pay its bills. That was the culture here."

Beverly Mosher remembers how happy hour traveled door-to-door: "They used to carry Manhattans in a big jug on their backs and shoulders and go from one house to another having drinks."

To Betty Foland, the absence of a feeling of status or class makes Briny extraordinary.

"I like that we have every standard of life here — every income," she says. "There

are very wealthy people here and you'd never know they're wealthy. There's also low-income people. That's a community to me."

There's also a quiet miracle that has evolved over the 60 years that makes Briny rather extraordinary. Despite its vulnerable location pressed tightly between the Atlantic and Intracoastal, Briny has avoided

significant damage from the dozens of tropical storms and hurricanes that have passed by.

Hurricanes Wilma and Irma did blow off some shutters. And a tornado turned over a couple of trailers in the early '60s. But Briny abides.

"I know why," says Beverly Mosher. "It's because so many people here are praying for us." ★

Briny approves hiring new deputy clerk

By Dan Moffett

Briny Breezes Town Council members, following the recommendation of new Town Manager Dale Sugerman, unanimously approved hiring their fifth deputy clerk in as many years on Feb. 22. About 12 people expressed interest in the part-time position, Sugerman said, and he invited three candidates to come for interviews. The clear choice for the job was Maya Coffield, he said.

Coffield has served as a town clerk before, in the village of Marvin, N.C., and has worked the last eight years as a paralegal in Charlotte, N.C., and Cooper City.

"I have checked with all her references and they all give her glowing references," Sugerman said. "Maya should match up very nicely with what our needs are here in Briny Breezes."

Coffield earned a bachelor of science degree in business management from Boston University and a master's from the Thunderbird School of Global Management at Arizona State University.

Since 2013, Briny has had trouble keeping a deputy clerk for much more than a year. In January, Jackie Ermola announced she was leaving to do more work at her church.

Coffield is to start a 20-hour-a-week schedule on March 20. She will earn \$20 an hour for the first 90 days, with raises to \$22 and \$25 an hour by next year.

In other business, Sugerman said he met with Boynton Beach Police Chief Kelly Harris and Capt. Chris Yannuzzi to discuss patrol procedures and parking citation issues.

Police Maj. Michael Johnson, who oversees the patrols, said the department "is just trying to tighten up the way that we're operating" and improve performance.

Johnson reported two auto burglaries between Feb. 17-19. Thieves stole a set of golf clubs from an unlocked car and smashed a side window to steal a handgun from a car parked on Cordova Avenue. Johnson says residents should keep their cars locked and secure weapons inside their homes. ★

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Business Spotlight

Ocean-friendly surfwear shop dives into South County market

Greenlines opened up at 439 E. Atlantic Ave. in Delray Beach in late November, making its way here from Montauk, N.Y., and Fair Haven, N.J. It's a family business started in 2009 by brothers Jerry and Sam Delaney along with Sam's wife, Colleen, all of them surfers. The stores specialize in board shorts made of recycled and organic fabrics, for men, women and children.

The stores give a portion of profits to nonprofit organizations such as the Surfrider Foundation and Clean Ocean Action.

"Our first store is in Montauk and our customers told us we had to check out Delray," says Sam Delaney. "We looked for a location here for three years. We are really excited. Delray Beach is a great downtown and we love the community."

He says the store plans to host events with local photographers, filmmakers, artists and surfboard shapers who share their feelings about the ocean and surfing. For more information, visit greenlines.com.

A lot is going on at **The Elephant's Foot Antiques**. It's Marvin Ray's 55th anniversary as co-owner of the store, Ronald French's 40th anniversary as co-owner, and they just sold one of their three warehouses. "We got an offer for the building that we couldn't refuse," French says.

And because the 5,000-square-foot warehouse was chock full, a sale is underway that will continue through March, at 1813 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach, noon to 5 p.m. Thursday

through Saturday.

All those years in the business add up to a labor of love, French says, and mean keeping up with trends. "With all the changes that have occurred, especially in the antique and decorating fields because tastes constantly evolve over time, it's a little hard to forecast the next hot items."

"We used to sell pine, then the Pierre Deux look, and then the English country house look, but quality rules, and people come back to quality and that's why our business has worked out for us. We have quality merchandise and select things to choose from."

Right now, he says, what's hot with the sale is a nice selection of English and Scottish chests of drawers. And if you can't find what you want at the warehouse, stop by the 6,500-square-foot store at 3800 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach.

The 256-room **Boca Raton Marriott** at Boca Center, at 5150 Town Center Circle, was recently sold by CWI Boca Center Hotel, managed by Carey Watermark Investors, to an affiliate of New York-based AVR Realty for almost \$69.3 million, according to public records. The buyer obtained a seven-year, \$60 million mortgage, with \$35.8 million from Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. and \$24.2 million from Synovus bank.

The Marriott last traded for \$57.7 million in 2014, and underwent a \$7 million renovation. The hotel was built in 1987. Dimension Development was named the new management firm for the hotel. AVR Realty is an



Greenlines, new to Atlantic Avenue in Delray Beach, specializes in board shorts made with organic and recycled fabrics. The company gives part of its profits to nonprofits such as the Surfrider Foundation and Clean Ocean Action. **Photo provided**

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Oprock Boynton Fee LLC, a company tied to Rockwood Capital, just sold a **Courtyard by Marriott** hotel in Boynton Beach at a loss, property records show. Boulder Hotel Boynton Beach LLC, a company tied to Delray Beach investor Malcolm Berman, paid \$19.6 million for the 170-room hotel at 1401 and 1601 N. Congress Ave. The deal includes space leased to KLA Schools of Boynton Beach, a preschool, and a Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant.

The site last traded hands for \$27.8 million in 2007, according to property records. The hotel was built in 1988. Berman is a former chairman of Fairfax Savings in Baltimore, according to published reports.

Boynton Beach-based **Source1 Purchasing**, a procurement services organization, was featured

in a recent issue of *Hotel Management* magazine as one of the 2017 Top Purchasing Companies. "We are proud to be listed on *Hotel Management's* list," said Scott Hoffmire, the company's CEO and president. "Our purchasing power, as evidenced by our No. 2 ranking in the category, is strong, which means our clients benefit from the best pricing and benefits available." This is the company's eighth year on the list.

In February, the former CEO of Vacation Break U.S.A., Kevin Sheehan, and his wife, Tracy Crane, sold their oceanfront home at 1003 Hillsboro Mile, Hillsboro Beach, for \$13 million to Al Hendrickson, president of Al Hendrickson Toyota, a car dealership in Broward County.

The home was listed by **Coldwell Banker** agent Sheryl Hodor with an asking price of \$18.5 million. She also arranged the deal with the buyer. Sheehan and Crane bought their 11,700-square-foot mansion in 1997 for \$4 million and paid \$1.3 million for an additional 50 feet of oceanfront in 2001, records show.

A contemporary-style home at 901 S. Ocean Blvd., Delray Beach, was recently listed by **Christian Angle Real Estate** for \$28.9 million. With 100 feet on the ocean, the 12,000-square-foot home comprises five bedrooms, five bathrooms and two half-baths; features include a boardwalk to its own beach. According to public records, William Powers bought the home in February 2015 for \$19 million. At that time, the home had just been completed: built by Mark Timothy Homes, designed by Affinity Architects and interiors by Marc Michaels Interiors.

An ocean-to-lake estate at 900 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan, sold for \$24 million, recorded in mid-February. The buyer was Goldstar 2018 LLC at 1185 Sixth Ave., New York, a limited liability company associated in public records with Solil Management. The seller was 900 South Ocean Blvd. LLC, a Delaware-based company managed by Charles Davidson,

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This estate on South Ocean in Manalapan recently sold for \$24 million. Photo provided

co-founder of Wexford Capital. Broker **Christian Angle** of Christian Angle Real Estate represented the seller. Agent **Betsy Green** of Douglas Elliman Real Estate acted for the buyer. Davidson's LLC bought the property for \$7.02 million in 2011 from the estate of the late Henrietta King, wife of boxing promoter Don King. After tearing down the original home, he hired **Farrell Building Co.** to construct the mansion.

The **Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce's** 56th anniversary Delray Affair on April 13-15 will feature historical and contemporary activities this year, produced by Old School Square, the Downtown Development Authority and the Historical Society.

Sponsored by Delray Honda, the Old School Square Beer & Wine Garden will return. Featured partners are Islamorada Beer Co., Rock N Roll Tequila, Monster Energy, Republic National Wines and PRP Wine International. The event spans 10 blocks in downtown Delray Beach on Atlantic Avenue, and admission is free. For more information, visit www.Delrayaffair.com.

The **Greater Boynton Beach Chamber's** 5K Small Business Bow Tie Run will take place April 14 at the Boynton Beach Mall, 801 Congress Ave. Registration will start at 6:30 a.m., and the run and walk will start at 7:30. The price to participate is \$30, plus a \$2.50 sign-up fee. The family-friendly 5K Run is competitive and timed. For sponsorship information, call the Chamber at 927-7331 or email chamber@boyntonbeach.org.

Trish Duebber has assumed the **Boca Raton Museum Art School's** new position as coordinator of youth programs, which are designed to provide studio art experiences to after-school and summer programs for children and teenagers.

"Businesses are seeking to hire people who have arts backgrounds — creative thinkers," Duebber says. "As more tasks become computerized, trends are shifting toward hiring more people who can bring new

perspectives to solving problems. And that's exactly what students gain by having the freedom to create art."

The **League of Women Voters of Palm Beach County** will host a luncheon and talk, "Reality of Sea Level Rise," from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 21

at the Atlantis Country Club, 190 Atlantis Blvd., Lake Worth. The guest speaker will be John Englander, an oceanographer, consultant and expert on sea-level rise.

He has served as chief executive officer for the International SeaKeepers Society and the Cousteau Society. He has authored a bestselling book, *High Tide on Main Street: Rising Sea Level and the Coming Coastal Crisis*, which Politico listed as one of the top 50 books to read.

Tickets are \$25 until March 14, and \$35 after that date. RSVPs are requested at www.lwvpsc.org or by calling 968-4123.



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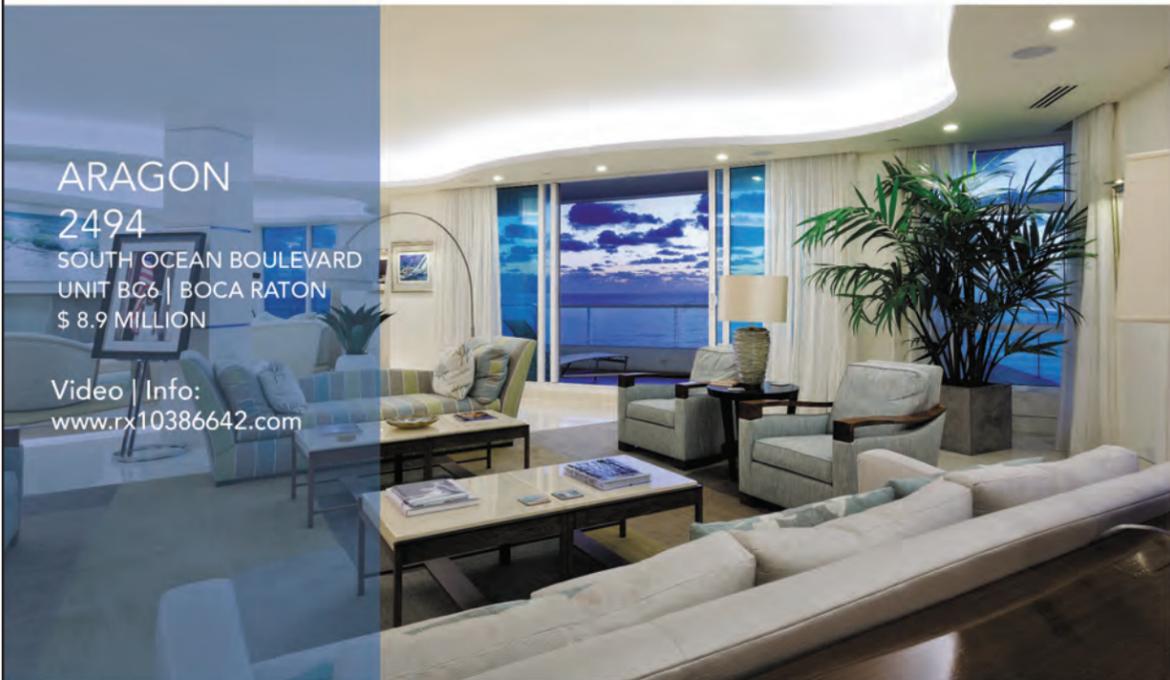
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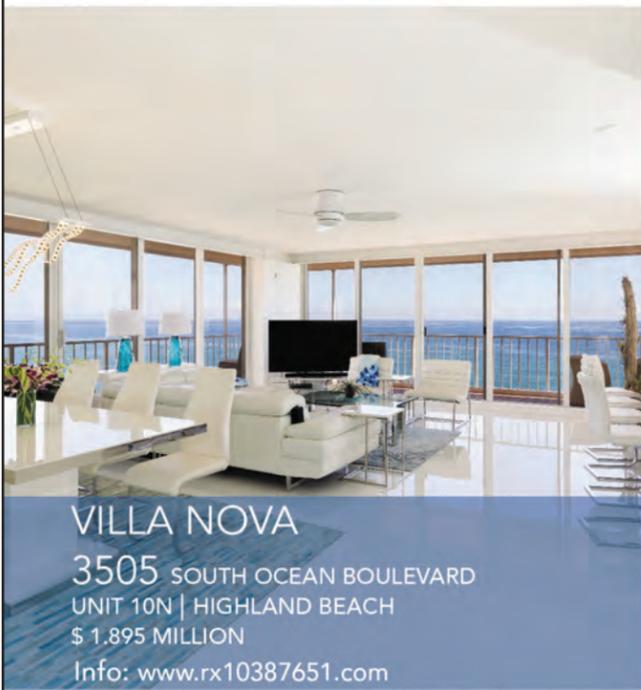
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March 2018

The Coastal  Star



Jan Conley, Rick Schofield and David Conley gather in Gulf Stream for the Audubon Society's Christmas Bird Count.

Avian talley

Annual count shows stability even with habitats changing

By Rich Pollack

It was literally a day for the birds.

The morning was cold, windy and blanketed in fog, challenging teams of bird-watchers engaged in the National Audubon Society's annual Christmas Bird Count.

"It was a weird weather day," says Chuck Weber, a local television journalist who coordinates the bird count within a 15-mile radius centered near the intersection of Jog and Hypoluxo roads. "There were certain species that didn't pop up on count day, although some may have been active later in the day."

Despite the weather, what Weber and the 80 counters in his circle found during a day's work was fairly good news for birds — as well as for the people who like having them around.

In all, the 20 teams identified about 143 species during the latest count, just one fewer than in the previous year. They spotted 17,425 individual birds, an estimate at best — about 500 more than were counted the year before.

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A Forster's tern takes a bath in the surf.
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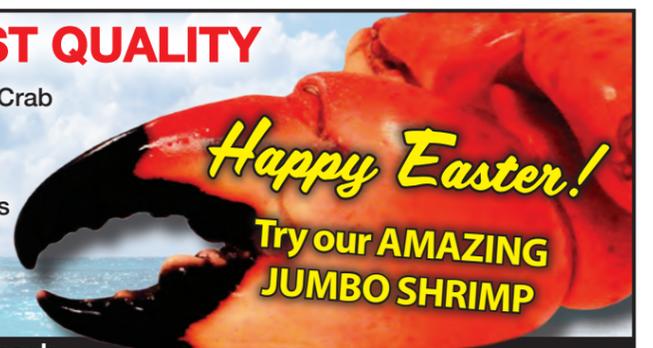
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Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH

Saturday - 3/3 - Bethesda Hospital Foundation's 63rd Annual Bethesda Ball at The Breakers, One South County Road, Palm Beach. Be a part of one of the oldest galas in Palm Beach County. 6:30 pm. \$375. 737-7733 or bethesdahospitalfoundation.org.

Sunday - 3/4 - American Disabilities Foundation's Boating & Beach Bash for People with Disabilities at Spanish River Park, 3001 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Support an event that celebrates caring and humanity and is the nation's largest for children and adults with special needs. 10 am-3 pm. Free. 715-2622 or boatingbeachbash.com.

3/4 - Unicorn Children's Foundation's "The Unicorn Ball: Disco & Diamonds" at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive, Boca Raton. Grab some bell-bottom jeans, platform shoes and bling and join in a fun-filled evening of silent and live auctions, dinner, drinks and dancing the night away John Travolta-style. 5 pm. \$300. 620-9377 or unicornchildrensfoundation.org.

Tuesday - 3/6 - Dreyfoos School of the Arts Foundation's Silver Screen Luncheon at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Support the foundation by bidding in a silent auction while taking in jazz music, watching other performances by students and indulging in a three-course lunch. 11:30 am. \$225. 805-6298 or soafi.org/events/luncheon.

Wednesday - 3/7 - Palm Beach Opera Guild's "An Evening of Rhapsody on the Danube" at The Breakers, One South County Road, Palm Beach. Listen to a rare electronic instrument, the Theremin, and exclusive performances by international stars Ferenc Illeenyi and Katica Illeenyi, all to raise funds for opera programming. 6:30 pm. \$595. 835-7569 or pboperaguild.org/palm-beach-opera-guild-gala-2018.

3/7 - Naoma Donnelley Haggin Boys and Girls Club of Delray Beach's Be Great

Love of Literacy Luncheon

Kravis Center



March 9: The Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County will have its 27th-annual affair featuring best-selling author Will Schwalbe as guest speaker. Schwalbe's books include *The End of Your Life Book Club*, *Books for Living* and *Send: Why People Email So Badly and How To Do It Better*. The luncheon funds programs that provide literacy skills to children, adults and families to help them be successful in school and life. Time is 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$150. Call 279-9103 or visit literacypcb.org. **ABOVE:** Luncheon Co-Chairwomen Bernadette O'Grady and Debra Ghostine. **Photos provided**



Schwalbe

Celebration Dinner at Seagate Country Club, 3600 Hamlet Drive, Delray Beach. Benefits Boys & Girls Club of Delray Beach. Honor the 2018 recipient of the Forrest & Frances Lattner Community Impact Award, as well as the Delray Beach Club's Youth of the Year nominee. 6:30-9 pm. \$200. 683-3287 or bgcpcb.org.

Thursday - 3/8 - Dress for Success Palm Beaches' Style for Hope Luncheon at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West

Palm Beach. Benefits Dress for Success. Recognize International Women's Day as the organization exemplifies its commitment and dedication to empowering those returning to the workforce or entering it for the first time. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$125. 249-3898 or palmbeaches.dressforsuccess.org.

Friday - 3/9 - Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County's Love of Literacy Luncheon at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Hear featured

Cowboy Ball

Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach

March 10: It's time to don those boots, ball gowns and cowboy hats for The Arc of Palm Beach County's annual fundraiser, where the posh of Palm Beach, the grandeur of Texas and the thrill of Las Vegas come together. Guests can expect more glitz and glamour this year as the nonprofit celebrates

its 60th anniversary of helping those with developmental disabilities and their families. Time is 6:30 p.m. Cost is \$500 per person and \$850 per couple. Call 842-3213 or visit arcpbc.org. **INSET:** Honorary Chairs Bobby and Barbara Campbell.

Photo provided by The Arc of Palm Beach County



speaker Will Schwalbe, a best-selling author whose books include *The End of Your Life Book Club*, *Books for Living* and *Send: Why People Email So Badly and How To Do It Better*. 11:30 am. \$150. 279-9103 or literacypcb.org.

3/9 - Child Rescue Coalition's Eat, Drink and Be Giving at Delray Beach Marriott, 10 N. Ocean Blvd. Benefits. Make a difference in a child's life during the third-annual fundraiser featuring an elegant dinner, cocktails, awards presentation and live and silent auctions. 6-10 pm. \$275. 208-9000 or childrescuecoalition.org.

3/9 - 211 Palm Beach/Treasure Coast's Annual Spring Gala, "An Enchanted Tale Awaits," at Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach, 2800 S. Ocean Blvd. Don black-tie attire (or nor) for a night of cocktails, dinner and entertainment to support Helpline. 7 pm. \$400. 383-1128 or 211palmbeach.org.

Saturday - 3/10 - Big Dog Ranch Rescue's Wine, Women & Shoes at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. Be amused by the infamous celebrity doggie fashion show, sip on fine wine, shop and bid in the live and silent auctions. 11 am-3 pm. \$350-\$500. 651-9147 or bdr.org.

3/10 - The Mathew Forbes Romer Foundation's Sweetness and Laughter Gala/ See the Light Awards at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Support the organization's dedication to the education and research of children's genetic diseases of the brain. Noon. \$175. 477-0337 or mfrfoundation.org.

3/10 - Homeless Coalition of Palm Beach County's Mayor's Ball, "Be the Change," at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. "Be the Change" in the community in 2018 by joining the organization for a distinguished, inspiring black-tie evening. 6-11 pm. \$300. 655-4663 or homelesscoalitionpcb.org.

3/10 - Vita Nova's Mallets & Martinis at National Croquet Center, 700 Florida Mango Road, West Palm Beach. Help the foster-care organization give a fresh start to the young adults in its care by playing a noble sport while sipping craft cocktails. 6-10 pm. \$125. 689-0035 or vitanovainc.org.

3/10 - The ARC of Palm Beach County's Cowboy Ball at Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach, 2800 S. Ocean Blvd. Don boots, ball gowns and cowboy hats for the annual fundraiser, where the posh of Palm Beach, the grandeur of Texas and the thrill of Las Vegas come together. 6:30 pm. \$500 per person, \$850 per couple. 842-3213 or arcpbc.org.

3/10 - Best Food Forward Foundation's BFF BASH, "A Jewel of an Evening," at Polo Club of Boca Raton, 5400 Champion Blvd. Enjoy live and silent auctions, happy hour, dinner and dancing and help the organization further its mission of providing academic support and guidance to foster-care children. 7-11 pm. \$200. 470-8300 or bestfoot.org.

3/10 - KidSafe Foundation's "Shine The Light" Gala at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive, Boca Raton. Listen to Olympic gold medalist Aly Raisman give the keynote speech and honor 2018 Child Advocate of the Year Rocco Mangel at the ninth-annual fundraiser. 7-11 pm. \$250. 855-844-7233 or kidsafefoundation.org.

Sunday - 3/11 - Zonta Club of Greater Deerfield Beach's Fourth Annual Cabaret Brunch at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive, Boca Raton. Meet the Heart, Soul & Service Award recipients and benefit the organization's scholarship program. 11 am-2 pm. \$80. 392-2223 or zontadeerfieldbeach.org.

Monday - 3/12 - Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's "Spring Finale With Siggie Flicker" at Woodfield

Country Club, 3650 Club Place, Boca Raton. Be entertained by the woman known for her role in the reality-TV show *The Real Housewives of New Jersey* who used to call Boca Raton home. 7 pm. \$60 couvert. 852-3271 or jewishboca.org/springfinale.

Friday - 3/16 - National Jewish Health's The New Directions for Women Luncheon at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Join other guests for a silent auction, lunch, drinks, a drawing and to hear from Jill Zarin, of the reality-TV show *The Real Housewives of New York City*. 11 am-2 pm. \$125. 477-5400 or flnewdirections.com.

Sunday - 3/18 - Il Cicolo, The Italian Cultural Society's 42nd Anniversary Gala, "La Bella Figura," at The Breakers, One South County Road, Palm Beach. Dance the night away and soak in the sounds of a live opera singer during a festive fundraiser. 5:30 pm. \$350-\$400. 371-4517 or ilcicoloflorida.org/gala.

3/18 - JARC Florida's Jarcmania at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive. Get in on the action at the organization's 32nd-annual gala. 6-9 pm. \$200-\$250. 558-2550 or jarcfl.org.

Monday - 3/19 - Woman's Club of Delray Beach's Real Men Bake & Rock at the Sock Hop at Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Sample sweet and savory delights baked by a who's-who cast of male volunteers in a benefit for local charities. 6-9 pm. \$35. 843-6821 or realmenbake.eventbrite.com.

Saturday - 3/24 - Gumbo Limbo Nature Center's Sea Coast Toast at Boca Country Club, 17751 Boca Club Blvd. Help the organization fund scholarships for students pursuing environmental careers while enjoying a tropically themed celebration. 6-10 pm. \$125-\$150. 544-8608 or gumbolimbo.org.

3/24 - Palm Beach Dramaworks' 18th-annual gala, "Murder on the Orient Express" at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Join Countess Constantina Chattington in honoring Monsieur Hercule Poirot during an evening of cocktails, dinner, dancing and entertainment. 6:30 pm. \$600. 514-4042, Ext. 106 or palmbeachdramaworks.org.

APRIL

Wednesday - 4/4 - South Florida Science Center and Aquarium's "The Science of Invisibility: An Evening with Kevin Mitnick, the World's Best Known Hacker" at The Breakers, One South County Road, Palm Beach. Listen to an informal presentation about Mitnick's journey from criminal to consultant. 7 pm. \$500. 370-7738 or sfscecenter.org.

Friday - 4/6 - Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens' "Evening in the Gardens" at 2051 S. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach. Fete the fifth-annual cocktail reception that features the presentation of the Ann Norton Award for Philanthropy and benefits the Gardens Conservancy. 6 pm. \$500. 832-5328 or ans.org.

Saturday - 4/7 - Florida Atlantic University's President's Gala at 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Enjoy a dazzling evening under the lights of Broadway and spectacular works of art as the school honors its Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters and showcases its students. 7 pm. \$300. 297-3000 or gala.fau.edu.



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Gumbo Limbo's Sea Coast Toast to salute 'sliver of the past'

By Amy Woods

Friends of Gumbo Limbo, the volunteer support organization for Gumbo Limbo Nature Center in Boca Raton, will raise a collective glass to the Sea Coast Toast in anticipation of the fundraiser being the biggest to date.

Brandon Canute, development manager for the Friends, said the guest list, the number of sponsors and the amount of proceeds all are expected to increase when the event comes to the Boca Country Club on March 24.

"We're raising more money than we've ever raised before," Canute said, noting that the Sea Coast Toast netted \$40,000 in 2017, compared with \$20,000 in 2016. "We more than doubled in one year, and it allowed us to do new, better things."

The Friends expanded its scholarship program for students pursuing environmental careers and invested additional dollars in marine research at Florida Atlantic and Nova Southeastern universities. Intracoastal Adventures, an on-the-water educational program taken by canoe, kayak and paddleboard, was created. The Sea Turtle Rehabilitation Facility also received a boost.

"I feel like the Friends don't have the same visibility as other friends groups," Canute said. "For me, it's a way to kind of put our name and our mission out there."

The evening begins with a cocktail hour and a raffle, as well as a silent auction that includes a ride for two on the Goodyear blimp, a trip to New York City to see *Hamilton* (and meet the cast), and a culinary tour of Tuscany in Italy. A multicourse dinner will be served, and dancing to the music of Jimmy Stowe & the Stowaways will follow.

"This is our fundraiser," Canute said. "Supporting Gumbo Limbo Nature Center gives you an opportunity to learn about the ecosystem and how it affects us. I think having Gumbo Limbo here and being able to bring your kids here for free to experience the environment adds value to your day. Despite all of the development going on, this is a sliver of the past."

If You Go

What: Sea Coast Toast
When: 6 to 10 p.m. March 24
Where: Boca Country Club, 17751 Boca Club Blvd., Boca Raton
Cost: \$125 to \$150
Information: Call 544-8608 or visit gumbolimbo.org/seacoasttoast



LEFT: (l-r) Kimberly Agnello, of JM Family Enterprises; Mark Warren, of the Warren Family Foundation; Gordon Gilbert, founder of Gumbo Limbo Nature Center; and Lisa Davis, of JM Family Enterprises. Photo provided



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Philanthropy Notes

Gift doubles scholarship for FAU commercial-music program

Florida Atlantic University benefactor Fara Love has made another gift to the school's commercial music program, which doubles the Jerry and Devon Love Endowed Commercial Music Scholarship. The scholarship, which supports three students annually, was created in memory of Fara Love's husband, Jerry, and their daughter Devon.

"Jerry, a music-industry veteran, was instrumental in

the creation of Hoot/Wisdom Recordings, FAU's record label," said Michael Zager, founder and director of the commercial music program.

"Devon was very artistic and had a great love of music and the record business," Zager said. "While losing a daughter and then a husband in two years is difficult, their legacy will live forever because of Fara's generosity."

Added Fara Love, "We have

witnessed many wonderful, talented students graduate from Michael Zager's program. Music was a very strong, happy bond between Jerry and Devon. Music is what joins the heart and soul together and it will happily continue through these students."

with breast cancer and was the recipient of the 2017 Susan G. Komen NY Impact Award."

The reception includes wine, hors d'oeuvres and dessert. Tickets are \$85. Call 852-3188 or visit www.jewishboca.org/grantingwishes.

Botanical Garden will have its biggest annual fundraiser, the Mounts Spring Benefit, on April 8, to support educational programs.

Programs include the exhibit "Washed Ashore: Art To Save the Sea."

Tickets are \$175 and can be purchased by calling 233-1757. Sponsorships and underwriting opportunities also are available.

Jewish Women's Grant Wishes event

The Jewish Women's Foundation of South Palm Beach County will have its Granting Wishes event at 5:30 p.m. March 14 at Boca Rio Golf Club in Boca Raton.

Not only will guests find out who will be awarded the grants, they also will hear from Denise Albert and Melissa Musen Gerstein, who co-founded The MOMS.

"We are delighted to have Denise Albert and Melissa Musen Gerstein as our 2018 Granting Wishes guest speakers," said Amy Rosenberg, who is co-chairing the event with Rande Rubenstein.

The MOMS lifestyle brand is featured on TV, radio, podcasts, online, in print and in taxicabs.

"Their Mamarazzi town-hall events provide mothers and media with access to celebrities to discuss meaningful parenting topics," Rosenberg said. "Denise chronicles her ongoing journey

Cruises benefit All Hands

ICruise.com, a retailer for cruises and travel services based in Delray Beach, raised \$10,000 for All Hands Volunteers, an organization dedicated to rebuilding communities hit by natural disasters.

ICruise.com donated a portion for every Caribbean cruise booked from October through December, in partnership with Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings.

Lang donates to Red Cross

As part of its commitment to give a percentage of home sales to charity, Lang Realty has donated \$5,000 to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund.

"This is our way of helping the many people directly affected by last year's back-to-back hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria," said Scott Agran, president of Lang Realty.

Mounts Botanical's Friends plan fundraiser
Friends of the Mounts

Real Men who bake sought

Guys who love to create culinary masterpieces and share them with others will want to sign up for the eighth annual Real Men Bake and Rock at the Sock Hop, set for March 19. Presented by the Woman's Club of Delray Beach and benefiting several nonprofits, the event is at Old School Square in Delray Beach. Time is 6 to 9 p.m.

Guests at Real Men Bake and Rock at the Sock Hop will have a chance to sample all of the creations and vote for their favorites. Prizes will be awarded.

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Celebrations

CEO Build

Boynton Beach — Jan. 19

Climbing the success ladder of a different kind, a long and impressive roster of CEOs and executives participated in the inaugural CEO Build by Habitat for Humanity of South Palm Beach County and had the privilege of dedicating a home. A team of 70 volunteers helped construct, by raising \$175,000 and putting in valuable hours, a residence for a low-income South County family. **PHOTO:** The CEO Build team included Doug Fash (far right) of coastal Boca Raton.

Photo provided by Carlos Aristizabal



Scholarship drive

UNICO Highland Beach — Feb. 1



UNICO Highland Beach offers scholarships to 12th-graders graduating from Palm Beach County high schools. A chapter member who has chosen to remain anonymous has pledged up to \$5,000 if other members match the amount. 'We are off to a great start,' said Gail Guy, scholarship chairwoman **ABOVE:** Guy (right) receives a \$1,000 check from Rosaria and Vincent Gismondi. **Photo provided**

Voice Awards Luncheon

Broken Sound Club, Boca Raton — Jan. 23



Boca Raton's Promise presented its fifth annual event to honor community leaders' understanding and action in breaking the silence of mental health. Awards were presented in categories ranging from youth counseling to film production and social media. 'The ripple effect of these dedicated, passionate and compassionate honorees reaches wide and deep to benefit so many in our community,' said Rita Thrasher, co-founder of Boca Raton's Promise. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Gerda Klein, Thrasher and award winners Michael Kane and Dr. Bruce Saltz. **Photo provided by Gina Fontana**

Italian Night Dinner Dance

St. Lucy Catholic Church, Highland Beach — Feb. 10



A sold-out crowd of 200 celebrated in the church hall with a four-course meal followed by dessert. Gino DeMarco and Josephine Dolce then provided beautiful harmonies of Italian favorites. The seaside parish under the direction of the Rev. D. Brian Horgan is celebrating its 50th year. **LEFT:** (l-r) Chairs Dominick and Ann Conte and Emilio and Suzanne Petti worked tirelessly for months to organize the event. **Photo provided**

VIP Preview

Mounts Botanical Garden, West Palm Beach — Dec. 1

More than 100 supporters, along with local dignitaries, were invited to 'Washed Ashore: Art To Save the Sea,' which runs through June 3 at the public garden. The exhibit showcases giant sea-life sculptures made from marine debris and graphically illustrates the plastic pollution in the ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway. 'The primary role of Mounts Botanical is to educate and inspire people about the importance of nature and the environment — how it impacts the everyday life of everyone, and how we are all responsible to preserve and protect this precious gift for generations to come,' said Rochelle Wolberg, the garden's curator-director. **RIGHT:** (l-r) Michael, Orli and Elaine Zimmerman in front of *Priscilla the Parrot Fish*. **Photo provided by Jacek Gancarz**



Laugh With the Library

Delray Beach Marriott — Feb. 2



Good humor was in abundance during the Delray Beach Public Library's 12th installment of the fundraiser that has become a fan favorite for its creative, casual, fun-filled night of comedy, cocktails and dinner-by-the-bite. Headliners were Don Gavin, known as the 'Godfather of Boston Comedy,' and Kevin Flynn, a well-known stand-up comedian and ESPN host. The event raised more than \$75,000. **LEFT:** (l-r) Cash Cade, Brenda Medore and Leigh Adair. **Photo provided**

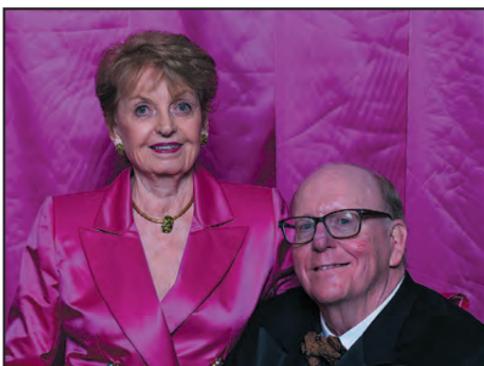
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Celebrations

Boca Raton Regional Hospital Ball

Boca Raton Resort and Club — Feb. 3



Music legends The Temptations provided special entertainment at the 56th annual black-tie gala, which raised more than \$1.6 million to enhance patient-care initiatives. A sold-out crowd of more than 1,200 paid tribute to Honorary Chairs Stanley and Marilyn Barry, Christine Lynn and Richard and Barbara Schmidt. The masquerade-themed décor featured elegant Venetian-style masks, rich jewel-toned linens, candle-lit centerpieces and dramatic drapery. **TOP:** Dolores and William Woolley. **MIDDLE:** Bob Sheetz and Debbie Lindstrom. **BOTTOM:** Margaret Mary and John Shuff. **Photos provided by Downtown Photo**

Annual Pool Party

Turtle Beach, Ocean Ridge — Feb. 18



Guests at the condo's 2018 splash-filled affair enjoyed a beautiful afternoon and a visit from former residents Howard and Beverlee Schnellenberger. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Gillian McMullin, Mark Brody, Peter McMullin and Beverlee Schnellenberger. **RIGHT:** Legendary football coach Howard Schnellenberger visits with dog Megan. **Photos provided**



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Around Town

Spring sprouts the best of foodie fests in Boca, Delray

The biggest food and wine event for Boca Raton is gearing up for its 16th year.

Boca Bacchanal, a favorite of oenophiles for the celeb-chef vintner dinners, and with partiers for the Bacchanalia under-the-tent event, planned to kick off with the Bacchus Beckons launch party Feb. 27 at Saks Fifth Avenue. The “reveal” of matchups for chefs and hosts are announced at this party, and the ticket reservations begin in earnest.

The hot, or haute, tickets are for the vintner dinners April 6, \$325 each for a five-course meal prepared by a celebrity chef, paired to a winery's best offerings and set in a fabulous host home.

The dinners offer the chance to meet the chefs and vintners and get to chat one-on-one about the foods and wines. Saks will donate a silent auction item to each dinner.

A Southern accent is predominant among the guest chefs, with big personality chef Philippe Haddad from Atlanta's Cape Dutch; Jimmy Bannos of Heaven on Seven in Chicago, who focuses on Cajun cooking; Regina Charboneau, a Mississippi chef whose impressive résumé includes stints in Alaska's bush, Paris



A table of diners toasts to a beautiful evening along Atlantic Avenue in Delray Beach during last year's Savor the Avenue. The event is March 26 this year. **Photo provided**

and San Francisco and several cookbooks; and Josh Harmon of Junction Craft Kitchen in Dallas.

Joining them are Italian chefs Vincenzo Betulia of Tulia Osteria in Naples, Fla., and Tony Mantuano of Chicago's Spiaggia. He's a *Top Chef* master and James Beard Award winner. Rounding out the field is chef Aaron Meneghelli of Carneros Resort and Spa in the Napa Valley.

Bubbles & Brunch, a

Champagne light brunch tied to the Bacchanal, is March 18 at the new Robb & Stuckey showroom. The \$30 ticket gets you a Champagne cocktail and some light bites while you browse the showroom.

The finale of the event is April 7 at the Mizner Park Amphitheater, moved to evening hours, 7 to 11. With more than 30 restaurants and wineries showcasing foods and wines in a huge dine-around event, with live music and a

high-tech auction, it's a favorite among foodies and social types. Tickets are \$100 and go quickly; buy at www.bocabacchanal.com. The Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum is the beneficiary of the events.

Already tickets have sold out for most of the 15 restaurants participating in the 10th annual **Savor the Avenue** street-long dinner party in Delray Beach.

Held each spring, this year on March 26, the event draws

more than 1,000 diners who sit at tables set in the middle of Atlantic Avenue downtown, stretching for blocks.

Chefs from area restaurants prepare a fixed five-course menu, and diners reserve seats with the restaurants. A contest for best table décor and foods is part of the affair as chefs and decorators go all out.

It will be bittersweet for **32 East**, a downtown Delray restaurant that changed the face of dining when it opened 32 years ago. This is its last year for Savor the Avenue; it will close in May.

The event is sponsored by *Delray* and *Boca* magazines, and the Delray DDA. A charity is chosen each year as the beneficiary; this year's is the Not One Homeless Hungry Student Delray Beach initiative.

For tickets to remaining seats, or to be put on a wait list, call 243-1077 or go to www.downtowndelraybeach.com/savortheavenue.

Big art and small sharing plates (crab cakes, mussels in vodka sauce, hanger steak and the like) are the theme at **Avant**, downtown Delray's newest addition to the dining and art scene. Local artists have modern works on display in the moody Soho-like indoor-out restaurant

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John Prince Park, Lake Worth — Feb. 3



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that took over SoLita's space on Second Avenue. It's part craft cocktail bar, part gallery and part grill; find it easily by the giant Lego-like critter that stands sentinel in the courtyard.

For a few moments in the Olympic 500-meter speed skating event, FAU '10 grad **Brittany Bowe** seemed close to a gold medal. She was on top by nine thousandths of a second with a 37.53 time in a race the



Bowe

TV announcers called flawless. But she was soon knocked off the lead and the podium. Nao Kodaira of Japan won in an Olympic-

record time of 36.94 seconds. Bowe wound up fifth.

Bowe, who turned 30 during the Olympics, also finished fourth in the 1,000-meter race and fifth in the 1,500.

Regaining confidence after a concussion in 2016, Bowe told a Team USA reporter she was just happy to get to the games; placing near the top was icing on the cake after she did not finish close to the medals at the 2014 Sochi Games.

But a happy ending: Bowe finally medaled in South Korea, winning a bronze in the team pursuit with U.S. teammates Heather Bergsma and Mia Manganello — edging Canada by .45 seconds.

It was the first U.S. women's Olympic medal in long track

speed skating since 2002.

Japan defeated the Netherlands for the gold medal.

"There were times less than a year ago I didn't even think I'd be able to lace the skates back up, so to be top five in the world in everything I've skated is a blessing," Bowe said.

She is committed to skating in the 2022 Beijing Olympics. "I definitely plan on going another four years," she said.

Now get set for the local **2018 Senior Games**.

There's no skiing, and definitely no luge.

But over-50 competitors can try for gold, silver and bronze in a dozen events ranging from powerlifting to archery and pickleball, golf, swimming, track and billiards at the 29th annual games set up by the Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department.

The games run March 2-9 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily at parks and YMCA gyms in Delray Beach, Boynton Beach and Boca Raton.

Age divisions begin at 50 and go up in five-year increments till 90. Then it's just a 90-plus age category — and glory to you.

The games are open to anyone, though Delray Beach residents pay lower entry fees. Pros need not apply — until 20 years after they last competed in their given sport. No ringers allowed, unless it's a golf pro who doesn't earn much except from teaching.

Lest you dismiss these golden years athletes, consider that at last year's games, Yilmaz Eryasa, 89, won gold in the 50-meter dash with a respectable time of 8.97 seconds. That was faster than Tom Johnson, who in the 65-69 group won gold in 9.68 seconds. Eryasa won gold in long jump at 6 feet, 7.25 inches.

Then there's 76-year-old Roger Busch, who hurled a discus 136 feet, 10.5 inches for a gold, bettering kids of 54 who mustered 112 feet, 6 3/8 inches.

Gold medalists can progress to the Florida International Senior Games and State Championships in Clearwater in December.

Spectators are encouraged; game watching is free.

To check out schedules or to enter, contact Parks and Recreation at 243-7000, ext. 5101, or visit www.mydelraybeach.com/departments/parks_and_recreation/delray_beach_senior_games.php

Parks and Rec staff in Delray Beach have a busy month, with the games first, then the giant **Easter Egg Hunt** in Robert P. Miller Park on March 31.

There will be 10,000 plastic eggs stashed around the park. Some will have candy; others will have small prizes.

However, those don't compare to the hunt at the Four Seasons Palm Beach, where the

traditional egg hunt has yielded a much more lucrative prize.

In past years, it has included Fabergé eggs. As we write, it's in the planning stages this year, and no telling what the great egg prize will be.

Beverly Hills "real housewife" **Lisa Vanderpump** was at Total Wine & More in Boca Center with hubby Ken Todd in February. They were sampling out their wine, Vanderpump Rose, for guests in a grip-and-grin event.

Freelance writer Jan Norris wrote this column for Thom Smith, who will return next month. Jan can be reached at



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The Price: \$19

The Skinny: Many of us have had a pasta puttanesca — you know, pasta tossed in a hearty tomato sauce that's loaded with capers, bits of anchovy and plenty of hot pepper.

According to legend, prostitutes would prepare the dish to whet the appetites of sailors for something other

than food.

This flatbread draws inspiration from the capers and tomato of its namesake. But it's much lighter than the classic pasta dish, with a thin, crispy crust that's topped with plenty of mozzarella, bits of fresh tomato and tender Key West shrimp.

I also enjoyed the fried mozzarella, an



innovative take on the dish, with tangy marinara and spicy pepperonata.

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New Year's Traditions

Around the globe, spring marks time of new beginnings

This is one of an occasional series on how various cultures celebrate the new year.

By Janis Fontaine

A bird. A bloom. A breeze without an arctic chill.

The signs of spring are a reason to rejoice. In many cultures, the New Year begins not in the dead of winter but in the promise of green buds, longer days and sunshine.

The people of Iran celebrate Nowruz, an ancient festival that coincides with the vernal equinox, the time when the sun shines directly on the equator and day and night are each 12 hours long. Officially, that's when spring arrives, and many cultures recognize it for its messages of rebirth and renewal. Nowruz, meaning new day, is a happy time, pristine and full of hope.

"Nowruz is a beautiful



Palm Beach County's Hindus celebrate Holi, the arrival of spring, by throwing colored powder at one another and squirting colored water. **Photo provided**

day," said Ali Moghani, who lives in Boynton Beach. "It's not political, and it doesn't belong to any religion. It recognizes what every man has in common, whether a king or a working person. There's

something special about the equinox, when day and night are equal."

By tracking the moon and the seasons, agricultural communities knew when to plant and harvest crops, and

If You Go

What: Holi, the Hindu New Year, a colorful celebration with food and music

When: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 4

Where: Loxahatchee Groves Park, 13901 Southern Blvd.

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nomadic cultures knew when to pack up and move on. The rituals and activities of society revolved around the movement of the celestial bodies. It was a constant in a world of uncertainties.

"Ancient Persians believed you had to wait until the moon reached a certain place before the festival could begin," Moghani explained. He and his community will celebrate Nowruz on March 17 with a

party even though the vernal equinox isn't officially until 12:15 p.m. March 20 in Florida.

Families gather around a table set in a traditional way with a special tablecloth and a colorful display of seven important items, all beginning with the letter S. Each is a symbol of renewal. "Everything has to be there," Moghani said. "Two weeks before, we plant something so we'll have green sprouting inside, and there are certain flowers and foods we must have."

Little meat is consumed. The green planting, called the sabzeh, represents rebirth and becomes the table's centerpiece. Also on the table: saman, a sweet pudding, which represents fertility; seeb, or apples, to represent beauty; seer (garlic) represents good health; sekeh (coins) represents prosperity; serekh (vinegar) represents patience; and sonbol, the hyacinth, represents all things spring.

Nowruz dates back at least 3,000 years to the pre-Islamic, Zoroastrian history of Iran.

The origin may be ancient, but the sentiment is timely: "The traditions say that we have to be good to the Earth, to value it and what comes from it. The main idea is to respect the Earth," Moghani said.

Moghani supports the Iranian Cultural Society of Palm Beach, which hosts a friendly gathering at Okechee Park in West Palm Beach the first Sunday of the month. "Our mission is to keep the traditions strong."

Nowruz is also celebrated in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Albania, Turkey, Turkmenistan and parts of India, Russia and China. In some places it's called Farmer's Day.

The colorful Holi

Nowruz isn't the only spring festival that commemorates the start of a new year.

Each year, hundreds of Hindus arrive at Loxahatchee Groves Park in western Palm Beach County dressed in white, where they will "greet each other with colors," Leila Persaud explained.

By the time the revelry is over, everyone, once starkly white, will be colored by bright powder in teal and fuchsia, red and yellow, green and gold.

Holi is the Hindu spring festival, also called the "Festival of Colours," and throwing brightly colored powder at each other or squirting each other with colored water is the highlight of the two-day event.

"It's a very important festival," said Persaud, of Lake Worth. "It thanks God for the triumph of good over evil."

Last year 400 people attended. The Palm Beach Hindu Mandir hosts the event.

"It's fun for the adults and the kids," spiritual leader Vishnu Sharma said.

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the festival falls on the first full moon in the month of Phalguna in the Vikram Samvat Hindu calendar, which puts it between the end of February and the middle of March on the Gregorian calendar. Celebrating begins the night before with a party called Holika Dahan. Holi, which is the following day, is like New Year's Day.

Holi celebrates the end of winter, the arrival of spring, the victory of good over evil. It's a time of rejoicing and singing, frolicking and feasting. But the day also has a serious side: Holi is important for clearing the slate for the new year. People pay off their debts and mend relationships, forgive past wrongs and ask for forgiveness.

The festival is widely celebrated in India and Nepal, and its popularity is spreading through Europe and the United States like colored powder on the white cloth.

Holi food is all vegetarian, Persaud said. With donations from local businesses, the women of the mandir prepare saffron rice and beans, using time-honored Indian recipes and great skill.

The most symbolic dish is sweet gujhiya, Indian sweet empanadas or dumplings, stuffed with a mixture of milk solids called khoya, sugar, dried fruit, green cardamom and nuts.

Holi doesn't have any religious rituals to be performed. During Holi, people regardless of their sex, color, caste or creed join together to spread a message of love, unity and peace. There's a ritual the night before, with a bonfire, but the Holi is all about having fun and enjoying friends and family.

Other celebrations that mark the beginning of spring include Japan's Shunbun no Hi, which is celebrated by visiting and cleaning loved ones' graves and having family reunions.

The Mayan celebration of the Return of the Sun Serpent also took place during the vernal equinox, and a festival still is held at El Castillo pyramid in the Chichen Itza archeological site during both the vernal and autumnal equinoxes. The late afternoon sun casts a shadow that makes it look like a snake is moving down the pyramid.

In Egypt, Iraq, Libya, Sudan and Syria, Mother's Day is celebrated on the vernal equinox. Egypt was the first to celebrate Mom, beginning in 1956. The other countries followed.

At Stonehenge, the vernal equinox is an important time for New Age followers and Wiccans. At least 100 people show up each year to welcome spring in complete silence.

Other celebrations

Año Nuevo Azteca, the Aztec New Year

When: Sunrise March 12

Who celebrates: Some Nahua communities in Mexico
How they celebrate: Candles, fireworks, drumming and singing are all part of the festivities.

Gudi Padwa, the Marathi Hindu New Year

When: March 18, based on the lunisolar Hindu calendar.

Where: India

Who celebrates: The Maharashtra Hindus. Similar celebrations are held by the Telugu, Konkani and Kannada Hindus.

How they celebrate: The day starts with a spring cleaning, followed by making colorful decorations on the floor and erecting colorful silk scarf-like cloth tied at the top of a long bamboo pole called gudi. Street processions, dancing and meals with traditional foods that always include both sweet and bitter flavors are part of the festival.

Hari Raya Nyepi, the Bali Hindu New Year

When: March 17. Celebrated on the first day of the Saka lunar calendar or on the first new moon of March.

Where: Mainly celebrated in Bali, Indonesia

Who celebrates: Hindus celebrate, but others are respectful of the holiday. Non-Hindus observe the customs that prohibit work, and even the airport is closed for the day.

How: Nyepi, a national holiday since 1983, is a day of silence and self-reflection, fasting and meditation. The day before the new year, custom says the Lord of Hell sends out devils that must be cleared out before the new year begins. People make papier-mâché effigies that they parade through town before burning them, which is followed by a feast with music and dancing. ★



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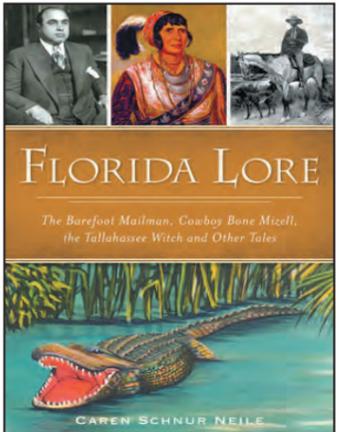
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Art

A cut above

Belgian artist's sumptuous, paper-made costumes dress up Society of the Four Arts galleries.

Isabelle de Borchgrave's 2001 *Madame de Pompadour Court Dress* was inspired by a circa-1756 portrait of Madame de Pompadour by Francois Boucher in the collection of the Alte Pinakothek in Munich. Photo provided



By **Georgio Valentino**
ArtsPaper Contributing Writer

The Esther B. O’Keeffe Gallery of Palm Beach’s Society of the Four Arts is currently showing some of history’s most sumptuous costumes, from the gilded luxury of the Medici court to the embroidered splendor of the Silk Road to the whimsy of the Belle Epoque ballet stage.

Except these aren’t dusty old originals. *Fashioning Art from Paper* is a career-spanning exhibition of life-size paper sculptures by Belgian artist Isabelle de Borchgrave.

The Brussels-based septuagenarian originally trained as a painter but pivoted mid-career toward a new, multidisciplinary style.

“I made my first paper dress in the late ’80s,” de Borchgrave says. “I had just seen an Yves Saint-Laurent costume exhibition at the Met in New York and it really made an impression. That and the arrival of contemporary art made me feel free to create whatever and however I wanted.”

She quickly built an entire collection, which was shown first in France then Boston and New York. It was an immediate hit with American audiences. She has since been a regular visitor to the United States.

“These works seem to resonate in the States,” the artist observes. “Across the generational divide, Americans really appreciate this kind of art. I’ve seen people return to the same exhibition up to eight times.”

The current Four Arts show is the second in an ambitious U.S. exhibition tour that kicked off at the Dixon Gallery and Gardens in Memphis last year. Five cultural institutions across the country — in Memphis, in Palm Beach, in Oklahoma City, in Pittsburgh and in Naples — have joined forces to roll out the red carpet

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Books

The ‘everyman’ as seen through the eyes of Min Jin Lee

By **Janis Fontaine**
ArtsPaper Contributing Writer

Min Jin Lee has earned her place among today’s outstanding writers with the publication of *Pachinko*, an epic tear-jerker that follows a poor, hard-working Korean family for most of the last century, beginning in 1910. The book topped dozens of best books lists for 2017, including *The New York Times*, and was nominated for a National Book Award.

Lee’s characters are the people most of us would pass on the street without even noticing, and yet they

embody the passion, strength, determination and integrity of the human race in a way that makes you proud to be a member.

A National Public Radio book reviewer called Lee’s work “honest writing, fiction that looks squarely at what it is, both terrible and wonderful.” Maybe that’s why this book stays with you, echoing around in your psyche, tickling your moral compass, and maybe making you rethink your own life and motivation.

Lee was born in Seoul, South Korea, in 1968. She came to the U.S. in 1976, and

her family settled in Elmhurst, Queens, where her parents owned a wholesale jewelry store. She grew up without much money, but hard work landed her in the Ivy League. She majored in history at Yale, then went to law school at Georgetown.

Lee worked as a corporate lawyer for a few years, until a chronic illness forced her to quit. She’d always loved storytelling and writing, but couldn’t afford to pursue another degree, so she developed her own creative writing curriculum, attending

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Min Jin Lee broke through with her debut novel 10 years ago. Photo by Elena Seibert

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LEFT: *Delphos Dress and Shawl* (2006-7), based on a Delphos dress with stenciled silk belt, circa 1920-30, with a fine silk gauze shawl in multi-colored floral design with Venetian glass bead trim.
RIGHT: *Flora* (2006), based on the painting *La Primavera* (1481-2), by Sandro Botticelli, in the collection of the Uffizi Gallery in Florence. Photos provided

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for a retrospective of historical proportions, spanning not just decades of the artist's career but centuries of sartorial creation.

The museum directors tapped Dennita Sewell, current Jacquie Dorrance Curator of Fashion Design at the Phoenix Art Museum, to coordinate the tour. Sewell first met the artist during de Borchgrave's 2011 Pulp Fashion exhibition in San Francisco.

"I was really pleased to be invited to participate," Sewell says over the phone from Arizona. "I've been admiring Isabelle's work for many years. She's doing something truly unique. Sure, there were

paper dresses in the 1960s — but this a far different, more sculptural form of expression."

Visitors at the Four Arts are greeted with a specially commissioned work, a paper sculpture inspired by the dress worn by Charlotte-Marguerite de Montmorency, princess of Condé, in her Rubens portrait. It's 17th-century opulence at its most conspicuous.

From there, the exhibition opens onto de Borchgrave's signature series "Papiers à la Mode," created in collaboration with costume historian Rita Brown. The collection is a historical cross-section of European styles over the centuries, with an emphasis on court fashions.

De Borchgrave's "Kaftans" series occupies a side chamber. The emphasis here is on the diversity of silk patterns that decorated Persian fashion in centuries past.

The artist's homage to Mariano Fortuny occupies a corner of the main gallery. The early 20th-century Spanish fashion designer was, like de Borchgrave, passionate about Renaissance Italian style. Indeed, Fortuny was so taken by all things Italy that he set up shop in the Venetian villa that still houses his legacy and foundation.

De Borchgrave continues her exploration of Italian luxury in the "Splendor of the Medicis" series, product of the artist's sojourn in Florence. She carried out extensive

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research at the Uffizi Gallery and Palazzo Medici before turning her hand to what would be the most technically demanding works of her career to that point.

"Les Ballets Russes" adds a touch of the carnivalesque to the exhibition. The sculptures re-create costumes worn by dancers in Sergei Diaghilev's globetrotting Belle Epoque ballet company — a rogue's gallery of court jesters and wild animals.

De Borchgrave created sculptures based on archival photos and artist sketches, capturing the stylized contours and saturated colors of Diaghilev's breakthrough productions.

In mid-April, after a nearly three-month stand in Palm Beach, the exhibition is set to decamp to Oklahoma City and Pittsburgh before ultimately returning to Florida for a last bow at Naples' Baker Museum.

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Reviews

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Tony Bennett (Feb. 4, Kravis Center)

An adoring capacity crowd greeted the artist formerly known as Anthony Dominick Benedetto as the 91-year-old vocalist confidently strode onstage Feb. 4 at Dreyfoos Hall in West Palm Beach.

And why not? As Tony Bennett, the singer has earned 20 Grammy Awards, the most recent for Best Traditional Pop Vocal Album for *Tony Bennett Celebrates 90*; charted a career of astonishing longevity from the 1950s through today, and in the process blurred the supposed lines between the musical genres and subgenres of jazz, easy listening, pop, and adult contemporary.

The Queens, N.Y., native's seasoned quartet of guitarist Gray Sargent, pianist Tom Adair, bassist Marshall Wood and drummer Harold Jones helped blur those lines over the show's first 20 minutes by backing daughter Antonia Bennett, a talented singer and actress in her own right. The 43-year-old delivered a solid rendition of the Sammy Cahn/Gene de Paul standard "Teach Me Tonight," dedicated the Billie Holiday staple "You're a Lucky Guy" to her father, and highlighted the set with the Gershwin chestnut "Someone To Watch Over Me."

Looking 20 years younger than his actual age, Bennett took the stage, and proved that whatever he's lost in vocal range is made up for by his veteran microphone techniques.

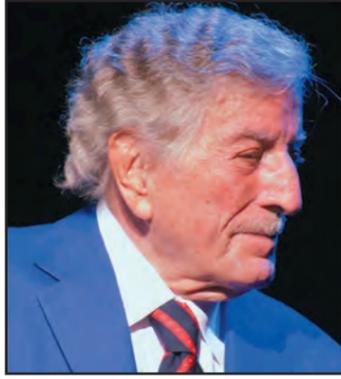
Bennett's voice warmed up and improved as the evening went on, and he seemed inspired by his accompanists.

"I had quite a few hit songs over the years," Bennett said at one point, in a major understatement. "If you don't mind, I'd like to sing a few of them."

With most audience members old enough to remember hearing them on the radio, no one minded hearing a medley that included Rodgers and Hart's "My Romance," Hank Williams' "Cold Cold Heart," and the Richard Adler/Jerry Ross "Rags to Riches."

The obligatory reading of Bennett's signature 1962 hit, the George Cory/Douglass Cross tune "I Left My Heart in San Francisco," featured impressive long notes and breath control by the creative singer.

Finally, Bennett crafted a medley of Charlie Chaplin's "Smile" and the Louis Armstrong hit "When You're Smiling," before his last trick during a tidy 80-minute performance — Bart Howard's 1954 standard "Fly Me To the Moon." Bennett went from a duet intro with Sargent to singing the verses without using his microphone. The crowd hung on every word before the



Tony Bennett, still touring at 91, played to a large house Feb. 4 at the Kravis. Photo by Regina Campbell

quartet's final flourish, during which Bennett walked off before running back on — yes, and long may he run — to wave goodbye to the crowd once more. — *Bill Meredith*

The Revolutionists (FAU Theatre Lab, closed Feb. 25)

There are several things you can count on in a play by Lauren Gunderson. It will center on women with a feminist bent, it will have crisp, witty dialogue yet make plenty of serious points and it will self-reflectively keep reminding us that we are watching a play, what theater folks call "meta."

Certainly that is the case with *The Revolutionists*, a tongue-in-cheek tale of four women trying to make a difference during the French Revolution or at least survive it.

It received its area premiere from Florida Atlantic University's professional stage company, Theatre Lab, in a production ably directed by Matt Stabile with a wink and a nudge to historical realities.

The play juxtaposes a minor figure from the period — little-known feminist playwright Olympe DeGouges (wily, winsome Niki Fridh) — against more prominent real-life characters, such as deposed Queen Marie Antoinette (ditzy, Loire Valley girl Mia Matthews, stumped by the seismic changes in the land), would-be assassin of pamphleteer Jean-Paul Marat, Charlotte Corday (a perpetually angry Nicole Stoica) and Caribbean spy Marianne Angelle (a fiery Candice Marie Singleton), eager for independence for her island nation, the kind that only revolution can bring.

The Revolutionists is alternately playful and thought-provoking, with torrents of words rushing at us with a frequency that begs for a pause button at our seats, so we can savor the bon mots and let them sink in before the next wave of meaning nuggets arrives.

The characters, improbably thrown together chez DeGouges, all have their own goals. Stir gently and you have a tasty theatrical bouillabaisse.

Theatre Lab artistic director Louis Tyrrell has long championed Gunderson's work (*Exit, Pursued by a Bear, I and You*), and other theaters have since caught on. Except for William Shakespeare, she is the most produced playwright in the United States. *The Revolutionists* will show you why. — *Hap Erstein*

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LEE

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lectures and workshops whenever she could.

From 2007 to 2011, Lee lived in Japan, where she did hundreds of interviews with the local people, immersing herself in Asian people and culture, and writing.

Pachinko isn't Lee's first home run. A decade ago, her debut novel, *Free Food for Millionaires*, was named one of the top novels of year by *The Times* (London), NPR's *Fresh Air*, and *USA Today*. The story of a Korean-American protagonist unsure of her cultural place in the world, *Free Food for Millionaires* took a hard look at wealth and privilege and the haves and have-nots, but also redefined a new intrinsic, personal wealth that trumps economic status.

Palm Beach ArtsPaper talked to Lee recently by email before an appearance she made in January at the Morikami Museum in Delray Beach.

AP: Your writing style seems to have come from the genre of journalism. The economy of words, choosing the right word, the objective narrator position — all are very much valued in the world of newspapers. It seems you must have read and probably read a lot of newspapers. Although many of the characters in *Pachinko* are illiterate, Yoseb reads several papers a day. Are newspapers important to you?

Lee: Newspapers are very

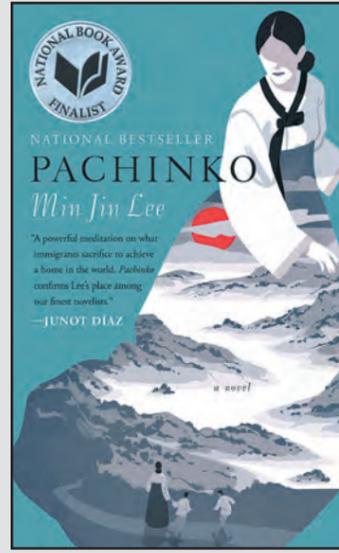
THE HEART AND SOUL OF *PACHINKO*

Pachinko is Sunja's story. It begins in 1910, in Korea, years before there was a South and a North. She's a poor but happy child, the beloved daughter of a disabled Korean fisherman and his gentle wife.

When her father dies, he leaves Sunja with two things: a glow that only comes from being well-loved and life's hard realities where his comforting presence had been.

This makes Sunja both attractive and vulnerable to Hansu, a handsome, successful, older businessman. His slow, methodical seduction of the naïve Sunja crescendos with her pregnancy. When he offers her a comfortable life as his mistress, she refuses. Instead she marries Isak, a sickly Christian pastor, for his good name.

But secrets never seem to stay secret; the truth always seems to rise to the top.



‘I think the lives of the poor are underrepresented in literature, and I want to write about the poor and the great middle.’

important to me. I read several per day. Also, I try to read the opinions of people with whom I disagree.

I revise continuously, because I want very much to be clear to every reader. I am interested in reaching many different kinds of readers. Often, I get letters from folks who say that they had given up on fiction but have enjoyed my rather long books, and I am immensely gratified, because I want people to read fiction.

AP: You're well-educated: Yale undergrad, Georgetown

Law. And yet you tell the story of illiterate, simple people in very simple writing. The worker. The poor and the disenfranchised. Why did you choose to write about Sunja?

Lee: I grew up without much money, and I live in Harlem now. For most of my life, I have lived in New York City, where there is tremendous wealth disparity. I think the lives of the poor are underrepresented in literature, and I want to write about the poor and the great middle. The rich are fascinating, too, and I write about them quite a lot. I write

community novels, and that means that I must encompass the entire spectrum of class. I focused on Sunja because I wanted to write about a character who is illiterate and socially unimportant who is also resilient and strong. I was interested in how women like her shape history.

AP: You chose the omniscient narrator as your point of view because it allows you to know the heart and the mind of all of the characters and it allows the minor characters to shine as brightly as the major ones. Is there a downside to being a narrator? Did you sometimes feel too objective? Who was your favorite character to write about? Who are you most like?

Lee: I like being the narrator, because I find that I am often powerless in the face of life's greatest problems; however, I have the power to control the narrative on the page. I am not objective enough, and I think my worldview is ever-present.

My favorite character is Hansu, because he is both appealing and terrifying. I am most like Mozasu, I think, because I am not good at many things, but I like life very much. Like Mozasu, I want to live well, and I want to face things as they are.

AP: You spent decades on this piece. How do you know you're actually finished? What was the hardest part of a story of this magnitude?

Lee: I enjoy rewriting, and I know when a work is finished, when it is satisfying and true. The hardest part of writing a story like this was in believing that it mattered to anyone else except me.

AP: Wisdom is an important theme in *Pachinko*. You've said that wisdom "is different from education or knowledge and (you) aim to be the kind of author who collects wisdom and shares it with her characters." Did you learn something wise from somewhere or from someone unexpectedly?

Lee: I interview people constantly, and I am continually humbled by the wisdom of people without a formal education. I also like meeting older people who are self-aware.

AP: Some Americans think of Asia as either mired in the past — rice farmers and plows pulled with oxen — or ridiculously modern and obsessed with pop culture — like the excess and spectacle of Hong Kong.

But we don't understand the subtext of Asian speech and behavior. Does it surprise you how poorly Americans understand Asian culture and customs?

Lee: Most people do not have the opportunity to learn about Asian culture and customs. This is the fault of our education system and popular culture. I meet Asian-Americans who know nothing about their history, and it is not their fault, either.

AP: You have personal experience with a lot of the tragedies your characters deal with: Chronic illness. Money issues. Self-doubt. The book is really the arc of Sunja's life, and she carries those burdens and then some. Sunja refuses to have anything to do with Hansu after she finds out about him, and she is resolute about it. Where did that strength and conviction come from?

Lee: I think Sunja was able to reject Hansu's proposal to be his mistress, because she had been deeply loved and valued by her father and mother. I think being loved correctly and abundantly is perhaps the greatest legacy a person can receive.

AP: Sunja's bravery is also stunning — to go with Isak, walking into the unknown with her little bundles of possessions, leaving her mother and all she'd ever known. Did Sunja really believe that a woman's lot is to suffer?

Lee: I think that throughout her life, Sunja resisted this message that a woman's lot is to suffer. That said, this message also prepared her for the suffering that was to come. I think we need to actively imagine that everyone suffers privately, and consequently, we need to be gentle with each other. This is something that is very important to me, because I think compassion is a muscle that must be consciously exercised.

AP: Children are vital to the story. Caring for them is the noblest act, and people often come together for the good of the child. But you also wrote that, according to the church, we should love God more than our children. Isn't it harder to love an idea than something you can hold or touch?

Lee: I think we love ideas more than people and things all the time. Some people love work more than their families. Some love their addictions more than anyone. Some love their idea of their identities more than who they are in reality. In fact, I think loving real people is very hard. Loving a perfect God is quite simple. Obeying God is another thing, however.



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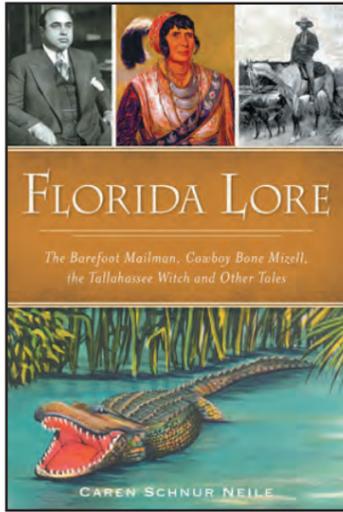
The odd, and fascinating, denizens of Florida's folklore

Florida Lore, by Caren Schnur Neile; History Press, 167 pp.; \$21.95

By Steve Pike

Caren Schnur Neile can't remember a time when she wasn't telling stories. "I was 7 years old when I wrote my first little book," said Neile, whose latest book, *Florida Lore*, tells the tales of some of Florida's most famous, infamous and off-the-beaten-path characters and places.

Among them: Ma Barker, the 1930s leader of the Barker-Karpis Gang, who was killed in a gun battle with the FBI in 1935 in Ocklawaha; Elizabeth Budd Graham (the Tallahassee Witch); Ponce Inlet fishing legend "Big Man" Jess Linzy; "Cracker Cowboy" Bone Mizell; and a young man named William Powell who grew up to become the



great Seminole warrior Chief Osceola.

In the 167-page book, Neile writes with the eye (and pen) of a master storyteller — which she is. The Boca Raton resident holds a doctorate in comparative studies from Florida Atlantic University, where she has taught

storytelling studies since 1991.

She is also the former chairwoman of the National Storytelling Network and co-hosts *The Public Storyteller*, a weekly segment on South Florida public radio WLRN.

None of the stories in *Florida Lore* is original. As Neile points out in the introduction, she focuses on retelling stories originally passed down orally as folktales, legends, myths and urban legends. Each of those is captured in the book — from James "Acrefoot" Johnson (The Barefoot Mailman) to the Florida Skunk Ape to pirate

Jose Gaspar.

"Mostly I wanted to collect what people were saying in our communities and about our heroes, scoundrels and places," Neile said. "Florida is so much more than concrete and strip malls. How can you not know the ghost stories of your environment? Or the famous criminals in your environment?"

Indeed. In *Florida Lore*, Neile takes readers to places such as Desert Inn and Restaurant in Yeehaw Junction, and the Seminole Inn in Indiantown, a favorite spot of the Duke and Duchess of

Windsor.

Neile also tells the stories of some of Florida's most colorful citizens whom readers might not know, including Grayce McCoy, the raucous real estate lady of Sebring; and Laura Upthegrove, the self-proclaimed "Queen of the Everglades" who was obsessed with the life (and crimes) of "Swamp Bandit" gangster John Ashley.

The stories, Neile said, "are the real Florida because that's what people share."

And *Florida Lore* certainly is worth sharing.

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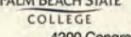


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News Briefs

Oliveira Competition announces 2020 dates

The second Elmar Oliveira International Violin Competition will take place Jan. 12-26, 2020, at Lynn University in Boca Raton, its founder said in a press conference Feb. 12.

Celebrated American composer Christopher Theofanidis has been commissioned to compose a work for solo violin to be played by contestants in the competition. He is a member of the Yale University music faculty and music director of the Aspen Festival.



Oliveira

At the press conference, Oliveira — an eminent American violinist who won the 1978 Tchaikovsky Competition — summarized the events of the inaugural competition held in January 2017, for which 81 violinists from more than 15 countries applied. The competition is open to violinists ages 16 to 32.

The competition jury in 2020 will be increased to nine from last year's seven. Its chairman will be David Cerone, president of the Cleveland Institute of Music from 1985 to 2008, who has also held professorships at Oberlin and the Curtis Institute of Music. A panel separate from the judges will screen all submissions, which, Oliveira said, will likely yield about 20 quarterfinalists for the 2020 event.

The monetary prizes for the 2020 competition will be \$30,000 for the first-prize winner, \$15,000 for the second-prize winner and \$10,000 for the third. However, Oliveira stressed that the EOIVC hopes to do more than award prizes.

"In some competitions, you win a prize and go, but we hope to help develop future careers," he said. Oliveira stressed the need for increased community support. Because the contestants bear their own travel expenses to come to Boca Raton, the EOIVC endeavors to find hosts for as many competitors as possible, to defray some of their expenses.

"This is one of the biggest cultural events taking place in South Florida," said Oliveira, who hoped that "after I'm gone, this competition will continue to discover and nurture talented violinists."

PGA Arts Center closes, cancels current season

The PGA Arts Center in Palm Beach Gardens has closed its doors after about a year of trying to break into the

Palm Beach County theatrical market.

"We are sorry to say that we are canceling our current season of shows due to a lack of funding," says a notice posted on the arts center's website. The message thanked patrons for their interest and said refunds would be issued for tickets already purchased for the shows being canceled: *Old Jews Telling Jokes*, *the Calamari Sisters* in *Beat Until Stiff* and *Raunchy Little Musical*.

A spokeswoman for the owners said they would have no further comment.

The owners initially reported "enthusiastic audience response and excellent ticket sales." But reviewers from the *Palm Beach Arts Paper* who attended several shows said audience attendance was minimal.

Modern + Contemporary art fair makes 7-figure sales

Galleries that took part in the second edition of Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, a fair presented by Art Miami and hosted by the city of West Palm Beach, reported "significant six- and seven-figure sales of investment-quality, blue-chip contemporary and postwar works," Art Miami said.

More than 19,000 attended the fair, which was held Jan. 11-15 at the Palm Beach Convention Center, and featured more than 65 galleries. One of the highest-selling paintings from the fair was French artist Pierre Soulages's *Peinture*, which was placed by London's Archeus/Post-Modern gallery for about \$1 million.

The same gallery placed British artist Damien Hirst's *Beautiful Melancholy Painting* for \$300,000; *Undetermined Line*, by France's Bernar Venet, for more than \$100,000; and a set of colored paintings by the Chinese artist and dissident Ai Weiwei for an undisclosed sum.

The Coral Gables-based Cuban art gallery Cernuda Arte placed Manuel Mendive's *River Waters* for \$100,000, and New York's David Benrimon Fine Art placed the late American artist Sol LeWitt's *Wavy Lines* for a six-figure sum.

"Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary is the most important fair to take place in Palm Beach County during the season," said fair founder and owner Nick Korniloff. "The fair brings a world-class, internationally respected group of art dealers and their artists to one of the most culturally savvy and discerning collecting audiences in the world."

Korniloff said the fair looks forward to returning in 2019.

— ArtsPaper staff reports

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Music

West Palm man aims to turn fare into fair for struggling artists

By Bill Meredith
ArtsPaper Music Writer

In 2011, Will Buckley founded FarePlay, a nonprofit whose mission is to work on behalf of musicians, songwriters, visual artists, writers and photographers in collecting fair compensation for their works in an era in which internet piracy has drastically cut into their profits.

While Buckley isn't a musician per se, the New York native and West Palm Beach resident once started his own San Francisco-based independent recording label, Cold Water Records. He has also worked in band management and as a deejay, and was until recently a blogger for *The Huffington Post* (until that online publication suspended its blogs). And he's decidedly old-school about the arts in general, recorded music in particular.

"I've been in the musical trenches with the jobs I've had," Buckley said, "so I understand what it's like to try to be a working musician and have a successful career. I see music as an art form, and I'm a record collector, so I own vinyl, cassettes and CDs. I prefer physical products and complete works, not just songs, and I'm not a fan of streaming.

"Relating to artists by just listening to a streamed single is like reading Cliffs Notes instead of the book," he said. "The mythology of music is dead. If you don't know who wrote the song, sang the song, or played in the band, what's there to talk about?"

The results, he adds, include not only a less-educated listening public, but also one less willing to shell out more money for concert tickets — the prices of which have increased exponentially.

"Growing up in the Northeast meant I practically lived at places like the Fillmore East in New York City and the Tea Party in Boston," Buckley said. "But tickets to shows now are ridiculously expensive. And why? Because artists don't make money from selling their recordings anymore.

"So the generation that



Will Buckley's nonprofit FarePlay aims to help musicians and other artists receive the compensation due to them in this digital era of 'free' downloads. *Carrie Bradburn / Capehart*

supported piracy ended up paying more and getting less for their money," he said. "If artists still sold music, concert prices would be half what they are today. Fans could buy more music, support more artists, and we'd have more great music and spend less money in the process."

A Funky benefit

Last month, the Funky Biscuit in Boca Raton hosted a FarePlay benefit concert, featuring a band led by former *Saturday Night Live* bandleader G.E. Smith. Joining him was an all-star band of former Johnny Winter vocalist Jay Stollman, British blues guitar and vocal icon Matt Schofield, Boynton Beach-based Mark Telesca on bass, and Jeff Beck bandmate Jonathan Joseph on drums. Singer/guitarist Taylor Barton, who also is Smith's wife, opened the show.

The benefit was sold out, meaning a capacity crowd of about 150. Buckley said earlier that night he would also be making a gesture to honor the victims of the Feb. 14 massacre at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, where 14 students and three adults were killed by a former student wielding an assault rifle.

"Whatever money we make tonight, a significant percentage, maybe half, will go toward Stoneman Douglas High School," Buckley said that night. "It's only a 15-minute drive from here, and those proceeds will go to either the families of the students who were direct victims of the school shooting, the student

activists who are speaking out so eloquently through the media in the aftermath, or both. I'm so proud of what those kids are doing. They can help teach a valuable lesson about assault weapons to an entire generation."

Buckley was later happy to say he was going to have some money for the Stoneman Douglas victims.

"We had nearly \$3,000 in additional donations from the audience," he said, "so we will be donating \$1,500 to the Parkland Student Movement."

A growth trajectory

Buckley says FarePlay has experienced steady growth, picking up spokespersons along the way like country singer Rosanne Cash and Talking Heads front man and solo recording artist David Byrne, and has gained support from political allies such as U.S. Rep. Ted Deutch, the Democratic member of the House of Representatives for Florida's 22nd Congressional District.

"He represents the district that includes Boca Raton south through Fort Lauderdale and other areas of Broward County," Buckley says, "and he's been incredibly supportive as a member of the House Judiciary Committee. He's been instrumental in the Music Modernization Act recently being approved by the U.S. Senate and House. It has bipartisan support, and support from major music organizations. There's also a bill called 'Fair Play, Fair Pay,' which is about paying performers when their music

gets played. And there's a new 'Classics Act,' which will erase a loophole that forbids artists getting paid for recordings before 1972."

All of which echoes the mission statement of FarePlay, which is essentially to gain recording artists more than the current fraction of profits — literally cents in comparison to the dollars they receive from selling a recorded hard copy — from a streaming internet sale.

"It's become worse than ever in musicians either being rich superstars or having to work a day job and struggle," said Buckley. "The whole musical middle class, people who could sell thousands of CDs and therefore make a decent living, is practically erased because music is expected to be free or low-cost online. Recording labels have collapsed, and those labels used to pay artists to go out on tour. Now they have to play live, and try to sell

recordings and merchandise, to make ends meet. The business model of music, as we knew it, is upside-down now."

As are the business models within all creative arts.

"We represent authors, filmmakers, photographers and visual artists," Buckley says. "They've all suffered within that business model. But the impetus, for me, was musical.

"America has created many of the styles of music, including blues, jazz, bluegrass and country. The whole world looks to us as a leader in that regard, but the creative community got punished so the internet could essentially offer free entertainment and thrive," he says.

"And all the tech giants fought against having any laws passed to protect artists' work. But with the bills that could be passed, 2018 could be a turnaround year for music and the arts in general."



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Calendar

(Note: Events are listed through April 6 and were current as of Feb. 25. Please check with the presenting agency for any changes. Ticket prices are single sales. Most of the presenting organizations offer subscription plans.)

ART EXHIBITS

Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens: Through April 29: *Celebrating Boaz Vaadia (1951-2017)*, featuring sculptures by the Israeli-American artist who died last February. Through May 6: *Behold, a New Eden: Laura Woodward and the Creation of Palm Beach*, paintings by Woodward, considered the most important Florida female artist of the 19th century. Main gardens are open Wednesday to Sunday 10 am to 4 pm. Admission: \$10, \$8 for students. Call 561-832-5328 or visit www.ansg.org.

Armory Art Center: Through March 9: *Artists-in-Residence Exhibition*, works by Armory's guests artists produced during their eight months on staff: Amber Dawn Tutwiler, Maria Tritico, Nate Ditzler and Andy Denton. Opens March 29: Faculty Exhibition, through April 14. Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Free admission. Call 561-832-1776 or visit www.armoryart.org.

Boca Raton Museum of Art: Through April 8: *Arthur Carter: Sculptures and Drawings*, works featuring the artist's grounding in analytical geometry; *Regarding George Ohr*, works by the "Mad Potter of Biloxi" and 18 contemporary artists drawing inspiration from his ceramics; *Alex Katz: Small Paintings*, a collection of reduced-scale works by the American artist; *Contemporary Photographer Forum*, works by younger photographers. Admission: \$12. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. first Wednesday of the month; 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Closed Mondays and holidays. Call 561-392-2500, or visit www.bocamuseum.org.

Cornell Art Museum: Opens March 30: *Flora*, contemporary artworks inspired by the god of springtime and flowers; through Sept. 9. Museum hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10 am-5 pm; Sunday, 1-5 pm. Closed Mondays and holidays. Admission: \$8; \$5 seniors and students. Florida residents free on Sunday. Call 561-243-7922 or visit www.oldschoolsquare.org.

Cultural Council of Palm Beach County: Through May 12: *Art and Décor*, eight artists and interior designers work together to create customized room vignettes. Galleries at the council offices in Lake Worth are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; free admission. Call 471-2901 or visit palmbeachculture.com.

Flagler Museum: Through April 29: *Masterfully Human: The Art of Gaugengigl*, a retrospective of the forgotten genre painter Ignaz Gaugengigl, once revered by Boston's elite, and now getting a second look. Museum prices: Adults: \$18; \$10 for youth ages 13-17; \$3 for children ages 6-12; and children under 6 admitted free. Hours: 10 am to 5 pm. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 561-655-2833 or visit www.flaglermuseum.us.

Lighthouse ArtCenter: Opens March 15: *Best of the Clubs Exhibition*, works by resident artists at private clubs and gated communities; through March 31. Admission: \$10 for adults, \$5 for students over 12. 10 am to 4 pm. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call 561-746-3101 or visit www.lighthousearts.org.

Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens: Through April 22: *Nature, Tradition and Innovation: Contemporary Japanese Ceramics from the Gordon Brodfehrer Collection*, 55 pieces by 43 different artists, showcasing the special place of ceramics in Japanese arts culture. Museum tickets: \$15, \$13 for seniors, \$9 for children and college students. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays. Call 495-0233 or visit www.morikami.org.

Norton Museum of Art: Through April 29: *Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney: Sculpture*, works

by the art patron and founder of the Whitney Museum of American Art. Admission to the Norton is free through 2018 as the museum undergoes extensive renovation and expansion. For more information, call 561-832-5196 or visit www.norton.org.

NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale: Through July 8: *Frank Stella: Experiment and Change*, a comprehensive exhibit of 300 works by the American modernist covering his career from the 1950s to the present. Admission: \$12; hours: 11 am-5 pm Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a-8 pm every first Thursday, noon-5 pm Sunday. Call 954-525-5500 or visit www.nsuartmuseum.org.

Society of the Four Arts: Through April 15: *Isabelle de Borchgrave: Fashioning Art from Paper*, works by the Belgian artist who recreates the fashions of the past 500 years out of paper in exceptional detail. \$5. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday; 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 655-7226 or visit www.fourarts.org.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Friday, March 2

South Florida Symphony: The excellent Canadian violinist Lara St. John is the guest soloist in the complete Four Seasons of Vivaldi on a program that also includes Beethoven's Sixth Symphony (*Pastoral*). 7:30 pm, Spanish River Worship Center, Boca Raton. Call 954-522-8445 or visit southfloridasymphony.org.

Sunday, March 11

Quator Ébène: The French quartet, with new violinist Marie Chalemme, performs Haydn's *Fifths* Quartet and the Lone String Quartet of Fauré on their first half; the second is devoted to jazz and crossover. Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach. 3 pm. Tickets: \$20. Call 655-7226 or visit fourarts.org.

Monday, March 12

Palm Beach Symphony: The orchestra is joined by the Delray Beach Chorale and Florida Atlantic University for a program of two Baroque choral staples: Handel's *Dixit Dominus* and Vivaldi's *Gloria*. 7:30 pm, Bethesda-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$50; call 281-0145 or visit palmbeachsymphony.org.

National Symphony Orchestra of Cuba: Conductor Enrique Pérez-Mesa is joined by the Van Cliburn gold medalist Yekwon Sunwoo in the Rachmaninov Paganini Rhapsody; also featured is Dvořák's *New World Symphony*, Tchaikovsky's *1812 Overture*, Falla's *Three-Cornered Hat Suite*, and the *Three Little Poems* of the short-lived Cuban modernist Amadeo Roldán. 8 pm; tickets start at \$35. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Tuesday, March 13

Symphony of the Americas: Dancers from the Houston Ballet Theater join the orchestra for ballet favorites as well as newly choreographed repertoire. 7:45 pm, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale. Call 954-335-7002 or visit symphonyoftheamericas.org.

Wednesday, March 14

Metropolitan Opera Singers: Three members of the Lindemann Young Artists program — soprano Michelle Bradley, mezzo-soprano Emily D'Angelo and baritone Adrian Timpau — joined by pianist Nate Raskin, give a program of arias and duets by Monteverdi, Bizet, Massenet, Mozart, Verdi, Wagner and others. 7:30 pm, Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$40-45. Call 655-7226 or visit fourarts.org.

Atlantic Classical Orchestra: Conductor David Amado leads an all-Mozart program featuring harpist Kay Kemper and flutist Tina Apelgren in the Flute and Harp Concerto; also on the program is the Symphony No. 40. 7:30 pm, Eissey Campus Theatre, Palm Beach Gardens. Call 772-460-0850 or visit atlanticclassicalorchestra.com.

Saturday, March 17

Seraphic Fire: Conductor Scott Allen Jarrett leads the choir from the piano in the Brahms *Liebeslieder Waltzes*, along with songs by Schütz, Mendelssohn, Schubert and Schumann. All Saints Episcopal Church, Fort Lauderdale. Call 305-285-9060 or visit www.seraphicfire.org.

Sunday, March 18

Curtis Insiteute: Curtis on Tour: Clarinetist David Shifrin, pianist Jiacheng Xiong and tenor Dominic Armstrong are joined by the Philadelphia music school's Zorá String Quartet in music by Bernstein and Copland. Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach. 3 pm. Tickets: \$20. Call 655-7226 or visit fourarts.org.

Monday, March 19-Tuesday, March 20

Miró Quartet: The Austin, Texas-based foursome does two concerts for the Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach. Monday's program at the Boca Raton Museum of Art features quartets by Haydn and Schumann; Tuesday's at The Breakers offers music by Dvořák (*Cypresses*), the last Beethoven quartet, and *Credo*, by the American composer Kevin Puts. 6 pm Monday, Boca Raton Museum of Art; 6 pm Tuesday, The Breakers, Gold Room, Palm Beach. Call 379-6773 or visit cmbsp.org.

Tuesday, March 20

Kenneth Broberg: The American pianist who won the Silver Medal at the 2017 Cliburn Competition plays music by Franck and Bach, along with sonatas by Medtner and Barber. 7:30 p.m., Rinker Playhouse, Kravis Center. Tickets: \$30; call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Wednesday, March 21

Irrera Brothers: The violin-and-piano duo of John and Joseph Irrera finishes up the Classical Café series at the Duncan Theatre. 2 pm, Stage West. Call 868-3309 or visit duncantheatre.org.

Palm Beach Symphony Chamber Series: A brass quintet performs all-American music featuring pieces by Bernstein, Sousa, Peter Schickele, Henry Mancini, Marvin Hamlisch, Scott Joplin and others. 7 pm, Historical Society of Palm Beach County. Tickets: \$35. Call 281-0145 or visit palmbeachsymphony.org.

Alisa Weilerstein: The great young American

cellist is scheduled to do all six of the unaccompanied cello suites of Bach, on the composer's 333rd birthday. 7:30 pm, Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$40-45. Call 655-7226 or visit fourarts.org.

Sunday, March 25, Tuesday, March 27
Symphonia Boca Raton: Illinois Symphony conductor Alistair Willis leads an all-Viennese program featuring music by Beethoven, Mozart, Brahms, Gluck and Johann Strauss II. Also featured are clarinetist Richard Hancock and bassoonist Gabriel Beavers in the rarely heard *Duett-Concertino* of Richard Strauss. 3 pm, Roberts Theater, St. Andrew's School, Boca Raton. Tickets: \$50-\$84; much of the program will be repeated Tuesday night at the Crest Theatre in Delray Beach in a 90-minute version that features video and other educational elements. Call 866-687-4201 or visit www.symphonia.org.

Monday, March 26

Academy of St. Martin in the Fields: Violinist Joshua Bell leads the orchestra and solos in the newly composed *Overture* by American bassist and composer Edgar Meyer and the Wieniawski Second Concerto; Mendelssohn's Fourth Symphony and his *Midsummer Night's Dream* overture also are on the program. 8 pm, Kravis Center, call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org; tickets start at \$35.

Tuesday, March 27-Wednesday, March 28

Zurich Chamber Orchestra: The fine British violinist solos and leads the band in a tribute to Yehudi Menuin on the 27th at the Kravis Center, with music by Elgar, Mendelssohn and Bach; on the 28th at the Four Arts, he presents the complete *Four Seasons* of Vivaldi, followed by the contemporary British composer Max Richter's take on the same music, *Four Seasons Recomposed*. 2 pm Tuesday, Kravis Center, call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org; tickets start at \$25; 7:30 pm Wednesday, Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$40-45. Call 655-7226 or visit fourarts.org.

DANCE

Friday, March 2-Sunday, March 4

Miami City Ballet: Chicago-based choreographer Brian Brooks presents a world premiere work on MCB's Program III on a program that also features Balanchine's *Theme and Variations* (Tchaikovsky) and Jerome Robbins's humorous *The Concert* (Chopin). 8 pm March 2, 2 pm and 8 pm March 3, 1 pm March 4, Kravis Center. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Saturday, March 10

Boca Ballet Theatre: Dan Guin's company teams up with Daniel Ulbricht's Stars of American Ballet for a program that includes Balanchine's *Apollo* (Stravinsky), Ulbricht's *Sing Sing Sing* (Goodman) and Ulysses Dove's *Red Angels* (Einhorn). 7 pm, Spanish River High School, Boca Raton. Call 995-0709 or visit www.bocaballet.org.

Friday, March 16-Saturday, March 17

Parsons Dance: The New York company founded in 1985 by David Parsons and Howell Binkley returns to South Florida. Duncan Theatre, Palm Beach State College, Lake Worth. 8 pm both performances. Call 868-3309 or visit duncantheatre.com.

FILM

Friday, March 2

The Man Who Knew Infinity: Dev Patel and Jeremy Irons star in this 2015 biopic of the great Indian mathematician Srinivasa Ramanujan. 2:30 pm and 6 pm, Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$5. Call 655-7226 or visit www.fourarts.org.

Friday, March 9

The Leisure Seeker: Donald Sutherland and Helen Mirren star in this road picture about a man losing his memory whose wife decides it's time they hit the road and went to see the Hemingway House in Key West. Living Room Theaters, Boca Raton. Call 561-549-2600 or visit fau.livingroomtheaters.com.

Friday, March 16

Loveless: Andrey Zvyagintsev's drama of a divorcing couple whose 12-year-old son disappears. With Maryana Spivak, Aleksey Rozin and Varvara Shmykova. In Russian with English subtitles. Living Room Theaters, Boca Raton. Call 561-549-2600 or visit fau.livingroomtheaters.com.

Friday, March 30

A Man Called Ove: Rolf Lassgård's 2016 film of Fredrik Backman's runaway best-seller about a Swedish misanthrope who can't get over the death of his wife. 2:30 pm and 6 pm, Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$5. Call 655-7226 or visit www.fourarts.org.

JAZZ

Saturday, March 10

Mark Zaleski Band: The saxophonist and composer hosts a CD release event. 8 pm. Tickets: \$20-30. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

Sunday, March 11

New Vision Sax Ensemble: South Florida jazz icon Melton Mustafá's saxophone quartet combines 7 pm. Tickets: \$20-30. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

Wednesday, March 14

Loston Harris Trio: The jazz pianist has played for years at the Carlyle. 7:45 pm, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale. Tickets: \$27.50-\$55. Call 954-462-0222 or visit www.browardcenter.org.

Sunday, March 18

Dan Montgomery Quintet: The bassist and his musical colleagues met at the University of Miami's Frost School of Music. 7 pm. Tickets: \$20-30. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

Friday, March 23

Ashley Pezzotti Jazz Ensemble: The Queens, N.Y., singer has won numerous jazz awards for young singers. 8 pm. Tickets: \$30-45. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

OPERA

Opens Friday, March 17

Orfeo ed Euridice: Christoph Willibald Gluck's 1762 classic about the Greek hero who is allowed to bring his wife back from the dead, as long as he doesn't look at her on the way back to Earth. With Anthony Roth Costanzo and Lindsey Amman sharing the role of Orfeo, and Eglise Gutierrez and Jessica E. Jones as Euridice in the Florida Grand Opera production. At the Ziff Ballet Opera House in Miami, last two performances March 29 and March 31 at the Broward Center in Fort Lauderdale. Call 800-741-1010 or visit www.fgo.org.

Friday, March 23-Sunday, March 25

Le Nozze di Figaro: Palm Beach Opera's final production is Mozart's magnificent 1786 tale of love and power, newly relevant in the era of #MeToo. With Marko Mimica as Figaro, David Adam Moore as the Count, Caitlin Lynch as the Countess, Janai Brugger as Susanna and Irene Roberts as Cherubino. Stephen Lawless stage-directs, and Antonino Fogliani leads the music. 7:30 pm Friday and Saturday, 2 pm Sunday, Kravis Center. Call 833-7888 or visit popera.org for more information, or call 832-7469 or visit kravis.org.

POPULAR MUSIC

Saturday, March 3

WIRK Rib Roundup: The radio station hosts an all-day country music festival at Coral Sky Amphitheatre, featuring acts such as Jake Owens, Luke Combs and Kane Brown. Noon, South Florida Fairgrounds. Tickets start at \$30. See livenation.com for tickets and more information.

Celtic Woman: The all-female Irish quartet's highly sentimental shows are hugely popular; they're currently on their Homecoming Tour, which is booked through the summer. 7:30 pm, Kaye Auditorium, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton. Tickets: \$48-\$110. Visit ticketmaster.com.

Sunday, March 11

Spoon: The Austin, Texas-based rock quartet's most recent album is *Hot Thoughts*. With special guest Sneaks. 8 pm, Revolution Live, Fort Lauderdale. Call 954-449-1025 or visit ticketmaster.com.

Tuesday, March 13

Kravis Center Pops Orchestra: Michael Feinstein presents a tribute to Judy Garland, Ella Fitzgerald and Peggy Lee, as well as a 90th birthday celebration for Marilyn Maye. With conductor Larry Blank. 8 pm, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$30. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Wednesday, March 14

Roger McGuinn: The influential leader of the Byrds who helped make the 12-string guitar popular. Crest Theatre, Old School Square. 8 pm, tickets are \$57-\$92. Call 561-243-7922 or visit oldschoolsquare.org.

Friday, March 30

Betty Who: The 6-foot-2 Australian singer-songwriter is wrapping up her Party in the Valley tour. With Pretty Sister and Amy Guess. 7:30 pm, Culture Room, Fort Lauderdale. Performance was sold out as of late February. Visit www.cultureroom.net.

A Flock of Seagulls: The British New Wave band had several hits ("I Ran," "Space Age Love Song") during the MTV era. They're appearing on a 1980s throwback night at Honey in Delray Beach. 7 pm; call 270-7187 for more information.

THEATER

Opens Tuesday, March 6

South Pacific: Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II's classic 1949 musical about two love affairs on an island in the South Pacific during World War II. Through March 25. Maltz Jupiter Theatre. Call 561-575-2223 or visit www.jupitertheatre.org.

Opens Saturday, March 31

Edgar and Emily: A world premiere two-hander by Joseph McDonough about what might have happened had a desperate Edgar Allan Poe reached out to Emily Dickinson. With Gregg Weiner and Margery Lowe. At Palm Beach Dramaworks through April 22. Tickets start at \$55. Call 514-4042 or visit www.palmbeachdramaworks.org.

Opens Thursday, March 8

Brigadoon: Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe's 1947 musical about a town in the Scottish highlands that comes out of the mists once every 100 years. Through April 8. Wick Theatre, Boca Raton. Call 561-995-2333 or visit thewick.org.

Monday, March 12-Tuesday, March 13

Mandy Gonzalez: The Broadway (*In the Heights*, *Wicked*, *Hamilton*) and TV (*Madam Secretary*) star presents two nights of cabaret at Old School Square. 8 pm both shows. Crest Theatre, Delray Beach. Tickets: \$57/\$72. Call 561-243-7922 or visit oldschoolsquare.org.

Saturday, March 17-Sunday, March 18

Million Dollar Quartet: The jukebox musical about what happened when four early rock luminaries — Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins, Johnny Cash and Elvis Presley — joined for an epic jam session at Sun Studios. 8 pm Saturday, 2 pm and 7 pm Sunday, Crest Theatre, Old School Square, Delray Beach. Tickets: \$75/\$85. Call 561-243-7922 or visit oldschoolsquare.org.

Through Sunday, March 18

Leud Me a Tenor: Ken Ludwig's screwball 1986 comedy about a Cleveland opera company in 1934 that suddenly loses its tenor for a gala performance of Verdi's *Otello*. Lake Worth Playhouse. Tickets: \$29-\$35. Call 561-586-6410 or visit lakeworthplayhouse.org.

Opens Friday, March 23

Blackout: A thriller set in a New England town about the murder of a 5-year-old boy, written by Lake Worth playwright Rick Harlowe. Through April 8. Tickets: \$30. Call 272-1281, ext. 5, or visit delraybeachplayhouse.org.



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Courtney Lewis, Conductor
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 Puolenc/Concerto in G minor for Organ, Timpani and Strings;
 Walton/Crown Imperial (organ and orchestra);
 Mussorgsky/Pictures at an Exhibition (arr. Ravel)

JEREMY DENK, PIANO
Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 8 pm
 Program to be announced.

SHANGHAI OPERA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Monday, January 28, 2019 at 8 pm
Zhang Chengjie, Conductor | Song Siheng, Piano
 Verdi/Overture to La Forza Del Destino; Tchaikovsky/Piano Concerto No. 1 in B-flat minor, Op. 23; Rachmaninoff/Symphony No. 2 in E minor, Op. 27



ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 8 pm
Zubin Mehta, Conductor
 Program to be announced.

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 8 pm
Riccardo Muti, Conductor
 All-Beethoven: Leonore Overture No. 3, Op. 72b; Symphony No. 5 in C minor, Op. 67; Symphony No. 7 in A Major, Op. 92

BRUSSELS PHILHARMONIC
Monday, March 11, 2019 at 8 pm
Stéphane Denève, Conductor | Nikolaj Znaider, Violin
 Guillaume Connesson/Flammenschrift; Bruch/Violin Concerto No. 1 in G minor, Op. 26; Roussel/Bacchus and Ariadne, Suite No. 2, Op. 43; Ravel/La Valse



SIR JAMES GALWAY, FLUTE
Monday, March 25, 2019 at 8 pm
 Program to be announced.

BUFFALO PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
Monday, April 1, 2019 at 8 pm
JoAnn Falletta, Conductor | Fabio Bidini, Piano
 Berlioz/Roman Carnival Overture, Op. 9; Brahms/Piano Concerto No. 2 in B-flat Major, Op. 83; Prokofiev/Selections from Romeo and Juliet, Op. 64

Music "AT TWO" (2 pm)

NATIONAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA OF ROMANIA
Sunday, January 6, 2019 at 2 pm
Cristian Măcelaru, Conductor | Andrei Ioniță, Cello
 Enescu/Romanian Rhapsody No. 1 in A Major, Op. 11; Dvořák/Cello Concerto in B minor, Op. 104; Strauss/Suite from Der Rosenkavalier, Op. 59; Ravel/Boléro

RUSSIAN NATIONAL ORCHESTRA
Sunday, February 10, 2019 at 2 pm
Kirill Karabits, Conductor | George Li, Piano
 All-Rachmaninoff: Vocalise, Op. 34, No. 14; Piano Concerto No. 2 in C minor, Op. 18; Symphonic Dances, Op. 45



ITZHAK PERLMAN, VIOLIN
Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 2 pm
Rohan De Silva, Piano
 Program to be announced.

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Startled by a passing jogger, pigeons, gulls and terns take flight together after resting on the shore south of Atlantic Avenue in Delray Beach.

BIRDS

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The stability in the number of species is comforting, considering a variety of variables — especially the loss of habitat — is problematic for some birds.

For instance, a pasture near Wellington, where eastern meadowlarks had been spotted during previous counts, is a residential development this year.

“We didn’t get any eastern meadowlarks this time,” Weber said.

The upside is that many developments are attracting other species, in large part because of open green areas, trees and shrubs that offer habitat for different avian groups.

“Meadowlarks may be gone, but maybe phoebes and shrikes will be moving in,” Weber said.

Some years ago as many as 160 species were counted in the area that Weber’s team covers during the annual census. Then, 10 to 15 years ago, that number was down to the mid-to-high 130s.

The rebound now, Weber says, is partly because of restoration efforts led by Palm Beach County, including work in the Lake Worth Lagoon that has created 11 acres of mangroves and two acres of oyster reefs.

With the restoration has come the return of oystercatchers and other species, he said.

Other county projects, including the development of Wakodahatchee Wetlands and Green Cay Wetlands, both west of Boynton Beach, have also attracted a variety of birds.

“If we didn’t have those areas our count would probably be down,” Weber said.



Muscovy ducks appear to be chatting at The Little Club in Gulf Stream.

About the Christmas Bird Count

During the 1800s, when Americans thought there was a never-ending supply of wild birds, there was a tradition of organized hunts to see how many birds hunters could kill. Since photography had not matured as a study technique, artists like John James Audubon usually killed their subjects. In 1900, ornithologist Frank Chapman suggested that a count of living birds would provide a census of birds and help to preserve them. The Christmas Bird Count was born. The National Audubon Society administers the annual Christmas Bird Count. With more than a century of data, the CBC is considered the most reliable yardstick of the health of birds in North America.

The process is simple: Small groups of bird watchers use guidebooks, spotting scopes, binoculars and sometimes cameras to count and identify birds in the same locations year after year. This census is compiled first at the local level and then national level.

Along coastal Palm Beach County, from Delray Beach to Sloan’s Curve in Palm Beach, the Dec. 30 bird count included many of the expected groups as well as a few surprises such as the number of sandwich terns and the presence of frigate birds despite the fog.

Observers, many with binoculars and some with cameras, made their way across golf courses, beaches and natural areas and saw common birds such as royal terns and laughing gulls.

Veteran birder Rick

Schofield’s five-person team spotted 53 species along the barrier island from Delray Beach to the Boynton Inlet, down from 56 the previous year. The number of birds counted, however, increased from about 1,500 to about 1,600. The weather, habitat and the nature of making estimates can complicate year-to-year comparisons, but the counts indicate a degree of stability.

At the Boynton Inlet, Weber’s and Schofield’s team members discovered several birds they’d been hoping to find, including



A snowy egret feeds in a retaining pond at Woolbright Road and A1A in Ocean Ridge.

sandwich terns. They saw seven of the plunge-diving birds. “To see so many sandwich terns is unusual,” Weber said.

For birders David and Jan Conley, who are visiting from Wisconsin for the season and joined Schofield’s team, spotting frigate birds and gannets was a highlight.

“We were hoping to see frigate birds this trip and we saw several of them,” Jan Conley said.

The Conleys have participated in the South Florida count a handful of times.



Rick Schofield checks out a gull feeding in seaweed at Boynton Beach Oceanfront Park. **Photos by Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

There was also good news for owl fans, with all four species of owls found in South Florida included in the latest count.

Among these were burrowing owls, which hadn’t made it into Weber’s numbers for several years.

“Recently, it’s been tough to find them in the count circle,” he said.

Once Weber has compiled all his numbers, they’ll be reviewed by a state compiler and submitted to an international database. ★

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Community Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/23. Please check with organizers for any changes. NOTE: For Family Easter Events, see Page AT30.

MARCH 3

Saturday - 3/3 - VITA TAX Program at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Tax preparation service provided by United Way. Runs through 4/15. M/T 9 am-1 pm; T/W/Th 5:15-8:15 pm; Sat 9 am-12:30 pm. Free. Call 211; mydelraybeach.com

3/3 - Lawn Bowling at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Takes skill/practice. Age 18 & up. M/W/F/Sat 9 am-noon. Annual fee \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/3 - Chiseler's Show, Sale, Raffle and Germanfest Luncheon at Briny Breezes, 5000 N Ocean Blvd. Unique wordworking items, raffles and lunch. 10 am-1pm. Free admission. 207-239-1284

3/3 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Sat 10 am. Held again 4/7. Free. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org

3/3 - Coral Reef Shark, Alligator & Stingray Feedings at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Shark T-Sat 10:30 am, Sun 1:30 pm; Alligator W/Sat 1 pm; Stingray T-Sun 2:45 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

3/3 - Palm Beach Poetry Festival: Themes in Our Poetry at Old School Square Crest Theatre, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Poetry workshop facilitated by Sally Nailor. 12:30 pm. \$10. 243-7922; palmbeachpoetryfestival.org

3/3 - Pickleball at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults. M-F 8:30-11:30 am, F 6-8:30 pm, Sat 1-4 pm. Monthly pass \$15/resident, \$25/non-resident; \$2/day. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/3 - Black Movie Experience (BMX): Lady Sings the Blues at Williams Cottage, 170 NW 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 1st Sat 1-4 pm. Free. 279-8883; spadmuseum.org

3/3 - Greatest Divas of the Silver Screen at Kings Point Theatre, 7000 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 2 pm. Tickets start at \$40. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

3/3 - Evening on Antique Row, 3300-3900 Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. Benefits Historical Society of Palm Beach County. Food trucks, musicians, entertainment, antique shop showcases. 6-9 pm; after party 8-11 pm. Advance \$40-\$100; at the door \$65-\$125. Valet parking \$10. 832-4164 x106; hspbc.

3/3 - Voices of Courage: A Celebration of Women at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Wine and lite bites. Musical performance by Avery Sommers. 6:30 pm. \$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/3 - Let's Hang On! Celebrating the Music of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$85-\$95. 995-2333; thewick.org

3/3 - First Nighters at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hobnob with performers; have your photo taken with the stars. Follows performance of In the Mood. 9:30 pm. \$20. 237-7750; lynn.tix.com

3/3 - Sick Puppies Comedy Show Improv at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. Every F/Sat 9-10:30 pm. \$15/online; \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com

3/3 - Annual Festival & Flea Market at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 1000 Lantana Rd. Food, raffles, silent auctions, more. Sat 9 am-9 pm; Sun 8 am-4 pm. \$5/Sat 8 am early admission. 585-5970; holyspiritlantana.com

3/3-4 - SleuthFest 2018 at Embassy Suites Boca Raton, 661 NW 53rd St. Sponsored by Florida Chapter of Mystery Writers of America. Keynote speaker Andrew Gross. Writing workshops, social events, pitch sessions, more. Full schedule online. \$405-\$445. Sleuthfest.com

3/3-4 - Bijoux! A Contemporary Art Jewelry Sale at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Annual exhibition/sale of contemporary art jewelry by international artists. 3 pm daily tours; 6 pm artist-led program. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

3/3-4 - Artists in the Park presented by Delray Beach Art League at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St. Fine art exhibition/sales. Held again 3/24-25 & 4/7-8. 10 am-4:30 pm. Free. 843-2311; delrayartleague.com

3/3-4 - In The Mood at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Part of Live at Lynn Theatre Series. Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 4 pm. \$50-\$70. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

3/3-4 - All Together Now (PG-13) at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Held again 3/9-11. F/Sat 8 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$25. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

3/3-4 - Pass It On: An Evening with Bill W & Dr. Bob at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. F 11 am; Sat 2 & 7:30 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$26. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/3-4 - Midnight Sun Festival 2018 at Bryant Park, 6 S Golfview Rd, Lake Worth. Have fun, celebrate the rich Finnish heritage of Lake Worth. Sat 11 am-10 pm; Sun 10 am-6 pm. \$5/adult; free/kids under 4 ft tall. 629-3194; midnightsunfest.org

3/3-4 - Capitol Steps at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Runs through 3/18. T-Sat 7:30 pm,

Municipal Meetings

3/5 & 4/2 - Ocean Ridge - First Monday at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N Ocean Blvd. 6 pm. Agenda: oceanridgeflorida.com

3/6, 20 & 4/3 - Boynton Beach - First and third Tuesday at Boynton Beach City Hall, 100 E Boynton Beach Blvd. 6:30 pm. Agenda: boynton-beach.org

3/6 & 29 - Delray Beach - First & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda: mydelraybeach.com

3/6 & 4/3 - Highland Beach - First Tuesday at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda: ci.highland-beach.fl.us

3/9 - Gulf Stream - Second Friday at Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Rd. 9 am. Agenda: gulf-stream.org

3/12 & 26 - Lantana - Second & fourth Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Cir. 7 pm. Agenda: lantana.org

3/22 - Briny Breezes - Fourth Thursday at Briny Breezes Town Hall, 4802 N Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Agenda: townofbrinybreezes-fl.com

3/27 - Manalapan - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S Ocean Blvd. 10 am. Agenda: manalapan.org

3/27 - Boca Raton - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W Palmetto Park Rd. 6 pm. Agenda: myboca.us

3/27 - South Palm Beach - Fourth Tuesday at the South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7 pm. Agenda: southpalmbeach.com

W/Sat/Sun 1:30 pm. Tickets \$40. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/3-9 - 2018 Delray Beach Senior Games at multiple locations. Competition, fun, fitness. Age 50 & older. Check website for times, locations, events. Spectators/participants welcome. Free. 243-7277; mydelraybeach.com

PA101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Distinguished Lecture Series presented by FAU faculty. 2 pm. \$20. 297-3171; fau.edu

3/4 - Funny Girl in Concert at Florida Atlantic University Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 2 pm. \$20-\$45. 297-6124; fauevents.com

3/4 - Concert: Randy Corinthian at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Part of Friends Music Series. Adults. 3-4 pm. Free. Reservations: 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/4 - Lecture: The Second Line of Defense: American Women and World War I with Dr. Lynn Dumenil at Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. 3 pm. \$28/non-member; \$10/individual, family & life member; includes museum admission. 655-2833; flaglERMuseum.us

3/4 - Bill Maher at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Concert Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$40.50. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/4-5 - The Overnight Theatre Project at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Selection process begins/teams have one hour to brainstorm, then everyone but playwrights asked to leave/return the next morning. (Main event 3/5: 6:30 pm doors open; 7 pm show.) 6 pm. \$24. 297-6124; fau.edu/theatrelab

3/4-24 - 2nd Annual Boca Raton Jewish Film Festival presented by Levis Jewish Community Center. Check website for films/dates/locations/tickets. bocajff.org

Monday - 3/5 - Pickleball at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Combines badminton & tennis. Adults. M/W/F 9 am-noon; T/Th 10 am-1 pm. \$5/person; annual pass \$130/resident, \$165/non-resident. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

3/5 - Adult Watercolor Painting Workshop at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Class lesson/lecture, emphasis on composition/drawing, then a painting demo. One-on-one instruction, finishes w/class critique. Age 18 & up. Every M or W 10 am-1 pm. Monthly \$35/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - Boca Raton Museum Friends Auxiliary General Meeting at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Learn about upcoming educational, cultural, and art-related events. 10 am coffee/pastries; 10:30 am meeting. Free. 392-2500; friends@bocamuseum.org

3/5 - Senior Bingo at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Age 50 & up. M/W 10:30 am-noon. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - Ping Pong Open Play at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Adults. Every M 1:30-4 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - 100 Years of Comedy! at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of Lifelong Learning Community Institute. Every M through 3/19 2-3:30 pm. \$45/3 sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/5 - On a Lifetime Writing about Golf with Lorne Rubenstein at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30 pm. \$10/non-member. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/5 - Culture & Cocktails: Shining Bright, The Eternal Allure of Silver: A Conversation with Michael James at The Colony Palm Beach, 155 Hammon Ave. Presented by Cultural Council of Palm Beach County. 5-7 pm. \$65/advance; \$85/at the door. 472-3330; palmbeachculture.com

3/5 - Wine and Spirits Appreciation with Athena Yannitsas: Discover Spanish Rioja: Crianza, Reserva, and Gran Reserva Wines at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30-7 pm. \$45/class. Reservations: 655-7226; fourarts.org

3/5 - Civic Engagement: Best Practices for Activism at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Learn about your local representatives, ways to make sure your voice is heard. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. Reservations: 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/5 - Dog Obedience Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Every M through 4/9. Beginner 6-7 pm; intermediate/games 7-8 pm. \$95/resident; \$117/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/5 - Happy Squares Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All skill levels welcome. Age 18 & up. Every M 6:45-9:15 pm. \$6/person. 865-2611; boynton-beach.org

3/5 - Bike Nite at Tilted Kilt Pub & Brewery, 3320 Airport Rd #1, Boca Raton. Held by Fury

MARCH 4-10

Sunday - 3/4 - Diamonds and Donuts Car Show at Diamonds by Raymond Lee, 2801 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 9 am-noon. 750-6744; 623-8205; raymondleejewelers.net

3/4 - Sado: Tea Ceremony Beginners Class at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Study the traditional art of Sado, The Way of Tea. Workshop required for those who have never taken a Tea Ceremony Class but wish to start studying Sado. 2 lessons/month (3/4 & 11); individual appointments begin at 10:15 am. \$50/member; \$55/non-member. Registration: 495-0233 x210; morikami.org

3/4 - 23rd Annual Hanley Foundation Family Picnic at National Croquet Center, 700 Florida Mango Rd, West Palm Beach. Lunch, games, activities for children, silent auctions for kids & adults. 11 am-2 pm. \$195/adult 18 & over; \$50/child age 4-17; free/child under 3. 268-2358; hanleyfoundation.org

3/4 - Bridge Duplicate at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Sanctioned A.C.B.L. duplicate bridge game for the experienced player. Light lunch served. Partners available for singles. Every Sun through 4/29 12:30-4 pm. \$10/at the door. Reservations/partners: 338-2995; myboca.us

3/4 - Exploring the Link Between Jews and Comic-Book Superheroes with Eric Berlatsky at Florida Atlantic University



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3/5 - Adult Tango Dance at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Every M 7:50-10:50 pm. \$12/resident; \$15/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/5-6 - Introduction to Computers at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of Older Adults Tech Academy. Every M/T through 3/27 10:30 am-noon. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/5-6 - Greatest Divas of the Silver Screen at Spanish River Church, 2400 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Held again 3/8. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$40. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

3/5-7 - Tax Preparation at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. M/T/W through 4/16 8:30 am-noon. Free. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

Tuesday - 3/6 - Pickleball: Advanced Play at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Adults. T/Th/F 9 am-1 pm. Monthly pass \$20/resident, \$30/non-resident; per visit \$3/resident, \$4/non-resident. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com

3/6 - Israel and the Arab Sunni States: the Big Deal or the Superficial Alliance with Dr. Robert G. Rabil at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/6 - Introduction to Mah Jongg at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Required 2016 National Mah Jongg League playing card. Every T through 5/1. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$97/resident; \$121/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/6 - Ikebana Flower Arrangement: Ikenobo School at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Traditional flower arranging using fresh flowers. Every T through 3/27. Beginners 11 am-1 pm; Intermediate 1-3 pm. \$70/member; \$80/non-member; + \$80/flower fee. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

3/6 - Chess Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Knowledge of the game necessary. Age 18 & up. Every T/F noon-4:30 pm. Annual fee \$15/resident; \$20/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/6 - Boca Raton Noon Toastmasters at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy. Improve public speaking, leadership abilities. Every T 12:15-1:15 pm. Free. 251-4164; toastmastersclub.org

3/6 - Gallery Talk: Permanent Collection Tour at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Held again 1 pm 3/8-9, 3 pm 3/20 & 22, & 2 pm 3/27. 2 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/6 - Couples Round Dance at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Learn figures/routines to waltz, swing, foxtrot. Age 18 & up. Every T 1-2:30 pm high intermediate level; 2:30-4 pm low intermediate level. \$12/couple. 352-455-5759; boynton-beach.org

3/6 - Vladimir Putin and the Rise of Russia with Dr. Stephen Berk at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/any 3 events; \$150/any 8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/6 - Socrates Café at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every T 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/6 - Live Interview: Bill Pullman, Actor hosted by J. Barry Lewis at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St., West Palm Beach. Part of Dramalogue Talking Theatre

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Boca Raton GreenMarket every Saturday, Royal Palm Place Southwest Parking Lot, intersection of S Federal Highway and SE Mizner Blvd. 8 am-1 pm. Free. downtownboca.org; 299-8684; eilily707@aol.com

Delray Beach GreenMarket every Saturday, Old School Square Park, 50 NE 2nd Ave, one block north of Atlantic Ave. Fresh local produce, baked goods, gourmet food items, plants, live music, children's activities. 9am-2pm. 276-7511; delraycra.org

Lake Worth Farmer's Market every Saturday, Old Bridge Park, 10 S Ocean Blvd, Lake Worth. 9 am-1 pm. Free. 547-3100; lakeworthfarmersmarket.com

Lantana Greenmarket every Wednesday at Bicentennial Park, 312 E Ocean Ave, Lantana. Homegrown veggies, fruits and flowers. 2 pm-sunset. Free. 929-0237

Series; explores working in the theatre in conversations with/about artists who create the magic. 2 & 7 pm. \$23. 514-4042; palmbeachdramaworks.org

3/6 - Word Basics at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/6 - Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot: The Third Chapter: Passion, Risk and Adventure After 50 at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of O'Keeffe Speaker Series. 3 pm. \$35/non-member. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/6 - Pinochle at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Every T/Th 6-9 pm. Free. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/6 - Ukulele Music Interactive at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. 1st & 3rd T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/6 - Foreign Film Series: The Handmaiden (R) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6:30-9 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/6 - Soul Line Dancing at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Age 18+. Every T 7-8:30 pm. \$6/person. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

3/6 - Open Play Basketball 30 & Over at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Every T 7-8 pm. Free. 243-7000 x5001; mydelraybeach.com

3/6 - Messages in Harmony: The Life and Songs of Peter, Paul and Mary with Dr. Joan Friedberg and Bill Bowen at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 7-9 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/any 3 events; \$150/any 8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/6 - Concert: Henschel Quartett at 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Part of Flagler Museum Music Series. Chamber music in a gracious/intimate setting. Special dessert/champagne reception with the musicians. Complimentary valet parking. 7:30 pm. \$70/concert. 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us

3/6 - Blue Tuesdays at Boston's on the Beach, 40 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Hosted by Famous Frank Ward. Every T 8:30-11:30 pm. Free. 278-3364; bostonsonthebeach.com

3/6-10 - Royal Room Cabaret Performance: Steve Tyrell at The Colony Palm Beach, 155 Hammon Ave. 8:30 pm. Prices vary. 659-8100; thecolonypalmbeach.com

Wednesday - 3/7 - YMCA of South Palm Beach County 16th Annual Inspiration Breakfast at Office Depot Global Headquarters, 6600 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Benefits YMCA's Financial Assistance Program & the Y's Drowning Prevention Initiatives. Keynote speaker Mark Richt, Head Coach Miami Hurricanes. 7:30-9:30 am. Prices vary. 300-3238; ymcaspbc.org

3/7 - Alliance of Delray Residential Associations at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. Speakers Dorothy Jacks, Palm Beach County Property Appraiser & Maria Sachs, Florida senator 2010-2015. 9 am doors open; 9:30 am program. Free. 495-9670; allianceofdelray.com

3/7 - Dimension is Destiny: Bow Ties, Insects and Smart Phones with Dr. Stephen Kowel at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/any 3 events; \$150/any 8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/7 - Senses of Cinema Presents Film for Thought Class at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 18+. Every W through 4/11. 10 am-12:45 pm. Per class \$12/resident, \$15/non-resident; full session \$48/resident, \$60/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/7 - Socrates Cafe at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every W 11:30 am-1 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/7 - Beginner's Laptop & Internet at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/7 - Adult Coloring Club at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Use our coloring sheets or bring your own. Every W 1 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/7 - Fakes, Frauds, and Amedeo Modigliani: Who is Responsible for all of This Puzzlement with Dr. Terry Lawrence at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/any 3 events; \$150/any 8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/7 - Ikebana: Sogetsu School: Beginners at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Contemporary flower arranging using fresh flowers. Every W through 3/28 1:30-3:30 pm. \$70/members; \$80/non-members; \$60/flower fee. Registration: 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

3/7 - Mahjong at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Adults. Every W 1:30-4:30 pm. \$10/yearly membership; \$2/day. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/7 - Jewish Melodies in Jazztime at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 2 pm. \$20. 297-6124; fauevents.com

3/7 - Brian Potts VIB Quartet at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 2 pm. \$20. 297-6124; fauevents.com

3/7 - Excel Basics at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/7 - The Age of Andrew Jackson and the Rise of the Democratic Party with Dr. Stephen Engle at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:30-5 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/any 3 events; \$150/any 8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/7 - Silent Painting Party: Peacock (12x16 Canvas) at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Artist Shivon Jackson-Schmitz uses her talents and American Sign Language to help budding artists (or wannabes) create a "masterpiece" to share. 6:30-8 pm. \$25/resident; \$31/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

3/7 - The Golden Age of Singer-Songwriters with Rod MacDonald & The Humdingers at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 7-9 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/any 3 events; \$150/any 8 events; \$35/

at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/7 - From Vienna to Moscow part of Music Series at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7 pm doors open; 7:30 pm performance. \$25/single-event ticket. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/7 - Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana at The Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$40-\$45/non-member. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/7 - It Was a Very Good Year at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. A Tony Sands Production. 7:30-9:30 pm. \$25. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

3/7 - Peter Yarrow at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8-10 pm. \$57-\$77. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/7-8 - Computers: The Internet and Beyond at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of Older Adults Tech Academy. Every W/Th through 3/29 9:15-10:45 am. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/7-8 - DaVinci & Michelangelo: The Titans Experience at Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center Black Box Theater, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$49. 844-672-2849; miznerparkculturalcenter.com

Thursday - 3/8 - The U.S. and Israel: A Review of the Trump Administration and the Middle East Policies with Dr. Samuel M. Edelman at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/8 - Knit 'N Purl at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Rotating facilitators. Held again 4/22. 10:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Senior Bridge at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Experienced players welcome. Partners not needed. Every Th 12:30-4 pm. Annual fee \$15/resident + \$1/game; \$25/non-resident + \$2/game. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/8 - A.N.T.H.U.M. Jazz Band Dance Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. Standards, pop, big band swing, jazz. Every Th 1-3 pm. \$2/non-member; 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

3/8 - Mata Hari with Ronelle Delmont at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/8 - The Life, History and Grand Performances of World Famous Jazz Pianists with Roni Stein-Loreti at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of ArtSmart Lecture Series. 1:30 pm. \$25. 932-7469; kravis.org

3/8 - International Women's Day: Suffragette (2015) at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Robert D. Chapin Lecture Series: Chad Pregracke, Environmentalist at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 2 pm. \$32-\$67. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

3/8 - Yiddish Tango Live! at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 2 pm. \$20. 297-6124; fauevents.com

3/8 - Good Dogs, Bad Behavior with Dr. Wayne Hunthausen, DVM at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30 pm. \$10/non-member. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/8 - Concert: Anton Delforno, Classical Guitar at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/8 - Yehuda Hanani: The Faux and the Fabulous at J. Turner Moore Memorial Library, 1330 Lands End Rd, Manalapan. Part of Library Lecture Series 2018. 6-8 pm. Free. 383-2541; manalapan.org

3/8 - The Next Generation Road Rascals Car Show at Lake Worth Casino Building & Beach Complex, 10 S Ocean Blvd. 2nd Th 6-9 pm. rstarr2010@gmail.com

3/8 - Open Reading Night at School of Creative Arts/Crest Studios at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Listen or sign up to read from an original work (published or unpublished). All levels welcome. Read for 10-15 minutes then open

discussion (not critique). 2nd Th 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 742-3244; oldschoolsquare.org

3/8 - National Geographic Live Series at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. \$25/adult; \$15/student. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

3/8 - Warcross by Marie Liu at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Part of (Not Too) Young Adult Book Club. Adults. 7-8 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/8 - Confessions of a Talk Show Host with Bill Boggs at Florida Atlantic University Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 7-8:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/8 - Night Line Dance at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Every Th through 4/26. Beginner 6-7 pm; Beginner & High Beginner 6-8 pm; High Beginner 7-8 pm; Intermediate 8-9 pm; High Beginner & Intermediate 7-9 pm. \$50/resident; \$63/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/8 - National Geographic Live: Environmentalist Chad Pregracke, Mission on Mississippi at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. \$25/adult; \$5/student. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

3/8 - Jazz in the Gallery at Boca Raton Museum of Art Outdoor Sculpture Garden, 501 Plaza Real, Mizner Park. The Marshall Turkin Classic Jazz Ensemble. 7-8:30 pm. Free w/paid admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/8-18 - Handle with Care at Levis JCC Sandler Center, 21050 95th ave S, Boca Raton. Presented by The West Boca Theatre Company. Runs through 3/11. Th/Sat 7:30 pm; Th/Sun 2 pm. \$40/VIP reserved; \$40/general admission; \$25/A&L Gold member. 558-2512; levisjcc.org

Friday - 3/9 - Great Books Discussion Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every F 10 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/9 - The Soul, Sounds, History and Secrets of Yiddish with Riva Ginsburg at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/9 - Great Books Discussion Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every F 10 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/9 - Supervised Bridge Play at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd, Boca Raton. John Black. Partners not needed. Adults. Every F 10 am-noon. \$10/person. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/9 - Current Events Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every F 10:30 am-noon. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/9 - Welcome to Boca! at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/9 - Balkan by the Beach: International Folk Dance at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Benefit of exercise, pleasure of dancing to beautiful music. No experience or partner needed. Age 50 & up. Every F 11 am-1:30 pm. Per class: \$5/resident; \$6/non resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/9 - Bill Gove Golden Gavel Toastmasters Club at Duffy's Sports Grill, 4746 N Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Every F noon-1 pm. \$12/lunch or \$5/soft drink; cash only. 742-2121; billgovetostmastersclub.com

3/9 - iPad Intermediate at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/9 - Vive La France, A Celebration of French Opera Part One: The Tenors with Giuseppe Albanese at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/9 - Adult Coloring Club at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2nd & 4th F 2 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/9 - Of Mind and Music (2014/PG-13) part of Friday Films Series at The Society of The

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3/9 - Natural Women: Carole King, Carly Simon, and Joni Mitchell with Carol Clarke Geshilder at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:30-5 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/9 - Evening on the Avenue at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Live music, food vendors, crafts, artists selling their artwork. Every F 6-10 pm. Free. 588-8344; lakeworth.org

3/9 - Open Acoustic Jam at VFW Post 5335, 500 NE 21st Ave, Boynton Beach. All welcome. Adults. 2nd F 6-8 pm. Free. 518-637-7657; colonypalmbeach.org

3/9 - Beginner Piano for Adults at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Hal Leonard EZ Play Today method using the book *60 Favorite Songs to Play with 3 Chords*. Bring a keyboard. Every F through 4/20 6:30-7:30 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/9 - Jazz Ambassadors: America's Big Band at Old School Square Pavilion, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 7-8:30 pm. Free. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/9 - Laser Shows at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. 2nd F 7 pm. \$10/advance, \$12/at the door. 832-1988; sfsiencecenter.org

3/9 - Castoffs Square Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Basic modern western square dancing. Every F 7-7:45 pm dance & rounds; 7:45-9:30 pm dance club. \$12/couple at the door. 731-3119; boynton-beach.org

3/9 - Tony Desare at Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center, Black Box Theater, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$40-\$55. 844-672-2849; miznerparkculturalcenter.com

3/9 - International Guitar Night at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/9-10 - Mountainfilm on Tour at Kravis Center Persson Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of PEAK Performance Series. 7:30 pm \$20; family fare edition 10 am Sat \$5. 932-7469; kravis.org

Saturday - 3/10 - Community Caring Center 2018 Annual Hunger Walk/5K Charity Run: walk starts/ends at Fish Depot Bar & Grill, 511 NE 4th St, Boynton Beach; 1.5-mile walk to beach starts at Ocean Ave Amphitheater, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. 6:30 am runner check-in; 9:30 am walker registration. Run \$15/student, \$35/adult; walk free/\$20 suggested donation or non-perishable food donation; \$10/awards buffet brunch. cccgbb.org

3/10 - Dollhouse Miniatures Show & Sale at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford. Mini item dealers, large exhibit, make it/take it demos, raffles, door prizes, food for purchase, more. 9 am-3:30 pm. \$5/person; \$2/child under 12. sites.google.com/site/lespetitsclub/

3/10 - National Society of Arts and Letters' Florida East Coast Chapter's High School Photography Project at Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Work of 60 students from four schools participate in the 2018 project, which includes a master class. 9 am-5 pm. Free. 391-6380; nsalfloidaeast.org.

3/10 - Ride & Remember Trolley Tour departs from Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 2-hour tour; focus on 5 historic districts. 2nd Sat 10 am-noon. \$25. Reservations: 279-8883; spadmuseum.com

3/10 - The Lying Game by Ruth Ware at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of Page Turners Saturday morning book discussion. Adults. 10:30-11:30 am. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/10 - Community Cookout Presented by the Boca Chamber at YMCA of South Palm Beach County, 6631 Palmetto Circle South. 11 am-3 pm. Free/admission; \$5/meal ticket. 395-4433-bocaratonchamber.com/events

3/10 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Lake Worth and Lantana conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside east entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave. 4-hour tour includes bus/walking tour, food sampling, visits to historical/cultural sites. 2nd Sat year-round, rain or shine. Reservations: check website for available dates. \$50-\$60/adult & senior

citizen; free/child under 18. 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

3/10 - Tea Ceremony Workshop at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Seishin-an Teahouse, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Learn the basics of sado Tea Ceremony. Workshop is a prerequisite to study sado at Morikami. \$40. 1-3 pm. Registration: 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

3/10 - Author Talk & Book Signing: Brad Parks Closer Than You Know at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/10 - Story Central: Judith Black. Retiring the Champ: Coaching Life's Last Big Bout at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 3:30-5 pm. Free. 544-8585; myboca.us/957/Library

3/10 - Delray String Quartet: An Afternoon with Debussy and Dvorak at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:30-5 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/10 - Brad Parks speaks and signs his book *Closer Than You Know* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 6 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/10 - Collie Buddz: Good Life Tour at Old School Square Pavilion, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 6-11 pm. \$20-\$50 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

3/10 - The U.S. Army Field Band Jazz Ambassadors: Sing! Sing! Sing! at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

3/10 - Fly Me to the Moon Starring Copeland Davis with special guest Avery Sommers at Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center, Black Box Theater, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$39-\$49. 844-672-2849; miznerparkculturalcenter.com

3/10 - What's Going On: The Marvin Gaye Experience at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8-10 pm. \$55-\$65. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/10 - Pop, Rock & Doo Wopp Live! at Florida Atlantic University Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Jay and the Americans, The Duprees, The Elegants, The Marcells, The Crystals. 8 pm. \$39-\$72. 297-6124; fauevents.com

3/10-11 - Artists in the Park presented by Delray Beach Art League at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave. Held again 3/17-18, 3/31-4/1. 10 am-4:30 pm. Free. 843-2311; delrayartleague.com

MARCH 11-17

Sunday - 3/11 - Daylight Savings Time begins

3/11 - Nihongo: Japanese Language Levels I-IV at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Conversational Japanese, reading and writing skills. Every Sun through 5/6. Level I 10:15-11:25 am; Level II 11:20 am-12:35 pm; Level III 12:40-1:50 pm; Level IV

1:50-3 pm. \$90/member; \$100/non-member. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

3/11 - Art Show at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 2-4 pm. Free. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/11 - Blecker Street and Beyond: The Greenwich Village Music Scene of the 60s with Pink Slip Duo at Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center, Black Box Theater, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 2 pm. \$25-\$35. 844-672-2849; miznerparkculturalcenter.com

3/11 - Dear Liar starring Ernie Simon & Dolly Workman at Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Comedy based on correspondence between George Bernard Shaw & Mrs. Patrick Campbell. Benefits Playhouse Children's Theatre. 2 pm. \$20. 272-1281; delraybeachplayhouse.com

3/11 - The LGBT Movement in America: Past, Present and Future with Fred Fejes at Florida Atlantic University, PA101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Distinguished Lecture Series presented by FAU faculty. 2 pm. \$20. 297-3171; fau.edu

3/11 - 10th Annual Cantor Stephen Dubov Z"L Memorial Concert: Clergy Boys at Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. 3 pm. \$100/benefactor; \$36/preferred; \$18/general; \$10/student. 391-8900; tbeoca.org

3/11 - Lecture: Uncle Sam Wants You: World War I and the Making of the Modern American Citizen with Dr. Christopher Capozzola at Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. 3 pm. \$28/non-member; \$10/individual, family & life member; includes museum admission. 655-2833; flaglERMuseum.us

3/11 - Lecture: American Artists Confront World War I at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 3 pm. Free with museum admission. 832-5196; norton.org

3/11 - Music in the Museum: Con Brio Quartet at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Improvisations based on artwork in the museum. 3-4 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/11 - The Music You Live! Romantic Masterpieces, Including a World Premiere with Sofiya Uryvayeva Martin at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3-5 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/11 - Quatuor Ebene at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3 pm. \$20/non-member. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/11 - Square Play & Drum at Veterans Park Gazebo, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. 2nd Sun 3-6 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/11 - Vocal Selections from Linda Freeze at First United Methodist Church Boynton Beach, 101 N Seacrest Blvd. 3 pm. Free. 954-947-1951; fumcbb.com

3/11 - George Gershwin 2018: Featuring Marshall Turkin's Classic Jazz Ensemble

at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 4 pm. \$30-\$50. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

3/11 - Mancini, Mercer and Manilow! at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$35. 932-7469; kravis.org

Monday - 3/12 - 9th Annual Sacred Heart School Heroes Golf Tournament at Breakers West, 1550 Flagler Pkwy, West Palm Beach. Continental breakfast, shotgun start, luncheon, cocktail reception, awards. 7-8 am registration, 8:30 am shotgun start. \$250/golfer; \$50/luncheon only. 582-2242; sacredheartsschoollakeworth.com

3/12 - Monday Morning Muffins & Mysteries: His Bloody Project by Graeme Macrae Burnet at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10:30-11:30 am. Free. 393-7906; myboca.us/957/Library

3/12 - Lecture & Lunch: Discovering the Masterpieces of The Barnes Foundation at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 11 am. \$75. RSVP: 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/12 - The Doo Wop Project at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of Adults at Leisure Series. 11 am & 2 pm. \$29. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/12 - Looking Through the Artist's Eyes with Oge Marques at Florida Atlantic University Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/12 - Jules Isaac: The French Jewish Historian Who Changed Christianity with Dr. Samuel M. Edelman at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/12 - Choral Workshop with Dr. Donna Plasket and Phillip Bergmann, Music of European Masters: Madrigals to Motets at Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Varied score readings for choral enthusiasts. 5:30-7:15 pm. Free. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/12 - Grape Stomp Wine Tastings with Howard Freedland: It's Chile in Here! at Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 6-7:30 pm. \$65. Reservations: 655-7226; fourarts.org

3/12 - Downtown Lake Worth Food Truck Invasion at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. 2nd M 6-10 pm. 844-682-7466; foodtruckinvasion.com

3/12 - A Home at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Part of Live at Lynn New Play Readings series. 7:30 pm. \$10. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

3/12-13 - 70 Years in the Promised Land at Spanish River Church, 2400 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Held again 3/19-20. 8 pm. \$54. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

Tuesday - 3/13 - Municipal Election Day: Polls open 7 am-7 pm.

3/13 - The Trump Administration and American Power with Dr. Robert G. Rabil at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 4/3 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$100/advance member; \$130/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/13 - Art as Politics, Art as Revolution with Dr. Barbara Falletta at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 4/3 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$50/advance member; \$65/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/13 - iPad: Apps & eBooks at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. Held again 4/3. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; myboca.us/957/Library

3/13 - Charmed Lives: Up Close and Personal with Fabled People, A Presentation by Pamela Fiori at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of ArtSmart Lecture Series. 1:30 pm. \$25. 932-7469; kravis.org

3/13 - Word Intermediate at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-4 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/13 - Words...Alive! Glass Castle/Half Broke Horse at Levis JCC Sandler Center, 21050 95th Ave S, Boca Raton. 2:30 pm. \$30/VIP reserved; \$25/general admission; \$20/A&L Gold member. 558-2512; levisjcc.org

3/13 - Peter Gelb: Grand Opera: Past, Present and Future at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of the O'Keefe Speaker Series. 3 pm. \$35/non-member. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/13 - Introduction to the History of Philosophy: From Plato to Derrida with Dr. Simon Glynn at Florida Atlantic University Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 5/1 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/advance member; \$130/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/13 - Music & Interactive Art at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 50 NW 1st Ave, Delray Beach. Bring an instrument, join the open jam session. Easels & art supplies set up for anyone wanting to explore their inner creativity in a non-instructional environment. Join in or sit and listen. All ages. 2nd T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/13 - Shine: Open Mic Showcase at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$10-\$12. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/13 - Shed Sessions at The Spady: Spady House Band at The Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 2nd T 8-11 pm. \$10/at the door; free/musicians. 278-8883; spadmuseum.com

Wednesday - 3/14 - Objection! Current, Contentious and Confusing Legal

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3/14 - What's Past is Prologue Using Movies as Historical Records with Dr. Burton Atkins at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W through 4/4 11:15 am-12:45 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$50/advance member; \$65/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/14 - Gold Coast Tiger Bay Club at City Fish Market, 7940 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Speaker Peter Ticktin. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$35/member or first-time guest; \$55/non-member. 852-0000; goldcoasttigerbayclub.com

3/14 - For This We Left Egypt? A Passover Haggadah for Jews and Those Who Love Them with Dave Barry, Alan Zweibel, and Adam Mansbach at Levis JCC Sandler Center, 21050 95th Ave S, Boca Raton. 1 pm. \$55/VIP reserved; \$40/general admission; \$40/A&L Gold member; \$40/A&L Platinum member. 558-2512; levisjcc.org

3/14 - Excel 2013 Intermediate at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-4 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/14 - Silver Science Days: Vertigo: Effects on Balance and Vestibular Rehabilitation at South Florida Science

Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Special afternoon for adults/retirees. Age 62 & up. 2nd W 2-5 pm. \$10. 832-1988; sfsccenter.org

3/14 - Key Global Hotspots at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of Lifelong Learning Community Institute. Every W through 4/4 2-3:30 pm. \$50/4 sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/14 - Zonta Club of Boca Raton at Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 2nd W 5:30 pm. \$30. 482-1013; zontabocaraton.org

3/14 - Art Boca Raton Vernissage at International Pavilion of the Palm Beaches at Research Park at Florida Atlantic University, 3450 NW 8th Ave, Boca Raton. Benefits Boca Raton Museum of Art School. Cocktails, dinner-by-the-bite. 6-10 pm. \$150. 392-2500 x213; bocamuseum.org

3/14 - John Hart speaks and signs his book *The Hush* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/14 - World War II: How Americans Rescued Europe's Plundered Wealth with Ms. Susan Sullam part of Lecture Series at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:30 pm. \$25. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/14 - Amadeus Live with Orchestra at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Concert Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/14-15 - 70 Years in the Promised Land at Kings Point Theatre, 7000 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Held again 2 pm 3/17. 8 pm. \$54. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

Thursday - 3/15 - Adult Day Trip: Everglades Holiday Park meets at Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Light refreshment prior to departure, boxed lunch, round-trip motorcoach transportation, airboat tour, Gator Show. 8:15 am check-in; 8:45 am-2:30 pm. \$58/person. Registration: 367-7035; myboca.us

3/15 - 17th Annual Delray Beach Home Tour in Palm Trail neighborhood from traditional Intracoastal estates to historic Florida cottages to modern tropical chic. Benefits Achievement Centers for Children & Families. Tour, parking, trolley, catered luncheon. 10 am-4 pm. \$125. 907-4882; delrayhometour.org

3/15 - Great Decisions Discussion Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10-11:30 am. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/15 - Julie Gilbert on Robert Redford's Ordinary People and His Extraordinary Life at Kravis Center Persson Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of Kravis Film & Literary Club. 11 am. \$49. 932-7469; kravis.org

3/15 - Improve the Quality and Quantity of Your Life: Simple and Helpful Hints on Lifestyle Changes and Proven Drug Therapies with Charles H. Hennekens, MD at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/15 - Short Fiction and Poetry from

the New Yorker Magazine at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of Lifelong Learning Community Institute. Every Th through 3/29 2-3:30 pm. \$45/3 sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/15 - The Botanical Legacy of Rachel "Bunny" Mellon with Sir Peter Crane at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30 pm. \$15. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/15 - Dealing with Fear: Surviving the Holocaust and Becoming a Refugee with Dr. Bert Diament at Florida Atlantic University Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/15 - Obit. (2016/NR) at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30 pm. \$10/adult non-member. 655-7227; fourarts.org

3/15 - Trunk Show: Italianissimo Jewelry at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 5:30-8 pm. 392-2500 x106; bocamuseum.org

3/15 - Boca Talk: Eugene Hecht, Ph.D., George Ohr: The Greatest Potter On Earth at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 6-7 pm. \$5/member; \$10/non-member. RSVP: 392-2500 x213; bocamuseum.org

3/15 - Joe-Paddy Festival Celebrating the Feasts of St. Joseph & St. Patrick at St. Vincent De Paul Regional Seminary, 10701 S Military Tr, Boynton Beach. Traditional Italian/Irish food/drink, live entertainment, silent/live auctions, raffle, more. 6-9 pm.

\$60/advance; \$75/at the door. Limited seating/reservations: 732-4424; svdp.edu

3/15 - Guest Bassoonist Scott Pool at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

3/15 - Zakir Hussain, Tabla with Rakesh Chaurasia, Bansuri at Kravis Center Persson Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of PEAK Performance Series. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$15. 932-7469; kravis.org

3/15 - Trejae Blu at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$10-\$12. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/15 - Citizen Badger at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$10-\$12. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/15-16 - Free Museum Admission at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Courtesy of PNC Bank in celebration of Art Boca Raton. 10 am-8 pm. Free. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

Friday - 3/16 - Some Issues in the Middle East with Dr. Mehmet Gurses at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every F through 4/6 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$50/advance member; \$65/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/16 - St. Patrick's Day Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. 1-3 pm. \$3/advance; \$5/at the door. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

3/16 - Last Cab to Darwin (2015/NR) at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of Friday Films Series. 2:30 & 6 pm. \$5/adult non-member. 655-7227; fourarts.org

3/16 - 3rd Annual Mixology Craft Spirit Event at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Age 21+. 5:30-8:30 pm. \$65. mixologyboca.com

3/16 - Cocktails & Cosmos at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Presented by Club Braman. Interactive happy hour event, explore exhibits after hours. 6-9 pm. \$20/general admission; \$18/Member. 832-1988; sfsccenter.org/cocktails&cosmos

3/16 - Randy Wayne White speaks and signs his book *Caribbean Rim* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/16 - Fly On Music Fest 2018 at Florida Atlantic University Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$20. 297-6124; fauevents.com

3/16 - An Evening with Jason Mraz at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$45. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/16 - Catapult at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$60-\$70. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/16 - Judy Carmichael at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/16 - Starting Here, Starting Now! A Musical Journey Through Life in Songs Starring Meri Ziev at Lake Worth Playhouse Stonzek Theatre, 713 Lake Ave. 8 pm. \$25. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

3/16-17 - St. Patrick's Day Festival & Parade on Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach. Check website for events, parking, more. Festival F 5-10 pm & Sat 11 am-7 pm; parade Sat noon; Fun Run Sat 2 pm (\$15-\$20). Free. stpatrickparade.com

3/16-18 - Imagine: A Beatles Retrospective (PG) at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Held again 3/23-25. F/Sat 8 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$30. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

Saturday - 3/17 - St Patrick's Day 3/17 - An Abundant Life: Cultivating Joy, Peace & Purpose Using the Phases of the Moon with Ezzie Spencer, Ph.D. at Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute, 690 Meadows Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Peaceful Mind Peaceful Life Series. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$25. Registration: 955-7227; brhh.com/WIEvents

3/17 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Delray Beach & Boynton Beach conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave. 4-hour tour includes bus/walking tour, food sampling, visits to historical/cultural sites. Year-round, rain or shine. Reservations: \$50-\$60/adult & senior citizen; free/child under 18. 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org



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3/17 - The Way of Tea: Sado Demonstration at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Seishin-an Teahouse, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Observe Japanese sado by the OmoteSenke tea group, an ever-changing demonstration. Noon, 1:30 pm & 3 pm. \$5 w/paid museum admission. 495-0233 x210; morikami.org

3/17 - Lecture: Bruce Helander Chihuly: An Artist Collects at Cultural Council, 601 Lake Ave. Book signing follows. 2 pm. \$10/non-member. Limited seating/RSVP: 472-3336; palmbeachculture.com

3/17 - Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of the National Theatre Live Series. 2 pm. \$25/adult; \$15/student. 655-7226; fourarts.org

3/17 - Artist at Work Series: Jane Levy, Jewelry at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Demonstration, discussion w/artist about process, materials, concepts of creating art. 3-4 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/17 - Blarney Bash: Eat, Drink & Be Lucky! At 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Presented by Boynton CRA. Live music, costume contests, cocktails/craft beer/food for purchase, kids activities, leprechauns, more. 4-9 pm. Free. catchboynton.com

3/17 - Commercial Music Ensembles at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/17 - Drum Circle at Veterans Park Gazebo, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. 3rd Sat 7-10 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/17 - Kemuel Roig Quartet: Afro-Latin Funk Jazz at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/17 - Audra McDonald at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/17-18 - Art Al Fresco at Lake Worth Beach, 10 S Ocean Blvd. Presented by Lake Worth Art League. 11 am-7 pm. Lwartleague.org

3/17-18 - Milk and Honey at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Sat 2 pm & 7:30 pm; Sun 4 pm. \$50-\$70. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

MARCH 18-24

Sunday - 3/18 - The Way of Taiko: The Heartbeat of Japan at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Theater, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Introduction to the history of taiko; understand sounds/movements; learn how to drum. Wear comfortable clothes, shoes; jewelry not recommended. 11 am-1 pm or 2-4 pm. \$50. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

3/18 - 45th Annual Susan B. Anthony Feminist Awards Luncheon at Boca Country Club, 17751 Boca Club Blvd. Hosted by PBC National Organization for Women. Honoree Paulette Burdick. Noon-3 pm. \$52/member; \$67/non-member. 888-394-0004; nowpbc.org

3/18 - A Tale of Two Martyrs: Heresy and Treason in Tudor England with Ben Lowe at Florida Atlantic University PA101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Distinguished Lecture Series presented by FAU faculty. 2 pm. \$20. 297-3171; fau.edu

3/18 - Ice Cream Social at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 2-4 pm. Free. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/18 - Live! At the Norton: Trio Rodin: Music by Mozart, Bruch, and Schumann at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 2:30 pm doors open; 3 pm show. \$5/member; \$10/non-member. 832-5196; norton.org

3/18 - The Sunday Sleuths Book Group: Before The Fall by Noah Hawley at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 3 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/18 - Concert: J.S. Bach's Art of the Fugue and 30th Anniversary Gala Reception at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Part of Music at St. Paul's series. 3 pm. \$20/person; free/age 18 & under. 276-4541; music.stpaulsdelray.org

3/18 - Friends of the Uffizi Lectures: Renaissance Florence and the Influence of Antiquity with Emily Fenichel, Ph.D. at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3-4 pm. \$10/non-member + museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/18 - 12th Annual Global Shemin Triologue Seminar: Jewish, Catholic, Muslim Triologue in a Time of Rapid Change at Florida Atlantic University, Performing Arts Building, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Seminar encourages communication and understanding between the three Abrahamic faiths. 4 pm. Free. 297-2979; fau.edu

3/18 - Master Chorale of South Florida: Broadway Legends 2 at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 4 pm. \$40/advance; \$45/at the door. 954-641-2653; masterchoraleofsouthflorida.org

3/18 - Florida Youth Orchestra: Classics In The Park at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 4 pm. Free. 954-962-5666; floridayouthorchestra.org

3/18 - Beauty and a Couple of Beasts with Deborah Pollack at Royal Poinciana Chapel Fellowship Hall, 60 Coconut Row, Palm Beach. Presented by Palm Beach Fellowship of Christians & Jews. 4-5:30 pm. \$10/non-member. 833-6150; palmbeachfellowship.net

3/18 - The Righteous Brothers Bill Medley & Bucky Heard at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-7469; kravis.org

Monday - 3/19 - Gustav Mahler: The Man and His Music with Dr. Paul Offenkrantz at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/19 - How Biology and Society Influence our Politics with Dr. Casey Klostad at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/19 - Create Your Own Website 1: The Basics at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852;

myboca.us/957/Library

3/19 - Lunch and Learn: The Fondas, A Conversation with Lee Wolf and Steven Caras at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 11:30 am. \$95/including catered lunch. 932-7469; kravis.org

Tuesday - 3/20 - Movies with Mykal: Mildred Pierce (1945/NR) at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/20 - Gmail Basics at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/20 - Simon Schama: The Power of Modern Art at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of O'Keeffe Speaker Series. 3 pm. \$35/non-member. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/20 - The Tuesday Murder Club Book Group: Knots and Crosses by Ian Rankin at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 6:30 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/20 - A Conversation with Dr. David Dalin: Jewish Justices of the Supreme Court at Congregation B'nai Israel, 2200 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Book talk by author Robert Watson; dessert reception and book signing follow. 7 pm. \$25/non-member; \$10/student & military w/ID. Registration: 241-8118; ciboca.org/speakerseries

3/20 - FAU Astronomical Observatory public viewing day at Florida Atlantic University Science & Engineering Building 4th floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 1st F & 3rd T 7 pm. Free. 297-STAR; physics.fau.edu/observatory

3/20 - David Crohan in Concert at Harriet Himmel Theater, 700 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. Part of Kretzer Piano Music Foundation's Music for the Mind Concert Series. 7 pm. \$10/adult; \$5/student. 748-0036; kretzerpiano.com

Wednesday - 3/21 - Family Archives and Photos with Sofia Vollmer Maduro at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Held again 3/28. 9:30 am-noon. \$100/2 classes. Reservations: 655-7226;

fourarts.org

3/21 - Japanese Traditional Music: Koto Class at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Adults choose instrument to study: 13-string koto or shakuhachi. Program aimed at beginners. Every W through 4/18 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$150/member; \$155/non-member. 495-0233 x210; morikami.org

3/21 - John Englander: Reality of Sea Level Rise at Atlantis Country Club, 190 Atlantis Blvd, Lake Worth. Hosted by The League of Women Voters. 11:30 am-1 pm. \$25-\$35. RSVP: 968-4123; lwvpsc.org

3/21 - Sewing Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Group project class, teacher on hand for assistance. Come prepared to work the first day; bring fabric, pattern, scissors, pins, thread, sewing machine. All levels welcome. Every W through 5/23 noon-2 pm. \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/21 - Literary Lectures: John Cheever at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/21 - Facebook Class at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2-4 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/21 - Women's National Book Association at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Author/Historian Doris Weatherford. 6:30 pm. \$10/non-member. 279-7790; wnbasofla@gmail.com

3/21 - Opera... And More at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Part of Music Series. 7 pm doors open, 7:30 pm performance. \$25/single-event ticket. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/21 - Bernstein & Co.: Composed in America at Harriet Himmel Theater, 700 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. Part of Palm Beach Symphony Chamber Music Series. 7 pm. \$35. 281-0145; palmbeachsymphony.org

3/21 - Cabaret Series: Jennifer Sheehan: You Made Me Love You at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$40. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com



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3/21 - Billie The Musical at Crest Theatre, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8-10 pm. \$40-\$50. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/21-22 - Lil Buck and Jon Booger: Love Heals All Wounds at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of PEAK Performance Series. 7:30 pm. \$35. 932-7469; kravis.org

3/21-25 - Truman and the Birth of Israel at Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center, Black Box Theater, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Runs through 4/8. W-Sat 7:30 pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. \$28-\$66. 844-672-2849; miznerparkculturalcenter.com

Thursday - 3/22 - Exhibition Opening: Channeling Immortality: Chinese Scholars' Rocks at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Exhibit runs through 5/6 regular museum hours. Free admission. 832-5196; norton.org

3/22 - Indiana Jones: Soldiers of Adventure with Marc Newman at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/22 - In Depth with Eric Burns at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part I 11 am; Part II 2:30 pm. \$40/2 lectures; \$25/one lecture. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/22 - Self-Driving Cars, Robot Radiologists, and More: How artificial Intelligence is Changing the World Forever with Dr. Oge Marques at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/any 3 events; \$150/any 8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/22 - The Revolutionary Transformation of North America, 1783-1803 with Alan Taylor at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 4 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/22 - Concert: Peter Fletcher, Classical Guitar at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/22 - Environmental Film Series: The Smog of the Sea at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 5:30 pm gates open; 6:30 pm film starts. \$15/non-member; \$5/child age 5-12. 233-1757; mounts.org

3/22 - 2018 Muse Awards at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 6 pm. \$400. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com/muse-awards

3/22 - Mostly Music: Debussy at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Features conservatory's artist-faculty & students. Actors bring composers to life through reading their letters. 7:30 pm. \$20. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

Friday - 3/23 - Exhibition: The 9th Annual PEEPS Show at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Studio & Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Runs through 4/4. Sun-Th 10 am-6 pm; F/Sat 10 am-10 pm. 588-8344; flamingoclaystudio.org

3/23 - Teach Your Apps to Play Nice at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/23 - The American Dream: A Musical Lecture with Jeffrey Swann at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/23 - Box Lunch It with The Symphonia: Up Close & Personal at Unitarian Church, 2601 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Sit in on part of a rehearsal; share a box lunch with conductor, soloists, musicians. 11:30 am. \$35. Reservations: 866-687-3848; thesymphonia.org

3/23 - A Borrowed Identity (2014/NR) at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of Friday Films Series. 2:30 & 6 pm. \$5/adult. 655-7227; fourarts.org

3/23 - Opening Night Dinner: Le Nozze Di Figaro presented by Palm Beach Opera at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 5:30 pm. \$145 (does not include opera performance ticket). 833-7888; pbopera.org

3/23 - Adult Ballroom Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Singles and couples welcome. Every F through 4/20. Beginner (West Coast Swing)

FAMILY EASTER EVENTS

Saturday - 3/24-25 - Breakfast with the Bunny at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. All-Day Admission to Palm Beach Zoo, hot buffet breakfast, meet/greet with the Easter Bunny, private animal encounters, egg hunt, carousel rides. Age 12 & under. 8:30-10 am. Held again 3/31. Member \$26.95/adult, \$18.95 child age 3-12; Non-member \$36.95/adult, \$28.95/child age 3-13; \$7.95/toddler age 0-2. Registration: 283-1427; palmbeachzoo.org

Thursday - 3/29 - Easter Bunny Contest & Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. 1-3 pm. \$3/advance; \$5/at the door. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

Saturday - 3/31 - 26th Annual Egg Hunt at Miller Park, 1905 SW 4th Ave, Delray Beach. Bring baskets. Divided into 5 different age divisions. One parent/child allowed in with 1-2 year olds only. 8 am visit w/the bunny; 8:30 am hunt starts. Age 1-10. Free. 243-7000; mydelraybeach.com



3/31 - 10th Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Bryant Park, 100 S Golfview Rd, Lake Worth. Music, games, crafts, food vendors. Egg hunts by age (3-5, 6-8, 9-11). 9:40 am Easter Bonnet Parade; 9 am-1 pm. \$5/3 hunts; \$2/hunt. lakeworth.org

3/31 - Easter Egg Hunt at Flagler Museum, One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Age appropriate sections, photo w/the Easter Bunny, face painting, crafts, commemorative wooden Easter Egg. Bring your basket. 9 am gates open; 10 am hunt begins. \$18/adult; \$15/child. 655-2833; flaglERMuseum.org

3/31 - Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Ann Norton Sculpture Garden, 2051 S Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. Egg hunt, photo w/the Easter Bunny, refreshments. Bring your basket. 10 am doors open; 10:15 am hunt begins. \$15/adult; \$10/senior 65 & older; \$7/student; free/child under 5. 832-5328; ansg.org

Sunday - 4/1 - Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Follows 9:25 am Sunday School. Meet the Easter Bunny! All ages. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

6:30-7:30 pm; Intermediate (Foxtrot) 7:45-8:45 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/23 - Get Painted at the Artist Ball at Armory Art Center, 811 Park Place, West Palm Beach. Come dressed in white, leave as a masterpiece. Dinner by the bite, music. 6:30-10 pm. \$300. 832-1776 x100; armoryart.org

3/23 - Concert in the Park at Bicentennial Park, 312 E Ocean Ave, Lantana. 7-9:30 pm. Free. 540-5000; lantana.org

Friday - 3/23-24 - Boca Raton Garden Club Annual Treasures & Plant Sale at 4281 NW 3rd Ave. Plants/gardening accessories, gently used treasures. 9 am-2 pm. Free. 395-9376; bocaratongardenclub.org

3/23-24 - Neil Berg's 50 Years of Rock & Roll at King's Point Theatre, 7000 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Presented by Spanish River Concerts. F 8 pm; Sat 2 & 8 pm. \$44-\$84. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

3/23-24 - Passion, Soul, and Breath: Lillie McCloud, Maria Aleida, and Full Orchestra at Kings Point Theatre, 7000 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$54. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

3/23-24 - Send In The Queens at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. 8 pm. \$35. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

Saturday - 3/24 - All People's Day Diversity Festival at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. All ages welcome. Kids workshop 9:30-11 am (age 3-12, pre-registration required 495-9818); main event 11 am-5 pm. Free. 495-9818; allpeoplesday.org

3/24 - Exhibition: Rita Shapiro/Stephen Alarid at Cultural Council Artist Resource Center, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Runs through 4/21. T-Sat 10 am-5 pm. Free. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com

3/24 - 2018 South Florida Police K9 Competition hosted by Boynton Beach Police Department at Boynton Beach High School, 4975 Park Ridge Blvd. Food vendors, rock climbing wall, prizes, more. No pets allowed. 2-8 pm. Free. 742-6191; sfpolicek9competition.com

3/24 - Georgina Dieter Dennis Scholarship Winners' Recital at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/24 - John Oliveira String Competition Finals at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu/events

3/24 - 23rd Annual Sunshine State Classic Step Show at Florida Atlantic University Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$20/person; 45/FAU Student. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/24 - Unlimited Devotion: A Celebration of the Grateful Dead at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$20-\$30. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/24 - First Nighters at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hobnob with performers; have your photo taken with the stars. Follows performance of A Perfect Evening with Erich Bergen. 9:30 pm. \$20. 237-7750; lynn.tix.com

3/24-25 - PrideFest 2017 at Bryant Park, 30 S Golfview Rd, Lake Worth. Parade, live entertainment, vendors, food. Parade Sun 11:30 am. Sat/Sun noon-6 pm. Per day \$8/advance; \$10/at gate. 533-9699; compassglcc.com

3/24-25 - A Perfect Evening with Erich Bergen at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Part of Live at Lynn Theatre Series. Sat 7:30

pm; Sun 4 pm. \$50-\$70. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

MARCH 25-31

Sunday - 3/25 - Basics of Sushi Workshop at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Oki Education Studio, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Learn basics of sushi making, cultural information about sushi. Participants must bring sharp 7-8 inch knife, cutting board (approximately 10"x15"), apron, dish towel. 10 am-noon. \$70. Registration: 495-0233 ext. 237; morikami.org

3/25 - Dixieland Hot Jazz Session at Boca Raton Shrine Club, 601 Clint Moore Rd. With Hank's Hot Jazz. Presented by Hot Jazz & Alligator Gumbo Society. Every 4th Sun 1-4 pm. \$4/member; \$10/non-member. 954-651-0970; hagsjazz.com

3/25 - Sunday Musical Matinee Series: Lisa Remick at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. \$20. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/25 - Bolshoi Ballet: Romeo and Juliet at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2 pm. \$20/adult; \$15/student w/ID. 655-7226; fourarts.org

3/25 - Janoska Ensemble at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 2-4 pm. \$45-\$55. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/25 - Jan Smolders part of Friends Speaker Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 3-4 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/25 - 2018 Palm Beach County Sports Hall of Fame Induction Banquet & Silent Auction at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 5 pm. \$95. 233-3180; amiller@palmbeachsports.com

3/25 - Community Kickball Game at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. All ages. 4th Sun 5 pm. Free. 243-7000 x5203; mydelraybeach.com

Monday - 3/26 - England's King George III: When Your Leader is Insane with Wesley Mills at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/26 - Parkinson's Foundation South Palm Beach County Chapter's Leo Geller Golf Tournament at Boca Rio Golf Club, 22041 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. Raise funds and awareness for Parkinson'. Event includes lunch, raffles, awards and cocktail reception. 11 am-5 pm. \$300 per player, \$125 for reception. 962-1702; parkinson.org/southpalmbeachcounty.

3/26 - The Magdalen Girls by V.S. Alexander part of Afternoon Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 1 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/26 - Loving Lilly: The Legacy and the Lady with Steven Stolman at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of ArtSmart Lecture Series. 1:30 pm. \$25. 932-7469; kravis.org

3/26 - The Art and Life of Charlie Chaplin, Artistic Genius of the 30th Century with John Pohanka at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30 pm. \$25/non-member. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/26 - Fake Medical News and its Aftermath with Wesley Mills at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning

Society. 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$75/3 events; \$150/8 events; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/26 - 10th Anniversary Savor The Avenue on Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 5:30-10 pm. 243-1077; downtowndelraybeach.com/savortheave

3/26 - Bathhouse to Broadway & Bingo! at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$75. 995-2333; thewick.org

Tuesday - 3/27 - Beginner Drawing with Color Pastels & Charcoal Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Every T through 4/24 9:30-11:30 am. \$110/resident; \$137.50/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/27 - The Garden of Evening Mists by Tan Twan Eng at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. Part of Book Club discussion. 10:30 am-noon. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/27 - Gmail Advanced at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/27 - Linda Fairstein: From Law to Literature at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of O'Keefe Speaker Series. 3 pm. \$35/non-member. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/27 - Vibe: Delray's Hottest Jam Session at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$5. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

Wednesday - 3/28 - Facebook For iPad/iPhone at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2-3 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/28 - Remembering Woodstock: Songs From A Seminal Event in An Upstate Pasture at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Part of Nostalgia Concert Series: Feelin' Groovy with PinkSlip Duo. 2 pm. \$25. 272-1281; delraybeachplayhouse.com

3/28 - Richard Wagner and the Music of Redemption with Jim Holman at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30 pm. \$10/non-member. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/28 - Book Discussion: Charlie and the Tycoon at Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens, 2051 S Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. Author and historian Harvey E. Oyer III discusses his latest book. 5 pm - 7 pm. \$15/adult; \$10/senior age 65+; \$7/student. RSVP: 832-5328; ansg.org

3/28 - 2018 Palm Beach Opera Liederabend at Harriet Himmel Theatre at CityPlace, 700 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. 6 pm. \$25. 833-7888; pbopera.org

3/28 - Three Billboards Outside Ebbing Missouri at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Part of Discover Drama series. Adults. 6:30-9 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/28 - Adult Tap Dance Class at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Every W through 5/30 7-8 pm. \$123/resident; \$154/non-resident. 542-0215; dancetrendsboynton.com

3/28 - Community Cabaret at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Calling all singers, dancers, musicians, stand-up comedians; performers must register in advance. 7:30 pm. \$5. 347-3900; willowtheatre.org

3/28 - The Lords of 52nd Street: Legends of the Billy Joel Band at Duncan Theatre, 4200 S Congress Ave, Lake Worth. 8 pm. \$39.75. 868-3309; duncantheatre.org

3/28 - Dudu Fisher Celebrates Jerusalem at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-

7469; kravis.org

3/28 - Loudon Wainwright III at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8-10 pm. \$47-\$57. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

Thursday - 3/29 - Dramawise Series: Edgar & Emily by Joseph McDonough at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. Includes 2 w/intermission. Attend all or a portion of the program. Act 1 10-11:30 am; Intermission (Lunch at a downtown West Palm Beach restaurant) 11:45am-12:45 pm; Act 2 1-2 pm. Acts 1 & 2 & Intermission \$50-\$60; Intermission & Act 2 \$40-\$45; Act 2 \$15-\$20. 514-4042 x2; palmbeachdramaworks.org

3/29 - Using DNA to find Your Ancestors with Mark Fearer at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/29 - Capitalists and Communists, America in Russia Part II, 1933-1999, FDR and Stalin to Clinton and Yeltsin with Dr. Stephen R. de Angelis at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of ArtSmart Lecture Series. 1:30 pm. \$25. 932-7469; kravis.org

3/29 - Somewhere Over the Fairway at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Part of Interactive Studio Theatre Series. 2 pm. \$25. 272-1281 x4; delraybeachplayhouse.com

3/29 - The Rise of Nationalist/Populist Parties in Europe: Anti-Globalism, Anti-Immigration, and Anti-Semitism with Andrew Kahn at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/29 - Exhibition Opening: All Student & Armory Faculty Show at Armory Art Center, 811 Park Place, West Palm Beach. Runs through 4/14. 6 pm. \$5/non-member. 832-1776; armoryart.org

3/29 - Curator's Conversations: Why Chinese Scholars Collect Rocks at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead discussions about special exhibitions, installations, the Museum Collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

3/29 - Speaking to Heaven: Joseph LoBrutto III: Dinner with Spirit at The Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Performing Gallery Readings. 7 pm dinner. \$50. 912-0000; ourournoyoflife.com

3/29 - Canvas & Cocktails at Old School Square Studio 6, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Create art; enjoy wine, craft beer, signature cocktail. 7-9 pm. \$35/includes materials & one drink ticket. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/29 - Opening Reception: Flora at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Exhibition runs through 9/9 during regular hours. 7-9 pm. \$10/non-member. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/29 - Guillermo Figueroa Violin Recital at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

3/29 - Maks, Val and Peta Live on Tour: Confidential at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Concert Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/29 - Circuit: Sober Clubbing at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Age 18+. 8 pm. \$5. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

3/29 - John Sebastian presented by MusicWorks at Duncan Theatre, 4200 S Congress Ave, Lake Worth. 8 pm. \$45-\$75. 868-3309; duncantheatre.org

Friday - 3/30 - Passover Begins Saturday - 3/31 - IFBB Physique America: Florida Class at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Inaugural event features male & female competitors displaying their physiques w/ judging on a point system. Noon-3 pm pre-judging \$25; 5:30-7:30 pm finals \$45. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/31 - Passover Dinner for Singles at The Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 6 pm dinner; 8 pm show w/It Takes Two. \$45/buffet. 929-4449; steppingoutflorida.com

3/31 - Dennis Miller at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/31 - Lauren Mitchell Band at Arts Garage, 94 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

APRIL 1-7

Sunday - 4/1 - Easter

4/1 - University Symphony Orchestra From the New World at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

Monday - 4/2 - We've Only Just Begun: Carpenters Remembered at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of the Adults at Leisure Series. 11 am & 2 pm. \$29. 832-7469; kravis.org

4/2 - Culture & Cocktails: Let Me Entertain You, A Conversation with Daniel Biaggi and Beth Clark at The Colony Palm Beach, 155 Hammon Ave. Presented by Cultural Council of Palm Beach County. 5-7 pm. \$65/advance; \$85/at the door. 472-3330; palmbeachculture.com

4/2 - Wine and Spirits Appreciation with Athena Yannitsas: Tequila 101: Beyond the Margarita at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30-7 pm. \$45/class. Reservations: 655-7226; fourarts.org

4/2-5 - On The Road To Hamilton: From Gilbert & Sullivan to Rap at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Part of Musical Memories series. Held again 4/9-12. 2 & 8 pm. \$35. 272-1281; delraybeachplayhouse.com

Tuesday - 4/3 - Ikebana Flower Arrangement: Ikenobo School at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach.

Traditional flower arranging using fresh flowers. Every T through 4/24. Beginners 11am-1pm; Intermediate 1-3 pm. \$70/ member; \$80/non-member; + \$80/flower fee. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

4/3 - Live Interview: Designers Roundtable hosted by Sheryl Flatow at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St., West Palm Beach. Part of Dramalogue Talking Theatre series; explores working in the theatre in conversations with/about the artists who create the magic. 2 & 7 pm. \$23. 514-4042; palmbeachdramaworks.org

Wednesday - 4/4 - Adult Day Trip: Miami Auto Museum at the Dezer Collection

meets at Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Light refreshment prior to departure, tour, round-trip motorcoach transportation, admission. 8 am check-in; 8:30 am-3:30 pm. \$47/person. Pre-registration required: 367-7035; myboca.us

4/4 - Julie Gilbert and Barry Day on Noel Coward's Brief Encounter at Kravis Center Persson Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Part of Kravis Film & Literary Club. 11 am. \$49. 932-7469; kravis.org

4/4 - Institute for Learning in Retirement Open House at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. 1 pm. Free. Info: 833-0999; iliretirement.org

4/4 - Ikebana: Sogetsu School, Beginners at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Contemporary flower arranging using fresh flowers. Every W through 4/25 1:30-3:30 pm. \$70/member; \$80/non-member; + \$60/ flower fee. Registration: 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

4/4 - Silent Painting Party: Floral Wreath (Canvas Bags) at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Artist Shivon Jackson-Schmitz uses her talents and American Sign Language to help budding artists (or wannabes) create a "masterpiece" to share. 6:30-8 pm. \$25/resident; \$31/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

4/4 - The Weight Band at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8-10 pm. \$57-\$92. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

Thursday - 4/5 - First Thursday Site Tours at Cornell Museum at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave. History of Delray Beach slide show, tour of the historic site. 11 am & 1 pm. \$5/at door. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

4/5 - When Jazz Ruled and Harlem Was in Vogue with Dr. Taylor Hagood at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Th through 4/26. 1-2:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$50/advance member; \$65/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lfs

4/5 - Reading Behind the Words:

Understanding the Short Story at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of Lifelong Learning Community Institute. Every Th through 4/26 2-3:30 pm. \$50/4 sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

4/5 - Hip Trips: Geography in Iconic American Rock Music with Dr. Penelope Fritzer at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3-4:30 pm. \$60/ annual membership; \$30/advance member; \$35/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lfs

4/5 - The Opera House at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30 pm. \$10/adult non-member. 655-7227; fourarts.org

4/5 - Triple Treats: Films Written and Directed by Their Stars with Kurt Stone at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Th through 4/26. 7-9 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$50/advance member; \$65/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lfs

4/5 - David Baskeyfield and Thomas Gaynor Organ Duo at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of Young Artists Series. 7:30 pm. \$30. 932-7469; kravis.org

4/5 - Semi-Toned presents Sing Theory at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8-10 pm. \$55-\$65. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

4/5-8 - Be Here Now by Deborah Zoe Laufer at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab at Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Runs through 4/22. Th/F/Sat 7:30 pm; Sat/Sun 3 pm. \$35. 800-564-9539; fau.edu/theatrelab

Friday - 4/6 - Canasta Class at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basic techniques: how to count points, keep score, play of the hand. Couples and singles welcome. Each player required to purchase 4 decks of cards (2 red, 2 blue) + canasta tray, bring to first class. Every F through 4/27 10 am-noon. \$50/resident; \$63/ non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

4/6 - Exhibition: The River of Grass at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Studio & Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Runs through 4/18. Sun-Th 10 am-6 pm; F/Sat 10 am-10 pm. 588-8344; flamingoclaystudio.org

4/6 - Sumi-e Ink Painting Class at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Held again 4/13, 20 & 27. Floral 10:30 am-12:30 pm; Landscape 1:30-3:30 pm. \$55-\$60 + materials fee. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

4/6 - What's New in iOS 11? at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; myboca.us/957/Library

4/6 - Miss Sloane (2016/R) at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of Friday Films Series. 2:30 & 6 pm. \$5/ adult non-member. 655-7227; fourarts.org

4/6 - First Friday Art Walk at Cornell Art Museum at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Current exhibits, wine/cheese, then make your way to other participating galleries on Atlantic Avenue, in Pineapple Grove, Artists Alley. 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

4/6 - An Evening of Magic & Dance at Duncan Theatre, 4200 S Congress Ave, Lake Worth. Pre-show 6 pm; show 7 pm. \$14.75. 868-3309; duncantheatre.org

4/6 - Evenings at the Council at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County Main Gallery, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Held again 4/20. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com/evenings

4/6 - Fourth Annual Student Composition Concert at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

4/6 - Movies in the Park: Enchanted at Ocean Avenue Amphitheatre, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Food/beverages available for purchase. 1st F Oct-Jun 7 pm. Free. 600-9093; catchboynton.com

4/6 - Joe Lansdale speaks and signs his book *Jackrabbit Smile* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

4/6 - Community Jam Dance at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Adults. 1st F 7:30-10 pm. \$5. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

4/6-7 - 16th Annual Boca Bacchanal Wine & Food Festival at various unique Boca Raton locations. Benefits Boca Raton Historical Society. Wine & food, hi-tech auctions, meet chefs/vintners. Vintner dinners F 7 pm at private residences \$325; Bacchanalia Sat 7-11 pm at Mizner Park Amphitheater \$100. bocabacchanal.com

4/6-8 - The Ben Hecht Show at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of PEAK Performance Series. Sun 1:30 pm; F/Sat 7:30 pm. \$35. 932-7469; kravis.org

4/6-8 - The Fantasticks (PG) at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Held again 4/13-15. F/Sat 8 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$25. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

Saturday - 4/7 - West Coast Swing Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Instructor: John Grassia. Connection, timing, teamwork of the basic patterns. No partner needed. Every Sat through 5/12 1-2:30 pm. \$50/resident; \$62.50/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

4/7 - Annual Bluegrass in the Pavilion at Flagler Museum, One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Blue Highway & the Gibson Brothers. Benefits the Museum's children's education programs. 2:30 pm doors open; 3 pm concert. \$35. 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us

4/7 - Brew at the Zoo 2018 at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Sampling from 25+ breweries, food for purchase, live music. Adults only. 5:30-9 pm. \$37.50/general; \$67.50/VIP; \$15/designated driver: all fees have service charge added. Advance tickets required: 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

4/7 - Student Piano Gala at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

4/7 - Symphonic Band of the Palm Beaches: Our Stars Shine Indeed, 36th Annual Rudolph von Unruh Scholarship Concert at Palm Beach State College Duncan Theatre, 4200 Congress Ave, Lake Worth. 7:30 pm. \$20. 832-3115; symphonicband.org

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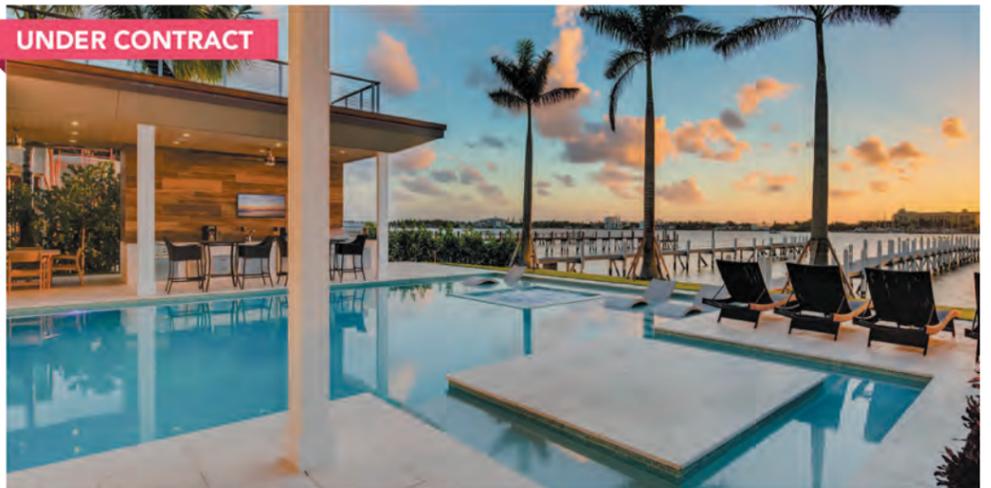
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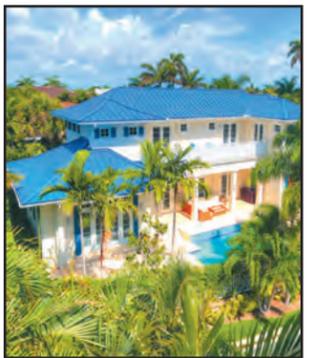
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Tots & Teens



Zoe Deitelbaum (left), Naven Parthasathy (standing) and Brianna Detamore started Hurricane Helping Hands, one of eight finalists for Palm Beach Philanthropy Tank funding. It aims to equip low-income older adults with survival kits.

Philanthropy 101

By Janis Fontaine

Local teens put their ideas for helping others into action with guidance from team of mentors

Songwriter Linda Creed is hardly alone in believing “the children are our future.”

In 2016, a group of local philanthropists led by Bill Meyer, chairman of Meyer Jabara Hotels, a hotel and restaurant management company with an office in West Palm Beach, started the Palm Beach Philanthropy Tank, a project of Advisors for Philanthropic Impact.

API, formed in 2011, brought together local real estate and trust attorneys, financial advisers, CPAs, insurance professionals and nonprofit executives in a “network of good.” One of its tenets is to “inspire a new generation of philanthropic leaders,” and the Philanthropy Tank takes that idea from intent to action.

Meyer started the Philanthropy Tank with an idea stolen from television and \$25,000 he was willing to risk. “No one is giving young people the opportunity to take on community projects,” Meyer

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Zoe drew inspiration from her grandfather Lee Goldstein, who died after Hurricane Irma. Photos provided

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PHILANTHROPY

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said, and he believed kids' outside-the-box thinking might have an advantage over adult thinking. It did.

In 2016 and 2017, the PBPT funded projects that fought hunger in Delray Beach, taught life-saving CPR to high school students, screened the eyesight of Head Start kids, and built boundary-less play areas and gardens for kids in wheelchairs. Gifts ranged from \$7,500 to \$18,000 per project.

Every finalist gets something.

In 2016, the first year, nine groups split a total of \$109,000 in gifts. The awards ranged from \$7,500 to \$18,000. In 2017, nine winning groups split a total of \$100,000, with awards from \$8,500 to \$15,000.

This year, PBPT chose seven finalists among 47 submissions and got the community involved in picking another by asking people to vote for their favorite from a list of 10. The community voted for Hurricane Helping Hands, developed by Zoe Deitelbaum of South Palm Beach, Brianna Detamore of Boca Raton, Kiah Kimpton of Delray Beach and Naven Parthasathy of Boynton Beach, all students at American Heritage School in Delray Beach. Their project plans to provide hurricane emergency kits to low-income older adults

Palm Beach Philanthropy Tank final presentations

When: 4-6 p.m. March 11

Where: A.W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts, 501 S. Sapodilla Ave., West Palm Beach

Reservations: www.eventbrite.com

Info: www.philanthropytank.org

The other seven finalists:

- **Aquaponics Educational Enrichment** for PBC Schools, Tess Flemma and John Schuttler of Boca Raton High School.
- **Surface 71** — Ocean, Plastics & Marine Health, Emily Briceno, Jemma Currie and Angeli Romero from Suncoast High School.
- **Find the Keys Music Program**, Sophia Zheng and Hayley Huber, Dreyfoos School of the Arts.
- **canCode**, Noah Rubin of Rosenblatt High School.
- **Read With Me**, Nestor Flores and Shane Herman, The Weiss School.
- **Helping Hands**, Guadalupe Alcala-Garcia, Mya Rodriguez and Yalissa Baltazar, Glades Central High School.
- **Shoes2You**, Joseph Rubsamen of Oxbridge Academy.

to keep them safe during a hurricane.

Everyone pitches in

The group is an eclectic democracy, with each person holding a role. Brianna is the project manager. She sees the big picture. Zoe calls her "the delegator." Kiah is the artistic one: "She did our logo, and she prepared our slide show." Naven is the math guy, so "he handles the budget, and he's also our presenter."

Zoe, whose mother, Lisa

Deitelbaum, lives in coastal Boca Raton, is the detail person. "I do a lot of different things, whatever is necessary. I do the research. I have some artistic skills," Zoe said. She keeps things from falling through the cracks. Whenever teammates need help, it's Zoe they call.

Being part of the community contest "was thrilling," Zoe said. "We were up against kids from bigger schools and we worked really hard to get people to vote."

The impetus for the

survival kit idea came from experience, Zoe said. She and her teammates all suffered, to varying degrees, after Hurricane Irma last September.

"Everybody in the group saw it firsthand," Zoe said. Friends were without power for days, the school was shut for more than a week, and it took more than a month for Zoe's internet to be fixed. But what really stuck with Zoe and her friends? How older adults suffered.

"Seniors are forgotten people," Zoe said. During the hurricane, Zoe's beloved grandfather, Lee Goldstein, already fighting cancer, got sick and couldn't get immediate access to treatment or the medication he needed. Well known in Palm Beach, Goldstein died in October, but not without teaching Zoe a few things about life.

"I was really close to him," Zoe said.

An inspiring role model

Goldstein, 80, actually taught many people a few things. As the founder and president of Virginia Design Packaging Corp. and a member of the Society of the Plastic Industry, Goldstein helped create and implement the recycling symbols used on the bottoms of plastic containers around the world.

He was a conservationist who served as a commissioner on the

town's Shore Protection Board, and he was former chairman of the Citizens' Association of Palm Beach, which united co-op and condo owners to work together for the good of the community. He supported science through the South Florida Science Center and Aquarium and fought crime with Palm Beach Crime Watch.

Goldstein's death, combined with the news of the deaths of elderly residents at nursing homes after Irma hit, illustrated the special vulnerability of older adults during a crisis.

Zoe and her team knew they could help.

Hurricane Helping Hands plans to deliver safety kits at the beginning of each hurricane season to low-income seniors in Palm Beach County. Each kit will include a flashlight, a crank radio, a three-day supply of nonperishable food, a can opener, water, a first aid/hygiene kit and a survival guide with emergency information on shelter locations, packaged in a waterproof container.

Zoe said the group researched what people buy for supplies, what experts recommend and the cost of putting together a kit, which reinforced the need for it. The students knew that lots of older adults just don't have the extra money, no matter how badly they need the supplies.

Working with the United Way, the group identified a

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pocket of about 800 people living within walking distance of the school as the target recipients. Zoe's team wants to recruit student volunteers to do the heavy lifting and deliver the kits in time for the 2018 hurricane season, which begins June 1. The group members plan to ask for about \$14,000 when they make their final pitch on March 11.

Presentation prep

For about a month before the final presentation, groups chosen for the Tank attend weekend workshops in preparation for their presentations. Public speaking, Bill Meyer says, isn't easy, but it's an important skill, so much of the coaching focuses on it.

The group chose Naven as its spokesperson, so he'll do the presentation. The free ceremony at the Dreyfoos School of the Arts in West Palm Beach is open to the public.

Zoe said working with her teammates, who are all active in the Future Business Leaders of America, was fun. All have strong leadership skills but they're also willing to defer to each other as needed. Not only do they understand the concept of emotional intelligence, they possess emotional intelligence.

Zoe had already distinguished herself in a variety of forums before competing in the PBPT. In 2013, she earned a fourth-place medal for her project in the biochemistry category at the Palm Beach Regional Science and Engineering Fair.

For another project, Zoe created a website for The Imagination Emporium, coding the site herself using HTML5, CSS and Javascript, and although she enjoyed the challenge, coding is a hobby, not a career goal. But it certainly doesn't hurt to have the knowledge and skills, and that's what Zoe is doing: acquiring skills and gaining experiences.

The finalists' ideas were evaluated for community impact, feasibility, solution creativity, sustainability and team strengths.

The PBPT wanted forward-thinking, novel solutions, so indirect or passive solutions like fundraisers for charitable gifts, or money for operating funds and capital campaigns were given less weight.

"The kids have done a terrific job taking this from idea to execution," Meyer said. "We coach these kids in how to make their presentations, and that mentoring is invaluable to them. If they're selected, they get 12 months of mentoring to help them solve difficulties along the route, and there are always difficulties."

The students learn leadership skills, negotiating and sometimes just cold hard facts. In fact, the hardest part might be keeping the kids grounded, but the mentors have to do it without discouraging them.

"You want them to be successful, but sometimes what they've suggested seems

Boca teen honored for fighting hunger

The kids competing in the Philanthropy Tank aren't the only youngsters making a big splash in the "help your neighbor" pool.

Colin Wanless, 14, of Boca Raton, is an eighth-grader at



Wanless

Pine Crest Middle School. He started volunteering with Joshua's Heart Foundation, a charity that fights

childhood hunger, in 2009.

With Colin's hard work, the Miami-based charity expanded to the Boca Raton area in 2015. Colin has helped raise more than \$10,000 and feed more than 13,000 people. He also

recruited two dozen local kids to join the board that leads the chapter.

In an interview with CBS local news anchor Michele Wright, Colin said, "If we want to make this world a stronger, healthier, happier and better place, we really ought to be helping one another."

Now Colin's work has been honored by The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, which named Colin as an outstanding youth volunteer of 2018. The awards, in their 23rd year, are produced by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

— Janis Fontaine

impossible. But you don't want to discourage them. Kids don't see the world the way adults do," Meyer said. "They don't come in with negative perceptions."

Meyer and the mentors

call the students Positively Disruptive Change-makers.

Meyer has a rule he uses when he's talking to them: "If it's hard to choose what to say, you go with the truth." ★

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Health & Harmony

Chiropractor turns grief into mission to teach wellness, posture

The way that Lynn Migdal has chosen to grieve is very particular to her. She is the first to point that out, in the introduction to her 2017 book, *Eternal Love Connections*.

Her unorthodox approach adds a dash of magic and maybe even whimsy to the practice of grieving. While others may not follow exactly the path she chose, they can use it as a model to find their own ways, she hopes.

Migdal, a chiropractor, practiced for years in Delray Beach before July 12, 2012, when her two daughters, her ex-husband and their home were buried in a mudslide in Johnson's Landing, British Columbia.

As crews searched for their bodies, Migdal went to British

Columbia to wait for news.

Even in the midst of her own misery en route to the scene, Migdal couldn't shake her habit of ministering to others.

"I was being helicoptered in with the fire chief of Vancouver, and I'm teaching him about his neck," she recalled while eating lunch in a Delray Beach café.

The place where her house used to be — only the roof was visible — was a grisly sight.

"I was praying for the [search] dogs, but dogs are useless once the mud turns to cement, 32 feet of cement," Migdal said.

The family members "were suffocated instantly, though it took a long time to get that information."

Searchers found the bodies of Diana, 22, and Valentine Webber, and it took another week to find Rachel, 17. Their neighbor up the hill was never found.

For the next two years, Migdal's first stage of grieving was to work.

"I wrote two books, started a nonprofit foundation and somehow directed and ran a natural healing center."

She describes *Wind Kissed* as a "self-empowerment fantasy novel for children and adults."

The second, *Women's Natural Guidebook*, combines practical information with affirmations.

To liberate her emotions, Migdal spent time outside, in nature. She practiced deep, full breathing.

She took time every day to experience her grief head on. During that time, she bumped into something she came to call "eternal love connections," which gave her the pleasure of feeling the presence of her departed loved ones.

In 2014, Migdal had a lightbulb moment.

As she watched, a 2-year-old

boy took his mother's cellphone and assumed the usual position, bent over and mesmerized by the screen. What she saw was a child in one of the worst possible positions for his spine and breathing.

"I realized I had to go into education. I can't put my hands on everybody," she said.

Thus was born what Migdal calls the Looking Up movement.

The Mayo Clinic in 2000 had already identified what is called the "forward neck posture," worsened by hours spent bent over computers and, more recently, by constant scanning of cellphones. It is also known as "text neck" and can lead to arthritis, pinched nerves and other long-term negative effects.

One easy way to counteract text neck is to raise the cellphone to eye level rather than hunching over it. As part of teaching better posture, Migdal tries to entertain her

audiences. Her nonprofit foundation, Looking Up, has sponsored events that included belly dancers and people dressed in skeleton T-shirts or cellphone costumes.

Foot-tapping rap and reggae versions of the song *Look Up*, can be done cha-cha-cha style or with a hula hoop.

Looking up is the simplest way to a healthier respiratory and nervous system in the cellphone age, and Migdal and her associates — other chiropractors, healers and therapists — have made it fun.

"We want to be an educational foundation that entertains," said Migdal.

Sometime in the nearly six years since she lost her family, Migdal's curly hair went from brown to silver. A small woman with a fashionable flair, she demonstrates, with a slightly self-mocking air, how she can adjust the wired Elvis-style collar of her short, spangled black jacket. She gives off a frisson of intense energy.

"Back in the '70s, I was a hustle queen in New York City," she said. "I Spanish-hustled my way through chiropractic school."

Later, dancing came to her aid again.

One day, when she realized how much she missed dancing with her daughters, "I put their pictures on sticks and danced with them. If you're missing, you're not listening. I cry a lot, but I breathe and dance and connect with love. If you can connect with what you're missing, you're blissing. There is no lack. You can't hug the body, but the energy never dies."

She has held dances for parents who lost children and for divorced parents.

"Dancing can work for anger as well," she said. "Parents feel so guilty that they don't allow themselves pleasure."

She now offers her services as a "wellness nanny," helping families avoid mental and physical illness.

"I've done this work for over 40 years, I've gone through sudden death. I'm taking the show on the road," she said.

Last year Migdal wrote this message in the newsletter of Bereaved Parents of the USA, whose national convention she also addressed: "Although Mother Nature caused my grief, she is also responsible for my healing and my return to gratitude. I am reminded by her daily that I have a mission of helping her to heal the rest of her children."

To learn more, visit lookingupthemovement.com

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Health Notes

FAU's medical school launches first fellowship

Florida Atlantic University's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine has received initial accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education for its first university-sponsored fellowship. Launching this summer and to be based at the Delray Medical Center, the FAU Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship will be a member of the FAU College of Medicine Graduate Medical Education Consortium. A subspecialty of internal medicine, it will complement the existing residency programs at the university.

Dr. Brijeshwar S. Maini, the regional medical director of interventional cardiology and transcatheter therapy at the medical center and a professor at the university's Department of Integrated Medical Science, is the new fellowship program director. **Dr. Sachin S. Sule**, the university's internal medicine residency program director and an associate professor of integrated medical science, will supervise and guide to ensure compliance with accreditation standards.

Cardiology fellows will have the opportunity to train alongside top physicians and other clinicians in the field.

Delray Medical Center announced in January that it had received the 2018 Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence from Healthgrades. It is one out of four hospitals in the country that have achieved the award for 16 straight years, placing it in the top 5 percent for clinical performance among nearly 4,500 hospitals nationwide.

Healthgrades is an online resource for information about physicians and hospitals.

Optimistic Medicine Studio Boca, formerly WOW Health, celebrated its one-year anniversary and its 1,000 clients and monthly members with a grand reopening in February, showcasing Optimistic Medicine Studio Boca's new facilities and services.

To combat the opioid crisis in Palm Beach County, **Palm Healthcare Foundation** in partnership with **Southeast Florida Behavioral Health Network**, **Hanley Foundation** and the **Town of Palm Beach United Way** brought in the Rapid Results Institute, an international nonprofit organization that pioneered the use of 100-day challenges.

Thirty Palm Beach County nonprofits, health organizations, law enforcement agencies, businesses and governments joined the effort to provide a system that connects anyone with an opioid use disorder to appropriate services. The 100 days of the challenge started Feb. 12.

Components of this effort include scholarship beds and treatment for indigent people in certified recovery residences, peer specialists at four hospitals to work with people brought in after overdoses, and recovery navigators paired with people leaving treatment centers to prevent relapse and support their continued recovery at certified residences.

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Health Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/23. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 3

Saturday - 3/3 - Saturdays @ Sanborn: Tai Chi Class presented by Kung Fu & Tai Chi Boca Raton at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy. 8 am class. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

3/3 - Saturdays @ Sanborn: Yoga Class at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 8:45 am registration; 9 am class. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

3/3 - Adult Aerobics at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. T/Th 6-7 pm; M/W/Sat 9-10 am. Monthly pass \$74-\$90/resident, \$80-\$98/non-resident; unlimited classes \$110/resident, \$120/non-resident. 734-2306; mydelraybeach.com

3/3 - Kemeti Yoga at Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Yoga using ancient postures/teachings. Bring yoga mat, water; wear comfortable clothing. Every Sat 9-10:30 am. \$10/person. 279-8883; spadymuseum.com

3/3 - Qi Gong at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Improve flexibility, balance, muscle tone, energy, mental well-being. Adults. Every Sat 9 am. Free introductory class. \$40/month. Reservations: 419-5403; facebook.com/WestBocaTaiChi

3/3 - Yoga Class at South Palm Beach

Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Every Sat & 3/4 & 25 9:30 am. \$5/class. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/3 - Tai Chi/Chi Kung/Meditation Class at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Every Sat. intermediate 9:30-10:30 am; beginner 10:45-11:45 am. Per class \$15/resident; \$17/non-resident. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com

3/3 - Yoga Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Th classes recommended for beginners, gentle yoga. M-Sat 9:30-11 am. 5 classes \$75/resident, \$94/non-resident; 10 classes \$130/resident, \$162.50/non-resident; 20 classes \$240/resident, \$300/non-resident. 477-8727; myboca.us

3/3 - Judo Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Warm-up exercises, instruction, practice, tournament training. W 6:30-8 pm mixed ages & ranks, 8-9 pm advanced; Sat 10 am-noon all groups. Per month \$21.50/resident; \$27/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/3 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park West (Intracoastal side), 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Classes held on grass overlooking the Intracoastal. No cash accepted on-site. 1st & 3rd Sat 10 am. \$10/class; 60-day membership (unlimited classes) \$65/resident, \$81.25/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/3 - Capoeira Fitness at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Age

12 & up. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

3/3 - Zumba Class at South Beach Park Pavilion, 400 N State Rd A1A, Boca Raton. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

3/3 - Chair Yoga at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every Sat 1 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

3/3 - CA (Cocaine Anonymous) at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every Sat 6 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

MARCH 4-10

Sunday - 3/4 - Yoga in the Park at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every Sun 10-11 am. Per class \$10/resident; \$11/nonresident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/4 - CODA (Codependents Anonymous) at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every Sun 6 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

3/4 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park East, 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. No cash accepted on-site. W/Sun 6:30 pm. \$10/class; 60-day membership (unlimited classes) \$65/resident, \$81.25/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

Monday - 3/5 - Fitness on the Beach at Delray Beach at Lifeguard stand North I across from the Marriott, 10 N Ocean Blvd.

Bring a towel, plenty of water, a can-do attitude. Age 18+. M/W/F 7:30-8:30 am. \$10/class. 502-523-0284; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - Circuit Training: Workout for Mom at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Target multiple muscle groups to build lean muscles. Modifications accommodate pregnant moms/beginner to advanced fitness levels. M/T/Th 8:30-9:20 am or 9:30-10:20 am. 1 class \$12-\$15; 4 classes \$40-\$50; 8 classes \$70-\$88; 12 classes \$100-\$125, 15 classes \$125-\$156. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com

3/5 - Adult Jazzercise Lo at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Target upper body, abs, legs. M/T/F 9-10 am. 12 months \$39/month; 6 months \$49/month; \$25 membership fee. 400-1268; lisajar@comcast.net

3/5 - Yoga Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 9:30 am. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

3/5 - Get Fit Mom's Boot Camp at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Workout incorporates cardio exercises, strength training, running drills, body weight resistance training, agility drills, core strengthening. M/T/Th 9:30-10:20 am. 4 classes \$40-\$50; 8 classes \$70-\$88; 12 classes \$100-\$125, 15 classes \$125-\$156. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com

3/5 - Life Issues: A Support Group for Adults at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. W 6-7:30

pm or M 10-11:30 am. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/5 - Yoga Class for Seniors at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 10 am. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

3/5 - Tai Chi for Beginners at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Every M 4-5 pm. Per class \$10/resident; \$11/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - Exercise Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 5:30 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

3/5 - Boca Raton Multiple Myeloma Support Group at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Meet, interact with fellow myeloma patients, their family members, friends. Learn new aspects of treatment/management. 1st M 6:30-8 pm. Free. 901-5938; 637-4682; myeloma.org

3/5 - Friends & Family of LGBTQ+ Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every M 6:30-8 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/5 - Men's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every M 6:30-8 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

Tuesday - 3/6 - Women's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every T 10-11:30 am. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/6 - Yoga with Cara at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Slow, intuitive vinyasa flow class. Every T 10-11 am. \$15/class; \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworth-playhouse.org

3/6 - Breastfeeding Support Group at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, 800 Meadows Rd. Every T noon-1:30 pm. Free. 955-5415; brhh.co

3/6 - Modern Line Dance Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Enhance quality of life through modern music, dance. Age 50 & up. Every T 1:30-2:30 pm. Per class: \$5/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/6 - Zumba Gold at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St, Delray Beach. Age 18 & up. Th/F 9:30-10:30 am, T 3-4 pm. Per class \$5/resident; \$6/nonresident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/6 - Tai Chi Class at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Moving meditation for focus, concentration, release of stress, attention skills. Every T Beginners 5:30-6:30 pm; Intermediate 6-7 pm; Advanced 6:30-7:30 pm. 8 classes \$48/resident, \$60/non-resident; 12 classes \$66/resident, \$82/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/6 - Zumba at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults. T 6-7 pm. 6-week session \$50; daily rate \$5/resident, \$6/non-resident. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/6 - Al-Anon 12-Step Study at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every T 7 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

Wednesday - 3/7 - Tai Chi Class at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 9-10 am. \$5/class. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/7 - Yoga at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St, Delray Beach. Age 18 & up. Every W 9-10:30 am. Per class \$10/resident; \$11/nonresident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/7 - Moving Forward for Widows & Widowers: Support and Discussion Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W 1-2:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/7 - AA Big Book Study at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every W 5:30 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

3/7 - Childbirth: Preparing for your Birth Experience at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4-week series. Every W through 3/21 6-8:30 pm. \$75/couple. Registration: 369-2229; publicrelations@BHInc.org

3/7 - Divorced and Separated Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W

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3/7 - Family and Friends at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center, 800 Meadows Rd. Basics of infant, child and adult CPR. Includes course book. Held again 3/14, 21 & 4/4. 6-8 pm. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brrh.com

3/7 - Tai Chi Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Moving meditation for focus, concentration, release of stress, attention skills. Every W Beginners 6:10-7:10 pm; Intermediate 7:10-8:10 pm. 8 classes \$48/resident, \$60/non-resident; 12 classes \$66/resident, \$82/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/7 - Food Addicts Anonymous at The Crossroads Club Room E, 1700 Lake Ida Rd, Delray Beach. Every W 7 pm. Free. 680-0724; foodaddictsanonymous.org

3/7 - AA Meeting at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every W. LGBTQ 7:30 pm; Men's meeting 8 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

3/7-8 - Soulcore at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Bring floor mat/optional hand weights. Every W 4:30-5:30 pm & Thu 8:30-9:30 am. Free. 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com

Thursday - 3/8 - Wellness Program at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Talks by local physicians; no physical exercise. Every other Th 10 am-noon. Free. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/8 - Nurture Your Newborn at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Mother/baby support group led by a bilingual registered nurse and a social worker. Every Th through 3/22 1-2 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Bereavement Support Group at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Every Th 2:30-3:30 pm. Free. Register: 735-3530; stmarkboynton.com

3/8 - Yin Yoga Class at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Every Th 4 pm. \$5/class. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/8 - Yoga Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every Th 6:30 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumcbo-caraton.org

Friday - 3/9 - Zumba Gold Class at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Every F 10 am. \$5/class. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/9 - Chair Yoga Class at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Every F 11 am. \$5/class. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/9 - LGBTQ Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Joint program with Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services. Age 18+. Every F noon-1:15 pm. Registration: 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/9 - Breastfeeding Support Group at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, 800 Meadows Rd. Every F 1-3:30 pm. Free. 955-5415; brrh.com

3/9 - Open AA Meeting at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every F 7 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

Saturday - 3/10 - Annual Health and Wellness Experience at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Presented by WPEC, hosted by City of Boca Raton. Healthy cooking demonstrations, free health screenings, fitness demonstrations, activities for all ages. 10 am-4 pm. Free. 881-0702; thewellnessexperience.org

3/10 - Community Fitness Day at NE 1st St/Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. 10 am-noon. 742-6642; boynton-beach.org/recreation

3/10 - Super Siblings Class at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Learn about the new baby joining the family. Decorate a onesie for new little brother or sister, celebrate with a birthday cupcake. Age 2-6; must be accompanied by parent. 10-11:30 am. \$10/parent & child; additional siblings \$5/each. Registration: 369-2229; publicrelations@bhinc.org

3/10 - Family Yoga at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Breathing exercises, relaxation techniques, yoga, poses for concentration, balance, flexibility, meditation, lessons in self-acceptance, positive thinking. Open to extended family and caregivers. Every Sat through 3/31 11:15 am-12:15 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/nonresident. 393-7807; myboca.us

nonresident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/10 - Safe Baby: Prepare, Prevent & Respond Prenatal Class at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Increase awareness of safe practices, what to do in the event of an emergency. 2-3:30 pm. \$10/couple. Registration: 369-2229; publicrelations@BHinc.org

MARCH 11-17

Sunday - 3/11 - Childbirth Express: A Day Full of Fun & Learning at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 10 am-5 pm. \$50/couple. Registration: 369-2229; publicrelations@BHinc.org

Monday - 3/12 - Surgical Weight Loss: The Next Step to a Healthier You at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 2nd M 5:30 pm. Free. 853-1600; publicrelations@bhinc.org

3/12 - Baby Care Basics: Newborn Care and Comfort at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Diapering, feeding, bathing, soothing baby. 6-8:30 pm. \$10/couple. Registration: 369-2229; publicrelations@BHinc.org

Tuesday - 3/13 - Big & Loud: Parkinson's Disease Exercise Program at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Held again 3/27. 10:30-11:30 am. Free. 292-4950; RLatino@BHinc.org

3/13 - Breastfeeding: Health Benefits for Mom and Baby at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Certified lactation consultant teaches expectant parents about benefits of breastfeeding. 6-8:30 pm. Free. 369-2229; publicrelations@bhinc.org

Wednesday - 3/17 - Healthy Parks/Healthy People at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. New program for those who want to walk/explore the city's natural areas, socialize with new friends. Different park each month. 10 am. Free. 742-6641; boynton-beach.org

3/14 - Nutritional Wellness Expo at Lynn Cancer Institute, 800 Meadows Rd, Boca Raton. Open house featuring products and services from local restaurants, supplements, food club/meal plan services. Noon-2 pm. RSVP: 955-3276; brrh.com

MARCH 18-24

Tuesday - 3/20 - Robotic Total Knee Replacement at Bethesda Hospital East, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Presented by Elvis Grandic, M.D., Orthopaedic Surgeon; part of Ask the Physician Lecture Series. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@bhinc.org

Saturday - 3/24 - One Day Childbirth Preparation Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, 800 Meadows Rd. One-day program prepares couples for their first child by discussing birthing options, practicing birthing skills. 9 am-4 pm. \$125/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brrh.com

MARCH 25-31

Wednesday - 3/28 - Venous Insufficiency and Varicose Veins: A Commonly Misdiagnosed Cause of Leg Pain and Swelling at Bethesda Hospital East, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Presented by Michael Metzger, M.D., Interventional Cardiologist; part of Ask the Physician Lecture Series. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@bhinc.org

Saturday - 3/31 - Boot Camp for New Dads Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, 800 Meadows Rd. 9 am-noon. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brrh.com

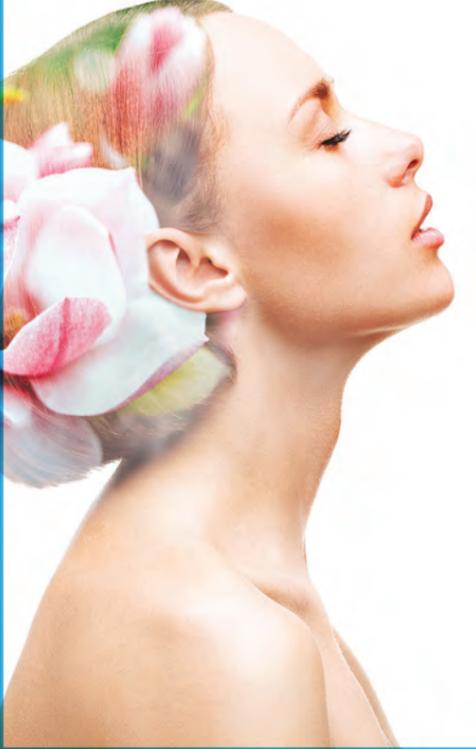
APRIL 1-7

Monday - 4/2 - Zumba Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd, Boca Raton. Every M through 6/11. 7:30-8:30 pm. \$50/10-weeks. 393-7807; myboca.us

Saturday - 4/7 - Family Yoga at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Breathing exercises, relaxation techniques, yoga, poses for concentration, balance, flexibility, meditation, lessons in self-acceptance, positive thinking. Open to extended family and caregivers. Every Sat through 4/28 11:15 am-12:15 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/nonresident. 393-7807; myboca.us

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On the Water

Lionfish derbies begin this month

The Reef Environmental Education Foundation and partner Whole Foods Market have scheduled a series of lionfish derbies around Florida beginning in late March.

In derbies, divers compete to harvest as many of the invasive, nonnative lionfish as possible, reducing their impacts on Florida's native fish.

Native to the Indian and Pacific oceans, lionfish eat Florida natives such as juvenile snappers and groupers. Lionfish eat more than 120 species of fish and marine invertebrates and can swallow fish more than half their own length.

With no predators capable of controlling lionfish numbers in the Atlantic, diver harvesting is one of the few methods that work.

During the past six years, 21,092 lionfish have been removed from the water by divers competing for prizes in lionfish derbies, according to REEF.

This year's first REEF-sanctioned lionfish derby is scheduled for March 31 at Sharkey's Pub & Galley Restaurant in Key Largo. The event begins with a captains meeting at 5:30 p.m. March 30 at REEF headquarters in Key Largo.

Other lionfish derbies scheduled for this year include the July 13-14 derby at 15th Street Fisheries in Fort Lauderdale and the Aug. 3-5 derby at the Loggerhead Marinelife Center in Juno Beach.

Lionfish cooking demonstrations, samples of cooked lionfish and chef's cooking competitions are planned for the Palm Beach County Lionfish Derby in Juno Beach.

Although the lionfish's spines are venomous, the flesh is white, delicate and tasty. Whole Foods Market has been selling lionfish at its Florida stores since April 2016.

To compete in a REEF lionfish derby, teams of two to four divers pay a \$120 entry fee. Teams have a chance to win cash prizes for the most lionfish as well as the largest and smallest lionfish.

Team captains must attend meetings before each derby, and other team members are encouraged to attend to review proper methods for harvesting and handling lionfish.

For a schedule of lionfish derbies, visit www.reef.org/lionfish/derbies or call REEF at 305-852-0030.

Non-derby incentives:

For divers who would rather remove lionfish from Florida waters without competing in an organized lionfish derby, the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission provides incentives and opportunities to win prizes.

In April and May, the FWC will tag lionfish at 50 randomly selected artificial reef sites in depths of 80 to 120 feet. (Locations will be posted at www.ReefRangers.com.)

Divers who harvest a tagged lionfish and document their catch by submitting its location (coordinates), tag number and photograph will be eligible for prizes, including money and merchandise.

Divers can win tagged-lionfish prizes from May 19 through Sept. 3.

Participants in the FWC's lionfish removal program are encouraged to register at www.myfwc.com/lionfish.



A diver uses a clear plastic bag to carry several lionfish. Careful handling of lionfish, which have venomous spines, is essential to the process of bringing them up. The lionfish flesh is white, delicate and tasty. Photo provided by REEF



John Jolley Jr. in the 1970s

Sailfish researcher wins lifetime achievement award

John Jolley Jr. of Boynton Beach, a pioneer in Atlantic sailfish research, was recently awarded the West Palm

Beach Fishing Club's Lifetime Achievement Award.

Jolley, 73, grew up fishing and diving in southern Palm Beach County and graduated from Suncoast High School. He was the fifth person to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award from the fishing club, established in 1934.

Jolley said he was surprised when club president Tom Twyford presented the award to him Jan. 13 during the Silver Sailfish Derby awards banquet at the Sailfish Club of Florida in Palm Beach.

Working as a marine biologist for the Florida Department of Natural Resources in the 1970s, Jolley established a sailfish research lab inside the West Palm Beach Fishing Club. He collaborated with anglers and taxidermists to gather data on sailfish

age, growth, abundance and reproduction.

He developed the method of analyzing growth rings in fin spines to determine the age of sailfish and other billfish.

Jolley is a lifelong angler and past president of the fishing club. He still enjoys fishing on his 30-foot boat, Seaclusion.

"John has dedicated most of his life toward improving and protecting marine resources," club chairman Pete Schulz said. "His fingerprints are on many of the fishing club's conservation successes and community initiatives."

Other recipients of the fishing club's Lifetime Achievement Award are boat builder and conservationist John Rybovich Jr., fish-tagging pioneer Frank Mather III, longtime former West Palm Beach Fishing Club director Frances Doucet, and former Palm Beach County environmental director Jim Barry.

Palm Beach boat show opens March 22

The 33rd annual Palm Beach International Boat Show will be held March 22-25 along Flagler Drive in downtown West Palm Beach.

In addition to a wide selection of boats and accessories, the boat show offers educational opportunities such as youth fishing clinics by Hook the Future and IGFA School of Sportfishing seminars for adults.

The West Palm Beach Fishing Club will hold an open house March 22-23 during the boat show highlighting the club's history.

Located at Fifth Street and North Flagler Drive (just north of the boat show site), the fishing club was founded in 1934. The clubhouse was recently awarded a state historic marker, which will be displayed during the open house.

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Outdoor Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/23. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 3

Saturday - 3/3 - Sand Sifters Beach Clean Up at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Meet at pavilion in lower parking lot. Held again 4/7. 8-10:15 am. Free. jefflev02@gmail.com

3/3 - Boardwalk Tours at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Docent-guided tour of wetlands. All ages. Times vary, call for details. Free. 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/3 - Tram Tours of the Marsh at Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, 10216 Lee Rd, Boynton Beach. M/W/Th 1-2:30 pm; M/W/Th/Sat 10-11:30 am. \$5/automobile; \$1/pedestrian. Reservations: 733-0192; loxahatcheefriends.com/events/events.shtml

3/3 - Outdoor Marine Aquarium Feedings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Daily 12:30 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

3/3 - Eco-Chat at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Short talks about South Florida's unique animals/ecosystems. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Every Sat 1 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

3/3 - Sea Turtle Talk at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Daily 2 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

MARCH 4-10

Sunday - 3/4 - Intracoastal Adventures: Kayaking at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Short talks about South Florida's unique animals/ecosystems. Ages 6-adult; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 4/1. 9:30-11:30 am. \$20/member; \$30/non-member. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

Tuesday - 3/6 - Audubon Society of the Everglades meets at Pine Jog Environmental Education Center, 6301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Speaker Ricardo Zambrano, Regional Biologist: Shorebirds and Seabirds of Southeast Florida. 6:30 pm doors open; 7:00 pm program/meeting. Free. auduboneverglades.org

3/6 - Boynton Beach Fishing Club at

Harvey E. Oyer, Jr. Park, 2010 N Federal Hwy. Join other fishermen to discuss hot topics, learn new tricks of the trade. 1st T 7-9 pm. Free. 703-5638; bifc.org

3/6-7 - Guided Nature Walk at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Guided walk along the Ashley Trail, 1/4-mile natural trail winds through the butterfly garden, coastal hammock, mangroves, to a sandy beach by the Intracoastal. All ages; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. T/W 11 am-noon. Free. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Wednesday - 3/7 - West Palm Beach Fishing Club at WPBFC Clubhouse, 201 5th St. Speakers Capt. Patrick Smith & Capt. Kevin Cannon: Swamp to Sea, Fishing Fresh to Salt in Palm Beach County. 7 pm. Free. 832-6780; westpalmbeachfishingclub.org

Thursday - 3/8 - Eco-Hour at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Monthly hour of family learning; guest speakers present information about Florida's wildlife/ecosystems. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. 1-2 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

Friday - 3/9 - Night Hike at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Walk through the wetlands, call for owls, shine for gators! Bring bug spray, flashlight. Age 5+. Held again 7:30 pm 3/23. 6:30 pm. \$5. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

Saturday - 3/10 - Birds & Breakfast at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Coffee, refreshments, 1-hour walking tour w/a naturalist. Age 9+. 9 am. \$3. Reservations: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/10 - Seining the Lagoon at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Explore grasses and flats of the Intracoastal Waterway behind Gumbo Limbo. Participants catch and release a variety of fish, shrimp, crabs, marine life. Wear clothes that can get wet. No flip-flops or sandals. Old Sneakers or water shoes only. Age 10 to adult; children must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 10-11:30 am 3/24. 1:30-3 pm. \$7/member; \$10/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

MARCH 11-17

Sunday - 3/11 - Intracoastal Adventures: Stand Up Paddleboarding at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean

Full moon wahoo

Off Boynton Beach — Feb. 2



Jake Eakins shows the 15-pound wahoo he caught just after the full moon while trolling a bonito strip off Boynton Beach. Willie Howard/The Coastal Star

Bld, Boca Raton. Short talks about South Florida's unique animals/ecosystems. Age 12-adult; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 10am-noon 3/25. 9:30-11:30 am. \$20/member; \$30/non-member. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Wednesday - 3/14 - Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Loxahatchee NWR meets at Marsh Trail Parking Lot, 10216 Lee Rd, Boynton Beach. 6:30-11:30 am. \$5/car entrance fee. auduboneverglades.org

3/14 - Beach Treasures at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Learn about seashells, the animals that make them. Caravan to Red Reef Park, 1400 N State Rd A1A, to search for ocean treasures. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 3/28. 3-4:30 pm. Free. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Saturday - 3/17 - Intracoastal Adventures: Canoeing at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Short talks about South Florida's unique animals/ecosystems. Ages 6-adult; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. 10:30 am-noon. \$15/member; \$22/

non-member. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

3/17 - Naturalist Program: Insects & Spiders at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Learn the difference between an insect and a spider, plus appearances from Daggerwing's resident animal ambassadors. Age 5+. 10:30 am. \$3. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

MARCH 18-24

Sunday - 3/18 - Audubon Everglades Bird Walk Wakodahatchee meets at 13026 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. Held again 6-8 pm 3/23. 5-7 pm. auduboneverglades.org

Tuesday - 3/20 - Eco-Watch Lecture Series at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Talks followed by light refreshments, an opportunity to talk with the speaker. Age 14 & up; children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. 7-8:30 pm. \$5/suggested donation. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Thursday - 3/22 - Lecture Series: Kelly Gestring at Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, 10216 Lee Rd, Boynton Beach. 1:30 pm. \$5/vehicle; \$1/pedestrian. 734-8303; fws.gov/refuge/arm_loxahatchee/

Friday - 3/23 - Wetlands & Wildlife at Wakodahatchee Wetlands, 13026 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. ¾-mile guided boardwalk tour. Bring camera, binoculars. Age 7 to adult; children must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 8:30-10:30 am 4/6. 3-5 pm. Free. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

MARCH 25-31

Wednesday - 3/28 - West Palm Beach Fishing Club at WPBFC Clubhouse, 201 5th St. Speaker Capt. RJ Boyle: How to Catch a Daytime Swordfish. 7 pm. Free. 832-6780; westpalmbeachfishingclub.org

Thursday - 3/29 - The Night Stalkers at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Join a Naturalist on a boardwalk tour looking at nature from the point of view of its nocturnal residents. Age 9+. 6 pm. \$5/person. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

Friday - 3/30 - Fishing Fun at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Bring sunscreen, water bottle, closed-toed shoes that can get wet/muddy. Age 8+. 10 am. \$10/includes fishing supplies. RSVP required: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

Saturday - 3/31 - Sea Angels Beach Cleanup at Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Last Sat 8-10:30 am. 369-5501; seaangels.org

APRIL 1-7

Thursday - 4/5 - Early Birding with Al at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Learn about native and migratory birds from an experienced birder while walking the Ashley Trail and boardwalk in search of warblers, gnatcatchers, woodpeckers, other avian species. Binoculars recommended. Meet on the front porch of the nature center. Age 10+; children must be accompanied by an adult. 8-9:30 am. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

4/5 - US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 36 Boca Raton meets at Spanish River Park Headquarters Building, 3939 N Ocean Blvd. 1st Th 7:30 pm. Free. cgaux.org

Hours for the fishing club's open house are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more details, call the club at 832-6780.

Boat show attendees can sign up for on-the-water boat handling classes or learn about long-range cruising from experts.

Show hours are noon to 7 p.m. March 22; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. March 23-24, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 25.

Tickets are \$24 for adults and \$14 for ages 6-15. Children younger than 6 admitted free.

For details, go to www.pbboatshow.com.

Coming events

March 6: Boynton Beach Fishing Club meets 7 p.m. in the clubhouse next to the boat ramps, Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, 2010 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Free. Call 707-5660 or go to www.bifc.org.

March 10: Basic boating safety class offered by Coast Guard Auxiliary, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the headquarters building at Spanish River Park, 3939 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Fee \$35. Register at the door. Bring lunch. Call 391-3600 or email fso-pe@cgauxboca.org.

March 24: Basic boating safety class offered by Coast Guard Auxiliary, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the classroom next to the boat ramps, Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, 2010 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Fee \$25. Register at the door. Call 704-7440.

Tip of the month

Cellphones can distract boat operators, warns the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety & Clean Water. Boats can approach from all directions and can be moving at various speeds in many types of weather. So a few seconds of looking down to read or send a text while operating a boat can be dangerous.

"We have to know how to use them wisely," said Ted Sensenbrenner, a boating safety expert with BoatUS. "If you're texting from the helm, you're not helming the boat."



Willie Howard is a freelance writer and licensed boat captain. Reach him at tiowillie@bellsouth.net.

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Secret Garden

Gardening skills, friendships bloom in JARC plot

Peter Lasman, 62, has watched the garden more than double in size since he started working here a decade ago.

Robin Silverman, 67, has just harvested the first strawberry of the season, and she's happy to show it to you.

Rachael Arbelo, 24, has made friends working in the garden and loves it here.

And Terry Davis, 63, brings pineapple tops from the group home where she lives to plant in the garden. "We work very, very hard," she said.

These are a few of the more than a dozen regulars who bring life to the Ability Garden associated with the Jewish Association for Residential Care in Boca Raton. This facility provides independent and assisted living as well as educational programs and services to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

The garden is the handiwork of Kimberli Swann, who started it in 2007.

"No matter what your abilities, you are welcome here," said Swann, the association's community garden coordinator and supported living coach.

When she began working at JARC, her job included spending time with resident clients doing meaningful activities. "But taking them bowling and to movies and restaurants wasn't my thing," she said. She also had clients in a day program that didn't keep them busy.

Building on her passion for plants, she decided to create a garden as a way to give all her clients something meaningful to do that would teach them new skills and get them outdoors.

"There was real method to my madness of starting this project," she said, smiling.



LEFT: Peter Lasman harvests a ripe eggplant. **RIGHT:** Robin Silverman shows off chives and a strawberry she picked. 2017 photos by Deborah S. Hartz-Seeley/The Coastal Star

If You Go

Where: JARC Community Ability Garden, 21160 95th Ave. S., Boca Raton

What: A garden designed for and tended by the intellectually and developmentally disabled clients of the Jewish Association for Residential Care in Boca Raton.

When: The garden is open to JARC clients 9 a.m. to noon on Fridays from September through May and by appointment for all others.

What's needed: Volunteers and donations, whether it's money, seeds, tools, and so on.

For more information: Contact community garden coordinator Kimberli Swann at 558-2569 (office), 756-0144 (cell), or Garden@jarcfl.org

Today the garden encompasses over 800 square feet and soon will almost double in size. "Every year it gets bigger and bigger as I develop new relationships, find new volunteers and get donations to buy fencing to enclose more land," she said.

She and her clients are proud of the newly installed winding brick pathway among

the user-friendly raised beds. "Anyone who is not comfortable bending over can just reach in and garden," she said, mentioning that the elevated boxes are also wheelchair accessible.

The garden also has new in-ground beds created with the help of volunteers from the Pride Recovery Center in Delray Beach. They've been

coming here every other week for two years. Ranging in age from 20 to 40, they do the heavy lifting.

On the other weeks, older adults from the Polo Club in Boca Raton work one-on-one with clients, introducing newcomers to the planting of crops and working in the soil.

These crops include eggplants, broccoli, kale, bananas, tomatoes, onions, scallions and even luffas. It amazes just about everyone who sees them that these sponge-like objects come from a vine, not the sea.

When the garden has enough ripe vegetables, the harvest is given to those who work there and to an onsite café, where kale is a favorite to use in soups.

Today, Swann plans to let staff and clients sample some fresh tomatoes and basil harvested from the garden with

Gardening tip

"If you are going to plant a garden, you need to have good soil. Soil is your foundation. Here in Florida, the soil tends to be rocky and sandy. So we prefer raised beds that you can fill with good soil, and they are so much more comfortable anyway."



JARC community garden coordinator Kimberli Swann

fresh mozzarella she got from a cheesemaker who lives near her home.

She and a co-worker also have used the harvest to make eggplant Parmigiana. Banana bread is another culinary project the clients enjoy when a hand of bananas ripens.

And if someone is having a bad day, he or she might visit the garden to harvest a pocket full of fragrant lavender leaves, which are touted to have a calming effect.

Swann wants nothing more than to grow her garden so it can become a bigger focal point in her clients' lives. She raises funds and works with local stores to get donations. This year she hopes to add a seating area and barbecue grill so the clients will have a place to gather for social and educational events.

"We change it out here every year. You never know what you are going to find," said Swann.



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Garden Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/23. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 3

Saturday - 3/3 - Boynton Beach Garden Club Art in Bloom at Schoolhouse Children's Museum, 129 E Ocean Ave. Club members create floral arrangements inspired by artwork of Plumosa School of the Arts students. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 736-2909; 704-3659

MARCH 4-10

Sunday - 3/4 - Palm Beach House & Garden Tour begins/ends at The Society of The Four Arts, 2 4 Arts Plaza. 11 am-4 pm. \$150. 837-6635; gardenclubofpalmbeach.com

Tuesday - 3/6 - The Boca Raton Garden Club Meeting at BRGC Clubhouse, 4281 NW 3rd Ave, Boca Raton. Guest speaker Mark Cassini/Community Greening. 1st T Oct-May 1 pm. Free. 395-9376; bocaratongardenclub.org

Thursday - 3/8 - Friends of Mounts Botanical Garden Annual Spring Benefit at private home in Palm Beach. Benefits Mounts educational programs. Open bar, hors d'oeuvres, silent auction. 5:30-8 pm. \$175. 233-1757; mounts.org

Friday - 3/9 - Rare Fruit Council International Meeting at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 2nd F 7:30 pm. Free. 855-732-7273; pbrarefruitcouncil.org

3/9-11 - 3rd Annual Tiptoe Through the Tulips Flower Show at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Studio & Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Runs through 3/21. Sun-Th 10 am-6 pm; F/Sat 10 am-10 pm. 588-8344; flamingoclaysstudio.org

MARCH 11-17

Sunday - 3/11 - Medicinal Plants for the Garden at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 10-11:30 am. \$15/member; \$20/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

Thursday - 3/15 - Green-Tech Gardening at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Garden using your smart phone. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. Reservations: 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

Saturday - 3/17 - Bonsai Basics at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Presented by Bonsai Society of the Palm Beaches. 10 am-noon. \$20/Bonsai member; \$25/Bonsai non-member. Registration: 233-1757; mounts.org

MARCH 18-24

Tuesday - 3/20 - Palm Beach County Chapter Florida Native Plant Society at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Christen Mason, invasive species biologist. 7-9:30 pm. Free. 247-3677; palmbeach.fnpschapters.org

Friday - 3/23-24 - Boca Raton Garden Club Annual Treasures & Plant Sale at 4281 NW 3rd Ave. Plants/gardening accessories, gently used treasures. 9 am-2 pm. Free. 395-9376; bocaratongardenclub.org

Saturday - 3/24 - Art in the Gardens of Ocean Ridge at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N Ocean Blvd. View the art, meet the Plein Aire artists, vendors, entertainment, more. 2-4 pm. Free. facebook.com/Ocean-Ridge-Garden-Club

3/24 - Rare Fruit Council Annual Tropical Fruit Tree & Edible Plant Sale at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd, West Palm Beach. Fruit trees, educational information, vendors, more. Enter through Gate 8 on Fairgrounds Road. 9 am-2 pm. Free/admission & parking. 855-732-7273; pbrarefruitcouncil.org

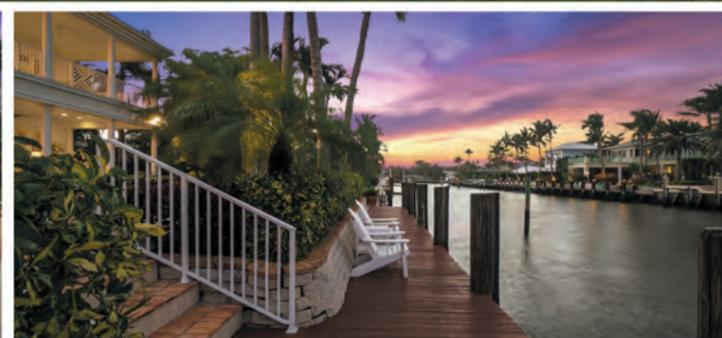
3/24-25 - Annual Spring Palm and Cycad Sale & Festival at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Over 500 species of palms and cycads, books, fertilizer, advice. Sat 9 am-4 pm; Sun 9 am-3 pm. \$5/admission. 386-7812; palmbeachpalmycadsociety.com

Ocean Ridge Garden Club estate sale

Town Hall, Ocean Ridge — Feb. 17



Dedicated estate sale volunteers worked tirelessly to pull off another successful fundraising event. Many club members offered their time on multiple days and donated money and sale items to the annual sale. As a result of their efforts, the sale raised \$3,540. Of that amount, \$147 was from the sale of baked goods and bottled water and \$189 from costume jewelry sales. **ABOVE:** Estate sale chairperson Lisa Ritota (third from right) with her team of volunteers. **Photo provided**



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Paws Up for Pets

Yoga enthusiasts find inspiration, humor in flexible felines

Now here's a first: performing a downward-facing dog pose in a yoga class with a kitten. Ah, namaste and please stay, kitty.

Yoga has been practiced for more than 5,000 years. For centuries, the focus has been providing healthy stretches and poses for people. Typically, students quietly shuttle into an enclosed room, unroll their yoga mats, remove their shoes and do their best for the next hour or so to focus on mindful breathing, purposeful stretches and being in the present moment.

In recent years, yoga has expanded to include dogs and even goats in some classes across the country. Now, the hottest trend is to pair up with flexible felines that produce acrobatic moves and comical antics. These classes unleash a surprising twist: All of these adorable kittens are up for adoption.

"This is by far the funniest class I've ever taught and each time, the antics of the kittens bring smiles to everyone," says Cora Ciaffone, a certified yoga teacher and certified dog trainer who has teamed up with the Peggy Adams Animal Rescue



A kitty watches a two-legged friend during Cora Ciaffone's kitten yoga class. The cats are available for adoption. **Photo provided**

League to conduct kitten yoga classes at its satellite location inside CityPlace in West Palm Beach. She also conducts yoga classes that welcome people

and their well-mannered dogs throughout the county.

During the kitten classes, a curious feline has crawled into a T-shirt of a student

Learn more

If you would like to try kitten yoga, the Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League will offer classes on March 17 and March 31 at its pop-up shop at CityPlace, 700 S. Rosemary Ave., No. 141, West Palm Beach. For more information and to sign up, visit www.peggyadams.org or email KittenYoga@peggyadams.org.

To learn more about yoga and dog training classes offered by Cora Ciaffone, visit www.bodymindsoul.net and www.dogslove2train.com.

concentrating on a bridge pose. And Ciaffone often spots a person who will briefly stop a pose to pick up and cuddle a kitten who wanders onto his mat or a student stop to toss a toy mouse across the room for a kitten to pursue. Some ever-curious and eager-to-explore kittens have been known to crawl up the backs and perch on the shoulders of students during poses.

Conventional yoga it is not, but the benefits are many.

For the kittens, it is the chance to be adopted. Take the case of Shadow, a shy, beautiful kitten who won over student Jeannine Salus.

"She's so docile and she kind of hid in the back, which is where I would go in class," says Salus. "This cat is very close to my soul."

Rich Anderson, executive director and CEO of the Peggy Adams league, is grateful that CityPlace developer Related Cos. reached out to his animal shelter with the idea of staging kitten yoga places within the complex. The satellite center showcases shelter dogs and cats, leading to 47 being adopted.

"Since day one, it has been a huge success," says Anderson. "Once everyone is set up with their mats, we release the kittens. We are very driven to bring awareness to homeless pets. With goat yoga becoming popular, we decided why not kitten yoga?"

Dogs and cats are natural yogis. They are limber and live

in the moment. They move and stretch with purpose and grace. They can teach us a lot in terms of fending off stress and easing muscular aches, says Ciaffone.

"Our dogs and cats are definitely our health advocates," she says. "There is no doubt in my mind that they heal. They show us how to be present, give unconditional love and compassion."

Ciaffone credits her two cats, Luna Stardust and Jackson Galaxy, a pair of shelter rescues, with helping her heal from a divorce and heart surgery.

"I am so convinced that they have helped heal me emotionally, physically and spiritually," she says. "I now feel so happy and so healthy."

Whether you plan to take a yoga class with a kitten or dog or simply spend one-on-one time with your pet inside your home, Ciaffone encourages you to study and mimic the movements they make.

"Instead of jumping out of bed when the alarm rings, be like a dog or a cat and take a few moments to do a full body stretch," suggests Ciaffone. "Lie on your back and gently rotate your head one way and your body the other way. Then sit up and live in the moment. Take a deep breath in and let it out slowly."

In her dog/people yoga classes, Ciaffone uses lavender oil, which acts as a natural calmer for the two- and four-legged students. She conducts dog yoga classes inside and outside, weather permitting.

So when it comes to being natural yoga instructors, which species is better, cats or dogs?

"I would have to say dogs simply because when I put their people in the last pose of class — a pose of stillness called *savasana* — their dogs often lie down next to them and be calm or even fall asleep," says Ciaffone. "The kittens will roam around and even walk on people. After all, they are young, active kittens."

Ah, namaste and good stay, kitty and doggy.

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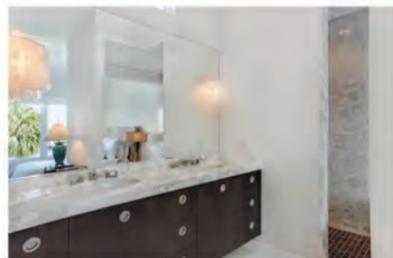


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Finding Faith

Scholar tries to show better way to be Christian

They are age-old questions: Who treats the doctor? Who cuts the barber's hair?

And who pastors the pastor? People like Brian McLaren do.

McLaren is the best-selling author of 15 books on faith and Christianity, and these days, the contemporary Christian scholar is an in-demand public speaker who spends between 90 and 100 nights on the road every year.

One of those nights will be spent in Palm Beach County when a speaking engagement brings McLaren to St. Joseph's Episcopal Church in Boynton Beach on March 14.

McLaren is calling from the road after speaking in Atlanta and Nashville. He's heading to his home base in Marco Island.

"Christianity is changing," McLaren says.

Not that it was ever static.

There are more than 300 religions and at least three dozen Christian denominations in the United States, including people who believe in one God and people who believe in many. Some even believe in something the rest of us wouldn't call God at all. Statistically, according to a 2016 Gallup poll, 89 percent of adults say they believe in God.

But most of those believers never make it to church. Theologians like McLaren are trying to smooth out the road



Author and contemporary Christian scholar Brian McLaren spends between 90 and 100 nights on the road each year traveling to public speaking engagements. This month he plans to be in Boynton Beach. Photo provided

so more people will want to take a walk there.

But he also cautions us: "It's not about the church meeting your needs; it's about joining the mission of God's people to meet the world's needs."

McLaren believes in "aliveness." Some people, he says, aren't really living. "Aliveness is saying, 'I have come to live life to the fullest, a life abundant, with freedom from fear, fatigue and anger,'" McLaren says.

Religion is about connecting people with God, says Wendy Tobias, a priest at St. Joe's. She

says religion means to "re-ligament yourself" to the Lord.

Scholars such as Tom Harpur and Joseph Campbell support her conclusion. They say religion is rooted in the Latin word *ligare*, which means to bind or connect, plus "re," meaning again. People do want to connect, but religion has become so complicated, with so many opinions, people aren't sure what to believe.

For people who think Christianity's brand is tarnished and old — an outdated, antiquated mythology — McLaren says to look deeper.

If You Go

Brian McLaren will speak to the congregation about his book *The Great Spiritual Migration* at 6 p.m. March 14 at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, 3300 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Call 732-3060.

Is love outdated? Is forgiveness a myth?

Tobias has been teaching a course for Lent following a lesson plan developed by McLaren to go with his most recent book, *The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World's Largest Religion Is Seeking a Better Way to Be Christian*. The four-week course, called A Way of Life, has been the subject of small group meetings at the church and is designed to help people find God in their everyday lives.

Lots of people are searching for answers, but most don't even know what they really want from life, McLaren says. They catch their desires like the flu from the people they spend time with. Instead of religion and the church becoming the source of their moral codes or life goals, people are looking to their neighbors and peers.

"Religion should help people have healthy desires, help people think about and choose desires that are good," McLaren says. It's not about a newer car,

or a bigger house. Those things may impress humans, but they don't impress God.

McLaren says whatever we choose to focus on in life will grow the more attention we give it. If you focus on the negative — what your kid is doing wrong or how incompetent your boss is — those things will grow, eating up larger and larger parts of your time and your assets.

"The job of the church is to teach love," McLaren says, specifically "the skills to differ gracefully. We must teach the skills of civility, and say no to negativity." If solutions begin with defining the problem, we have to be able to communicate to do that.

McLaren says, "It comes down to this: Ask yourself, 'What kind of world do I want to live in?' In the New Testament, Paul said, 'Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatever a man sows, that shall he also reap.'"

What are we sowing?

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Religion Notes

St. Paul's marks 30 years of music

Music at St. Paul's will celebrate its 30th season with a performance of J.S. Bach's *Art of the Fugue* and an anniversary gala reception at 3 p.m. March 18 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach.

Paul Cienniwa and Michael Bahmann will perform with harpsichords. A reception will follow.

"Music is an outreach," Cienniwa said. "It's a gateway drug to bring people to church. Music can touch people who aren't religious. It's a spiritual experience."

Tickets are \$20 (suggested donation) at the door.

Admission is free for ages 18 and younger. For more information, call 276-4541 or visit www.stpaulsdelray.org.

Run or walk to fight hunger

St. Mark Catholic Church of Boynton Beach will be among

the congregations to sponsor teams when the Community Caring Center of Greater Boynton Beach hosts its annual Hunger Walk/5K on March 10 at Ocean Avenue Amphitheater, 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach.

The walk starts at 10:30 a.m. and travels about a mile and a half to the beach and back. Last-minute registration for the walk is free, but a suggested donation of \$20 or nonperishable canned food items is suggested at registration, which begins 9:30 a.m. Teams and runners should register at www.cccgbb.org.

Scholarship program

St. Mark Catholic Church's Council of Catholic Women will hold a bake sale on March 10 and 11 and an Easter plant sale on March 17 and 18 to raise money for its scholarship program.

Female students planning to attend Catholic high schools can apply for a scholarship by April 1. Applications are available in the church office. Call 734-9330.

A conversation about race

On Feb. 21, the Church of the Palms began a five-week series of "dinner and a conversation" nights to open a dialogue about ways to heal the divisions in society, specifically "understanding overt racism and more subtle examples, both personal and systemic, that infuse our language, attitudes and culture."

The leaders use a board game called "Breaking It Down: Towards E Pluribus Unum," developed by the National Center for Race Amity and released by WHS Media Productions. The game is designed to create a safe space to learn about and discuss issues of race and race amity.



Paul Cienniwa will play Bach's *Art of the Fugue* on the harpsichord at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Photo provided

The game isn't a competition. Instead, it encourages and assists people in talking in a nontoxic manner, and to have safe and sage conversations. Sometimes the smartest answer is "I don't know," and the game provides a non-judgmental place to say it. The game is appropriate for preteens through senior citizens, although there is a separate kids' version.

Dinner is a light potluck

supper at 6 p.m. followed by conversation at 6:30 at the church at 1960 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Call 276-6347 to sign up.

Candidate introduction

The nominating committee at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach will present its candidate for associate pastor to the congregation at 11 a.m. March 11 at the church, at 33 Gleason St., Delray Beach. A special congregational meeting will follow. For more information, call 276-6338 or visit www.firstdelray.com.

Lower your car insurance

St. Mark Catholic Church will host a course for older adults, Coaching the Mature Driver, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 21. The class, which can help drivers reduce insurance costs, will be in the St. Clare Room at the church, 643 St. Mark Place, Boynton Beach. The cost is \$15. Bring a check payable to DOTS, lunch and a beverage. To register, call Barbara at 732-1416 or 512-6407.

Ongoing programs

Beer, Conversation &

God: Pub Theology meets at 7 p.m. March 6 (and the first Tuesday of each month) at the Biergarten, 309 Via De Palmas, No. 90, Boca Raton, and at 7 p.m. March 15 (and the third Thursday of each month) at Barrel of Monks, 1141 S. Rogers Circle, No. 5, Boca Raton, for conversation, fellowship and open discussion of mostly theological topics. For more information, contact Pastor Marcus Zillman at mzillman@fumcbocaraton.org or call 395-1244; www.fumcbocaraton.org.

The Interfaith Café: Join the theological discussion from 7 to 9 p.m. March 15 at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach. Light refreshments will be served. The meeting is free, but donations are appreciated. The Interfaith Café meets the third Thursday of the month, and volunteers are needed to assist with a variety of duties to keep this program going. For information or to volunteer, email Jane@Aurasvoice.org.

Contact Janis Fontaine at janisfontaine@outlook.com.

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Religion Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/23. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 3

Saturday - 3/3 - Treasure Mapping with Rev. Hallie Hopper at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Lunch provided. 9 am-3 pm. \$12. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
3/3 - Women's Parish Retreat: Reflecting on Scripture at St. Mark Catholic Church, 643 St. Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Continental breakfast/lunch included. 9 am-3 pm. \$25. 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com
3/3 - Catholic Grandparents Meeting at Ascension Church, 7250 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. All welcome. 1st Sat 10-11:30 am. Free. 289-2640; dioceseb.org

MARCH 4-10

Sunday - 3/4 - Latin Mass at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 1000 Lantana Rd. 2 pm. 585-5970; holyspiritlantana.com
Monday - 3/5 - Women's Bible Study at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, 33 Gleason St. Every M 10-11:30 am. Free. 276-6338; firstdelray.com
3/5 - Women's Bible Study at Seacrest Presbyterian Church, 2703 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every M 10 am. Free. 276-5633; seacrestchurch.com
3/5 - Rosary for Peace at St Vincent Ferrer Adoration Chapel, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Every M 7 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com
3/5 - Footprints of God DVD Series: Jesus: The Word Became Flesh at St. Vincent Ferrer, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Visit the Holy Land without leaving home. Biography, travel documentary, Bible and Church history study. Th 3/8 & 15 9-10:30 am; M 3/5 & 12 7-9 pm. Free. 665-8566; stvincentferrer.com
3/5 - St Vincent Ferrer Lenten Mission at 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Msgr. George Majoros. 8:30-9:30 am & 7-9 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

Tuesday - 3/6 - Lectio Divina (Divine Prayer) at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Traditional Benedictine practice of scriptural reading, meditation, prayer. Every T 9-10 am. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org
3/6 - Lunch and Learn: Three Perspectives on Pesach, Music, Food and Art with Rabbi Jessica Spitalnic at Temple Beth El Schaefer Family Campus, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. Bring lunch; drinks provided. Held again 3/13 & 27. Noon-1 pm. Free. 391-8900; theboca.org
3/6 - Rector's Bible Study at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every T 10:30 am; Th 7-8:30 pm. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org
3/6 - St Mark Bible Study at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Every T 7-8 pm. Nominal fee/free-will offering for study guide. Register: 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com

3/6 - First United Methodist Church of Boca Raton Pub Theology at The Biergarten, 309 Via De Palmas #90. Conversation, fellowship, open discussion. 1st T 7 pm. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org
Wednesday - 3/7 - St. Paul's Episcopal Church Bible Study at Panera, 1701 S Federal Hwy, Delray Beach. Read, discuss upcoming Lesson & Gospel readings. Every W 8-9 am. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

3/7 - Legion of Mary at St Mark Catholic Church Chapel, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Follows 8 am Mass every W. Free. 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com
3/7 - Centering Prayer at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, 3300A S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every W 9:30 am. Free. 732-3060; stjoesweb.org

3/7 - Bible Study at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every W 11 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.com
3/7 - Wonderful Wednesdays at First Presbyterian Church, 33 Gleason St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every W 5:45 pm dinner; 6:30 pm program. \$7/adult; \$5/child; \$20/ max per family. Reservations: 276-6338; firstdelray.com
3/7 - Rector's Bible Study at St Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca

Raton. Every W 6 pm supper (soup & salad, donation requested); 7 pm Bible study (free). 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org
Thursday - 3/8 - Men's Fellowship at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, 33 Gleason St. Every Th 8:30 am. Free. 276-6338; firstdelray.com

3/8 - Women's Bible Study Group at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Childcare available upon request. Every Th 9:30 am-noon. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

3/8 - Prayer Circle at Trinity Lutheran Church Courtyard, 400 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every Th 8:05 am. 278-1737; trinitydelray.org

Friday - 3/9 - Women's Bible Study Group at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 266 NE 2nd St, Boca Raton. Every F 9:15 am. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

3/9 - Couples' Bible Study Group at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Childcare available upon request. Every F 6-9 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

Saturday - 3/10 - St Mark Council of Catholic Women at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. 2nd Sat 10 am. Free. 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com

MARCH 11-17

Wednesday - 3/14 - Lunch and Learn with Boca Beach Chabad's Rabbi Ruvy New at Keter Bakery Cafe, 515 NE 20th

St, Boca Raton. Noon-1 pm. 394-9770; bocabeachchabad.org
Thursday - 3/15 - First United Methodist Church of Boca Raton Pub Theology at Barrel of Monks, 1141 S Rogers Circle #5. Conversation, fellowship, open discussion. 3rd Th 7 pm. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

Friday - 3/16 - Parents of St. Gregory's at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Potluck dinner, topic discussion (targeted to young parents w/children age 2-13), group feedback, childcare available. 3rd F 6-8 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

MARCH 18-24

Monday - 3/19 - Footprints of God DVD Series: Peter: Keeper of the Keys at St Vincent Ferrer, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Visit the Holy Land without leaving home. Biography, travel documentary, Bible study, Church history study. Days Th 3/22 & 29 9-10:30 am; Evenings M 3/19 & 26 7-9 pm. Free. 665-8566; stvincentferrer.com

Wednesday - 3/21 - Pause & Affect: Sacred Symbolisms at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave. A monthly course for women from Rosh Chodesh Society. 7:30 pm. \$20/class + \$20/book. 394-9770; bocabeachchabad.org

MARCH 25-31

Sunday - 3/25 - Palm Sunday: You Are the Christ at First United Methodist

Church Boynton Beach, 101 N Seacrest Blvd. Presented by the Chancel Choir. 8:30 & 11 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.org
Friday - 3/30 - Passover begins 3/30 - Good Friday Prayer Vigil at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Noon-3 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
3/30 - Noon Good Friday Service at First United Methodist Church Boynton Beach, 101 N Seacrest Blvd. Noon. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.org

3/30 - Good Friday Tenebrae Service at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. 7 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
3/31 - Passover Second Night Seder at Temple Beth El, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. Member \$75/adult, \$45/child age 5-10; guest \$80/adult, \$50/child age 5-10. 5:30 pm. RSVP by 3/19: 391-8900; tbeboca.org

APRIL 1-7

Sunday - 4/1 - Easter Worship at First United Methodist Church Boynton Beach, 101 N Seacrest Blvd. 8:30 & 11 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.org

4/1 - Easter Sunday Services at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. 9:25 & 11 am. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
Monday - 4/2 - Footprints of God DVD Series: Paul: Contending For the Faith at St Vincent Ferrer, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Visit the Holy Land without leaving home. Fast-paced entertaining biography, travel documentary, Bible study, apologetics course, Church history

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICES

4/1 - Community Sunrise Service at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Sponsored by area churches & clergy. 6:30 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.com
4/1 - Easter Sunrise Service at Kreuzler Park, 2882 S Ocean Blvd, Lake Worth. 6:30 am. Free. 582-4430; osl-lw.org
4/1 - Interfaith Sunrise Service at Delray Beach Pavilion, Atlantic Avenue at ATA. Offered by Delray Beach Interfaith Clergy Association. Bring chair/blanket. 6:30-7:30 am. Free. 276-4541; dpwntowndelraybeach.com
4/1 - Easter Sunrise Service at Red Reef Park, 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Non-denominational, free parking, refreshments/coffee/donuts, bring chair/blanket. 7 am. Free. 997-2112; kiwanisclubofbocaraton.com

study. Days Th 4/5 & 12 9-10:30 am; Evenings M 4/2 & 9 7-9 pm. Free. 665-8566; stvincentferrer.com
Thursday - 4/5 - Open House at Islamic Center of Boca Raton, 3480 NW 5th Ave. 1st Th 7-9 pm. 395-7221; icbr.org

Tots & Teens

Student's speech uses father's survival at sea as life lesson

By Willie Howard

Dakota Konrad, an eighth-grade student at Gulf Stream School, said her father — former Miami Dolphins fullback Rob Konrad — has always been a determined person.

In her eighth-grade speech, delivered with accompanying photos in a school chapel filled with her classmates and teachers, Dakota also said her father is tough and tenacious.

He recovered from knee injuries and trained hard enough to become a pro football player. Konrad was drafted by the Dolphins in 1999 and played fullback for them until 2004.

In her speech, titled "Just Keep Swimming," Dakota said her father has always taught her and her sister never to give up if they want to achieve something.

Circumstances forced Konrad to prove just how determined he was on Jan. 7, 2015 — the day he decided to do some fishing by himself while running his 31-foot Grady-White boat along the coast of Palm Beach County for a routine trip to the shop.

The ocean was rough that day. He had the boat steering on autopilot when a fish hit and Konrad moved to the stern to fight the fish.

As he was reeling the fish in, a wave rocked the boat and Konrad fell overboard, still holding the rod with the fish



Gulf Stream School eighth-grader Dakota Konrad hugs her father, Rob, a former Miami Dolphin, after giving a speech about how he survived a boating accident. *Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star*

attached.

He was about 9 miles off the coast and not wearing a life jacket. His boat kept going, headed east on autopilot.

Konrad, then 38, tried to chase the boat at first, then decided to swim west toward land. With sea surface temperatures in the low 70s, ocean water was sapping his

body heat and energy.

"My dad started swimming toward the setting sun," said Dakota, dressed in a No. 44 football jersey, the number her father wore for the Dolphins. "Since my dad kept swimming, each stroke was heating up his body."

At home, nobody suspected anything was wrong until

Konrad didn't return that evening. The Coast Guard initiated a search. Dakota said she and her sister remember seeing their mother crying on the phone.

Meanwhile, Konrad was swimming in the dark. Jellyfish stung him. A shark circled him. He saw lights from a Coast Guard helicopter, but they didn't see him in the waves, Dakota said.

Konrad just kept swimming, alternating between breaststroke and backstroke, headed toward lights along the coast.

Dressed only in his underwear, Konrad pulled himself onto the beach in Palm Beach and rang the doorbell at the nearest home he could find. It was 4:40 a.m. and he had been swimming for 16 hours, a feat so impressive that skeptics didn't

believe his story at first.

A security guard was patrolling the oceanfront home where Konrad finally came ashore. The guard saw Konrad approaching the house and called police. Police knew Konrad was missing because the Coast Guard had been searching for him. They wrapped him in a blanket and drove him to Good Samaritan Medical Center in West Palm Beach.

His boat was found near Deadman's Reef, a snorkeling spot near Freeport on Grand Bahama Island.

Dakota said her father told them he focused on her and her younger sister, Brooke, who were 10 and 8 at the time, to give him the strength to reach land.

"He told us we were the reasons he made it home," Dakota said.

Konrad's ocean experience drove home a key message in his daughter's speech: "You can absolutely do anything if you put your mind to it," she said. "I will live by this motto for the rest of my life."

Dakota's speech was immediately followed by hugs from her classmates, teachers and her parents.

"Dakota's speech resonated with every student, parent and teacher in the chapel that day," said Mari Bianco, Dakota's English teacher. "Students couldn't imagine losing their parents. Parents couldn't imagine not fighting to reunite with their children."

Konrad, who grew up fishing and boating off the coast of Massachusetts and lives in Boynton Beach, still takes his family boating, both in Florida and in Cape Cod during the summer. As a precaution, Konrad said, he wears an electronic kill switch that would shut off the boat's engines if he were to fall out again. ★

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Tots & Teens Calendar

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MARCH 3

Saturday - 3/3 - Diaper League Sports at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Fundamentals of various sports with the guidance of recreation staff (T-ball, football, Basketball & Soccer). Mandatory parent participation. Age 3-5. Every Sat 9-10 am. \$20/8 week session. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/3 - Diamonds & Pearls Dance Team at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Community dance team program prides itself on passion, dedication, excellence, respect; participates in local and collegiate homecoming parades, statewide special events. Middle/high school/college students. T/Th 6-8 pm, Sat 9 am-1 pm. Yearly \$30/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/3 - Lil Sluggers Baseball at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Specially designed to introduce children to baseball. Every Sat through 4/28. Age 3 9-9:45 am; age 2 10-10:45 am; age 4-5 11-11:45 am. \$126/resident; \$157.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/3 - Tiny Toes Ballet/Tap Class at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Age 3-7. Every Sat 9:30-10 am. \$10. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

3/3 - Kidz On Stage Class: Trolls at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Children audition, act, sing, dance, perform. Age 3-7. Performance date 4/21. Every Sat through 4/21 10-11 am. \$300. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

3/3 - Family Fun: Hina Matsuri: Japanese Doll Festival Craft at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Doll's Festival or Girls' Festival is celebrated on March 3rd in Japan. A set of dolls representing the emperor and empress and their court (three ladies-in-waiting and five musicians) is set up in the family home to mark the occasion. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 495-0233; morikami.org

3/3 - Little Wonders at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Hike, crafts, stories. Age 3-4. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 4/7. 10-11 am. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

3/3 - Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children all ages accompanied by an adult. Every Sat 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/3 - Drop-in Craft at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Age 3 & up. Every Sat 10:30-11:30 am. Free w/paid admission. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

3/3 - Story Time at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Stories, songs, fingerplays parents and children enjoy together. All ages. T-Sat 11 am. Free w/paid admission. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/3 - Sensory Saturday at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Explore the museum in a sensory modified setting with sound/light adjustments. 1st Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/3 - Nature Detectives at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. New mystery each month. Age 5-7 w/an adult. Held again 4/7. 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

3/3 - All Art Class at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 2-9. Every Sat 11:30 am. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/3 - Annual Family Book Club Brunch at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9+. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/3 - Mouse Trap Car Workshop at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Participants make precise metric measurements, use basic tools, follow verbal and written directions to construct a basic, geared mousetrap car to meet specifications shown on a technical drawing. Led by Palm Beach County Science Teachers. Age 9+ (adults welcome, too!). 2-5 pm. \$15/person. 370-7710; sfscenter.org

3/3 - 2nd & 3rd Grade Book Club at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 3:30 pm. Free. 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

3/3 - Aladdin Jr. at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 4/7 4 pm. \$15.50. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

3/3-4 - Cinderella at Sol Children Theatre, 3333 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Runs through 3/18. Th-Sat 7 pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. \$15-\$20. 447-8829; solchildren.org

3/4 - Science Make & Take at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 1st Sun 11:30 am. \$5/project. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/4 - Jr. Shark Biologist at Sandoway Discovery Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Age 5-12. W/Sun 3:15 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

Monday - 3/5 - Oh Baby at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Pre-literacy class: music, stories, rhymes, lap bounces. Age 3 months to not-yet-walking. Every M 10 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/5 - Tales for Tadpoles at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Music/movement rhymes. Age walking-24 months. Every M 10:45 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/5 - Children's Fitness Classes/Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Build confidence/coordination. Every M through 4/16. Age 3-4 40-minute class 1:15, 2 & 2:45 pm; age 5-6 55-minute class 3:45 & 4:45 pm; age 7 & up 55-minute class 3:45 & 4:45 pm. 40-minute class \$54/resident, \$67.50/non-resident; 55-minute class \$78/resident, \$97.50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/5 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every M through 4/23. Beginner 1 age 4-5, 4-5 pm; Beginner 2 age 5-6, 3-4 pm. \$140/resident, \$175/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/5 - Tennis Whiz Kids at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Key elements (space, object, people, brain, body, movement) combined in every on-court session. Age 3-5 (age 5 w/no experience). Every M through 4/2 4-4:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

3/5 - Tennis Fundamentals at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Based on USA Florida Youth Tennis Pathway. Smaller courts, shorter racquets, slower-moving/lower-bouncing balls. Every M through 4/2. Age 5-8 4:30-5:15 pm \$48-\$60; age 9-12 5:30-6:15 pm \$60-\$75. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

3/5 - Celebrate Dr. Seuss! at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. A birthday celebration in the style of Seuss. Silly stories, music, activities, a craft. Pajamas encouraged. Age 3+. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/5 - Delray Divas Step Teams at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Organized, structured step team performs at local events and statewide competitions. Program reinforces role of youth as positive members of the community. Grades K-12. Every M/W 6-8:30 pm. Yearly \$30/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - Fencing/Epee Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Learn fencing skills, forge new friendships, have a blast. Beginner M/F 7-8:15 pm \$100-\$125/monthly; intermediate/advanced M/W/F 7-10 pm \$135-\$168.75/monthly. 954-854-7843; sugarsandpark.org

Tuesday - 3/6 - Turtle Tales at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 2-3. Every T 10 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/6 - Mother Nature & Me: Turtle Time at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Experience nature topics through stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, crafts. Age 2-5 w/guardian. 10:30 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

3/6 - Once Upon A Story: A Writing Workshop for Homeschoolers at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Get ideas, create characters, find new stories to tell. Age 10-14. 1-2:30 pm. \$27/resident; \$33.75/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/6 - Daggerwing Visits the Library: Owls at West Boca Branch Library, 18685 N State Rd 7, Boca Raton. Live animal ambassadors. Age 5+. 3:30 pm. Free. RSVP: 470-1600; pbcnature.com

3/6 - BeTeen the Lines at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 13+. 1st & 3rd T 4:30-6:30 pm. Free. 819-6405; delraylibrary.org

3/6 - USCA Super Stars Cheer Level II at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 6-11. Every T through 3/27 4:30-5:30 pm. \$30/resident; \$37.50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/6 - USCA Tiny Stars Cheer Level I at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 4-6. Every T through 3/27 4:30-5:30 pm. \$30/resident; \$37.50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/6-7 - Sensational Story 'n More at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Children's books come to life through interactive performance, singing, movement, props. Age 2-5. T 10:30 am; W 2 pm. Free w/paid admission. 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

3/6-7 - Explorium Science Squad: Lights, Colors, Action! at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Kids explore, experiment, try something new every month. T ages 5-6 (w/parent); W ages 7-9. Both days 4-5 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/6-8 - Inspired Art at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 2-11. T/W/Th 11:30 am-noon. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

Wednesday - 3/7 - Tiny Tots Storytime at Sandoway Discovery Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Age 0-4. Every W 11-11:30 am. Free. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

3/7 - Children's Fitness Classes/Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Build confidence/coordination. Every W through 4/18. Age 2-3 40-minute class 1:15-1:55 pm; age 3-4 40-minute class 2 & 2:45 pm; age 5-6 55-minute class 3:45 & 4:45 pm; age 7 & up 55-minute class 3:45 & 4:45 pm. 40-minute class \$54/resident, \$67.50/non-resident; 55-minute class \$78/resident, \$97.50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/7 - Lil' Explorers: Super Sensory Messy Play at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Explore, develop important readiness skills. Age 18 mos-5 yrs. Every W 3-3:45 pm. Per class \$4/member; \$5/non-member + admission. 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

3/7 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every W through 4/25. Beginner 2 age 5-6, 3-4 pm, \$140-\$175; Intermediate age 7-12, 4-5:30 pm, \$180-\$225. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/7 - Re Do/Better Than New at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Crafty fun renewing, reusing, up-cycling, magically turning old stuff into new, useful treasures. Every W 3:30-4:45 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

3/7 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. W/F through 3/30. Levels 3 3:30-4:15 pm, Level 4 4:30-5:15 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7851; myboca.us

3/7 - Yoga Kids Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Yoga positions

with music, storytelling, art; conveys lessons in positive thinking, self confidence, environment awareness. Wear comfortable clothing, bring a yoga mat. Every W through 4/4. Age 5-7 4-4:45 pm; age 8-12 5-6 pm. \$48/resident; \$60/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/7 - Tot Soccer League at Carolyn Sims Center, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Age 3-5. Every W through 5/2. 6-7 pm. \$40/resident, \$50/non-resident. 742-6641; boynton-beach.org

3/7 - Teen Tech Week 2018: Sphero Robot Programming & Maze at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 13-17. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

Thursday - 3/8 - Thai Bilingual Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children all ages; 8 & younger must be accompanied by an adult. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/8 - Little Explorers at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Th 10 am. Free. 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Storytime Yoga at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 4-7. Every Th 3:30 pm. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Chess for Kids at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn about the pieces, how to set them up, move them, interrelate them, do check/checkmate moves. Age 4-12. Every Th through 3/29 4:30-5:30 pm. \$95/resident; \$119/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/8 - Knitting Club at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 7 to adult. Every Th 3:30-4:30 pm. Free w/museum admission. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/8 - Fun Chefs Academy of Cooking at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 11-14. Every Th through 4/19. 4:30-5:30 pm. \$210/resident; \$262.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/8-9 - Karate/Martial Arts Classes at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Karate & blend of other combat martial arts. Age 9 to adult. Every Th/F 6-7 pm. Per month \$10/resident; \$12/non-resident; \$25/one-time uniform fee. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

Friday - 3/9 - The Young People's Guide to Broadway at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Grades 6-10. Two shows: 9 & 11:30 am. \$25. 243-7922 x1; oldschoosquare.org

3/9 - Tot Time at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Enjoy crafts, snacks, indoor play stations. Drop in anytime during the program. Age 2-5. 10 am-noon. \$5/child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/9 - Sensory Art for Tots at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 1-4. Every F 11:30 am. Per session \$3/member; \$5/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/9 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every F through 4/27. Mini Stars age 3-4 2:15-3 pm \$130-\$162.50; Beginner 1 age 4-5 3-4 pm \$140-\$175; Intermediate age 7-12 4-5:30 \$180-\$225. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/9 - Animal Encounters at Sandoway Discovery Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Meet one of our resident animals, learn about behaviors/characteristics with our naturalist. All ages. Every F 3 pm. Free. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

3/9 - Beginner Piano for Children at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Hal Leonard EZ Play Today method using 60 Favorite Songs to Play with 3 Chords. Bring a keyboard to class. Age 6+. Every F through 4/20

5-6:30 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/9 - Eyes to the Skies with professional-grade 16-inch Meade LX Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Informal event held in the parking lot (weather permitting). Telescope is out for at least one hour after scheduled start time; stars must be visible for telescope to align. Ages 8+ (under 18 must be accompanied by an adult). 7:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/9 - Beginner Folk Guitar at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn to play the guitar with three chords. Bring acoustic guitar. Age 12+. Every F through 4/20 7:30-9 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/10 - Engineer It 32nd Annual Engineering Competition at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Students compete for prize money. Grades 1-12. 7-9 am registration; 9 am-5 pm competition & awards ceremony. \$3 registration fee/registrant. 832-1988; sfscenter.org/engineer-it

3/10 - Expedition: Science Playground at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Put on your thinking caps, join us for a closer look at the scientific principles found within our inclusive Science Playground. Age 5+ with parent/guardian. 2nd Sat 9-10 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/10 - smART: Peaceful Painting at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Studio workshops for families/intergenerational groups focus on artistic fun to learn, create, enjoy the visual arts. 10-11 am. \$5/family; free/member. Reservations: 392-2500 x106; bocamuseum.org

3/10 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Levels 1-3. Age 3 & older. Every Sat through 4/28 10:30 & 11 am. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

3/10 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Level 1-4 & adult classes. Every Sat through 4/28 7:45 am, 11 am, noon & 1 pm. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 544-8540; myboca.us

3/10 - Patch Reef Jr. Tennis Tournament at Patch Reef Park Tennis Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 1 pm. \$35/resident, \$43.75/non-resident. Entries due 2 days before each tournament begins: 367-7090; patchreefpark.org

3/10 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 4/28. Age 7-12. 2-3:30 pm. \$180/residents, \$225/non-residents. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

MARCH 11-17

Monday - 3/12 - Baby Bookworm at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Storytime for infants accompanied by an adult. Age 3 months to walking. Every M 11-11:30 am. Free. Registration: 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/12 - Early Afternoon Explorers: R.O.Y.G.B.I.V. at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 6-9 1-2 pm; age 10-12 2-3 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/12 - Floral Design with Vickie Denton at The Society of The Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Parent/guardian must remain in the library during the entire program. 3-4 pm. Free. Reservations: 655-2766; fourarts.org

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3/12 - Storytime Theatre: Age 4-6 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Every M 3:30-4 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

Tuesday - 3/13 - Toddler Tales at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age up to 3 years; children must be accompanied by an adult. Every T 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration: 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/13 - Georgia O'Keefe Painting Workshop at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Grades 2-6. 4:15 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

3/13-14 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Young children must be potty trained. Age 3 & older; Level 1. T/Th through 4/5 or W/F through 4/6. 4:30, 5 & 5:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 3/14 - Reading & Rhythm for 2-3s at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Literacy enrichment class: stories, music, movement. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Every W 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration: 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/14 - Chicken Little: An Appalachian Musical Jamboree at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Grades K-5. 11 am & 4 pm. \$8/adult; \$6/child. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

3/14 - Booktastic Book Club for 7s & 8s: Shelter Pet Squad by Cynthia Lord at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Free copy of book upon registration. Child attends independently. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

Thursday - 3/15 - Special Drop-In Story Time with the School Bus Driver and the School Bus! at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children all ages; 8 & younger must be accompanied by an adult. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/15 - 3D Printing Club at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 7 & up. 3rd Th 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

3/15 - Create It @ Your Library: Hour of Code at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/15 - Alanna: The First Adventure by Tamara Pierce part of Tween Book Jam at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

Holiday - 3/16 - BrainFuse LearnNow and HelpNow Workshop at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Get help with assignments in all subject areas at all grade levels, create study groups, or prepare for college entrance exams. 1-2:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/16 - Kids Dance Party at Carolyn Sims Center, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Age 7-13. 5-7:30 pm. \$5/person. 742-6641; boynton-beach.org

3/16 - Friday Night at the Museum: Trolls at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. A night out without your parents! Wear comfy clothes, hang out in the Explorium after hours, watch a movie, do a fun experiment. Age 7-12. 6-9:30 pm. \$20/resident; \$25/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/16-17 - Where the Wild Things Snow Family Overnight at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Family-friendly overnight features animal encounters, nocturnal tour, themed activities, more. Includes pizza dinner & continental breakfast. Age 6+. 7 pm-8:30 am. \$40/member; \$50/non-member. 533-0887 x 229; palmbeachzoo.org/family-overnights

Saturday - 3/17 - Playground Playdate at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Get info about upcoming programs, enjoy free kid's activities. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/17 - Family Lego Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. Every Sat 2:30-4 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/17-18 - Science Demonstrations at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science-inspired stories. Age 5 & up. 3:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

MARCH 18-24

Sunday - 3/18 - Citizen Science Samplers at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. New hands-on science experience every month. Age 12-17; must be signed in/out by a parent/guardian. 10 am-noon. Free. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

3/18 - Sunday Family Movie: The Sword in the Stone at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 11 am. \$1 admission includes popcorn/beverage. 347-3948; sugarsandpark.org

Monday - 3/19 - Kidzart at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 5-12. 8:30 am-3 pm. \$70/resident; \$87.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Spring Break Camps

3/19-23 - Ocean Adventure Sea Program at Red Reef Park, 1400 N. State Road A1A, Boca Raton. Jr. marine biologists experience hands-on approach to marine science while learning/mastering new watersports including snorkeling, boogie boarding, skim boarding, surfing, paddle boarding, fishing, sailing. Age 5-15. 9 am-3 pm; after care (3-5 pm) \$20/day. Week \$325/resident, \$406/nonresident; Daily \$79/resident, \$91/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/19-23 - Surf School at Red Reef Park, 1400 N State Road A1A, Boca Raton. No surfing experience necessary, but participants must be able to swim. Equipment provided. Age 5-15. 9 am-3 pm; after care (3-5 pm) \$20/day. Week \$299/resident, \$344/non-resident; Daily \$89/resident, \$99/nonresident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/19-23 - Spring Break Basketball Camp at Ezell Hester Jr. Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Learn fundamentals, drills and game play. Age 6-15. 9 am-4 pm; 7:30-9 am & 4-5:30 pm add \$25. \$90/resident; \$113/nonresident. 742-6640; boynton-beach.org



3/19 - Social Skills Workshop at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 4-7. 9 am-1 pm. \$50/resident; \$62.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Tuesday - 3/20 - Digital Arts Workshop at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 8-17. 8:30 am-3 pm. \$75/resident; \$93.75/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/20 - Spring Children's Fair at Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Games, arts/crafts, entertainment. Age 2-12. 10 am-3 pm. Free/entrance to event; \$20/ride all day bracelet; \$5/ride ticket. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/20 - Mother Nature & Me: Celebrate the Season at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Experience exciting nature topics through stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, crafts. Age 2-5 w/guardian. 10:30 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

3/20 - Ready Player One by Ernest Cline part of Teen Book Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 13-17. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

Wednesday - 3/21 - Mysteries of Minecraft & Magic of 3D Printing at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 8-12. 8:30 am-3 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/21 - Animal Keeper for a Day at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Kids may get messy! Age 8+. 10 am. \$10/person. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/21 - Animal Keeper for a Day at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Work behind the scenes with animal care staff and volunteers. Learn what it really means to care for these special animal ambassadors. Kids may get messy. Age 8+. 10 am. \$10. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

3/21 - Starlab Adventure at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 6-12. 2-3 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/21 - Introduction to Tinkercad at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 8+. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; myboca.us/957/Library

3/21 - Tween Explorers: Make an Emoji Pillow at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

Thursday - 3/22 - Fun Chefs at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 10-14. 8:30 am-1 pm. \$65/resident; \$81.25/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/22 - Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children all ages; 8 & younger must be accompanied by an adult. Every Th 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/22 - Birding for Kids at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Age 6+. 10 am. \$3/person. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/22 - Spider-Man: Homecoming (PG-13) part of Teen Movie Night at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 13-17. 6-8 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

Friday - 3/23 - Archery 101 at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. USA Archery certified instructor. Program starts w/indoor demonstration of basics, followed by outdoor target practice. Equipment provided, wear closed-toe shoes, bring water & sunscreen. Age 9+. 10 am. \$10/person. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/23 - Magic Show with the Amazing Mr. A at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 11 am & 2 pm. \$5/person. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Saturday - 3/24 - Survivalist Class at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd,

3/19-23 - Spring Break Zoo Camp at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Animal encounters, tours, projects, crafts. Age 5-8. 8:30 am-4 pm. \$230/member; \$260/nonmember; lunch (optional) \$45/week. 533-0887, x229; palmbeachzoo.org

3/19-23 - Performing Arts Spring Break Camp: Defying Gravity at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Learn songs, scenes, choreography from the movie. Performance on 3/23. Age 5+. Core program 9 am-3 pm. \$325; extended hours 8-9 am (\$10) & 3-6 pm (\$5/hour). Friday lunch buffet \$7. Registration fee: \$40/new student; \$25/returning student. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

3/19-26 - Spring Break Camp at Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave, Boynton Beach. Arts & crafts, special guests, daily field trips. Age 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$156/resident; \$195/nonresident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

3/19-26 - Spring Break Camp at Carolyn Sims Center, 224 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Arts & crafts, movies, field trips. Age 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$156/resident; \$195/nonresident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

3/19-26 - Fire & Recreation Junior Academy at Fire Station 5, 2080 High Ridge Rd, Boynton Beach. Learn skills in fire safety & first aid through classroom activities/hands-on training. Wear long black, navy blue or khaki pants. Age 8-13. 8 am-2 pm. \$10/resident; \$13/nonresident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

3/19-23 & 26 - Spring Break Skate Camp at 505

Boynton Beach. Wear closed-toe shoes. Age 9+. 10 am-noon. \$10/person. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/24 - Meet the Orchestra: The Symphonia at Saint Andrew's School Roberts Theater, 3900 Jog Rd, Boca Raton. Interact with the conductor & musicians at dress rehearsals, discover how classical music inspires creativity. 10:30 am-noon. \$5/adult; free/child. Reservations: 866-687-3848; thesymphonia.org

3/24 - Children's Performance: Le Nozze Di Figaro presented by Palm Beach Opera at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Unique behind-the-scenes storytelling experience; integrated presentation. 11:30 am education stations; 1 pm performance. \$10/adult; \$5/child. 833-7888; pbopera.org

MARCH 25-31

Sunday - 3/25 - S'more Science: Meet the Animals at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Campfire program, yummy treat. A different topic each month. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. 5-6 pm. \$3/member; \$5/non-member. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Monday - 3/26 - Jazz & Musical Theatre at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Introduction to musical dance routines, jazz warm-ups/routines, Prop dances. Age 5-9. Every M through 5/21 4:15-5 pm. \$105/resident; \$131/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

Tuesday - 3/27 - Dance Trends Youth Dance Program at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Learn discipline, art of dance. T/W/Th/Sat through 6/2. Class times/prices vary by age/style. 542-0215; dancetrendsboynton.com

3/27 - COBRA Minis Basketball at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 3-5. Every T through 5/8 3:30-4:15 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 347-3916; sugarsandpark.org/cobra

3/27 - Kidzart at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 5-12. Every T through 5/15 5-6 pm. 1 class \$18-\$22.50; Full session \$175-\$218.75. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/27 - GEMS Club: Super Machines at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Empower young girls to explore STEM fields. Girls grades 3-8. High school girls can volunteer to be mentors. 5-7 pm. \$7/advance; \$9/at the door. Registration: 370-7710; sfsccenter.org/gem

3/27 - Youth Makers: Little Bits at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9-14. 6-7 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

Wednesday - 3/28 - Music Together at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Variety of age groups fosters natural, family-style learning. Any caregiver can bring the child. W & Th through 5/31. Age 0-5. 9:30-10:15 am; 10:30-11:15 am or 11:30 am-12:15 pm. \$50/materials fee due to instructor at first class; \$180/resident, \$165.01/2nd child; \$225/non-resident, \$206.26/2nd child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/28 - Little Makers: Cubetto at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 6-8. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

3/28 - Happy Sunshine Yoga-Tweens at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 8-12. Every W through 5/23 4:30-6 pm. Per class: \$15-\$18.75; Full session: \$120-\$150. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Thursday - 3/29 - COBRA Minis Soccer at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3-5. Every Th through 5/10 3:30-4:15 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 347-3916; sugarsandpark.org

3/29 - Project Fashion Design & Sewing Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150

Crawford Blvd. Learn fundamentals of sewing, choosing fabric, decorating with fabric paint, ribbons, trim. Each session concludes with a fashion show for friends/family. Age 8-16. Every Th through 5/31 5-6:30 pm. \$226/resident; \$282.50/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/29 - Coding, Engineering, and Robotics at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Learn to build/program robots using a special edition of Lego bricks, laptop computers, a specially developed curriculum. Age 7-12. Every Th through 5/31 5:30-6:30 pm. \$220/resident; \$275/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Friday - 3/30 - Fine Arts Free Days at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Age 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$29/resident; \$35/non-resident. Registration: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

3/30 - Fit2Play Days at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Age 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$29/resident; \$35/non-resident. Registration: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

3/30 - One Day Skate Camp at 505 Teen Center and Hobbit Skate Park, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Bring skateboard, helmet, knee/elbow pads. Age 5-13. 8 am-5:30 pm. \$25/resident; \$35/non-resident. Registration: 243-7158; mydelraybeach.com

3/30 - Spanish for Kids: Mommy & Me Program at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn Spanish by means of sensory play, interactive games, rhymes, songs. All levels. Age 2-4. Every F through 5/4 9:30-10:15 am or 10:30-11:15 am. \$95/resident; \$119/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/30 - South Florida's Animals at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Age 6+. 10 am. \$3/person. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/30 - Upcycled Cinderella (G) at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 11 am & 2 pm. \$8/adult; \$6/age 12 & under. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

Saturday - 3/31 - 3D Printing Design & Printing Showcase Workshop at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Age 7-15, 10 am-noon. \$35. 832-1988; sfsccenter.org

3/31 - Story & Craft Time at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Discover nature through crafts, stories about animals, other nature-related themes. Age 4-10. 10 am. \$2. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

3/31 - Spanish for Kids at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn Spanish through interactive games & activities, learn culture of Spanish-speaking countries. Students all levels. Age 5-12. Every Sat through 5/5 10:30-11:30 am. \$105/resident; \$131/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

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Sunday - 4/1 - Science Make & Take at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 1st Sun 11:30 am. \$5/project. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Monday - 4/2 - Acting 101 at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Age-appropriate character work. Age 5-10. Every M through 4/30. 3-5 pm. \$200/resident; \$250/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

4/2 - Happy Sunshine Yoga-Teens at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 13-17. Every M through 5/21 6:30-8 pm. Per class: \$23-\$28.75; Full session: \$160-\$200. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Tuesday - 4/3 - Erth's Dinosaur Zoo Live at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Grades K-6. 9 & 11:30 am. \$25. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

4/3 - Kangaroo Kids Programs at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Educational developmental class. Every

Teen Center and Hobbit Skate Park, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Interactive camp, beginner & advanced skaters. Skate instruction, skate park field trips, arts & crafts, trips to movies, bowling, zoo, ice skating. Bring skateboard, helmet, knee/elbow pads, bag lunch, water bottle each day. Age 5-13. 8 am-5:30 pm (six days). Drop-off time 8:30-9 am, pickup time 4-5:30 pm. \$150/resident; \$210/nonresident. Registration: 243-7158; mydelraybeach.com

3/20 & 22 - Fun & Fitness Activities Program at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 5-12. 8:30 am-5:30 pm. Per day: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/20-22 - Adventure Day Camp at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Day 1 Shark Science; Day 2 Animal Anomalies; Day 3 Sensational Sea Turtles. Grades 3-5. 8:30 am-noon. Per day \$25/member; \$30/nonmember. Online registration closes 3/17. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

3/20-23 - Spring Break at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Story time with a work of art, drop-in art activities, digital scavenger hunt. 12:30-4 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

4/7 - Waves Surf Academy & City Surf Weekend Camp at Delray Beach Municipal Beach, Ocean Boulevard. Boys & girls age 5-15. Held again 4/21. 9 am-2:30 pm. \$60/resident; \$70/nonresident. 843-0481; mydelraybeach.com

T through 5/8. Age 2-3 years 10-10:45 am; age 3-5 years 11-11:45 am. \$90/resident; \$113/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

4/3 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Level 1&2, Parent & child & Preschool Level 1 classes. T/Th through 4/26 3:15 & 4 pm. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 544-8540; myboca.us

4/3 - 2nd & 3rd Grade Book Club at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 3:30 pm. Free. 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

4/3 - USCA Tiny Stars Cheer Level I at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 4-6. Every T through 4/24 4:30-5:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

4/3 - USCA Super Stars Cheer Level II at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 6-11. Every T through 4/24 4:30-5:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

4/3-4 - Explorium Science Squad: Think Green at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Kids explore, experiment, trying something new every month. T age 5-6 (w/parent); W age 7-9. Both days 4-5 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Wednesday - 4/4 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. W/F through 4/27. Levels 3 3:30-4:15 pm, Level 4 4:30-5:15 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7851; myboca.us

4/4 - Tween Explorers: Hour of Code at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; myboca.us/957/Library

Thursday - 4/5 - Chess for Kids at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn about the pieces, how to set them up, move them, interrelate them, do check/checkmate moves. Age 4-12. Every Th through 4/26 4:30-5:30 pm. \$95/resident; \$119/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

4/5 - Hack Shack Tech Club: LEGO Mindstorms at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Experiment w/computer programming, design video games. Grades 5-8. 1st Th 5-7 pm. \$15/member; \$20/non-member. Registration: 832-2026; sfsccenter.org

4/5 - Taylored Athletes Basketball Fundamentals Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. High-quality instruction for aspiring young professional athletes. Age 5-14. Every Th through 4/26 5:30-6:30 pm. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 347-3950; tayloredathletes.com

4/5 - Futsal (Indoor Soccer) at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca R

House of the Month

Each month, The Coastal Star features a house for sale in our community. The House of the Month is presented as a service to our advertisers and provides readers with a peek inside one of our houses.



This house has a pool, summer kitchen and easy-to-maintain grounds.



Oak flooring lies throughout this house, built in 2014 on Vista Del Mar in Delray Beach.

A beachside delight in Delray Beach

Built in 2014 by Dovetail Construction, this impeccably maintained four-bedroom, 4½-bath pool home on Vista Del Mar in Delray Beach presents an open floor plan concept, highlighted by clean lines and quality craftsmanship.

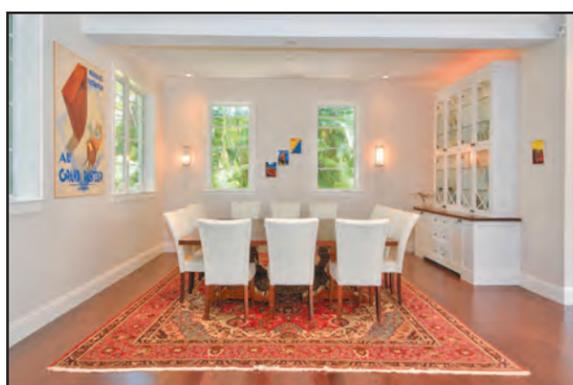
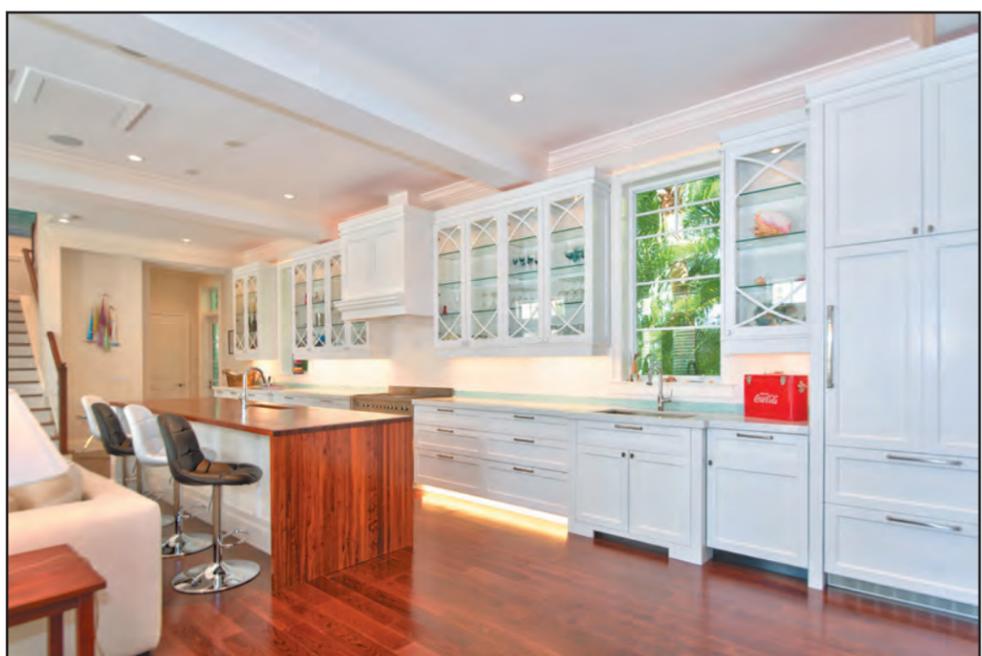
Architect Roger Cope detailed an easy beachside living home, complete with oak flooring and plantation shutters throughout. A chef's kitchen extraordinaire with nearby formal dining room and living room and a first-floor master bedroom suite (his and hers master baths with a shared steam shower) all have access to the lanai.

The outdoor entertaining area has a summer kitchen, and the easy-to-maintain grounds have an inviting pool with twin waterfalls and an adjustable-lighting color package. It is surrounded by travertine patio decking. The driveway to the home also features the travertine pavers. The home's garage has a lift to accommodate an additional vehicle.

Upstairs there are three en suite bedrooms all opening up to the balcony.

Each floor has its own laundry facilities with porcelain flooring. For added convenience are second-floor refrigeration, microwave and sink, and safes in all the bedrooms.

Offered at \$2,950,000. Holly B. Thom and Michael J. Thom, broker-sales at The Corcoran Group, 561-278-0433. Holly.thom@corcoran.com, mobile: 561-252-3731 or Michael.thom@corcoran.com, mobile: 561-716-3381.



A chef's kitchen (above) is at the heart of this house, which also has a formal dining room (left).

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