

Highland Beach

Town attorney resigns

Retainer agreement is questioned

By Steve Plunkett

Has the town been paying too much or too little for the services of longtime Town Attorney Tom Sliney?

It will find out this month when competing law firms answer a "request for qualifications" prompted by Town Commissioner Dennis Sheridan's review of Sliney's retainer agreement. Sliney resigned Oct. 17, two weeks after commissioners agreed to shop for prices.

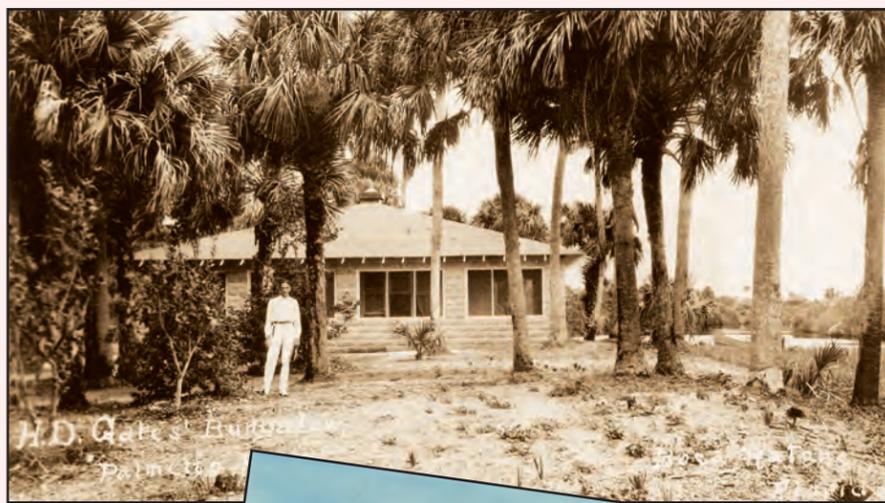
"I have decided it is time for a transition for both myself and the town," Sliney said in his resignation letter, which takes effect Dec. 31.

Sliney began representing Highland Beach 38 years ago.

"I was a teenager when I started," he joked when Sheridan brought up the retainer agreement in late September. Sheridan said the agreement had not been examined since 2009.

"I have nothing against Tom whatsoever," Sheridan said. "It's just the case that this original

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TOP: The former Wildflower site, at Palmetto Park Road and the Intracoastal, as it now looks.

Photo by Jerry Lower
CENTER: Harley Gates stands in front of the original home on the property in the early 20th century.

RIGHT: The view of the property from the eastern side of the water before the first bridge was built in 1917. Courtesy of the Boca Raton Historical Society



Boca Raton

Plans blossom for former Wildflower site

Developers, residents plant ideas for land's future

By Steve Plunkett

Elected officials find themselves in another tug-of-war between developers and residents over what to do with a vacant waterfront parcel, in this instance, the former Wildflower nightspot just northwest of the Palmetto Park bridge.

The City Council's request for informal "letters of interest" and a special workshop drew proposals from three stand-alone restaurants, two multi-

story complexes, a recreation-oriented business and one resident who just earned an architecture degree.

"I'm proposing a park, because it's what I want. I want to go there, it's something I can afford, and I think it's the right thing to do," fledgling architect Jose Barrera told council members at the Oct. 18 workshop. "You actually want a waterfront park also, you just don't know it yet."

Mayor Susan Whelchel cautioned presenters of proposals and the audience at the special session that council members would not make any decisions on the future use or possible development of the property.

"That's not going to happen tonight," Whelchel said. "This is not the forum at which we are going to give you specifically what is going to happen."

Two of the competing restaurants

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Along the Coast

These groups help when the cupboard is bare

By Mary Jane Fine

These are the Mother Hubbard days. In homes all-too-familiar with hunger and homes new to that terror, cupboards are bare. The use of food stamps has quadrupled in Florida over the past four lean years, according to published reports, with 161,250 of this year's

recipients from Palm Beach County — nearly 22,000 more than last year. Once-comfortable families bury their shame and visit food pantries now. More hot meals go out to the homebound. Giving organizations can only hope — especially now, with Thanksgiving just weeks away — that the haves keep contributing enough to help the have-nots.

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Cici Garcia of Boca Helping Hands delivers food to a client in eastern Boca Raton. The group now delivers 2,000 bags of groceries a month. Photo by Jerry Lower

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Boca's a better place, thanks to Lu-Lu

By Liz Best

When the Junior League of Boca Raton named Lu-Lu Culpepper Thomas its most recent Woman Volunteer of the Year, members could easily have upped the ante and dubbed her the Boca Raton Volunteer of the Century.

It's hard to find an organization in the Boca Raton area that hasn't benefited from the time and seemingly boundless energy of Thomas, who soon turns 86.

She modestly says it's just the way she is.

"I get up in the morning and I put on my clothes and my hose and my high heels and I leave the house," said Thomas, who now lives in Pompano Beach.

She and her late husband, Vernon "Pat" Thomas, moved to Boca Raton in 1974. Then they got busy immersing themselves in the South Florida community. Following his death in the late 1990s, Thomas just kept on doing the same things.

She has spent hours volunteering for groups ranging from Boca Raton Historical Society Museum, Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Boca Raton Pops, Boca Raton Museum of Art, FAU Friends of the Library and Music Guild of Boca Raton to Planned Parenthood, League of Women Voters, Florida Philharmonic, Caldwell Theatre and Boca Raton Police Department.

And that's just to name a few.

"We were just having a good time," said this mother and grandmother.

And even as a widow, Thomas continues to have a good time.

Born on a tobacco farm in Rocky Mount, N.C., Thomas was the second of 10 children.



Lu-Lu Thomas recently was named the Junior League of Boca Raton's Woman Volunteer of the Year. Photo by Tim Stepien

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She remembers the Depression well, and remembers that her large family survived those lean years by living off the land and by receiving a healthy dose of love.

"We raised everything we ate," she said. "And we went to my grandmother's house every Sunday. It was simple and it was wonderful."

Thomas married when she was 16. She and her husband lived all over the world during his career in the Army and then as an employee of Ford Motor Co. in Detroit. Although she doesn't have a degree, Thomas took college courses everywhere she lived.

These days, Thomas limits her volunteer efforts to serving as a greeter at the historical society museum and at the Boca Police Department. To fill in the remainder of her time, she plays bridge — a lot of

bridge, she says — and stays in physical shape by walking every day, taking aerobics classes and practicing yoga.

To stay in shape spiritually, she spends as much time as possible with her daughter and grandchildren in Fort Lauderdale. Thomas has always enjoyed being around younger people and believes it is the secret to her longevity.

"Your age is just two numbers put together. I think it's the spirit. Keep your thoughts right ... and it doesn't matter how old you are. It's your spirit that keeps you all right," she said.

Thomas believes young people learn from the stamina they see in their elders. Rather than trying to teach younger people, she listens to them.

Today's youth have a different take on the world than Thomas did as she was growing up during the Great Depression. She embraces these different attitudes and tries to learn as much as possible from them.

"It's like a rainbow. A rainbow is all different colors and it's beautiful." ★

Editorial

A toast to greatness and those who serve

"Everybody can be great. Because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You don't have to know the second theory of thermodynamics in physics to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

— Martin Luther King Jr.

We love this quote. It makes us think of the outstanding volunteers we continue to write about in *The Coastal Star*. This month's edition is no exception. Consider, for example, Lu-Lu Culpepper Thomas, recently honored by the Junior League of Boca Raton as its Woman Volunteer of the Year.

Almost 86, Thomas has been serving this community since she and her late husband moved to Boca Raton in 1974. Volunteering, she says, is "just having a good time." Stop by the Boca Raton Historical Society, where she serves as a greeter, and you're likely to find her having a good time and making sure you have one, too.

Of course, the Historical Society isn't the only

organization to benefit from Thomas' good works. From the Boca Pops to the Boca Raton Regional Hospital and many other organizations, Thomas has given generously of her time and talent for decades.

Elsewhere in this edition, you'll find a story about Stephanie Robin, a Boca Raton woman battling cancer who co-founded a series of nonprofit concerts in Mizner Park called Think Pink Rocks. The concerts are designed to raise awareness about early cancer detection and genetic testing.

Robin has found a way to serve even while she fights the life-threatening disease.

Not to be overlooked are the folks at Boca Helping Hands, C.R.O.S. Ministries in Delray Beach and the Community Caring Center in Boynton Beach. All of them help feed the hungry.

Talk about hearts full of grace and souls generated by love!

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— Mary Thurwachter
Managing Editor

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From wilderness to Wildflower: Taking a look across a century

By Mary Thurwachter

Ah, the '80s in Boca Raton. It was the decade when IBM introduced the PC (designed at the Boca plant), the Old Town Hall and the F.E.C. Railway Station were restored, the Art Guild changed its name to the Boca Raton Museum of Art, and Sanborn Square was beautified as the first project of the city's new Community Redevelopment Agency.

When it came to nightlife, the place to be was the Wildflower, a glitzy, happening waterfront restaurant and bar on the northwest side of the Palmetto Park Bridge and the Intracoastal Waterway. The music was loud, the circular dance floor crowded. When live bands weren't performing, a deejay was playing tunes like Olivia Newton-John's *Physical*, Michael Jackson's *Billie Jean*, and Irene Cara's *What a Feeling*.

James J. Previti was 24 when he was hired as a barback in 1980.

"The Wildflower was the first real nightclub in Boca Raton in the '80s," said Previti, who now lives in Medford, N.J. "There was a lot of buzz about the place even before it opened and on opening night we realized it was an immediate success. The clientele was a typical South Florida crowd you could easily image from an episode of *Miami Vice*. There was an interesting mix of tourists and locals, pimps and drug dealers with bag phones, socialites and wannabes along with an occasional celebrity. One night Joe Cocker came in and the waitress was so excited that she would get to wait on him — until he stiffed her at the end of the night. There was no

shortage of self-important jerks to deal with."

Drinks were the usual Florida fare of frozen margaritas and colodas. Specialty drinks were served in tiki glasses covered with images of nude women bulging from the glass. (They're collectibles now, available on eBay.)

"Once a year for a few weeks, it would be mango season and the owners would insist we make fresh mango daiquiris," Previti said. "The bartenders hated this, as it was always a mess, but, of course, the patrons loved it."

When the hit TV show *M.A.S.H.* was coming to an end the owners organized a *M.A.S.H.* party where the staff dressed as doctors and nurses, drinks were served in IV bags and there were Korean War-era vehicles parked out front.

"Normally the male staff would wear colored velvet vest and the girls would wear these wrap around type of flower print sarongs," Previti remembered. "Some thought it was a *Shogun* theme, as that was a popular TV series at that time, but I don't think that was the case."

There would be lines of people waiting to get in on Friday and Saturday nights during the season, Previti said. "We always had one of Boca Raton's finest at the door to keep things under control. Inside it would be packed shoulder to shoulder, which made it a challenge to get an arm full of plates across the room or up the stairs to the patrons."

When things got a little too crazy, cops arrived, as was the case in January 1982, when 15 policemen were dispatched after



ABOVE: In its 1980s heyday, the Wildflower was packed shoulder-to-shoulder with patrons.

LEFT: The pink night club under construction in the late 1970s. Photos courtesy of the Boca Raton Historical Society

four unruly men to refused to leave. The four were arrested and several of the policemen were treated at Boca Raton Community Hospital.

It may have been the hottest spot in the city for more than a decade, but by 1999, the once-popular restaurant and bar closed for good.

After racking up code violations, the abandoned Wildflower, covered with plywood, was demolished in 2009 and the city bought the property.

Long before the Wildflower sprouted at the northwest side of the Palmetto Park Bridge — in fact even before the bridge was built in 1917 — the wilderness was inhabited by Boca pioneers.

In 1914, a decade before Boca Raton became a municipality

during the height of the Florida's land boom, Vermont Realtor Harley Gates moved his family to Boca Raton to open a real estate business and start the 30-acre Palmetto Park Plantation, which gave its name to Palmetto Park Road. He built a one-story home there called Casa Rosa for \$3,500.

A 1917 freeze decimated the Boca Raton pioneer's banana crop, although his real estate business continued to flourish.

His daughter, Diane Gates Benedetto (formerly Imogene Gates), recently wrote a book about the city's history (*Imogene Alice Gates: Frontier Child*) and recalls living in wilderness: "I remember my swing between two palm trees. Bamboo was growing all over the place, 50 feet into the sky, almost. And all the birds would come there."

WILDFLOWER

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— BrickTop's and Guanabanas — first made presentations at an Oct. 4 meeting of the Federation of Boca Raton Homeowners Associations.

"I like to say it's a Houston's that's kicked up a notch or two, but you can be the judge of that," said BrickTop's chairman, Joe Ledbetter, who co-founded Houston's, sold out his share and has since opened BrickTop's in Naples, Atlanta, Charlotte and Nashville. Ledbetter envisions a 7,500-square-foot restaurant overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway.

Guanabanas, which features outdoor eating under oversize Seminole chickee huts and live music three nights a week, opened as a sandwich shop in Jupiter in 2004, then renovated to a full-service eatery in 2008. It would construct a 4,700-square-foot dining area in Boca Raton supported by a 5,600-square-foot kitchen building if its proposal wins.

"This whole thing is kind of an Old Florida experience," said Chad Van Boven, Guanabanas president. "It's outside, everything is handmade. ... It's basically a restaurant in a park."

The Hillstone Restaurant Group, which operates the Houston's on Executive Center Circle near Glades Road and Military Trail, threw its hat into the ring at the workshop. It, too, would build a 7,500-square-foot facility if selected.

Also making proposals were the Boca Outdoor Center, the Boca Dockside Marketplace and developer Jim Comparato. The Outdoor Center would be a second location for the kayak and paddleboard rental operation; it currently operates as the Jupiter Outdoor Center in conjunction with Guanabanas. It seeks 450 square feet of space.

The Dockside Marketplace would be a four-story building with a produce market and performance space on the first floor, restaurants on the second and fourth floors and boutiques on the third.

"My objective is to create something that's not only world-class but on par with CityPlace or with Downtown Delray, Atlantic Avenue, and putting another restaurant downtown is not enough," James Peters said in presenting the Dockside Marketplace plan.

Proposed rents range from \$24,000 a year promised by the Boca Outdoor

Center to \$500,000 a year for at least 20 years offered by the Hillstone Group.

The city bought the property for \$7.5 million in 2009 after deciding the site has strategic importance to the downtown.

Council members want the property and the waterway area open to the public with amenities to attract the public to the site and a connection between the parcel and Silver Palm Park, on the south side of the Palmetto Park Bridge. They also asked that proposals include an attractive pedestrian orientation.

Comparato proposed a three- or four-story, mixed-use development with two or three restaurants and retail and office space. He would move Silver Palm's boat launch north of the bridge and connect the parcels with a riverwalk if the council approved.

Barrera, a recent Florida Atlantic University graduate, said diners would go to a restaurant, eat and return home.

"You're not going to go to the rest of the businesses in the area, you're not going to walk around, you're not going to spend any money," he said. "By putting a park where people will come, get out of their house, have an

experience, that's where your revenue will come."

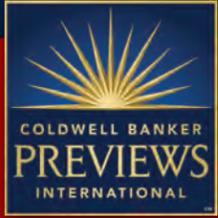
Details of each proposal are posted online at www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us/wildflower.

The debate is similar to the one over Ocean Strand, vacant oceanfront acreage the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District owns. A developer's proposal to put a private cabana club there in late 2009 prompted an army of neighbors to protest anything but a park there. A consultant is devising an inventory of features at city and district parks to determine something different to go in Ocean Strand.

Whatever changes come to the Wildflower site, neighbors are on guard against increased traffic emptying into residential areas and a return of late-night music for which the club was noted.

James Hendrey, who lives opposite the site on the east side of the Intracoastal, recalled walking across the bridge in pajamas and robe to complain about the sound in the Wildflower's heyday.

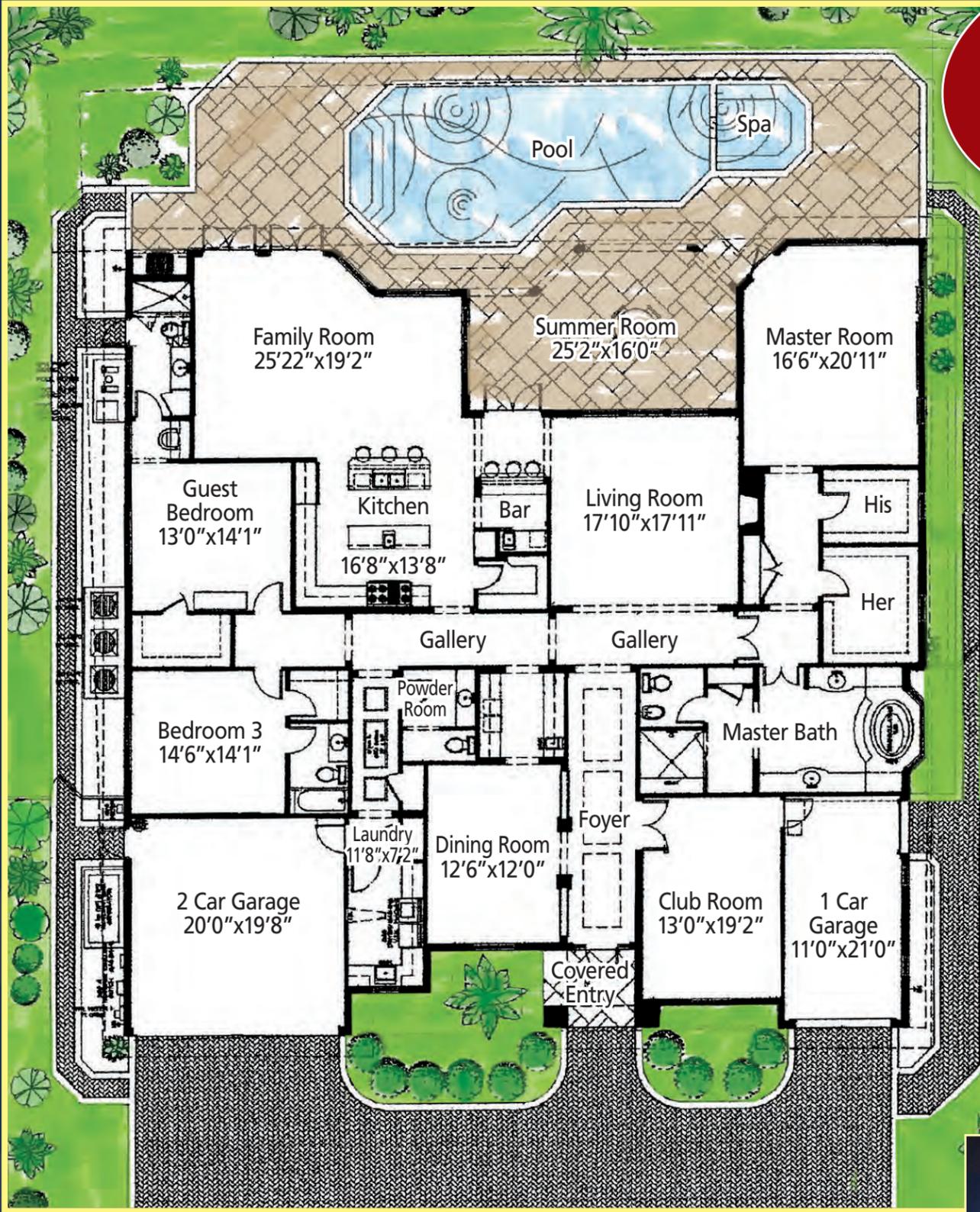
"I personally don't want to see a restaurant on that piece of property. I wish to see it left as a park," Hendrey said. ★



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Around Town

From rockers to bossa nova, Boca dances to its own beat

The pop music scene in Palm Beach County isn't what it used to be, not that it's that great anywhere in South Florida these days. Most acts and promoters follow the money, and unless they're strong enough to draw big crowds in Jacksonville, Tampa or Orlando and South Florida, they don't want to spend the money to come this far south.

That said, good sounds abound. Not necessarily chart busters, but top talent just the same. Just consider the scene in South County.

On Nov. 4, TV doctors **Rick Springfield** and **Jack Wagner**, both of whom starred on *General Hospital* and had top 40 hits, were to play Mizner Park Amphitheater. Springfield, still a knockout at 62, won a Grammy for *Jessie's Girl* in 1981. Wagner, now 52 and engaged to Heather Locklear, had a hit with *All I Need*, but his résumé includes touring stints in *West Side Story* and *Grease*. It's an odd combination, but Boca's older, soapier demographic makes for the novel pairing.

On Nov. 5, the fourth annual **Think Pink Rocks** rolls into Mizner Park, appealing to a

far younger audience with a lineup that ranges from BET host **Terrence J** to **Shontelle** to Boca's own *American Idol* finalist **Brett Loewenstern**. It raises money to fund breast cancer research and treatment.

On a more regular basis, "Jazz, Bossa Nova and Blues" has been extended at least through November at **Carmen's At The Top Of The Bridge Hotel**. Tapas, a limited prix fixe menu and full bar are available, but if you just want to hear some top musicians, the entertainment charge is \$10.

Lots of action around **Royal Palm Place** in Boca these days, thanks in large part to the arrival of **Philippe by Philippe Chow, No. 6**. Chow knows how to pack his upscale Chinese eatery at 200 E. Palmetto Park Road: Give 'em good food and a good show. The latter includes a healthy celebrity roster that has included in recent weeks ex-NBA star **Alonzo Mourning** (he's an investor), boxing promoter **Don King**, tennis legend **Jimmy Connors** and post-break-up Jennifer Lopez.

J Lo, without **Marc Anthony**, spent time with action star **Jason Statham**. They were



Loibel Clark, Zumba instructor at Jewels Dance Studio in Boca Raton, gets the crowd moving at Sanborn Square during the kickoff to Meet Me on the Promenade Oct. 21. Photo by Tim Stepien

shooting *Parker*, a jewel-heist film set in Palm Beach, but since Palm Beach frowns on movie-making, they only shot driving scenes on the island. Some interiors were shot at the sound stage at **G-Star School of the Arts** in West Palm Beach, but most were done on the QT at **1000 Ocean Drive**, a Boca beachfront condo.

At the south end of Royal Palm Place, from **Arturo Gismondo** of **Cannoli Kitchen** fame, comes **Biergarten**, with two dozen craft beers on tap, special bottled brews, at least four genuine German

Oktoberfest brews, plus pretzels, schnitzels, sausages, cheeses, and soups. Prost!

More good news for beer fans: A **Yard House** restaurant will open at the old Cartoon Museum in Mizner Park in May. About 130 local and regional beers will be on tap.

Chris Evert always tries to have a rocking good time at her annual **Evert/Raymond James Pro-Celebrity Tennis Classic**, both on the court and at her Gala Dinner Dance and Auction the weekend of Nov. 11. This year is no exception.

On the court, look for Oscar winner **Elisabeth Shue**, *Today* show host **Hoda Kotb**, comedian **Jon Lovitz**, newsman **Stone Phillips**, *Breaking In*'s **Christian Slater**, *Burn Notice*'s **Jeffrey Donovan**, *Grey's Anatomy*'s **Scott Foley**, actress and former tennis pro **Maeve Quinlan**, "Real Housewife" **Jill Zarin**, **Alan Thicke** and a few tennis players including **Monica Seles**, **Murphy Jensen** and **Vince Spadea**. At the gala, **The Spinners** will perform.

"Chrissy always likes for the crowd to dance," an associate said. "She wants people to have See AROUND TOWN on page 7



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Beach pavilion closed while pillar damage is repaired

By Angie Francalancia

Typically, it's the incredible ocean view from the dune that catches a visitor's eye from the Palmetto Park Pavilion in Boca Raton.

But when a car rammed through the parking lot into the pavilion, splitting one of its support columns and wedging against a second one, the serene view looked more like a scene from an action thriller.

Boca Raton officials say a woman rammed her car into the structure just after

midnight on Oct. 9.

The woman, whose identity was not released, was taken to Boca Raton Regional Hospital.

It took the city five days before it could remove the Toyota from the support pillars of the 2,000-square-foot pavilion. The pavilion is scheduled to be repaired early this month, said Assistant City Manager Mike Woika.

"We didn't want to remove the car until we had a structural engineer in there to make sure the pavilion wasn't going to collapse," he said. "One

pillar was gone all together. The second one was damaged. We put two (construction) jacks in there to hold it up."

The pavilion, which sits on a dune about 15 feet above the sand below, has been blocked with a gate since the incident, which also took out part of the guard railing. It was built about 10 years ago as part of a \$2 million park upgrade

Repairs will cost about \$20,000, including the bill from the structural engineer, and the city will make a claim against the driver's insurance company,



Repairs to the Palmetto Park pavilion are estimated to be \$20,000
Photo by Tim Stepien

Woika said.

"The pillars aren't off-the-shelf items," he said. "They're 8 inches square, and they're decorative." Boca Raton special ordered them late last month.

What might seem like a singular incident actually was not.

Only six months earlier, city officials had to repair a pavilion that sits directly in line with

Spanish River Boulevard. That car had to traverse the sand between the end of Spanish River Boulevard and the pavilion, though, Woika said.

"A car did not stop, went through the red light and into the pavilion," Woika said. "It wasn't quite the same kind of pavilion, so the repair wasn't quite as protracted. It was fixed within two weeks." ★

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a good time." (www.chrisevert.org)

And speaking of "Real Housewives," **Kelley Killoren Bensimon** (of the *Real HW of NY*) was one of the honorary speakers at real estate agent to the wealthy **Senada Adzem's Celebration of Hope**, a Pink Strides event in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month. The event was co-hosted by shoe mogul **Bobby Campbell**, CEO of BBC International, and held at his \$10 million Intracoastal home in Boca. Bensimon paired up with Campbell to create a ballet shoe line which donates a percentage of its proceeds to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

Remember the **New Christy Minstrels**? They cut more than 20 albums, had several hits including *Green, Green, Saturday Night* and *This Land is Your Land* and launched the careers of future solo stars **Kenny Rogers, Gene Clark, Kim Carnes** and **Barry McGuire**. Well, 50 years later, they're still at it and on the road. On Dec. 8, they'll play **Century Village** in Boca.

Always a great party: The 12th annual **Best of Boca & Beyond** at the **Shops at Boca Center** Thursday marked the unofficial launch of Boca's social season with lots of food and desserts from 30 restaurants, fine wines and specialty drinks, a wine and cigar lounge.

The bash was sponsored by *Boca Raton* magazine, and proceeds go to **Hospice of Palm Beach County**. For an added twist this year, the magazine honored five individuals who have had made significant impact on the city: restaurateur **Dennis Max, St. Andrew's School** Headmaster **Ann Marie Krejcarek**, Junior League President **Nancy Dockerty**, FAU President **Mary Jane Saunders**, and Boca Center Manager **Candace Goldstein**.

For those who've been striking out lately, head to the **Back Room**, 2222 West Atlantic in Delray at 6 p.m. on Nov. 10, for the second annual Sexy Sensational Singles charity bachelor and bachelorette auction. It's a benefit for Prep and Sports, which provides academic guidance and performance training to at-risk youth. A \$20 ticket includes food and one drink.

At least one celebrity will go on the block and the rumor mill keeps spitting out "Miami Heat."

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More than 20 residents turned out to the Oct. 12 city council meeting in 'No 7-11' T-shirts. Photo by Jerry Lower

Protests against 7-Eleven on East Palmetto continue

By Margie Plunkett

Neighbors wearing "No 7-11" T-shirts took the podium at Boca Raton City Hall one after another to protest the possibility of a convenience store on the barrier island.

The appeal of an addition and modification of 831 E. Palmetto Park Road, which the protesters appeared at the Boca Raton Council meeting to support, wasn't on the agenda, but they had their say.

The appeal was postponed until Nov. 22, at the request of appellant Ralf Brookes, on behalf of residents, and site-plan applicant Doug Mummah, who represents owner James H. Batmasian.

Both Brooks and Mummah said there are discussions being held that could end in a withdrawal of the appeal, according to a city memo.

The residents argued against

a project that could include a convenience store, noting that it isn't compatible with the area. "Why would we invite someone who drinks on the beach?" said one resident.

A convenience store wouldn't serve the residents, but those from the outside, speakers said. The people who buy a six-pack would likely dump their empties rather than risk being caught by police with open containers, said Nancy Hendry.

The residents commented on the newly improved western portion of Palmetto Park Road, which was earlier identified as an area in the downtown that was to be revitalized, according to City Manager Leif Ahnell. "It was 60 percent paid for by the downtown business owners as a special assessment," he said.

Mayor Susan Whelchel chided the eastern residents for not getting involved starting in 2006 with the

design of Palmetto Park Road despite repeated invitations and opportunities.

Robert Ocksman, who filed the notice of appeal against the property at 831 East Palmetto Park Road, said that while the mayor may have reached out to the Riviera Civic Association to get involved in the design, "I never felt someone reach out from the city."

"Moving forward, you have a community looking to make a positive impact on the area east of the bridge," Ocksman said. "We're relying on the government to protect the rights of the neighbors."

The procedure for looking at improvements for the east side is that the Council gives the city manager some direction to look at the possibility, meet with the public, and the opportunity to look at a plan - constituting the beginnings of the concept of building a program," Whelchel said. ★

Effort to save Luff House grows desperate



The owner of the historic Luff House wants the building either moved or demolished. Courtesy of the Boca Raton Historical Society

The search for a new site for the circa-1920s Luff House is growing more desperate.

Mary Csar, executive director of the Boca Raton Historical Society, made a plea to save the home at 390 E. Palmetto Park Road at a special workshop on the Wildflower property just down the street.

The Florida-style bungalow, which the current owner wants moved or demolished, "used to be fairly common in this area. There are none left. I think this

is probably the only one," Csar said.

She hoped the two-story house could be incorporated into whatever development happens at the Wildflower site. The society has spent the past year looking for someone to help in the rescue.

"It's a sturdy little house," Csar said. "It could be utilized in a profitable way, and it could also preserve part of Boca's history."

— Steve Plunkett

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Along the Coast

These groups help when the cupboard is bare

C.R.O.S. MINISTRIES

Doris Mingione is in departure mode. She's a widow, moving to Colorado to be near her son, so today is her all-but-final day to deliver hot meals to some of West Delray's homebound elderly and disabled. The typed route — names, addresses, number of portions for each of 17 homes — is taped to the dashboard of her tan Toyota Avalon. The list includes notes about each recipient ("Caution! Dog! Ring Bell!"; "Elderly — very frail. Slow to answer door"); as an 11-year volunteer for C.R.O.S. Ministries' Caring Kitchen, Mingione knows

C.R.O.S. Ministries
141 SW 12th Ave.,
Delray Beach
271-1566
www.crosministries.org

Needs: Check their Web site for specific needs. Tax-deductible donations (cash, check or credit card) may be given one time, periodically or annually

these details, and more. The notes are really for her soon-to-be replacements: St. Vincent de Paul seminarians Martin Nguyen, 22, and Jonathan Richardson, 23.

On a recent October morning, she eases away from the building on NW 8th Avenue, having packed 27 takeout boxes — baked fish, lentils and rice, beets, applesauce, plus packaged rolls, peanut-butter-and-

jelly sandwiches, several pies and cookie-filled containers — in the backseat and trunk of her car.

First stop: an elderly blind man. "He lives alone with the help of his neighbors," Mingione says, pulling into the driveway of his modest home. Sitting on a lawn chair, just outside his door, the man shakes hands with the two young seminarians as Mingione explains, "We're just gonna put the food in the refrigerator." The man smiles and thanks her. "OK," he says, a Caribbean lilt to his voice. "You got one more week, huh? I'm gonna miss you."

When The Caring Kitchen began, in 1993, serving hot meals to the homeless, low-income and seniors, its homebound clients numbered five. That figure fluctuates now, between 50 and 60. Volunteers deliver meals on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. The Kitchen serves sit-down breakfast and lunch five days a week, dinner four days — a total of 7,200 meals a month, says program director April Hazamy.

The economy is a challenge. "People are still donating food, but the amount is definitely less," she says. "Especially fresh produce and protein: meat and fish." The food pantry, a part of C.R.O.S. Ministries but separate from The Caring Kitchen, has an even harder time. "We're struggling but not like they are; they can only give (in bags of groceries) what they have in stock," Hazamy says, and, with canned-goods donations down by about 25 percent, that stock is diminished. The demand keeps growing.

Doris Mingione's second stop of the morning is for a single mother of three, a cancer patient undergoing chemo. Mingione plops a bag of ice into a cooler by the front door, then adds four meal boxes. She jots a note on a slip of paper and tapes it to the door, for the woman's teenagers: "Don't Forget to Bring Food In."

It's not yet noon, with 15 deliveries ahead. Her rounds can take an hour, or three hours, depending on who's at home and who wants to chat. She will, she says, miss these people: the woman with severe arthritis whose husband has Alzheimer's, the man who gets kidney dialysis three times a week, the 99-year-old legally blind woman who still beats her friends at poker. Mingione will miss them all, but Martin and Jonathan will take on the route. She, and they, will hope that food donations continue, to make their work possible.

COMMUNITY CARING CENTER OF BOYNTON BEACH

Fourteen years ago, when Sherry Johnson joined the CCC of Boynton Beach, part-time, she began questioning the way tummies were being filled. "When you're serving a community where people have a lot of high blood pressure, and you're handing out cans [of food] filled with nothing but sodium," thought Johnson, now the center's executive director, "what are you doing but perpetuating the situation?"

Out of that reasoning, in time, the food

Community Caring Center of Boynton Beach
145 N.E. 4th Ave.,
Boynton Beach
364-9501
Needs: Monetary donations

pantry became the Green Market and twice-weekly deliveries to 130 frail and elderly shut-ins became healthier. Now, every Friday, the center's Veggie Mobile takes locally grown fruit and vegetables and homemade soup to

homebound residents of what the center calls "the Heart of Boynton."

An interfaith organization, the center marked its 27th year in October, Johnson says. It does all that it does thanks to seven paid staffers, four non-paid staffers and 65 volunteers. The Veggie Mobile is handled by one staffer, a board vice-president and volunteers, all of whom visit with homebound recipients, check for signs of malnutrition and dehydration and offer healthy meal suggestions.

But deliveries are only a part of the center's work: It also produces much of what it provides. In 2009, in partnership with the University of Florida, through the Palm Beach County Extension Office, it initiated an urban farm that grows much of the produce for the Veggie Mobile, the food pantry and a nutrition-education program.

"We use food to teach pre-schoolers and give cooking classes to adults," Johnson says. "Most of the children [from Girtmans Treasure Chest Early Learning Centre] have no sense of fruits and vegetables, except for corn and grapes and potatoes — finger foods."

The Green Market farm's nutrition lessons are colorful ones: Yellow is for grapefruit and squash; green is for broccoli and lettuce; orange is for, well, oranges.

"The children are making healthy snacks, tasting different things, learning colors and learning about calcium and iron, and we introduced the word 'antioxidants,'" Johnson says. "By the time we got to yellow and spaghetti squash, they just love it, and they're coming back for seconds."

The children's parents learn how to prepare meals using fruits and vegetables, and they get portions of all the produce their children learn about. The Green Market's new program this year will offer the entire community an affordable package of good-quality produce, meats and fish: 7½ pounds of meat; a 2-pound pork loin; two 6-ounce portions of mahi-mahi; two 6-ounce portions of salmon; 6 ounces of bacon; and a 3½-pound chicken, all for \$28. An additional \$6, buys a package of salad ingredients and seasonal vegetables.

Without help, Johnson says, "This community can't afford fruit and vegetables because it's cheaper to go to McDonald's and get a \$1 sandwich."

Stories by Mary Jane Fine

BOCA HELPING HANDS

Only a year ago, the food pantry at Boca Helping Hands distributed 500 bags of groceries each month to those in need. This year, they hand out 2,000 bags a month. Only a year ago, the soup kitchen served 2,200 lunches of, say, pot roast or turkey or stew each month. This year, that number exceeds 3,900 meals a month. Twice a week, hard times or not, groceries are delivered to the homebound in 21 homes.

“Grocery bags on steroids,” is what executive director Jim Gavrilos calls them. “We’re trying to get permits to deliver, Monday through Friday, the hot meal we serve Monday through Saturday in the kitchen.” He hopes the permits are only about a month away now.

As for the increased pantry distributions, the additional soup-kitchen servings, he says, “Clearly, it’s because of the economic downturn. What we’re seeing is middle-class people, people who’ve been out of work for six months, nine months, a year. At a certain point, it becomes a matter of survival.”

Program director Sally Wells thinks of the woman with two teenage daughters who lost their home to foreclosure after her ex-husband lost his job and, with it, his ability to pay child-support and alimony. The woman had a job for a while

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Boca Raton
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www.bocahelpinghands.org
Needs: Check the website. (\$25 pays for up to 10 hot meals served in the Food Center; \$100 will supply seven families with a bag of groceries; \$1,000 will help feed 20 homebound clients for one month or pay rent for one family).

but, when it ended, what money she’d saved soon ran out.

“All their stuff was in storage, and they needed a week’s worth of shelter while she looked for work again,” says Wells, who is married to Gavrilos. “It’s hard for people to come in here and face the fact that they need help.” Boca Helping Hands gave them a temporary home at a motel on Federal Highway.

The hands that do the helping here belong to five staffers and 300 volunteers: They oversee the soup kitchen; the food pantry; the groceries delivered to the homebound; the “Blessings in a Backpack” program that sends home a weekend’s worth of meals and snacks for the 1,200 grade school children eligible for the federal free-lunch program;



Cici Garcia of Boca Helping Hands leaves food with a client of the agency. Photo by Jerry Lower

the classes on budgeting and job-seeking; the resource center that offers aid to people facing eviction or utility cancellation or in need of prescription medication.

The group’s mission — once aimed primarily at the government-subsidized housing areas of Pearl City and Dixie

Manor in eastern Boca — has expanded, recently, into the city’s western reaches. “We just began distributing (grocery bags) at Boca Glades Baptist Church,” says Wells. “People have transportation problems or no money for gas. A hundred bags a week. And it’s growing.”

School-based food drives,

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individuals, corporations, entities as diverse as Boca Raton Regional Hospital and Whole Foods, donate to Boca Helping Hands, which began in 1998. The group was the inspiration of a half-dozen or so people, both Christians and Jews, says Gavrilos, an ex-priest.

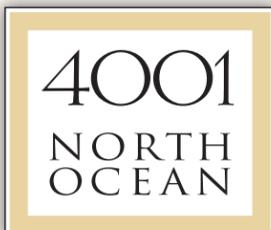
“We do what we can,” says Wells. “As soon as food comes into our warehouse, it goes out. We definitely need donations.”



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LAWYER

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contract was done in 1973 and I think that it's time to look and see what's out there, and by all means, let Tom's law firm bid accordingly and we'll go from there."

Vice Mayor Miriam Zwick objected to putting the agreement out to bid.

"It's not a contract to put in new piping, it's not a contract to do re-roofing," Zwick said.



Sliney

"It's a contract to protect the town with knowledge and accessibility, and not only that but a history with the town and I think this is personified by Mr. Sliney."

Sliney said he and then-Mayor Jim Newill reviewed the economic and non-economic terms of his retainer agreement two years ago and said this time

Sheridan could be designated to negotiate with him.

But commissioners voted 5-0 to follow Sheridan's recommendation.

Under the agreement, Sliney has received a monthly retainer of \$9,000 plus costs for general legal services and \$185 an hour for litigation services. The fees are billed through his law firm, Buckingham, Doolittle and Burroughs LLP.

By comparison, Gulf Stream pays its attorney, John "Skip" Randolph, \$235 an hour. Randolph, who has represented Gulf Stream since 1971, billed the town a total of \$2,855 in September for phone consultations, legal correspondence and preparing for and attending two town meetings. His fee has not changed since 2008.

Randolph also represents the towns of Palm Beach and Jupiter Island.

Ocean Ridge pays Town Attorney Ken Spillias a \$6,000-a-month retainer and

\$195 an hour for all "non-routine" matters. Spillias was chosen town attorney in 1999.

In Briny Breezes, Town Attorney Jerome Skrandel also charges \$185 an hour.

Attorney Trela White bills Manalapan \$165 an hour for general representation and \$185 for litigation. Her September bill totaled \$5,568.75.

Her firm, Corbett and White PA, bills Lantana a slightly lower fee for the services of Max Lohman — \$150 for regular hours, \$175 for litigation — because the town pays White's health insurance premiums, she said. White is also the attorney for the Palm Beach County League of Cities.

South Palm Beach pays its attorney, Brad Biggs of Corbett and White, \$170 an hour an hour for general representation, \$195 for litigation.

"Every city is a little different," White said.

Boca Raton and Delray Beach have full-time city attorneys.

Back in Highland Beach, Sliney had a busy calendar in September, attending the Town Commission's regular meeting and workshop session as well as two public hearings on the budget and meetings of the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustment and Appeals.

"He's been a terrific help to me and a help to the town. He pulled us out of some pretty tight spots," said Harold Hagelmann, the town's mayor from 2005 to 2008 and a member of the Planning Board for eight years before that. "I just hate to see Tom go." ★

Boca Raton

Qualifying date moved ahead for candidates

The Boca Raton City Council voted in October to move the qualifying period for candidates for city office to the first seven business days in January, a month earlier than previously.

City elections are held in March.

Lawmakers did not approve a second proposal that required candidates to collect 200 signatures to qualify to run.

— Margie Plunkett



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Boca Raton

Think Pink Rocks founder striving, thriving and surviving

By Liz Best

By sheer definition, Stephanie Robin is the living embodiment of a survivor, but she still hesitates to include that bold word in her day-to-day vocabulary.

She is understandably tentative, after spending the past seven years battling metastatic breast cancer. But this 43-year-old warrior is sure of one thing.

"I am thriving," said Robin, of Boca Raton.

At 36, Robin was diagnosed with Stage 4 breast cancer, had a bilateral mastectomy, hysterectomy and underwent chemotherapy treatments.

Now, her cancer has metastasized to her lungs and she is part of a cancer drug trial at Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital in New York City.

She says her cancer is 90 percent smaller now than when she started the trial and she hopes — tentatively, of course — that she is starting to see the light at the end of a very long tunnel.

"I am quite hopeful that this is my wonder drug," she said.

Robin's mother was diagnosed with breast cancer twice, but genetic testing wasn't as prevalent then as it is now. At the time, Robin had no idea that testing was available to determine if she carried the breast cancer gene — BRCA 1 and 2.

Once she had the test, she learned that she does indeed have the gene, and Robin has turned that bit of information into a tool of protection and, she hopes, prevention, for other women.

She and a friend, Elizabeth Weprin of Delray Beach, started with a simple idea of helping raise awareness about early detection and genetic testing. It has morphed into the series of nonprofit concerts called Think Pink Rocks, which is held every year at the Centre for the Arts at Mizner Park.

This year's concert begins at 7 p.m. on Nov. 5, and the lineup includes Flo Rida, Melanie Fiona, Ray J, Shontelle and *American Idol* star Brett Loewenstern.

A fitness enthusiast, certified CrossFit trainer and mother of two young children, Robin believes her active lifestyle also helps her cope with the debilitating side effects of cancer treatments, as well as the emotional fallout of dealing with a cancer diagnosis.

"One of the major secrets to my success is being fit. I love, love, love, love it. It's a large part of my survival," she said.

Being in good physical

condition also helps when it comes to being in good mental condition.

"I really do have the attitude that I can handle anything that comes my way," she said.

The other half of the battle is gathering as much information as possible and knowing your options.

"Knowledge is power." ★

Think Pink Rocks concert begins at 7 p.m. on Nov. 5 at the Centre for the Arts at Mizner Park. The lineup includes Flo Rida, Melanie Fiona, Ray J, Shontelle and American Idol star Brett Loewenstern. For more information on the Think Pink Rocks concert, see www.thinkpinkrocksconcert.com.



Stephanie Robin has survived Stage 4 breast cancer and is currently undergoing treatment for cancer in her lungs. Photo provided

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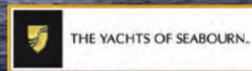
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Thanksgiving

Upper-crust treat for the holidays

Woman is an architect of pies

By Jan Norris

Being an architect and baking pies are a lot alike, Pam Blom says. “You have to think about the same things: structure and ratios of ingredients to create a good filling. Then you create the crust to hold up to the filling, and crimp the crust just so. You’re building a pie.”



Blom

Blom is an architect specializing in historic preservation who was affected by the economic downturn.

“When the economy went south, I was wondering what to do. I thought, the other thing I know how to do well is bake pies. So, here I am.”

She opened Pamela’s Pies in Lantana, where she shares space with baking entrepreneur Cakes by Lara. She sells pies at the bakery, the Lake Worth Farmers Market on Saturdays and at Andy’s Juice Bar in Lake Worth.

It’s a handed-down skill. “I learned to make pies from my grandmother, Hattie Mae. She would come to visit from Arkansas at the holidays and would always bake pies. She didn’t measure; I had to sit down with her and actually measure out what she put in to get the recipes,” Blom said.

Her favorites are fruit pies. “Back then, you used the fruit that was available — apples, cherries, plums, blueberry. But when I moved down here I thought there is no one doing pies — other than Key lime — that represent Florida’s fruits. I wasn’t seeing orange pies or grapefruit pie.”

She visited the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, where she found hundreds of recipe collections and cookbooks. “That’s where I got the grapefruit pie and sour orange pie.”

But she puts modern twists



Pam Blom was trained as an architect but learned the art of baking from her grandmother. Photos by Tim Stepien

Pamela’s Pies, at Cakes by Lara, 640 S. Dixie Highway, Lantana; 632-5520

on them. “I do a grapefruit-rose-petal cream pie. I make a tamarind-lime pie, using the base of a pecan pie.”

She makes the traditional — apple, cherry, pecan, pumpkin, chocolate — and will make pies by request. “I’ll even make your pie recipe for you if you like,” she said.

But for sales, she likes to mix it up. “I don’t want people coming to me and saying, ‘I can get that at Publix.’” Hence, the bombshell of a seller — an apple-lemon-poppysseed that was popular her first week at the Farmers Market.

“I do a Nutella chocolate pie, too. It’s really good.”

Ironically, she can’t eat her own pies — she’s allergic to wheat gluten. While she has some pies that are gluten-free, she’s not baking in a gluten-free environment.

“All my pies can be made gluten-free, using a tapioca or cornstarch instead of flour for the filling.” The crusts are



Pam Blom sells her pies at Cakes by Lara, the Lake Worth Farmers Market and Andy’s Juice Bar.

specially ordered; she can’t make ones as good as she can buy, she said. “I tried making my own, but it just wasn’t worth the effort when I can get a great commercially made one. I’m not into that much production yet, either.”

Right now, she’s still at

the point where she’s doing it almost all by hand: peeling the apples, rolling the dough, and making only a few at a time. “I just learned to use the food processor to mix the pie crust. Sure, I hope to get to the point where I can hire a helper, but I’m just starting out. People are

slowly finding out about me.”

She’d like to open her own bakery with a place to sit and enjoy a slice of pie. To her, pie is the ultimate feel-good food.

“Nothing says comfort like a slice of pie right out of the oven with a scoop of vanilla ice cream on top.” ★

Pamela Blom’s Two-Crust Apple Pie

For the crust:

2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 tablespoon sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 sticks (1 cup) unsalted butter, cut in 1/2-inch cubes
4 to 6 tablespoons ice water

For the filling:

3/4 cup sugar
1/4 cup cornstarch (or flour)
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon

dash salt
4 to 6 firm baking apples (like Granny Smith or Golden Delicious), peeled, cored, sliced into 1/2 inch-thick slices
2 tablespoons unsalted butter, cut into cubes

Make dough: Measure flour, sugar and salt and place in a small metal or glass bowl. Put bowl in refrigerator to chill for 30 minutes. Put cubed butter into freezer for 15 minutes.

Put dry ingredients into bowl of a food processor fitted with a steel blade.

Attach and lock lid and process. Add butter cubes a few at a time. Once all butter is in, stop machine. Pulse the ingredients until the butter in the mixture is the size of green peas. Do not overmix. Put machine on steady power again, adding 1 tablespoon ice water at time until the dough pulls away from the side. Stop immediately when this happens.

Remove dough to a work surface. Divide in two, and form each half into a firm, thick disk.

Wrap in plastic and refrigerate for 30 minutes or until needed.

Roll dough for bottom crust on a

lightly floured surface, working from center of dough outward in a spoke fashion, to a 12-inch circle. Fold dough in half and drape over rolling pin to lift into 9-inch pie plate. Fit dough gently into plate, pressing into edges of pan and pressing out any air bubbles.

Make filling: Combine sugar, cornstarch, nutmeg, cinnamon and salt in a small bowl. Peel, core and slice apples and layer into bottom crust, taking care to leave no gaps. Sprinkle with spice mixture and dot cubed butter over top.

Roll out dough for top crust as for

bottom, but rolling to an 11-inch circle. Gently lay top crust over pie, and tuck top edges over bottom firmly then crimp; trim excess as needed. Cut several vents in top of pie.

Bake pie on a baking sheet at 425 degrees for 15 minutes; cover rim of pie crust with a strip of aluminum foil to prevent over-browning. Continue to bake for 30 to 35 minutes more or until crust is evenly browned.

Carefully remove pie to cooling rack to cool. Serve hot with ice cream as desired.

Makes one 9-inch pie; 6 servings.



Roll chilled dough on a lightly floured surface, working from the center of the dough outward. Photos by Tim Stepien



Combine sugar, cornstarch, nutmeg, cinnamon and salt in a small bowl, then peel, core and slice apples.



Place the apples in the bottom crust and dot with butter. Leave no gaps in the filling. Gently lay top crust over pie.



After baking 15 minutes, cover the rim of the pie crust with a strip of aluminum foil to prevent over-browning.

Pamela's Pie Tips

- Chill pie dough ingredients, even the flour and sugar.
- Freeze the butter.
- Do not work the butter into the flour completely. Leave pea-sized pieces as these create the desirable flaky layers.
- Handle the pie dough gently and as little as possible; the heat from your hands melts the butter, making the dough tough.
- When filling with sliced fruit, such as apples or peaches, make thin, even slices so the fruit cooks evenly. Avoid gaps in the filling, which can create an air pocket.
- Bake the pie on a baking sheet and bake it until completely done. Err on the side of over-baking with pies.
- Cool the pie on an elevated rack to allow air to cool the bottom evenly. This prevents soggy crusts.

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Along the Coast

Coastal cities object to county billing for new department

By Steve Plunkett

Coastal communities are banding with their mainland counterparts to brand as an illegal tax the county's plan to bill municipalities for the new Inspector General's Office.

"This suit would not challenge the vote in regard to having an inspector general. That's water over the dam and we have an inspector general," Town Attorney John "Skip" Randolph told Gulf Stream commissioners.

"We feel the funding is really unfair to cities because our citizens in effect are paying twice," said Manalapan Town Attorney Trela White, who as lawyer for the Palm Beach County League of Cities circulated a series of talking points against the funding mechanism.

The county invoiced each

municipality for a share of the \$3.6 million needed to run the Inspector General's Office from June 1 this year to Sept. 30, 2012. It billed itself almost \$2 million. City bills for the 15-month period ranged from \$95 for Cloud Lake to \$381,237 for West Palm Beach.

"They could have an in-house inspector general for that cost," White said.

Supporting the lawsuit will not cost the coastal towns any money.

"One municipality is going to be bearing the cost of this lawsuit, the fees and the cost," Randolph said, not naming the city. "They are just seeking support of other municipalities."

Highland Beach Vice Mayor Miriam Zwick called the funding a "ridiculous waste of taxpayers' money" as she voted along with her colleagues to

join the suit.

White said the invoices cannot be considered a user fee.

"You have no idea whether the inspector general would provide any services during any given year as a matter of fact to any given municipality," she said.

Likewise, it isn't an impact fee or a special assessment, she said.

"So the analysis is it must be a tax," White said. "If it's a tax it must be authorized by state law or by the constitution, and there is nothing authorizing it."

The complaint will be for declaratory relief.

"It's asking the judge as a matter of law whether it's a valid funding process. It's not a jury trial or anything of that nature, so it should be relatively short," Manalapan Mayor Basil Diamond said. ★

Boca Raton

Hang a little history on your tree

Two new commemorative glass ornaments will debut at the Boca Raton Historical Society's Gift Shop Holiday Open House on Dec. 2 and 3.

The ornaments, designed by Boca Raton artist Barbara Montgomery O'Connell, include the house of pioneer



Thomas Rickards on the Intracoastal Waterway, and the original IBM building, in honor of IBM's 100th anniversary this year.

"I really enjoy painting buildings," says O'Connell. "That's my specialty."

A 20-year Boca resident, she has been designing the ornaments for the Historical Society as a volunteer since 1998. Other new items include tile coasters, trivets, and magnets depicting historic Boca scenes.



TOP: The society also will sell tiles from the Giles House, known as La Vieille Maison. LEFT: The Boca Raton Historical Society will sell ornaments by Barbara Montgomery O'Connell this season. Photos provided

And for the first time, recently recovered ceramic tiles from the Giles House (La Vieille Maison) will be for sale. ★

Admission to the Fire Bay Gift Shop open house is free. Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Historical Society is in Town Hall, 71 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton.

Lynn University to host presidential debate

Lynn University teaches American history.

Next year, it will make some.

The private university off Military Trail has been chosen to host the last of three presidential debates on Oct. 22, 2012, the nonpartisan Commission on Presidential Debates has announced.

President Obama and the Republican nominee will face off in the university's Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center for the last of three scheduled debates, just 15 days before the general election.

"Being an undergraduate or graduate student here on our campus when such a historic event takes place will provide a singular and unparalleled educational experience," Lynn President Kevin R. Ross said after the announcement.

"It is a tremendous challenge, by Lynn University will be prepared to welcome the nation to Florida for the final debate before the 2012 general election."

Lynn was one of 12 colleges and universities vying for the honor, and the only one in Florida to apply.

Florida Atlantic University hosted a Republican primary debate in 2008, but next year's meeting at Lynn University will mark the first time presidential candidates have faced each other in Palm Beach County.

The first two presidential debates will be held Oct. 3 at the University of Denver and Oct. 16 at Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y.

The vice presidential candidates will meet Oct. 11 at Centre College in Danville, Ky.

— Ron Hayes

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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Dr. Juliette The

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—I took the one less traveled by, And that has made all the difference.

— Robert Frost, *The Road Not Taken*

Like the poet Robert Frost, Dr. Juliette The (pronounced “tay”) of Highland Beach took the road less traveled, and it has made all the difference — not only for her, but for the hundreds of women she sees each year at the Center for Breast Care at Boca Raton Regional Hospital.

“I remember when I was trying to choose my specialty, breast imaging was actually very unpopular,” The said. “They had a hard time getting recruits for it. At the time, a lot of new technologies were emerging in other areas of radiology that my fellow interns found more exciting.”

As she completed medical school, The gravitated toward radiology, and since she wanted to work with female patients, she specialized in breast cancer screening and diagnosis. Her chosen path led her to a fellowship in mammography and body imaging at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City, then back home to South Florida to begin her medical career.

By this time, breast disease was no longer a hush-hush topic. Today, even professional football players wear hot-pink accessories in open support of breast cancer patients and survivors.

“Anything pink raises awareness,” said The, referring to the proliferation of pink products during October, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

As president of the South Florida Chapter of the American Cancer Society, The works hard to raise awareness and spread the “early detection” message, both at the office and in the community.

“Every woman in the U.S. has a 1-in-8 chance of developing breast cancer in her lifetime,” The said. “That’s why women should get mammograms each year starting at age 40.”

The is a breast cancer researcher, lecturer, and advanced imaging techniques course coordinator. In her free time, she enjoys distance running, yoga and travel. She



Dr Juliette The lives in Highland Beach and is president of the South County Chapter of the American Cancer Society. Photo by Tim Stepien

has visited 27 countries in her 38 years, including India, Vietnam and Haiti.

A newlywed, The in August married Leo Cid, who owns a boat repair facility in Delray Beach.

They met on a boat ride arranged by The’s neighbor specifically to get the two together. Sometimes the road less traveled even comes with a good matchmaker.

— Paula Detwiller

Q. Where did you grow up and go to school?

A. I grew up in Lake Worth and my parents still live in the same house. I went to school at Cardinal Newman High School in West Palm Beach. I went to both college and medical school at the University of Florida. I then did a radiology residency at Cornell Medical Center and a fellowship specializing in breast and body imaging at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, both in Manhattan.

Q. What are some highlights of your professional life?

A. I specialize in breast imaging, and read over 1,000 mammograms a year. Any time I find a breast cancer on a screening mammogram it’s very rewarding because that means we have intervened at an early stage.

A woman’s prognosis is usually better when a cancer is found early, before symptoms arise.

Other highlights include the special relationships I have developed with my coworkers, staff and patients. I have been with the same job at the Center for Breast Care and Diagnostic Centers of America since I left training, and I feel that is a blessing.

I was also a first author in an article regarding computer-aided detection of breast cancer in the *American Journal of Roentgenology*, a major radiology publication journal, in February 2009.

I am the president of the South Palm Beach County chapter of the American Cancer Society and I have met some incredible people and heard some inspiring stories that make my career and my time volunteering worthwhile.

Q. Were you always interested in science? When did you know you wanted to be a doctor?

A. My father was a physician, so I was exposed to medicine from an early age. I liked science and learning how things work, and I also like being around people and helping people. So I always knew I wanted to be a doctor.

My two sisters also work in health professions. One is an oncologist in Boynton Beach, the other is an assistant professor of public health at Furman University in South Carolina.

Q. How did you choose to make your home in Highland Beach?

A. When I first began working my career in Boca Raton and Delray Beach six years ago, I lived with my parents in Lake Worth.

I went to a party at a friend’s apartment one night in Highland Beach on Bel Air Drive and I fell in love with the area.

Q. What is your favorite part about living in

Highland Beach?

A. Many things, but I love the energy of all the people exercising outside. I also love seeing the ocean as I drive to work every day. I love relaxing on the beach with my husband and dog, and the sunsets from the balcony.

Q. What is your biggest challenge as president of the South Florida Chapter of the American Cancer Society?

A. The biggest challenge for me is to recruit volunteers and keep them engaged in the American Cancer Society’s mission, which is to eliminate cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service. Another challenge is that I become nervous before I speak in front of a crowd.

Q. If someone made a movie of your life, who would you like to play you and why?

A. Catherine Zeta-Jones — she is a *femme fatale*!

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

A. The song *500 Miles* by The Proclaimers gets me going. When I want to relax, most instrumental music/movie theme soundtracks are great.

Q. What do people not know about you that you wish they would?

A. I love to dance. I even won a dance contest with a friend of mine while on vacation in Belize.

Q. Have you had mentors in your life? Individuals who have inspired your life decisions?

A. Yes. Dr. Kathy Schilling is my mentor. She is a pioneer in breast imaging and started the Center for Breast Care at Boca Raton Regional Hospital more than 20 years ago. Can you imagine trying to convince the hospital and other male coworkers that we needed a whole building to do breast imaging in the mid-1980s?

She is a visionary and an outstanding leader, and gently pushes me beyond the limits of what I think I can do.



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Along the Coast

Going home

Sea turtle hatchlings displaced by Hurricane Irene in late August were transported out to sea by volunteers and staff of Gumbo Limbo Nature Center in Boca Raton on Oct. 20. At far right, Gumbo Limbo Volunteer Coordinator Debbie Wilson says goodbye to the baby turtles as she gently drops them into the water. The green sea turtle and loggerhead sea turtle hatchlings were transferred to a cooler for the boat ride, then deposited into patches of sargassum—floating seaweed 'salad bars'—about three miles offshore. In the days after Hurricane Irene, coastal residents rescued more than 300 disoriented and exhausted sea turtle hatchlings and took them to Gumbo Limbo. Despite the storm's effects, an estimated record-high of 20,000 sea turtle nests were counted on Palm Beach County's coastline during the 2011 nesting season, which ended Oct. 31. **Photos by Paula Detwiller**



Highland Beach

Suspended manager sues town following email flap

By Steve Plunkett

Former Town Manager Dale Sugerman has sued the town, arguing his suspension and the subsequent non-renewal of his contract amount to an "unlawful ouster."



Sugerman

The suit, filed Oct. 3 in Palm Beach County Circuit Court, claims Sugerman's employment agreement was breached and names the town as a defendant as well as Commissioner Doris Trinley, former Commissioner John Sorrelli and former Mayor Jim Newill.

Those three officials "led the charge" not to extend Sugerman's employment when they learned he planned to suspend Town Clerk Beverly Brown for four weeks without pay for emailing offensive jokes at work on her official computer, the suit says.

"Indeed, the emails rose to the level of hate mail decrying the inability in today's society of 'White America' to be proud of their race," the suit says.

Sugerman argues in the suit that his employment contract could be terminated at any time by a commission majority or by himself, "but in no event could it not be renewed." The contract stated that after June 30, 2011, the agreement "shall

automatically be renewed" on a year-to-year basis for three additional one-year terms, the suit says.

Because Sugerman's employment could end only with a termination, "whatever the word choice of the then-Commission," he is entitled to an agreed-upon one year's severance pay plus accrued vacation and sick time and 12 months of health insurance, the suit contends.

It also says Newill, Sorrelli and Trinley "embarked on a deliberate mission to harm Plaintiff's reputation." In an evaluation, the suit says, Newill described Sugerman's managerial skills as he "seems to rotate from department head to department head with a vendetta style of operating"

and said he "creates a great deal of stress in the workplace."

For an action plan, Newill wrote that Sugerman was "on suspension and contract ended so the point becomes mute [sic]."

Trinley, who reported to Sugerman as town clerk before she retired and won office, put in her evaluation that he "plays favorites; sends wrong message to subordinates" and "often uses his position to 'cow' personnel," the suit says.

Sorrelli, the suit says, wrote in his evaluation that "employee relations are at an all-time low" and that Sugerman "creates stress throughout town. Rules employees with an iron fist." Sorrelli added that Sugerman's weak points could be strengthened by "looking for another job."

The lawsuit seeks damages in excess of \$30,000 apiece from the town, Sorrelli, Newill and Trinley, plus attorney's fees and costs.

As a prelude to the suit,

Sugerman's lawyer Elana Gloetzner wrote Highland Beach demanding the town pay \$166,114 in severance pay, \$31,567 for accrued time, health and medical benefits for a year and \$12,100 for attorney's fees.

"Moreover," she wrote, "Dr. Sugerman requires a written public apology, approved by the Town Commission at a duly called meeting of the same, and clarification that he is not at fault for any wrongdoing in connection with his employment by the Town."

Sugerman was banished from Highland Beach for five months with pay on Feb. 1.

In April, an independent hearing officer agreed with Town Attorney Tom Sliney that Brown should be punished with a written reprimand instead of Sugerman's proposed unpaid suspension. Sliney recommended the town not pay Brown's \$6,000 legal bill, equal almost to one month's salary, because she did not dispute sending the emails.★



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Town leaders ask residents: How can we do better?

By Steve Plunkett

Town government wants reassurance that its doing the job town residents expect and also wants to know what it could do better.

A 14-question survey has been mailed to each address in Highland Beach and encourages residents to make copies for everyone in the household or pick up extras at Town Hall. It also can be filled out online; go to <http://fl-highlandbeach.civicplus.com> and click on "Resident Survey."

"We want to look ahead for Highland Beach to make it better than it is now," Mayor Bernard Featherman said when he first raised the idea last summer.

Residents and commissioners collaborated

on the questions. Lou Stern, who sits on the Board of Adjustment and Appeals, suggested asking about the town's water quality. Commissioner Doris Trinley wondered what people think of paying an additional tax to clean the beaches.

Other questions ask about the quality of living in Highland Beach, whether a resident wants to serve on an advisory board and if residents feel the municipal staff is knowledgeable and responsive. There are items on the library, the town's website and newsletter, and cable TV's local channel 95.

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Workers from Balfour Beatty and James A. Cummings Construction Companies unfurl an immense American flag as part of the opening day dedication ceremony for the new 30,000-seat football stadium at Florida Atlantic University. FAU's Fighting Owls are led by Coach Howard Schnellenberger. Photo by Jerry Lower

Gift puts Children's Museum in Beanie Baby heaven

Thanks to local toy lover and collector Anna Rua, the Boca Raton Children's Museum has a wealth of Beanie Babies.

Rua, who has been collecting the handmade stuffed animals since the

collectibles came out in 1993, donated more than 100 Beanie Babies, as well as other toys, to the museum this fall.

Beanie Babies are stuffed animals made by Ty Inc.

Nine Beanies were released the first year and now there

are more than 500. They became collectibles in 1995.

"The first time I saw this museum I was completely blown away," Rua said. "I couldn't do enough for the children."

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Paws Up for Pets

Top dog in animal behavior coming to town

In my office, the number of books on dogs and cats fills a bookcase that spans nearly an entire wall. They are written by some of the best veterinarians and animal behaviorists. I cherish five books because they are written by the person I regard as the best when it comes to merging veterinary medicine with companion animal behavior — Nicholas Dodman, BVMS.

For nearly 10 years, I worked as an investigative reporter for the *Sun-Sentinel*. Day 1 on the job an editor told me that he had one rule he wanted all of his reporters to heed: "If your mother says she loves you, check it out."

Great advice then and now. For the past dozen years, I've applied my journalistic skills in the pet world. During this time, I've had the opportunity to observe Dodman interact with dogs and cats in his role as director of the world-renowned Animal Behavior Clinic at Tufts University in Medford, Mass. I've read his peer-reviewed studies and best-selling books. I've interviewed him for various publications and invited him as a guest on my *Oh Behave* show on Pet Life Radio.

As editor of *Catnip*, the national monthly affiliated with Tufts University, I work closely with Dodman on stories appearing in the publication as well as in our sister magazine, *Your Dog*. I've checked him out — he is the real deal. And he is coming to South Florida.

He is presenting two comprehensive behavior workshops on dogs and cats Nov. 4-6 at Florida Atlantic University in Davie. You can choose the two- or three-day workshop, and both merit continuing education credits for professional dog



Nicholas Dodman, editor of *Catnip* magazine, will speak about animal behavior. Photo provided

trainers, veterinarians and behaviorists. If you are a dedicated pet owner/parent/guardian (you pick the term that best describes you), this is a rare opportunity to spend a few days with a man who has dedicated his career to understanding why cats and dogs do what they do and in finding solutions to make them happy and healthy pets.

His workshops will cover dominance and conflict aggression, separation anxiety, phobias, compulsive behaviors, medical causes of behavior problems, the role of psychopharmacology in addressing behavior issues and much more. He will also offer his seven-step plan to producing a happy, healthy, well-adjusted pet.

To learn more about his workshops, visit www.thepetdocs.com/events. And, if you can't attend in person, you can buy DVDs from his workshops. Prices and times

are posted on the site.

It is hard for Dodman to stay out of the headlines. In the early 1990s, he pioneered the use of Prozac in pets as a pharmacological control of obsessive-compulsive disorders, aggression and separation anxiety. Some pets are weaned off the drug, while others are kept on it for the rest of their lives.

A few years ago, he led a team of scientists in discovering the canine chromosome linked to sucking on flanks — an obsessive behavior displayed in Doberman pinschers.

Results of his study have opened the door for experts to look at other types of obsessive behaviors in dogs of all breeds.

He appears regularly on radio and television, including *20/20*, *Today*, *Good Morning America*, *Dateline*, Discovery Channel, *Animal Planet*, NPR and CNN's *Headline News*.

He serves as a columnist and blogger for Martha Stewart's *Whole Living* magazine and writes a behavior blog for Victoria Stilwell's *Positively.com* site.

And yes, he is the guy who authored five best sellers based on his case studies involving dogs and cats contending with various degrees of behavior issues: *The Dog Who Loved Too Much*, *The Cat Who Cried for Help*, *Dogs Behaving Badly*, *If Only They Could Speak* and *The Well-Adjusted Dog*. Most recently, he served as editor for the breakthrough book on senior dogs called *Good Old Dog*, which features key Tufts faculty members and their insights into care for aging canines.

"We wrote this book because we realized that there is a big void of knowledge about how to care for senior dogs," he told me. "For starters, it is time to recognize that old age is not a disease. It is simply a stage of life."

He added, "Yes, muzzles do gray; metabolisms do slow down; bone density does decrease as a dog ages. But these are all simply normal physiologic shifts as a dog enters his geriatric years."

That's ageless advice from the veterinary behaviorist who has been improving the lives of dogs and cats for decades.

Arden Moore, founder of *FourLeggedLife.com*, is an animal behavior consultant, editor, author, professional speaker and certified pet first aid instructor. She happily shares her home with two dogs, two cats and one overworked vacuum cleaner.

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Society Spotlight

Celebration of Hope, Pink Strides Event

Bobby Campbell's home, Boca Raton



Kelly Bensimon, host Bobby Campbell and Senada Adžem, who organized and co-hosted the event.

YMCA of South Palm Beach County Launches Annual Community Support Campaign

Energizing Event, Delray Beach Club



YMCA of South Palm Beach County board members Randy Nobles, Charles Hill Jr. and YMCA of South Palm Beach County CEO, Richard Pollock.

Propel Golf Classic

Boca Lago



Propel co-founder James Batmasian surrounded by Propel participants.

Junior League works at Community Garden

Downtown Boca Raton



Junior League of Boca Raton members Lisa Hanes (left) and Patrice Gramberg line a planting bed at the Community Garden near the library.

Soroptimist International Hosts Women of Distinction 38th Annual Awards Breakfast

Boca West Country Club



Father Michael Kissane, Elaine J. Wold, Albert Johnson and Helen Babione.



Volunteer of the Year Luncheon

Boca Raton Resort & Club

The Junior League of Boca Raton named Lu-Lu Thomas its Woman Volunteer of the Year (see story, page 2).

Pictured: Katharine Dickenson and Maggie Dickenson. Photo by Tim Stepien

Boca Heart Ball

Feb. 25, Woodfield Country Club

The 30th Annual Boca Raton Heart Ball has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m.-midnight Feb. 25 at Woodfield Country club.

Chairs this year will be Caren and Michael Weinberg (at left).

Honorees are:
Community Honoree: Marleen Forkas
Medical Honoree: Dr. James Morris
Sports Honoree: Howard Schnellenberger

Tickets are \$325.

Money raised will help pay for local research and education for cardiovascular disease, as well as children's programs and emergency preparedness.

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All photos provided

Health & Harmony

Feel the exhilaration of a bike ride to nowhere

To the casual observer, Spinning is a strange fitness routine. It's a group bicycle ride to nowhere, usually done in a darkened room with loud, pulsating music. A drill sergeant in spandex shouts above the din: "Third position! Keep it going! WooHooo!" Sweat drips from the riders as they lean forward on the trademarked stationary bikes and pump their legs harder, faster to their just rewards: burning between 400 and 600 calories in one hour.

There's no denying it: Spinning can be grueling, especially for beginners. But to coastal-area fitness lovers, it's one of the best cardio-pulmonary exercises around.

"I get bored doing the other stuff," says 68-year-old Ron Secreto, who spins three times a week at Fitness Now in Boca Raton. "I do it for the cardio workout. It keeps me young."

Kayla L., a woman in her 50s who takes spin classes at Level 5 Fitness in Delray Beach, says she feels invigorated afterward, and sleeps better at night. "I have young guys flirt with me here at the gym," she half-jokes, "and I think it's because of the spinning."

Spinning made its debut in California in the late 1980s when endurance cyclist "Johnny G" Goldberg invented a sturdy indoor cycle with a large-mass braked flywheel to simulate actual road conditions. As group indoor cycling caught on, Spinner bikes were mass-produced and shipped to gyms around the planet.

Fitness Now spin instructor Kathryn Castello, 43, says Spinning is perfect for people of all ages and fitness levels. "It's your own ride. You can make the tension as high or low as you want."

Castello says as long as you pedal with your feet flat and parallel to the floor, Spinning is safe and actually good for the knees. It strengthens muscles in the legs, knees, and tush and helps us balance as we age.

Sonny Van Arnhem, a spin devotee from Gulf Stream who is 70 but looks 60, participates in spin classes three days a week. "Spin is a form of meditation," he says. "You get your heart rate up and you just get into it."

And you don't need to join a gym — or endure an hour of ear-splitting music in the dark — to give Spinning a try.

Just show up at Oceanfront Park in Boynton Beach around 6:30 a.m. Monday through Sunday. You'll find a public spin class held on the



Instructors Monika Rekola and Shanon Aylward enjoy the view of the Intracoastal while Manager Jim O'Keefe leads a demonstration spinning class on the second floor patio of The Gym in Manalapan. **Photo by Jerry Lower**

deck overlooking the ocean, taught by a certified spin instructor.

Organized by local fitness crusader Susan Mandell in conjunction with the Boynton Beach Recreation and Parks Department, the classes are intended to give people from all walks of life a chance to improve their health and wellness. Cost of admission: whatever you can afford.

"We have the best oxygen out here," Mandell says. "The other day we were Spinning in front of a double rainbow while it was raining, and it was absolutely phenomenal."

One of Mandell's newest recruits, 50-year-old Chris Geletka of Hypoluxo, says he's hooked. "I didn't realize how much of a cardio workout this is. But how many people get to look at the ocean while they're working out?"



Paula Detwiller is a freelance writer and lifelong fitness junkie. Find her at www.pdwrites.com.

Where to spin

The Gym
250 S. Ocean Blvd.
(Plaza del Mar shopping plaza)
Manalapan
582-7112
www.thegymmanalapanfl.com/
Spin classes free with membership. Classes held five days a week, indoors or outdoors with water view (weather permitting).

Lantana Fitness
700 W. Lantana Road
Lantana
585-3300
www.lantanafitness.com
Spin classes free with membership. Offered three times a week, indoors.

Oceanfront Park
6415 N. Ocean Blvd.
Ocean Ridge
Taught in conjunction with Boynton Beach Parks & Recreation Dept.
Contact Instructor Susan Mandell: 287-0953
Open to the public, free will donations accepted.
Monday-Sunday starting at 6:30 a.m. Participants share five spin bikes placed on deck overlooking the ocean.

Level 5 Fitness & Conditioning
3155 S. Federal Highway
Delray Beach
819-6999
www.level5fitness.com
Spin classes free with membership. Classes offered seven days a week, indoors.

Fitness Now
499 NE Spanish River Blvd.
Boca Raton
910-1600
www.fitnessnowbocaraton.com
Spin classes free with membership. Classes offered 7 days a week, indoors.

1st Annual



Blue Water Run

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2011

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SANDOWAY HOUSE NATURE CENTER

The Sandoway House Nature Center will host the first annual 5K Run/Walk and a 1K Doggie Dash/Walk along A1A and the beautiful Atlantic Ocean. With the sun rising over the ocean and palm trees swaying in the morning breeze, this is sure to be a great day!

Stop by Sandoway House Nature Center, Delray Beach City Hall, or the Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce to pick up your registration brochure, or register online at www.accuchiptiming.com. All proceeds benefit Sandoway House Nature Center. Sponsorship and volunteer opportunities are available, for more information please visit our website at www.sandowayhouse.org or contact the nature center at 561-274-7263.

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InterFaith21

Getting blessings,
one tweet at a time

Seeking something different for a Thanksgiving essay brought the intriguing thought of marrying the theme of this column — spiritual perspectives on uniting humanity — and my fascination with new media technology.

That led to the idea of considering Thanksgiving in the context of that phenomenon known as Twitter — “an online social networking and microblogging service,” according to Wikipedia.com, “that enables its users to send and read text-based posts of up to 140 characters, informally known as ‘tweets.’”

In seeking Thanksgiving tweets, I ultimately sent an email to local spiritual leaders (primarily fellow members of the Delray Beach Interfaith Clergy Association, which I serve as a co-president), that concluded along the lines of: “OK, Friends, please get tweeting, and help a brother out :)”

And in the spirit of Thanksgiving, the response — whether from tweet newbies or the techno proficient — was gratifying.

A sampling includes this from the rabbinical coordinator for Hospice of Palm Beach County and past co-president of DBICA:

“Dear C.B., Unfortunately, I doubt that I can provide you with a meaningful Thanksgiving Day thought if limited to 140 characters, including spaces. Nonetheless, I’ll submit the following for your consideration. Please feel free to edit it if need be. Your friend and colleague, Rabbi Chaim Wender.”

His submission: “It is essential that we realize that authentic Thanksgiving involves not only giving thanks, but also giving. And while that giving may very well be of a material nature, to those who are materially lacking, I would also commend another mode of giving, namely, the giving of good cheer. Let us earnestly endeavor to give to all we meet a cheerful countenance, a helping hand, and a word of encouragement.”

Beautiful, Rabbi Wender. The first sentence met the Twitter test at 110, but thanks for the rest, which highlights the challenge.

Almost simultaneously, from Mack Sigmon, interim pastor at the First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, came, “Here is my tweet that you will find on my twitter page @congapadre”: “Thanks-giving is not just a holiday — it is a way of life. The thankful heart lights a

candle of hope in dark places and difficult times.”

Yes, “follow” him at Twitter.com, folks.



Arflin

“Not really all that comfortable with Twitter,” said Ron Arflin, Abbey Delray South’s director of pastoral services and my DBICA co-president. “Never used it before. Perhaps another time.”

Yet, not long after he wrote that, came this, which touched my spirit: “What I appreciate is that people of all faiths as well as those who claim no faith participate in Thanksgiving. Gratitude can transform relationships.”

That was 10 characters over 140 when I plugged it into a Twitter window, but carried 10 tons of import.



Hayward

“At this time of Grateful Awareness,” wrote the Rev. Paula Hayward, DBICA secretary, “Our obligations are to God for God’s continued unlimited good to us.”

Thanks to Paula, who always focuses on the good in everything and everyone.



Gannon

One last tweet: “CB, Here are 26 words — 135 characters with spaces! ‘Give thanks, with a grateful heart ... I respond to God with my heart, soul, mind and hands as I prepare a wonderful meal for those I love!’ Blessings, Kathleen.”

That would be the Rev. Kathleen Gannon of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Delray Beach.

As it turned out, this Thanksgiving techno-haiku brought sentiments I wasn’t expecting, and my gratitude for them.

If you agree this was fun, let’s try it again next month. Send your winter holiday tweets to @CBHanif, and I’ll share some — 140 characters or less, including spaces.

Meanwhile, a blessed Thanksgiving all.

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Obituaries

Wilma Ann Elmore

By Ron Hayes

GULF STEAM — Wilma Ann and George Elmore moved to Delray Beach in the early 1950s and started a small paving business they named Hardrives. George paved



driveways for \$125 each. Wilma did the books. And kept the house. And raised the children. They were young newlyweds, scraping by, building a business, building a life.

“We started from scratch,” their son Craig recalls, “but Dad always told us that whatever you get out of the community you need to give back to the community.”

Wilma Ann Elmore never betrayed that commitment.

By the time of her death at 81 on Oct. 21, Mrs. Elmore had been a generous supporter — in both money and time — of Lynn University and the Boca Raton Regional Hospital, of the Kravis Center and Florida Atlantic University.

In the early 1970s, Mrs. Elmore was a founder and president of Lynn University’s Excaliber Society, establishing an endowed scholarship that grew to more than \$750,000.

“She was a very serious, dedicated woman,” said John Gallo, now the university’s senior major gifts officer. “She

was very kind, and when she took over a job to get something done, she did it and did it well.”

Judy Mitchell, CEO of the Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, found that out when Mrs. Elmore served on its advisory board and development committee back in the 1980s.

“She was just an excellent advocate for our project,” Mitchell said, “but really for arts and culture in the community in general. She and George continued to be involved even when she was no longer on the board. I remember she once arranged to have that Lynn University group she put together come to the Kravis Center for their scholarship program. She was networking before that became a popular term.”

When the Caldwell Theatre prepared to build its own theater several years ago, George Elmore brought his expertise in the construction industry, and Mrs. Elmore brought her love of theater.

“She was involved with us for probably 15 or 20 years,” remembers Clive Cholerton, the theater’s artistic director. “I know it sounds like a cliché, but the leadership they showed was invaluable. She wasn’t just about writing checks. She rolled up her sleeves and got involved.”

Mrs. Elmore helped design the parsonage at First United Methodist Church of Boca

Raton. She served on the board of the Palm Beach County Cultural Council and the founding board of the Old School Square cultural center in Delray Beach. She was a former president of FAU’s Volunteer League and vice president of the FAU Foundation.

Mrs. Elmore was born March 11, 1930, in Santa Monica, Calif. She came to South Florida in the late 1940s, where she met her husband.

During their six decades in Palm Beach County, the Elmores lived in Delray Beach, Boca Raton and, most recently, Gulf Stream, where Mayor Bill Koch was an old friend.

“When they started, that paving business was nothing but a roller and a truck down on Federal Highway on a little lot,” Koch recalled. “He did my driveway, which is still there. But behind every successful man, there’s a woman, and she was there.”

In addition to her husband and son Craig, Mrs. Elmore is survived by a daughter, Debra, of Hypoluxo; three grandchildren, Thomas, of Okeechobee; Amy, of High Springs, and Jesse of Boynton Beach, as well as great grandchildren, Tyler James and Tucker Jackson Elmore of Okeechobee.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations to the Old School Square Crest Theater Memorial Fund, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach, FL 33444.

Along the Coast

New speed zones are for protection of manatees

By Tim O’Meilia

Manatees — those lovable, lumbering, cow-faced, half-ton marine mammals that putter along in Palm Beach County’s Intracoastal Waterway — will get extra protection from boaters this winter from six new boating speed zones in south county waters.

The zones, aimed at protecting both boaters and manatees, went into effect in March when the last of the speed limit signs were erected. But the warm-water-seeking sea cows will benefit this winter as they migrate south.

Official manatee season, from Nov. 15 until March 31, urges boaters to watch out for the cow-like snouts of outsized gray mammals or their tell-tale half-moon swirls of water.

“Manatees are basically migratory. They’re trying to escape the cold water and head south this time of year,” said biologist Scott Calleson of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

The zones are in effect 300 feet north and south of six south county bridges spanning the Intracoastal Waterway: Southern Boulevard, Lake

Worth Road, Woolbright Road, George Bush Boulevard, Spanish River Boulevard and Palmetto Park Road.

The signs require either no speed, minimum wake or idle speed, no wake. The rules are in effect year round.

“Palm Beach County has tried to do a good bit of public outreach to make sure people know about the new zones,” Calleson said.

So far this year, three manatees have been killed by watercraft in county waters, compared with two for all of 2010. Five have died from the effects of cold weather in 2011, compared with six in 2010.

The winter months are the most dangerous for the sea cows so the current year totals will likely increase. All told, 18 manatees died in Palm Beach County last year, 11 in 2011.

The county’s Manatee Protection Plan pays for more than 2,300 hours of extra patrolling along the coast during manatee season, but that doesn’t include the Intracoastal Waterway, which is the jurisdiction of the FWC.

During the 2010-11 manatee season, marine officers logged 2,193 hours on the water,

issuing 292 citations, including 188 for manatee speed zone violations. They handed out 1,273 manatee zone warnings.

An unusual 12-day cold spell in January 2010 led to a recording-setting 788 manatee deaths statewide that year, 18 in the county. So far this year, 385 have died, 11 locally.

State and local wildlife officials are more concerned about the north Lake Worth Lagoon, where a Florida Power & Light power plant is located. Although the plant is closed, a \$4.5 million heater keeps the water warm for the manatees.

Since February 2009, aerial surveys have counted 4,869 manatees in county waters, mostly concentrated near the FPL plant and largely in December and January.

In south county, 689 manatees were counted between the south end of the Lake Worth Lagoon and the Hillsboro Inlet at the Palm Beach-Broward county line.

“It’s hard to say whether there’s more or fewer manatees year-to-year because there’s much variability in the weather,” Calleson said. “There’s a lot of random chance involved.” ★

Community Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 10/28. Please check with organizers for any changes.

NOVEMBER 5

Saturday - 11/5 - Previously Owned Treasure Sale at Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. 7-11 am. Free entry, table space available for purchase. 367-7035 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/specialevents/misc.shtm.

11/5 - Art Exhibit: Claire V. Dorst and Ana M. Viola-Prioli at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Exhibit continues through 11/28. Hours: M-F 8 am-10 pm, Sat. 8 am-5 pm, Sun./Holidays 10 am-5 pm. Free. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/5 - Art Exhibit at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. *Aesthetic Explorations and Eyes Of My Soul: Photographs* by Nathan Selikoff and Russell Levine. Exhibit runs through 12/29. M-Th: 10 am-8 pm, F: 10 am-4 pm, Sat.: 9 am-1 pm. Free. 278-7579 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/5 - Workshop: The Journey Inward - Presented as part of the Peaceful Mind/Peaceful World Series at FAU Senate Chambers, Student Union, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. This workshop begins with a discussion by Barb Schmidt and Adriana Faraldo on the use of a mantra or Sacred Friend, *The Journey Inward* will include a lecture by Leslie Glickman, followed by a Yin Yoga practice that will offer an opportunity to experience a unique type of yoga that is long, slow, quiet and profound. 9:30 am-2:30 pm. \$25/Includes lunch. 297-2337 or www.fauf.org/peaceful.

11/5 - Zumba Class - Saturdays at the Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Zumba fuses Latin rhythms and easy to follow moves that create a dynamic workout system. 9:30-10:30 am. Per class: \$15/resident, \$18.75/non-resident; Per 4 weeks: \$50/residents, \$63/non-resident; Per 8 weeks: \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. For more specific class information contact instructor Nicole Rosen (954) 471-6425 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/5 - Judo Class - Saturdays at the Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Classes consist of warm-up exercises, instruction, practice and tournament training. For all ages. 10 am-noon. Per month: \$21.50/resident, \$27/non-resident. 393-7807 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/5 - Exhibit: Robot Carnival at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Robotics is a type of engineering science and technology that is relevant to every aspect of our daily lives. Visitors who enter the Robot Carnival learn about the process of engineering - the design process, building, testing and modifying. Features 12 exhibit stations with interactive voice recorded instructions. Stations allow for multi-person interaction with a variety of robot designs. Exhibit runs through 1/16/12. M-F: 9 am-6 pm, Weekends/holidays: 10 am-5 pm. \$5 suggested donation. 347-3912 or www.scienceexplorium.org.

11/5 - Drop-In Story time - Music, stories, fun finger plays and action songs stimulate learning at this weekly program at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For children accompanied by an adult. Held again 11/12, 19, 26 & 12/3. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/5 - Meet The Artist Reception: Claire V. Dorst: A Retrospective and Ana M. Viola-Prioli at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Exhibit continues through 10/28. 11 am. Free. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/5 - Tweens & Teens at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Events/activities for children ages 12 and up. Held most Saturdays. 11 am. Free. Please register one week in advance for each program. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/5 - Science Stories at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca

Raton. Hear your favorite science inspired stories. For ages 5 and up. Held weekly on Saturday. 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912 or www.scienceexplorium.org.

11/5 - Tea Ceremony workshop at the Seishin-an Teahouse, The Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. Participants will become familiar with how to be a guest should you be invited to a Tea Ceremony, make a bowl of tea and serve it to a guest. This workshop is a pre-requisite for those who have never taken a tea ceremony class but with to start studying saod. Advance registration required. \$35. 1-3 pm. 495-0233 Ext. 237 or www.morikami.org.

11/5 - Biennial Faculty Exhibition at FAU's Schmidt and Ritter Galleries, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. The exhibition features recent art by 37 artists that teach in three University programs, including the department of visual arts and art history, the School of Communication and Multimedia Studies, and the School of Architecture. Runs through 11/12. T-F: 1-4 pm, Sat.: 1-5 pm. Free. 297-2966 or www.fau.edu/galleries.

11/5 - Beauty and the Beast at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd., Ste. 73, Boca Raton. Held again 11/12 & 19. 2 pm. \$14/adults, \$10/children. 394-2626 or www.ShowtimeBoca.com.

11/5 - After The Revolution at the Caldwell Theatre, Count de Hoernle Theatre, 7901 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. Show runs through 11/20. W-Sat. 8 pm; W, Sat. & Sun. 2 pm. Tickets \$27-\$50, depending upon seating and date of performance; Full time students \$10. 241-7432 or www.caldwelltheatre.com.

11/5 - Think Pink Rocks 4th Annual Charity Concert at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Performances by Flo Rida, Melanie Fiona, Ray J, Shontelle, DJ Cassidy along with American Idol semi-finalist Brett Loewenstern. Proceeds will benefit the Boca Raton Community Hospital Women's Center for Breast Care and other breast cancer research charities. No coolers, chairs, pets, umbrellas, outside food or beverages or backpacks. \$45/adults; \$25/children ages 4-10. Doors open 6 pm, concert 7-11 pm. 888-612-4190 or www.thinkpinkrocks.com.

11/5 - Boca Raton GreenMarket is held each Saturday, through 5/12/12, Royal Palm Place Southwest Parking Lot, intersection of South Federal Highway and South Mizner Boulevard. 8 am-1 pm. Free. 368-6875 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/5 - Concert: J.E.T.: The All-Girl Band at the Pine Crest Parents' Association Performing Arts Center, Pine Crest School, 2700 St. Andrews Blvd., Boca Raton. Proceeds benefit charter schools that serve children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. J.E.T. is made up of Jackie De Los Santos, Elena Correia, and Teresa Flores-Diaz. They will be joined by award winning and Grammy nominee artists: Randi Fishenfeld on violin, Luis Disla on saxophone, Mike Di Liddo on guitar and other special guests. \$25-\$60. 7:30 pm. 954-701-9567 or www.jetband1.com.

11/5 - Moonlight Serenade at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave., Boca Raton. Once a month on a Saturday night, gather to recite a special blessing called Kiddush Levanah, praising the Creator for His wondrous work we call astronomy. Featuring live music, hot food and cold drinks. Held again 7:30 pm 12/3. 8 pm. Free. 417-7797 or www.chabadbocabeaches.com.

11/5-6 - Science Demonstrations at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Hear science inspired stories. For ages 5 and up. Held weekly on Sat. & Sun. 3:30 pm. Free. 347-3912 or www.scienceexplorium.org.

11/5-6 - Tale of the Allergist's Wife - Presented by the Boca Raton Theatre Guild at the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Rated R. Held again 11/10, 12-13, 17-20. R: 8 pm; F

Municipal Meetings

11/1 & 12/26 - Highland Beach - First Tuesday of each month at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S. Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda available at www.ci.highland-beach.fl.us.

11/8 & 11/22 - Boca Raton - Second & fourth Tuesday of each month at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W. Palmetto Park Road. 6 pm. Agenda available at www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

& Sat.: 8 pm; Sat. & Sun. 2 pm. \$18/adults; \$10/students with valid ID. 347-3900 or www.willowtheatre.org.

11/5-6 - Wyland Living Green Fair is held at Mizner Park, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Farmer's market, wine & beer garden, natural food tasting, live music, kids activities and more. Sat.: 11 am-6:30 pm; Sun.: noon-5 pm. One day pass: \$10/adults, \$5/children; Two-day pass: \$15/adults, \$7.50/children. 888-302-5444 or www.livinggreenfair.com.

11/5-6 - Yoga Workout at the Beach - Held every Saturday and Sunday at Red Reef Park West, 1221 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Build strength and flexibility, improve postural alignment and stabilize the core. Registration can be done at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., or on-site before a class begins. Parking passes can only be obtained through the Community Center. Classes are held on the grass overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway. Cash will not be accepted on-site. 10-11 am. \$15/residents, \$19/non-residents per class, or 60 day membership (unlimited classes) for \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents. 393-7807 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

NOVEMBER 6-12

Sunday - 11/6 - Daylight Savings Time Ends at 2 am.

11/6 - 11th Annual Sun Capital Partners Half Marathon & 5K Run/Walk at Spanish River Park, 3001 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Event benefits the Boca Raton Police Athletic League and the Boca Raton Firefighters Benevolent Scholarship Fund. Participants receive a t-shirt and pancake breakfast. Half marathon finishers receive police shield medal. 6:30 am. \$30/5K run/walk; \$50/half marathon. 361-1950 or www.runnersedgefoundation.org.

11/6 - Keep Memories Alive Walk-in-the-Mall at Town Center at Boca Raton, North Entrance, 6000 Glades Road. 'Steppin' to the Oldies' themed walk benefits the Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center. 9 am. \$40. 297-4066.

11/6 - Kabbalah & Coffee at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave., Boca Raton. The best part of waking up is coffee in your cup and Kabbalah in your "kop" (head in Yiddish). Includes weekly Living Torah Video Presentation. The class can be viewed by logging on to http://torahcafe.com/chassidic-heritage-series.pho. Viewers are encouraged to purchase Full Devotion at www.Kehotonline.com. Held every Sunday morning. 10-11:30 am. Free. 417-7797 or www.chabadbocabeaches.com.

11/6 - 20th Annual A Princely Affair kicks off Boca Ballet Theatre's 2011-12 season at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Noon luncheon features Daniel Ulbricht, principal dancer with New York City Ballet. Noon-3 pm. \$85/adult, \$45/children 13 and under. 995-0709 or www.bocaballet.org.

11/6 - Classical Guitar Society Concert at FAU's Boca Raton campus, University Theatre, 777 Glades Road. Join Ken Keaton and friends as they perform works for solo guitar and guitar chamber ensembles. 3 pm. \$10 suggested donation. 297-3853 or www.fau.edu/music.

Monday - 11/7 - Hurricanes, Wind Chill and Climate Change: Extreme Weather Explained at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. This is the first of four lectures presented as part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. A limited number of one-day guest passes may be available for each separate, individual program/class on a space-available basis. Come to the lobby 20 minutes before the session to purchase a guest pass. Held Mondays through 11/28. 9-10:45 am. \$34/member, \$44/non-member. 297-3171 or www.fau.edu/lfs.

11/7 - Exhibition - Sentimental Journey: Boca Raton During World War II is presented at the Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum at Town Hall, 71 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. In 1942, Boca Raton hosted the Army Air Corps'

only wartime radar training base. Until 1947, thousands of men and women were stationed in Boca Raton, then a town with 700 residents. Learn about the base and 1940s Boca Raton. Exhibit runs through 3/30/12. M-F, 10 am-4 pm. Free. 395-6766, Ext. 100 or www.bocahistory.org.

11/7 - Mah-Jongg at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Intermediate and advanced. Held every Monday. 12:30-1:30 pm. Free. 278-5455 or www.ci.highland-beach.fl.us.

11/7 - Chair Massage at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. John Sampson, Licensed Therapist, offers 10-minute sessions. Held every Monday. 1 pm. \$10/session. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/7 - The Woman's Voice of The American Stage: Hellman, Hansberry, Henley, Norman, Wasserstein and Howe at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. This is the first of four lectures presented as part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. A limited number of one-day guest passes may be available for each program/class on a space-available basis. Come to the lobby 20 minutes before the session to purchase guest pass. Held Mondays through 11/28. 1:30-3:15 pm. \$34/member, \$44/non-member. 297-3171 or www.fau.edu/lfs.

11/7 - Broadway Superstars Class at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Children ages 4-6 will be singing, acting and dancing to popular Broadway songs. Group numbers will include *Beauty & the Beast*, *Sound of Music*, *Mary Poppins* and more favorites. Class will use props such as ribbons and kites. This seven-week session runs Mondays through 12/19. 4:30-5:15 pm. \$84/residents, \$105/non-residents. 393-7807 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/7 - Acting and Musical Theater Class at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Children ages 6-10 will focus on creative skills, vocal exercises, and improvisation and individual monologues. Scenes and routines will be from *Beauty & the Beast* plus other popular shows. This call will work on team building and help in gaining self-esteem, overcoming shyness, improve public speaking skill and enjoying the art of acting. Recital to be in December. Seven-week session held Mondays through 12/19. 5:15-6 pm. \$84/residents, \$105/non-residents. 393-7807 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/7 - Bieber Fever at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Children ages 5-9 will sing, act, and dance to their favorite songs from Justin Bieber. Learn choreographed warm-ups, dances, and put on play performances using fake microphones, guitars and tambourines. Recital to be held in December. This seven-week session held Mondays through 12/19. 6-6:45 pm. \$84/residents, \$105/non-residents. 393-7807 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/7 - Yoga Sunset at the Beach - Held every Monday at Spanish River Park, 3001 N. State Road A1A, Boca Raton. Registration can be done at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., or on-site before a class begins. Parking passes can only be obtained through the Community Center. Classes are held next to Lifeguard stand number 18. Cash will not be accepted on-site. 6:30-7:30 pm. \$15/residents, \$19/non-residents per class, or 60 day membership (unlimited classes) for \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents. 393-7807 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/7 - Against the Tide: Perspectives on Independent Publishing is presented by Fiona McCrae, the editorial director of Graywolf Press in the Live Oak Pavilion of the Student Union of the FAU Boca Raton Campus, 777 Glades Road. 7 pm. Free. 297-2553.

11/7 - Meditation Mondays at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Meditate to enhance overall health and well-being. 7 pm. Free. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/7 - Tim Dorsey will speak and sign his new book, *When Elves Attack* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790 or www.murderonthebeach.com.

11/7 - New Music Festival Spotlight #1: Young Composers at Lynn University, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall in the de Hoernle International Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Featuring works of composition majors performed by the composers themselves and their peers. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

Tuesday - 11/8 - Toddler Tales at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 N.W. Boca Raton Blvd. Stories, songs and puppets that teach the love of books to children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. For ages up to 3 years. Registration required. Held again 11/15 & 22. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/8 - Beginners Yoga at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Bring your own yoga mat. Held every Tuesday. 10:15 am. \$10. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/8 - Marc Chagall: From Cows To Crucifixions at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. This is one of four lectures presented as part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. A limited number of one-day guest passes may be available for each program/class on a space-available basis. You are encouraged to come to the lobby 20 minutes before the session to purchase your guest pass. Held Tuesdays through 11/29. 1:30-3:15 pm. \$34/member, \$44/non-member. 297-3171 or www.fau.edu/lfs.

11/8 - Cartooning & Drawing at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 7-15. Learn basic cartooning techniques by drawing the cartoon face and figure. Bring pencil and paper. Six-class session runs Tuesdays through 12/20 (no class 11/29). 4-5:30 pm. \$52/resident, \$65/non-resident. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/8 - Small Fry Storytime for ages 3 and up at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Held every Tuesday. Please register one week in advance for each program. 4 pm. Free. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/8 - Craft Time for ages 3 and up at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Held every Tuesday and the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month. 4 pm. Free. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/8 - Dairy Queen by Catherine Gilbert Murdock is presented as part of Teen Book Club at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For ages 13-17. Receive a free copy of the book at the time of required registration. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/8 - Just Write: Having Fun Writing Children's Books at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Brainstorm, write and talk about children's books. Spark new book ideas with prompts and story starters. Ages 19+. This five-session class is held Tuesdays through 12/13 (no class 11/22). 7-9 pm. \$115/resident, \$143.75/non-resident. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/8-9 - Guided Hammock Walk - Go on a guided walk of a quarter-mile boardwalk at Gumbo Limbo nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Open to all ages, children must be accompanied by an adult. Held every T & W through 12/28. 10-11 am. Free. 338-1473 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/8-10 - Palm Beach Pops: American Songbook Spectacular performs at the Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium at the University Center on FAU's Boca Raton campus, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 8 pm nightly. \$29-69. 877-311-7469 or www.fauvents.com.

Wednesday - 11/9 - Super Tales for 3-5's at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. Delightful stories, songs and crafts for children 3-5 years old. Child attends independently - parents remain in the YS area. Registration required. Held again 11/16 & 23. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/9 - Senses of Cinema Presents Films for Thought - Screenings and discussion of award winning films at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 18 and up. Five-week session runs Wednesdays through 12/7. 10 am - 12:45 pm. \$50/resident, \$62.50/non-resident for full session; per week \$12/resident, \$15/non-resident. 347-3900 or www.sugarsandpark.org.

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11/9 - Current events discussion group - Led by David Yarosh at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Held every Wednesday. 10:30 am. Free. 278-5455 or www.ci.highland-beach.fl.us.

11/9 - Scrabble at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Organized by Ruth Flynn & Pat Schrade. Held every Wednesday. 12:30-4 pm. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/9 - Creating Mosaics at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 7-15. This class specialized in using small tile. Learn basic techniques of designing, cutting, gluing, and grouting. Projects will include coasters and trivets. Six week session held Wednesdays through 12/21 (no class 11/23). 3-5 pm. \$95/residents, \$118.75/non-residents plus \$20 materials fee. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/9 - Lecture: Jim Lehrer - Presented at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Guest speaker Jim Lehrer, host of PBS *NewsHour* and author of the best-selling book *Tension City: Inside the Presidential Debates, from Kennedy-Nixon to Obama-McCain*. 6:30-7:30 pm. \$25. Reservations required. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

11/9 - Sanford Meisner Acting Technique Class at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 16+. Step-by-step participants will learn to listen to their acting partner in order to live truthfully under the circumstances of each moment. This eight-class course runs Wednesdays through 12/28. 6:30-9:30 pm. \$150/resident; \$187.50/non-resident. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/9 - Eco-Watch - Shark Conservation: Even Apex Predators Need Help Sometimes - Part of the Fall Lecture Series at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Presented by Dr. Stephen Kajjura, Florida Atlantic University. Ages 14 and up, teens under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations recommended but not required. 7-8:30 pm. \$5 suggested donation. 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/9 - Lecture: Non-Drug Treatment for Depression, Anxiety, Sleep Problems at the Center for Brain Training, 7301 W. Palmetto Park Road, Suite 201B, Boca Raton. Learn how neurofeedback, a non-drug therapy, uses brain biofeedback to relieve the symptoms of depression, anxiety and sleep issues. 7-8:30 pm. Free. Seating is limited. 744-7616 or www.centerforbrain.com.

11/9 - Jewish Women Artists in Europe and America: Finding Their Voice Through Their Artistic Passion is presented as part of the *Wonderful Wednesday* Lecture Series at FAU's Lifelong Learning Society, Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. This lecture by Anita Kirchen will discuss female artists struggle for acceptance in the world of fine art. Several Jewish women successfully navigated the obstacles that their gender and religious/cultural identity placed in their path. 7-8:45 pm. \$25. 297-3171 or www.fau.edu/lls.

11/9 - The Greg Diaz Quartet - Presented as part of the Jazz Bossa & Blues Live at the Top of the Bridge series at Carmen's Restaurant At the Top of the Bridge, 999 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$10/person. 886-4570 or www.bocaratonbridgehotel.com.

11/9 - New Music Festival Contemporary Music Forum at Lynn University, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall in the de Hoernle International Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. This lively performance lecture-forum will feature modern and avant-garde works performed by conservatory students. A panel led by composer-in-residence Thomas McKinley will discuss various artistic and practical components of the music in addition to general philosophical issues of contemporary music. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

Thursday-11/10 - Drop-In Story time - Music, stories, fun finger plays and action songs stimulate learning at this weekly program at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For children of all ages accompanied by an adult. Held again 11/17 & 12/1. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/10 - The Dark Tide by Andrew Gross - Presented as part of the Authors Series by the Murder on the Beach Mystery Book Club at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Facilitated by Joanne

Sinchuck, the book club will feature live phone interviews with the authors being discussed. 10:30 am. Free. 266-9490 or www.delraylibrary.org.

11/10 - Luncheon Meeting: What Is Human Trafficking? How Can We Stop it in our Neighborhoods? is presented by the Boca Raton Woman's Club at Via Mizner Club, 6200 Boca Del Mar Drive, Boca Raton. Guest speakers are International attorney Julia Luyster, Esq., and Jean Ordenez, local coordinator of OASIS. Proceeds to benefit OASIS, an international, global coalition to stop human trafficking. 11:30 am. \$25. Reservations: 368-2207.

11/10 - Reclaiming the Love - How Good Relationships Get Even Better - Presented as part of the Lunch 'n Learn Series by Chabad of East Boca Raton at Cuisine by Silvia, Royal Palm Place, 141 Via Naranjas, Suite 45B, Boca Raton. Noon-1 pm. \$55/singles; \$100/couples (book included). Lunch available. 361-3939 or www.chabadbocabeaches.com.

11/10 - Realistic Drawing and Painting Class at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Learn depth and proper use of colors to achieve realism in art. Ages 18+. This four-session class is held Thursdays through 12/8 (no class 11/22). 2-4:30 pm. \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/10 - Just for 6-8's: Creative Craft at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. Great crafts and reading adventures for kids 6-8 years old. Registration required. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/10 - Ellenville's Moonlit Farmer's Market is held each Thursday at Ellenville Garden Center, 220 NE 11th St., Boca Raton. 4Food, wine, kids activities, music, local farmers and artisans, fresh produce and more. 4-8 pm. Free. 245-7347.

11/10 - Concert: Jennings & Keller - Fusion Folk Americana at the Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd., Highland Beach. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/10 - Executive Forum Lecture Series: Robert Wolfe at FAU's Office Depot Grand Lecture Hall, Room 101, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Guest speaker Robert Wolfe, managing director of United Capital Private Wealth Consulting. Presented by FAU's College of Business. Speakers provide an overview of their individual businesses, as well as other professional experience, followed by a discussion of key issues facing the business climate. 5:30-7 pm. Free. RSVP online at www.fauadamscenter.org. 297-Lux Auto2980.

11/10 - Wine Tastings at Carmen's Restaurant At the Top of the Bridge, 999 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton. Hosted by Wine Connoisseur Frank Reider, Author of "Wines of Passion: The Best of South America". 6-8 pm. \$30/person. 368-9500 or www.bocaratonbridgehotel.com.

11/10 - The Blue Shoe by Roderick Townley - Presented as part of the Tween Book Discussion at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For ages 9-12. Held the 2nd Thursday of each month.

6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/10 - Thursday Movie Classics: The Night of the Hunter at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. 6:30 pm. \$1 admission includes popcorn and a beverage. Ticket box office: 347-3948 or www.sugarsandpark.org.

11/10 - New Music Festival Spotlight #2: Thomas McKinley at Lynn University, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall in the de Hoernle International Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Featuring the world premiere of the 2012 commissioned work for chamber ensemble, this program will celebrate the works of Thomas McKinley. 7:30-9:30 pm. Free. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

11/10 - Jazz at the MPA: Iko Iko and Nicole Yarling - Presented as part of the Free Live Jazz series at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 7:30-9:30 pm. Free. 544-8600 or www.mizneramphitheater.com.

Friday - 11/11 - Veterans Day

11/11 - Canoeing The Mangroves - Enjoy a naturalist guided tour from the boardwalk at Rutherford Park, 600 NE 24th St., Boca Raton. Presented by the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center. Following the tour, paddle through the mangrove trails and back along the shoreline of the Intracoastal. Experience is necessary. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet and dirty. Sun protection, water and bug spray are recommended. Ages 7-adult, an adult must participate with each child. 9-11 am. \$15/member, \$22/non-member. Reservations required: 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/11 - Music in the Park Veterans Day Concert at Mizner Park Amphitheater. Featuring New Young Patriots under the direction of Lucella Wittenkeller NJOTC Honor Guard & New Gardens Band under the direction of Owen Seward. 7 pm. 544-8600 or www.mizneramphitheater.com.

11/11 - Veteran's Day Commemorative Ceremony: Tribute to Veterans at Boca

Raton Cemetery, 449 SW 4th Ave. 9-10 am. Free. 393-7806 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/11 - South Florida's First People at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Native Americans have lived in this area for thousands of years. Investigate the ancient middens in the Gumbo Limbo hammock, learn about the tools, food, and language of these native people. Participants will create their own Native American craft. For ages 7-11, adults must sign-in children, but do not have to stay. 10:30 am-noon. \$9/members, \$14/non-members - per child. Reservations and pre-payment required: 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/11 - Playground Playdate at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Get info about upcoming programs and see free kid's activities. 1 pm. Free. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/11 - Movie Time at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. A new movie every week. Held every Friday. 1 pm. Free.

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11/11 - Wetlands Walk - Wakodahatchee is a man-made wetland which has become a favorite for birders and photographers at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Bring your binoculars for this 3/4 mile guided boardwalk tour to learn more about Florida's wetland ecosystems. Ages 7-adult, children must be accompanied by an adult. 3-5 pm. Held again 11/25 & 12/2. Free. Reservations required: 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/11 - Veteran's Day Concert by New Gardens Band & Choir - Music in the Park concert at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 7-9 pm. Free. 393-7806 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

11/11 - Saluting Veterans 11-11-11 is hosted by Boynton Beach Army Cpl. Burth Richards at Olympic Heights High School, 20101 Lyons Road, Boca Raton. 8 pm. 313-6143.

11/11-12 - 2nd Annual Boca Raton Wine and Food Festival is held on East Camino Real, Boca Raton. 11/11: VIP Dinner Under the Stars - 7-10 pm - \$125; 11/12: Grand Tasting - 6-10 pm - \$85. \$175 for both events. 338-7594 or www.bocaratonwineandfoodfestival.com.

11/11-13 - Widows by Ariel Dorfman at Studio One on the FAU Boca Raton Campus, 777 Glades Road. Play of fiction based on fact takes place during the regime of Augusto Pinochet in Chile from 1970 to 1998. F & Sat.: 7 pm; At. & Sun.: 1 pm. \$20. 800-564-9539 or www.fauvents.com.

11/11-13 - 22nd Annual Chris Evert/Raymond James Pro-Celebrity Tennis Classic is held at the Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W. Atlantic Ave. Benefits Chris Evert Charities. Benefits Chris Evert Charities. 11/11: Pro-Am Tennis & Lunch at the Boca Raton Resort & Club; 11/12: Pro-Celebrity Gala at the Boca Raton Resort & Club (501 E. Camino Real) with headliner The Spinners and Emcee Mr. Stone Phillips, 6 pm, \$750. 11/12&13: Pro-Celebrity Tennis, 11 am - 3 pm; Schedules, ticket information: 394-2400 or www.chrisevert.org.

Saturday - 11/12 - 1st Annual Sandoway House Nature Center 5K Blue Water Run/Walk and 1 K Doggie Dash is held along A1A in Delray Beach. 7 am. 5k run/walk/\$35, Doggie Dash/\$25. Post race celebration with refreshments provided by Caffe Luna Rosa. All proceeds benefit the Sandoway House Nature Center. Register online at www.accuchiptiming.com. For information: 274-7263 or www.sandowayhouse.org.

11/12 - Alvin & the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (PG) - Presented as part of Tween Movie Mania at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For age 9-12. Includes free pizza and drinks. Noon-2 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/12 - Art-E-Ology: Federico Uribe - Sculptures for grades 3-5 is presented at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Once a month, children will learn about a master artist on exhibit at the museum and have the opportunity to create a masterpiece in the style of the selected artist. Reservations required. 1-2:30 pm. \$5/

child; free/members. 392-2500 ext. 106 or www.bocamuseum.org.

11/12 - Eyes to the Skies with the professional-grade 16-inch Meade LX Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. All children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Telescope will be out for at least one hour after the scheduled start time. Note: Stars must be visible for the telescope to align. 7:30 pm. Free. 347-3912 or www.scienceexplorium.org.

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11/12-13 - 2nd Annual FAU Art Festival is held in the Performing and Visual Art Centers of FAU's Boca Raton Campus, 777 Glades Road. Art and design work of professional artists and FAU students will be on exhibit and for sale. 10 am-5 pm. Free.

11/12-13 - Capitol Steps perform at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. More than 25 years ago, the Capitol Steps began as a group of Senate staffers who set out to satirize the very people and places that employed them. Sat. 7:30 pm; Sun. 4 pm. Tickets \$45-\$65. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

NOVEMBER 13-19

Sunday - 11/13 - Weekend Movie Madness: Tangled at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 11 am. \$1 admission includes popcorn and a beverage. Ticket box office: 347-3948 or www.sugarsandpark.org.

11/13 - Cruisin' Boca Style at Royal Palm Place, Monument Piazza, 101 Plaza Real South, Boca Raton. 11 am-3 pm. Free. 392-8920 or www.royalpalmplace.com.

11/13 - Flower Pot Sculptures is presented as part of the ARTful Adventure Sunday series at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. The program focuses on creative family fun and includes an interactive opportunity for all ages to learn, create and enjoy the arts. 2-3 pm. Free program with paid museum admission. \$8/adults; \$6/seniors; \$4/students with ID; free/museum members and children 12 and under. 392-2500 or www.bocamuseum.org.

11/13 - Jazz at the MPA: FAU Jazz and Marching Bands - Presented as part of the Free Live Jazz series at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 544-8600 or www.mizneramphitheater.com.

11/13-20 - Miami Book Fair International at Miami Dade College, 300 NE 2nd Ave., Miami. Featuring "Evenings With" series, six nights of readings and

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Event organizers, including Skipp Jackman (l-r), Betsy Fletcher, Barbara Levitt, Steve and Stephanie Miskew and Joyce and Thom Devita, are promising food and wine aficionados an exciting roster of internationally renowned chefs and vintners, delectable cuisine, a live auction and a vast array of fine wines to taste. Event is scheduled for March 23-25. For more information or to purchase advance tickets, contact the Boca Raton Historical Society: 395-6766, Ext. 101, or www.bocabacchanal.com.

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discussions with noted authors, Street Fair, Festival of Authors and Children's Alley. Full schedule available 11/1. M-F: 8 am-6 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 10 am-6 pm. \$8/adults, \$5/seniors and children under age 18, free/children 12 and under. 305-237-3258 or www.miamibookfair.com.

Monday - 11/14 - 6th Annual Tennis Extravaganza with Chris Evert is held at Broken Sound Club, 2401 Willow Springs Drive, Boca Raton is presented by Donna Klein Jewish Academy Eagles Athletics Booster Club with round-robin play, raffle drawings and buffet luncheon. 9 am. Tennis: \$175; Lunch only: \$85. 852-5007.

11/14 - Coffee with the Mayor at the Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S. Ocean Blvd. 9:30-11:30 am. Free. 278-4548 or www.ci.highland-beach.fl.us.

11/14 - Early Afternoon Explorers: Amazing Anatomy at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Ages 6-9: 1-2 pm; ages 10-12: 2-3 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-residents. 347-3912 or www.scienceexplorium.org.

11/14 - Minton Sparks: Vickie Pickles' Momma and Other Sorta True Tales of the New South - Presented as part of the Storytelling Series *Speakeasy: The spirit of storytelling* at the Caldwell Theatre, Count de Hoernle Theatre, 7901 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. 2 & 7 pm. Tickets \$25 or \$80 for 5 storytelling subscription package. 241-7432 or www.caldwelltheatre.com.

11/14 - Make & Take: Turtle Shakers - A fun make-shake-and-take turtle themed craft at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. For ages 5-12, accompanied by an adult. 3-4 pm. \$9/members, \$14/non-members - per child. Reservations and pre-payment required: 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/14 - Singing On Stage for Kids &

Teens at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 10-18. Students learn how to sing on stage without microphones by learning *Bel canto* method. Students will sing excerpts from famous operas and classic musical theater. Six-week session runs Mondays through 12/19. 6-8:30 pm. \$90/resident, \$112.50/non-resident. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/14 - History Program: The Civil War in Florida is held at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Co-sponsored by the Boynton Beach Historical Society. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 742-6390.

Tuesday-11/15 - Abrakadoodle Art Classes at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 20-36 months. Children learn about color, texture and more while experimenting with new and innovative art materials. Six-week session runs Tuesdays through 12/20. 10-10:45 am. \$120/resident, \$150/non-resident. Cost includes materials fee. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/15 - 9th Annual International Festival at Northwood University, the Countess deHoernle Student Life Center, 2600 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. This celebration of peace, culture and diversity features education, food and cultural activities from several countries. Featuring food and activities from Canada, Colombia, Greece, Serbia and Venezuela. 11 am-1 pm. Free. 478-5538 or www.northwood.edu.

11/15 - FAU Astronomical Observatory - Public viewing day observations at FAU's Boca Raton Campus, Science & Engineering Building, #43, 4th floor, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Viewings will be held on the 1st Friday and 3rd Tuesday of each month. 7 pm. Free. 297-STAR or <http://physics.fau.edu/observatory/observatory.html>.

11/15 - Concert: Comedian Sarge at

the Spanish River Performing Arts Center, 2400 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. Featuring saxophonists Jim Hayward and Larry McKenna and talented sidemen. Presented by the Swing and Jazz Preservation Society. 7:30-10 pm. \$18/members; \$26/non-members. 499-9976 or www.swingandjazzpreservationsociety.org.

11/15-17 - After School Science Series: CSI Science at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Help solve a mystery by searching evidence for clues. Learn techniques used in forensics, such as dusting fingerprints and collecting samples. Tues.: Ages 5-6 (with parent); Wed.: Ages 7-9; Thurs.: Ages 10-12. 4-5 pm. \$10/residents; \$12.50/non-residents. 347-3912 or www.scienceexplorium.org.

Wednesday - 11/16 - Art Film - Dorothea Lange: A Visual Life (1994 - NR) at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Held again 11/19 & 20. 2 pm. Free with paid museum admission: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, free for children 12 and under and museum members. 392-2500 or www.bocamuseum.org.

11/16 - I Was A Dancer by Jacques d'Amboise - Presented as part of the Campus On The Lake Lecture Series at the Society of The Four Arts King Library, 3 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Celebrated classical dancer Jacques d'Amboise, former principal dancer with the New York City Ballet for more than three decades, has chronicled the extraordinary story of his life in dance in one of America's most renowned and admired dance companies. Book signing will follow. 2:30 pm. Free. Reservations required. 655-7227 or www.fourarts.org.

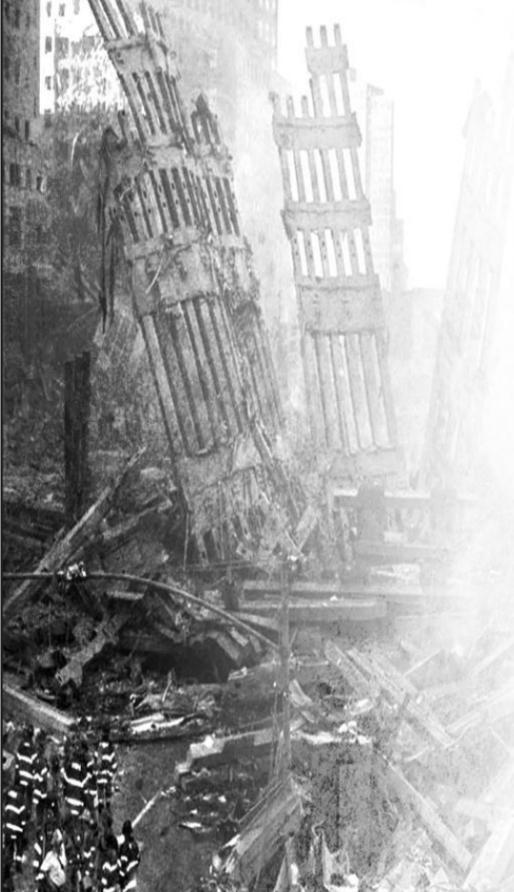
11/16 - Girls Night Out - An Evening with lulemon athletica is held in Zinman Hall, Donna Klein Jewish Academy, 9701 Donna Klein Blvd., Boca Raton. Event includes wine, a light buffet, fashion show and boutique. 6:30-9:30 pm. \$36. 852-5085.

11/16 - Boca Raton's Historic Downtown: The Boca Raton Road Quarter - Travel back in time with Historical Society as part of the Town Hall Talks Lecture Series at the Boca Raton Historical Society, Old Town Hall, 71 N. Federal Hwy. Presented by Bonnie Dearborn, historic preservation consultant. 7-8:30 pm. \$5/non-members; free/Boca Raton Historical Society members. Reservations required. 395-6766 Ext. 100 or www.bocahistory.org.

11/16 - Run The Rum In: South Florida's Prominent Role in Bootlegging During Prohibition is presented as part of the *Wonderful Wednesday* Lecture Series at FAU's Lifelong Learning Society, Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. This lecture by Sally J. Ling will feature tales of Prohibition's most famous - and most infamous - players. 7-8:45 pm. \$25. 297-3171 or www.fau.edu/lfs.

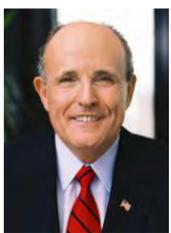
11/16 - Community Cabaret - Calling all singers, dancers, musicians and stand-up comedians to the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Performers must register in advance. Box office hours: T-F, 10 am-1 pm & 5-8 pm; Sat. 1-5 pm and 1 hour prior to shows. 7:30 pm. Admission: \$5. 347-3900 or www.willowtheatre.org.

11/16 - Family and Friends at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Road, Boca



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40th Annual Christmas Ball



Saturday, December 3, 2011
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As The Salvation Army embarks upon its 40th Anniversary we **Remember and Honor** those whom have given tirelessly to The Salvation Army; embodying its mission and leadership to serve others in times of personal disaster. The Salvation Army will also welcome a proven leader, to whom America and much of world turns to in a time of crisis and change. Rudy Giuliani will inspire us as he shares the critical skills and principles of leadership.

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Raton. This class is designed for the general public and teaches the basics of infant, child and adult CPR, relief of choking, and child and infant one person CPR, as well as the use of the Automated External Defibrillator. This weekly course is held every Wednesday. 6-8:30 pm. \$20 per class. Pre-register at 955-4468 or www.brrh.com.

11/16 - Jay Traynor: Frank, Bobby & Me - Presented as part of the Jazz Headliners Series at the Top of the Bridge series at Carmen's Restaurant At the Top of the Bridge, 999 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$25/person. 886-4570 or www.bocaratonbridgehotel.com.

Thursday - 11/17 - Shall I Compare Thee to a Summer's Day? - Love, Marriage, and the Cycle of Time - Presented as part of the Lunch 'n Learn Series by Chabad of East Boca Raton at Cuisine by Silvia, Royal Palm Place, 141 Via Naranjas, Suite 45B, Boca Raton. Noon-1 pm. \$55/singles; \$100/couples (book is included). Lunch is available for purchase. 361-3939 or www.chabadbocabeaches.com.

11/17 - The World of Federico Uribe - Curator's Highlight Tour at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Senior Curator Wendy Blazier presents an informative gallery tour, discussing the ideas behind Uribe's constructions. Explore his magical transformation of man-made materials into expressions of nature, reconstructing animals and plants from the raw materials of everyday life. 2:30 pm. Free with paid museum admission: \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, free/children 12 and under and museum members. 392-2500 or www.bocamuseum.org.

11/17 - Executive Forum Lecture Series: Sidney Cohen at FAU's Office Depot Grand Lecture Hall, Room 101, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Guest speaker Sidney Cohen, former president of Cohen's Frozen Foods. Presented by FAU's College of Business. Speakers provide a brief overview of their individual businesses, as well as other professional experience, followed by a discussion of key issues facing their industries. 5:30-7 pm. Free. RSVP online at www.fauadamscenter.org. 297-2980.

11/17 - Craft Crew: Cookie Mix - Kids ages 9-14 can unleash their creativity at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. Everybody loves a sweet treat. Participants will layer ingredients in a mason jar. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/17 - Wine Dinner at Carmen's Restaurant At the Top of the Bridge, 999 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton. Hosted by Wine Connoisseur Frank Reider, Author of "Wines of Passion: The Best of South America". 7-9 pm. \$69/person. 368-9500 or www.bocaratonbridgehotel.com.

11/17 - Jazz at the MPA: Conjunto Progreso - Presented as part of the Free Live Jazz series at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 7:30-9:30 pm. Free. 544-8600 or www.mizneramphitheater.com.

11/17 - No Strings Attached - Presented by the Conservatory wind, brass and percussion departments at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Performing works from Mozart to Stravinsky. 7:30-9:30 pm. \$10-\$25. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

11/17-20 - God's Favorite by Neil Simon is performed by the Theatre Arts Department at Spanish River High School, 5100 Jog Road, Boca Raton. 11/17-19: 7 pm; 11/20 - 2 pm. \$12. 241-2020 or www.spanishrivertheatre.org.

Friday - 11/18 - Tot Time at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 2-5. Children will enjoy crafts, snacks, and indoor play stations. Drop in any time during the program. 10 am-noon. \$5/child. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

11/18 - 2nd Annual Allegro Society Musical Luncheon at the Delray Beach Club, 2001 Ocean Blvd. Musical presentation by members of the Boca Raton Symphonia and recipient of the 2011 Boca Symphonia, Allegro Society Youth Musical Scholarship. 11:30 am-2:30 pm. \$75. 866-687-4201 or www.bocasymphonia.org.

11/18 - Boca Express Train Museum Tour at the FEC Railway Station, Count de Hoernle Pavilion, 747 S. Dixie Hwy. Enjoy a guided tour of two 1947 Seaboard Air Line streamliners. Both listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the dining and lounge rail cars have been restored to their original splendor and deliver a nostalgic look at the glamorous day of train travel. Held the 1st & 3rd Friday of every month through 4/2012. 1-4 pm. \$5/adults, \$2/children 6-12

Savor the Grove Pineapple Grove, Delray Beach



Chairs Brooke Qualk (l), Kristin Calder and Caron Dockerty present Savor the Grove from 6-9 pm Nov. 10.

The event is presented in honor of the Junior League of Boca Raton's 40th anniversary and brings together restaurants in The Esplanade Shopping Center in Delray Beach's Pineapple Grove area to showcase the JLBR's James Beard Award-winning *Savor the Moment* cookbook.

JLBR members will prepare appetizers from the cookbook with additional appetizers provided by Christina's and Mings. Dolce Amore will provide a family-style meal at a dining table with seating for 100 in the Treasures4Charity parking lot. Cupcake Couture is providing desserts. Most of the other Esplanade retailers will participate in various ways.

The event is open to JLBR members and the community. Tickets are \$40 and a donation to Treasures4Charity to benefit JLBR. There will be a cash bar, cash raffles and cash shopping. Seating is limited. Tickets available through the Junior League of Boca Raton at www.jlbr.org. Photo provided

years, Free/children under 6 years and Boca Raton Historical Society members. 395-6766 Ext. 101 or www.bocahistory.org.

11/18 - Special Program: Katie Adams brings music, puppets & stories to the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. 3:30-4:15 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/18 - Art Exhibit Opening at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. *Aesthetic Explorations and Eyes Of My Soul: Photographs* by Nathan Selikoff and Russell Levine. Exhibit runs through 12/29 during regular library hours: M-Th: 10 am-8 pm, F: 10 am-4 pm, Sat.: 9 am-1 pm. Refreshments will be served. 4:30-6:30 pm. Free. 278-7579 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org.

11/18 - T.G.I. Shabbat at Chabad of East Boca, 120 NE 1st Ave., Boca Raton. Monthly Friday night Shabbat dinner replete with Challah, gefilte fish, chicken soup, and all the other traditional foods. 6:45 pm. \$25/adults, \$12/children ages 3-12. 417-7797 or www.chabadbocabeaches.com/tgjis.

11/18 - Commercial Music Ensemble at FAU's Boca Raton campus, University Theatre, 777 Glades, Road. An eclectic concert of original compositions and covers from students in the commercial music program. Directed by Alejandro Sanchez-Samper. 7 pm. \$10 suggested donation. 297-3853 or www.fau.edu/music.

11/18 - Sea Coast Toast - Presented by the Friends of Gumbo Limbo at the Spanish River Library, 1501 NW Spanish River Blvd., Boca Raton. Featuring food, drink, music and a silent auction to benefit the Fill the Tanks Campaign, which will provide learning centers for the new saltwater tanks currently under construction at the center. 6-9 pm. \$35/advance purchase; \$40/at the door. 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

Saturday - 11/19 - 25th Annual Delray Beach Turkey Trot 5K Run and Health Walk - Run starts and ends at Anchor Park, 340 S. Ocean Blvd. Course goes north on A1A to George Bush Blvd. and then back south to Anchor Park. Awards for 5K run only - Male/Female First Overall; 15 different age divisions, 3 deep in awards (trophies). Race day registration 6-7:20 am. 5K run and walk begins 7:30 am. 5K Run/Advance \$25, Race day \$30; 5K Walk/Advance \$20, Race day \$25. Online registration available at www.splitsecondtiming.com. For more information 243-7277 or www.mydelraybeach.com.

11/19 - St. Jude Parish Gala to honor outstanding individuals. Held at the Delray Beach Marriott, 10 N. Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Social hour, dinner, dancing, raffle prizes, live entertainment and presentation of the Crystal Awards to honorees. Longtime community leaders Ron and Kathy Assaf will

serve as honorary chairs. Tickets are \$175. 7 p.m. 314-1250.

11/19 - YMCA Corporate Cup Challenge is held at the YMCA Boca Raton Fields, 6631 Palmetto Circle S., Boca Raton. 8 am-2 pm. Olympic-style, co-ed team competition featuring games designed to celebrate health and wellness in the workplace. All funds support the Y's Financial Assistance Program. Teams consist of between 10-15 participants (at least 3 females). \$1000/entry fee per team. 392-6021 or www.ymcaspbc.org.

11/19 - Holiday Herbs & Gifts from the Gardens at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Learn great tips on making your holidays personal, using pressed and dried plants, flowers, herbs and local native flora. For adults only. 10:30 am-noon. \$15/members, \$22/non-members. Reservations and pre-payment required: 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/19 - Crash Test Challenge - Presented as part of the Monthly Family Challenges Series at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Ages 5+ with parent/guardian. 10:30 am-noon. \$15/adult-child pair, \$5/each additional person. 347-3912 or www.scienceexplorium.org.

11/19 - Gallery Talk: Outsider Visions: Self-Taught Southern Artists of the 20th Century is presented at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Join Southern folk and Outsider art collectors, Ann & Ted Oliver, for an intimate look at works in the exhibition. Learn about the talents of these artists and what their artwork reveals. 11 am. \$5/members, \$10/non-members (includes museum admission). 392-2500 or www.bocamuseum.org.

11/19 - Story Tellabration: Tales of Tails - Stories of critters and characters will highlight this year's Tellabration at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Find out the legend behind the animal; a fish tale about a personal encounter with a most remarkable fish, the reason why dogs tails are just so and why the gator has rough skin. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. No reservations required. 1-2 pm. \$3 suggested donation. 338-1473 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/19 - Lecture: Southern Folk Art Traditions is presented at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Southern folk and Outsider art collector, Ted Oliver, captivates visitors with his illustrated lecture on emerging and established folk artists and their Southern traditions. 6:30 pm. \$6/members, \$12/non-members - does not include Museum admission. Museum admission: \$8/adults, \$6/seniors; \$4/students w/ID; free/members and children 12 and under 392-2500 or www.bocamuseum.org.

11/19 - Famous Themes from Around the World at FAU's Boca Raton campus, University Theatre, 777 Glades, Road. The FAU Symphony Orchestra performs famous favorites by Rossini, Offenbach, Shostakovich and Bright Sheng, with FAU

artist-in-residence Judith Burganger, performing Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's Piano Concerto No. 23, K.488 in A Major. 7 pm. \$10 suggested donation. 297-3853 or www.fau.edu/music.

11/19 - 4th Annual Denim, Diamonds & Dice Casino Night is held at the Broken Sound Country Club, 1401 NW 51 Street, Boca Raton. Gaming complimented by hors d'oeuvres and an open bar. Benefits Unicorn Children's Foundation. 7-11 pm. \$125/general, \$200/VIP. 620-9377.

11/19 - Hot Jazz At the Grille: Anthony Corrado and Lourdes Valentin at The Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. Featuring multi-instrumentalist Anthony Corrado and his Super Funky Jazz Band with jazz vocalist Lourdes Valentin. 7:30 pm. \$10/includes one house drink. 912-0000 or www.paviliongrille.com.

11/19 - Bach To The Holidays featuring the Master Chorale of South Florida with the Miami Symphony Orchestra at Lynn University, Wold Center for the Performing Arts, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$35 adults; \$10/students with ID. 954-418-6232 or www.masterchoraleofsouthflorida.org.

11/19-20 - Art Fest Boca at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Showcasing some of the best contemporary fine artists from around the country, selected on the basis of quality, originality, and craftsmanship. Take advantage of this opportunity to shop for one of a kind holiday gifts for your friends and loved ones. 10 am-6 pm. Free. 544-8600 or www.mizneramphitheater.com.

NOVEMBER 20-26

Sunday - 11/20 - Auditions for the character of Columbine for the Commedia Aladdin at Sol Children Theatre, 3333 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. Auditions are by appointment only. Performance will be in January 2012. 11 am-noon. To schedule audition, call 447-8829 or e-mail solchildtroupe@aol.com.

11/20 - 3rd Annual Band-O-Rama at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. The FAU Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band and the incomparable Marching Owls join forces for a super-sized concert of thrilling band favorites and popular selections from Sousa to *Star Wars*. Conducted by Kyle Prescott, Sean Murray and Neal Bonsanti. 3 pm. Free. 297-3853 or www.fau.edu/music.

11/20 - The Music and Times of Burt Bacharach - Presented as part of the Live at Lynn Jazz Series at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. With a hit-single track record spanning four decades, Burt Bacharach is one of the most important composers of popular music of the 20th century. 4 pm. \$25-\$40. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

11/20 - Season Preview Concert featuring Palm Beach Opera's Young Artists at the society of the four arts, 8pm. \$15 for both members and non-members. www.fourarts.org.

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Tuesday - 11/22 - Unaccustomed Earth by Jhumpa Lahiri is presented as part of the Book Club discussion by the Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. Held 4th Tuesday of each month. 10:30 am. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

11/22 - Boca Beachcombing - Meet for an introductory talk about seashells and the animals that make them at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton, then caravan over to Red Reef Park, 1400 N. State Road A1A, Boca Raton, to walk the beach in search of ocean treasures. Open to all ages, children must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-5 pm. \$5/members, \$8/non-members. Reservations and pre-payment required: 338-1542 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

Wednesday - 11/23 - The Nonconformist - Parents' Nightmare or Future Leader? - Presented as part of the Lunch 'n Learn Series by Chabad of East Boca Raton at Cuisine by Silvia, Royal Palm Place, 141 Via Naranjas, Suite 45B, Boca Raton. Noon-1 pm. \$55/singles; \$100/couples (book is included). Lunch is available for purchase. 361-3939 or www.chabadbocabeaches.com.

11/23 - Seining the Lagoon at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Explore the grasses and flats of the Intracoastal Waterway behind Gumbo Limbo. Hand-held dip nets and large seine nets allow participants to catch and release a variety of fish, shrimp, crabs and marine life. Wear clothes that can get wet. Old sneakers or watershoes only. Ages 10 to adult, children must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-5 pm. \$5/members, \$8/non-members. Reservations and pre-payment required: 338-1542 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

Thursday - 11/24 - Thanksgiving Day Friday - 11/25 - Special Concert at the Holiday Tree Lighting at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Boca Raton Community High School Band, "Holiday Spectacular" a ZMC Entertainment Stage Show. 5-8 pm. Free. 393-7806 selection 2 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

Saturday - 11/26 - Canoeing The Mangroves - Enjoy a naturalist guided tour from the boardwalk at Rutherford Park, 600 NE 24th St., Boca Raton. Presented by the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center. Following the tour, paddle through the mangrove trails and back along the shoreline of the Intracoastal. Experience is necessary. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet and dirty. Sun protection, water and bug spray are recommended. Ages 7-adult, an adult must participate with each child. 9:30-11:30 am. \$15/member, \$22/non-member. Reservations and pre-payment required: 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

11/26 - The Prince of Egypt at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd., Ste. 73, Boca Raton. Held Saturdays through 1/14. 2 pm. \$14/adults, \$10/children. 394-2626 or www.ShowtimeBoca.com.

11/26 - Concert: 311 with special guest DJ Soulamm at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. No coolers,

chairs, pets, umbrellas, outside food or beverages or backpacks. Gates open 6:30 pm, concert 7:30 pm. General admission: \$62.50. Preferred parking available for \$20. 393-79847 or www.myboca.us.

NOVEMBER 27-DECEMBER 3

Wednesday - 11/30 - The U.S. Constitution: A Political And Philosophical Journey (1787-2011) is presented as part of the *Wonderful Wednesday* Lecture Series at FAU's Lifelong Learning Society, Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. This lecture by Burton Atkins will explore how our founding document, written in the Eighteenth Century, continues with very few changes to serve as the basic framework guiding our government in the 21st Century. 7-8:45 pm. \$25. 297-3171 or www.fau.edu/lis.

11/30 - Eco-Watch - Giant Constrictor Snakes in South Florida - Presented as part of the Fall Lecture Series at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Presented by Marc Komlos, South Florida Water Management District. Ages 14 and up, teens under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations recommended but not required. 7-8:30 pm. \$5 suggested donation. 391-8110 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

Thursday - 12/1 - Art Exhibit Opening: National League of American Penwomen at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Exhibit continues through 12/28. Hours: M-F 8 am-10 pm, Sat. 8 am-5 pm, Sun./Holidays 10 am-5 pm. Free. 347-3900 or www.SugarSandPark.org.

12/1 - 2012 Homestead Exemption Outreach Session #3 at Boca Raton City Hall, First Floor Conference Room, 201 W. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton. The Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office will have deputies available to answer residents' questions about and take applications for homestead exemption. Residents should bring a copy of their deed and proof of residency. 11 am-noon. Free. 393-7836 or www.myboca.us.

12/1 - I, Love, and You - When Love is Not About the Lover - Presented as part of the Lunch 'n Learn Series by Chabad of East Boca Raton at Cuisine by Silvia, Royal Palm Place, 141 Via Naranjas, Suite 45B, Boca Raton. Noon-1 pm. \$55/singles; \$100/couples (book is included). Lunch is available for purchase. 361-3939 or www.chabadbocabeaches.com.

12/1 - Vitus (2006 - PG) is presented as part of the Cinema as an Art Form series at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Award-winning films illustrate the collaborative process involving narrative, direction, acting, cinematography, music and sound to achieve creative excellence. Moderated by Myrna Loman, providing background material and commentary. Subtitles are provided for foreign films. 1 pm. \$5/members, \$10/non-members in addition to museum admission: \$8/adults; \$6/seniors; \$4/students with ID. 392-2500 or www.bocamuseum.org.

12/1 - Major Gifts Event with Dan

Rather - Presented by the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County at St. Andrews Country Club, 17557 Claridge Oval West, Boca Raton. An elegant evening for generous donors of \$10,000 or more, celebrating their generosity and the Federation's achievements. Dan Rather, former CBS News anchor, will keynote. Includes cocktail reception and dinner. 6-9 pm. \$125. 852-3129 or www.bocafed.org.

12/1 - Tron: Legacy (PG) is presented as part of Teen Movie Club at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For ages 13-17. 6-8 pm. Free and includes free pizza & soda. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

12/1 - Dean's Showcase No. 2: Spotlight on Chamber Music - Presented by the Conservatory of Music at Lynn University, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall in the de Hoernle International Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Features solo and chamber works performed exclusively by the conservatory's finest young musicians. 7:30 pm. \$10. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

12/1-3 - Southern Handcraft Society Boca Raton Chapter Annual Arts and Craft Show is held at Patch Reef Park, Community Center, 2000 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. This is a juried show of local artists and crafters with handcrafted holiday gifts and home decor. Th: 1-9 pm; F: 9 am-9 pm; Sat.: 9 am-1 pm. Free. 738-0001 or 274-4717.

12/1-2 & 4 - Palm Beach Pops: The Music of Burt Bacharach, Cole Porter & More performs at the Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium at the University Center on FAU's Boca Raton campus, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 8 pm nightly. \$29-69. 877-311-7469 or www.fauvents.com.

Friday - 12/2 - Holiday Gift and Art Fair - Presented by the Friends of the Highland Beach Library at the Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd., Highland Beach. 10 am-5:30 pm. Free. 278-5455 or www.highlandbeachlibrary.org

12/2 - Make & Take Holiday Craft at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For ages 3-12. 3:30-5 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

12/2 - Jazz at the MPA: Nicole Henry - Presented as part of the Free Live Jazz series at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 7:30-9:30 pm. Free. 544-8600 or www.mizneramphitheater.com.

12/2-3 - Dances We Dance Celebrating the Holidays at University Theater on the FAU Boca Raton Campus, 777 Glades Road. Features students in dance classes and dance clubs performing dances created by faculty, students and guest choreographers. 7 pm nightly. \$10. 877-311-7469 or www.fauvents.com.

Sunday - 12/3 - Breakfast with Santa at the Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. 8:30-11:30 am. Tickets required. 368-6875 or www.cmboca.org.

12/3 - Art-E-Ology: John Marin - Seascapes for grades 3-5 is presented at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Once a month, children will learn about a master artist on exhibit at the museum and have the opportunity to create a masterpiece in the style of the selected artist. Reservations required. 1-2:30 pm. \$5/child; free/members. 392-2500 Ext. 106 or www.bocamuseum.org.

12/3 - Workshop: Seeing Beneath Life's Experiences: Living a Life of Gratitude - Presented as part of the Peaceful Mind/Peaceful World Series at FAU Senate Chambers, Student Union, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Our life experiences are most often beyond our control. In this workshop learn how Daily Spiritual Practices help us accept and even find gratitude for the lessons these experiences bring into our life. Held again 6-8:30 pm 12/6. 9:30 am-12:30 pm. \$15. 297-2337 or www.fauf.org/peaceful.

12/3 - Carla is Simply Streisand Then and Now at the Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium at the University Center on FAU's Boca Raton campus, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$35-\$55. 877-311-7469 or www.fauvents.com.

12/3-4 - Lynn University's Philharmonia Orchestra No. 3 - Featuring winners of the annual Conservatory Concerto Competition under the direction of Albert-George Schram at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Sat. 7:30 pm; Sun. 4 pm. Tickets \$35-\$50. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

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Guests can gather around the pool and spa of this home in Royal Palm Yacht & Country Club.



Tiles cover the floors throughout the interior of this home, which has a fireplace in its living room.

Royal Palm home offers an elegant retreat

Beautifully updated and appointed, this four-bedroom, four-bath home has an open floor plan that makes it perfect for entertaining. The main living areas feature porcelain tile and crown molding along with nine-foot ceilings, as does the master bedroom suite. Its sumptuous bath boasts double sinks, a spa tub and separate shower with a multiple rain shower system. The other three bedrooms have hardwood floors as well as en suite baths.

A gourmet kitchen to gratify any serious cook features wood cabinetry, Jenn-Air oven and cooktop, Bosch dishwasher and two sinks. There is an inviting center island, convenient for dining, mingling or intense food preparation.

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ABOVE: The kitchen offers custom cabinets and granite countertops. LEFT: The spacious master bedroom is a quiet retreat that offers views of the the pool and spa beyond.



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