

Delray Beach

St. Paddy's parade may end

By Tim Pallesen

Just as firefighters take control of Delray Beach's annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, the city for unrelated reasons might shut down the parade.

City commissioners are under pressure from business owners to reduce festivals that close downtown streets. City staff has recommended that the St. Patrick's Day Parade be the first to go.

"It's the one we hear the most complaints about," Assistant City Manager Bob Barzinski said. "It's a tough event for police to manage."

An estimated 100,000 spectators watched the March 16 parade, prompting the city to suggest banning alcohol if the parade is allowed next year.

"The alcohol needs to stop," Mayor Cary Glickstein said at a May 14 workshop where Barzinski recommended that the parade be eliminated.

Commissioners postponed a decision. "This is an issue for everyone to weigh in on," Glickstein said.

The parade's promoter predicted a public outcry if Delray cancels the parade.

"The Irish of Palm Beach County will rise up against that idea," warned Bernard Ryan of Festival Management Group. "There will be a green storm."

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Along the Coast



'Fonzi' Palmieri trims Alexandra Pena (left) at Colby's Barber Shop in Ocean Ridge. Shop owner Lino Marmorato (center) works on customer Joe Giuliano of Boynton Beach; Paul Hansen trims Ken Keller of Hypoluxo. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

OLD SCHOOL, CUTTING EDGE

Barbers happy to keep traditional shops

By Ron Hayes

Take a chair, please, sit back and relax, while we salute the red, white and blue.

No need to stand this time. No hand on heart.

The red is for blood, the white for bandages, the blue for veins.

Swirl them all together in a triple helix and you've got the old-fashioned barber pole, once as ubiquitous as Old Glory itself — but not, alas, as enduring.

Dating back to the Middle Ages, when barbers were also surgeons — hence the

blood and bandages — the barber pole has gone from common to quaint.

Nowadays we have Supercuts and unisex, salons, stylists and, that bane of barbers everywhere, the Wahl's do-it-yourself home haircutting kit.

And yet they survive, real barbers — from the Latin barba for "beard" — and real barber shops, with fishing and hunting magazines by the door, Clubman after-shave in the air, and manly chitchat to go with the scissors'

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Brad Elliott gives a haircut to Jake Julien, 7, a student at Gulf Stream School and a resident of Gulf Stream, at Fifth Avenue Barber Shop in Delray Beach.



Pete Dye walks across a green at Gulf Stream Golf Club, where he is overseeing renovations. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

Gulf Stream

Dye hard at work on golf course overhaul

By Steve Pike

Pete Dye took one hand off the steering wheel of his golf cart and pointed to a patch of torn-up ground. "Pure rock," he said. "We're riding on pure rock."

Dye, the world's most famous living golf course architect, has been working since April 15 on renovating the back nine of Gulf Stream Golf Club. He's been a member of the private club, just a few minutes from his Gulf Stream home, for 30 years.

"They didn't listen to me for 29 years," he said in pure Dye-speak — straightforward laced with a dollop of self-deprecation.

"Mr. Donald Ross was here one

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Jaana Moisio with (l-r) Caroline, 7, Lauren, 11, and Moisio's husband, Tom Bennett. The girls have three piggy banks marked 'save,' 'spend' and 'share.' The 'save' money goes to the bank to pay for college and the 'share' goes to the Children's Home Society. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Editor's Note

Summer offers opportunity for staff to take a breather, readers to meet neighbors

To everything there is a season. Tourist season is over, sea turtle season has already started and hurricane season officially begins on June 1. Must be summer.

This time of year our *Coastal Star* staff takes a bit of a breather and we scale back our production load. As a result, you'll notice some changes in this month's edition:

Our Secret Gardens column takes a summer break.

Our Pay It Forward philanthropy calendar merges into the Community Calendar.

You'll also notice that our news section could, from time to time, include stories from all of the municipalities from South Palm Beach through Boca Raton. We'll change the story mix a bit, depending on which newspaper lands on your lawn (or in your

condo). But generally over the summer you'll be able to meet new neighbors from other towns and learn what concerns and issues are top of mind in nearby coastal communities.

You might also see advertisements in our paper that are new to your distribution area.

We hope over the summer you'll find a chance to take a leisurely drive along A1A and visit each of the communities in our unique barrier island home. As you pass the *Coastal Star* office in Ocean Ridge, feel free to stop in and say "hello." We love to meet our neighbors.

But if we aren't in the office, we might be at the beach. After all, for everything there is a season.



— Mary Kate Leming, executive editor

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Teen girls in forefront of businesswoman's philanthropy

By Jane Smith

Finnish-born Jaana Moisio moved to southern Palm Beach County as soon as she finished her education in the colder climes of Canada and Ohio.

She knew the area and enjoyed its warm winter weather when she visited her Finnish great-uncles during their annual snowbird trips to the Lake Worth-Lantana area.

"I wanted to get out of the cold, so I ended up moving here," she said.

Since then, Moisio has established deep roots in the coastal community.

She was living and working as a divorce lawyer in Boca Raton when she met her husband on a skiing trip to Taos, N.M. "It was a setup that everyone knew about," she said, except for Moisio and her soon-to-be husband, Thomas Bennett, a money manager living in Delray Beach.

Through her work at the Hodgson Russ law firm, she became involved with the Executive Women of the Palm Beaches. About eight years ago, she invited Cora Brown of the Children's Home Society to sit at the firm's table for a luncheon. Brown told her about the more-than-century-old statewide agency where she is now regional director of philanthropy.

Moisio learned about its Nelle Smith Residence for abused and neglected teenage girls. The group also has a Transitions home where

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pregnant teens and teen mothers with their babies live in a group-home setting.

"They have so many needs; the recession really hit them hard," she said.

Soon, Moisio was on its board and served for six years. She had to give up the board seat as her business grew, but she still is a "wonderful ambassador for us," Brown said.

Moisio, now living in Point Manalapan, remains active in the organization by attending and hosting money-raising events, holding diaper drives, making sure the charity is well-known at her daughters' school at Christmas time, and even indoctrinating her two daughters, ages 11 and 7, who have three piggy banks — marked save, spend and share. The "save" money goes to the bank to pay for college and the "share" goes to the children's group, Moisio said.

When her first daughter was born, Moisio, then age 38, was still working as a lawyer and didn't have time for shopping to set up a nursery. Even so, she managed to create an elegant nursery for Lauren.

It soon became the talk of parents at the Unity School in Delray Beach. At age 2 and a half, Lauren was enrolled in its preschool program. She had play dates and when parents came over to pick up their kids, they saw Lauren's room and asked who designed it.

Soon Moisio found herself sketching designs for parents while wanting to leave divorce law because she did not want to become "hard and bitter from

seeing the worst in people." After her husband suggested she charge for the designs, that thought became the catalyst she needed to leave the law firm.

She created the palmbeachtots.com website to sell luxury furnishings for little ones. Her store ended up in Palm Beach Gardens not because she did any demographic studies that showed it was a good area for her merchandise but because she knew the owners of the Downtown at the Gardens. They simply invited Moisio to translate her online store into a real shop, where she stayed for two years.

Ever the pitch woman for the Children's Home Society, she talked the project's managers into adding the charity to its list receiving monthly donations from its carousel proceeds. She also held an author signing for Annie Falk's *Palm Beach Entertaining* at her store.

All of the proceeds from the book, which retails for \$45, go directly to the children's group.

The book is still available at her store, which now sits on South Dixie Highway in West Palm Beach. She found that location serendipitously.

As her daughter Lauren grows up, she is developing her own style and prefers modern furniture. Moisio, being a good mom, was driving that stretch of Dixie Highway, known for its antique and consignment shops, searching for suitable items when she saw the perfect desk for her daughter.

She got to talking with the store owner and saw that her Palm Beach Tots store would fit in well with the other stores on that stretch of Dixie. And now she is talking with her retail neighbors about hosting an event for the Children's Home Society. ★

Correction

Owners of property east of A1A pay 60 percent of taxes on the Delray Beach barrier island. A reader-submitted Local Voices story used an incorrect percentage.

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Delray Beach

Local architect helps move Atlantic Crossing toward acceptance

By Tim Pallesen

The developer of Atlantic Crossing has hired veteran local architect Bob Currie to redesign the controversial project to win City Commission approval.

Commissioners approved 356 rental apartments on the East Atlantic Avenue property after heated debate last year.

The developer returns before the city this month to get approval for the project site plan and design.

"The difficult challenge with a project this scale is to find an

approach that doesn't feel like a project this scale," said Don DeVere, project manager for the Edwards Companies.



Currie

Currie has earned local respect with his architectural designs for Old School Square, Sundy House, the Marriott Hotel,

City Hall and other Delray Beach projects.

"Bob is a great resource because he's got a long-standing history of being

involved in the resurgence of Delray Beach," DeVere said. "He is passionate and protective, and he understands the local aesthetics."

DeVere declined to release renderings of the redesign that city officials will see when Atlantic Crossing files its site plan this month for approval.

But he said Currie's firm and three others have broken down the massive appearance of Atlantic Crossing by giving each building within the project its own unique architectural design. A building with a modern design, for example, could be built next to one with a Mediterranean style.

"Bob is able to weave these designs together and bring out each style," DeVere said.

Currie said the project now looks "like it has been created over time by different hands."

Architects also have tried to soften the massive appearance by designing facades with openings, balconies and upper-floor setbacks. The street-level redesign encourages more pedestrian movement with covered walk areas, benches and fountains.

Currie is vice chairman of the Beach Property Owners Association, which decided not to join a lawsuit filed by some neighbors protesting the density and height that commissioners approved for Atlantic Crossing last year.

Bill Morris, a local consultant for the Ohio-based developer, says Currie's hiring is a response to those neighborhood concerns.

"There have been many changes to be compatible with the surrounding neighborhood — changes that people wanted to see," said Morris, who lives in coastal Delray Beach. "Bob doesn't mind speaking his mind. He can be very critical about things he doesn't like."

The BPOA asked the developer to improve the appearance of the southeast corner of the project that coastal residents see as they drive west across the Atlantic Avenue Bridge. Currie says architects responded to that concern and all others raised by commissioners and neighbors.

"Trust me — they are listening to the community," Currie said. "I'm surprised by how much time and effort they are putting in."

"We critique their work as professors would do. They hired us because they know we are a part of this town and care about it."

"This is probably the most important project that Delray Beach will see," Currie said. "We're creating an architecture that fits in our town and enhances the progress that Delray has already made." ★



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Along the Coast

Cities glad to make Corps list for beach restoration

By Cheryl Blackerby

Officials in Boca Raton and Delray Beach were surprised and elated when they were notified by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in early May that they will receive long-awaited restoration money for beaches damaged by Hurricane Sandy.

Boca Raton will get \$4.5 million, which will be used to restore 1.45 miles of the north beach.

And Delray Beach will receive slightly less than that — \$4.46 million — to renourish beaches north and south of the areas not covered by the recent offshore dredging project.

“We weren’t expecting it,” said Jennifer Bistyga, engineer with the city of Boca Raton. “We did everything they asked. There was a chance we would get it, but it was a shock when we made the cut.”

Even though the city staff had little hope of getting the money, particularly in the wake

of Sandy’s devastation in the Northeast, they spent a lot of time trying, she said. “We did a lot of work to get to that point with surveys and comparisons. We worked very hard.”

Officials in Delray Beach also never lost hope even after watching news coverage of the catastrophic damage to the Jersey Shore.

“We asked to be considered, but it was a surprise,” said Paul Dorling, director of planning and zoning for Delray Beach. “We needed the money to do the project, and we were hopeful. We didn’t know how much it was.”

The two cities’ beach projects were among 16 around the state that the Corps considered for emergency assistance in response to Hurricane Sandy and Tropical Storm Debby. After the Corps’ damage reports were completed, 12 projects were approved to receive the emergency funds, including three in Palm Beach County — Boca Raton, Delray Beach and Jupiter/Carlin Park.

Delray Beach will use the money to bring in additional sand on beaches from Atlantic Avenue north to George Bush Boulevard, and more sand south of Atlantic.

“This is a larger project that will repair storm damage from Sandy with additional sand north of where we stopped the last project,” said Dorling. That damage had galvanized residents to ask the city to expand the spring dredging project to include those beaches.

The clock is ticking on this money, although no one knows the exact deadline, which is available only for a short period of time. Work is expected to start Nov. 1, but no one knows yet which of the three projects will go first.

“We’re working on permits with the Army Corps and the DEP (Florida Department of Environmental Protection). All the agencies know this money is only for a limited time, and we have been told we have to spend it quickly,” Bistyga said.

“The Army Corps is putting the projects out to bid.”

The three beach projects will share the same offshore dredge to save money. “Mobilization of the dredge is \$3 million, so we save across the board by working together,” she said.

Delray, too, is pleased with the amount of money it is getting and the tight deadline for getting the job done.

“Barring any crazy kind of bidding quotes that come in, it’s enough money to do the job,” Dorling said. “The Corps is preceding with permits in a small time frame, and is pushing like crazy. We would not be able to meet the time frame without them.”

In Boca Raton, some sand has returned to the beaches but not enough.

“The beaches are recovering, but the problem with this storm is that we lost a lot of height, and that’s not coming back to the level we would like. The beaches are a lot smaller and won’t regain that height,” said Bistyga. ★

The dredge will extract sand 2,500 feet offshore from Boca Raton adjacent to sites in the same area that was dredged in 2010. None of the federal money can be used for projects already completed, such as the recent dune restoration in Boca Raton. The Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District has been asked pay \$200,000 for the dune project, which will also include planting sea oats and other vegetation on the dunes.

The beach projects damaged by Hurricane Sandy that will receive emergency funds: Brevard County — North Reach and South Reach; Martin County; Fort Pierce Beach; Palm Beach County — North Boca Raton, Jupiter/Carlin and Delray Beach; and Broward County, Segment 2.

The beach projects affected by Tropical Storm Debby that are getting emergency funds are Treasure Island in Pinellas County; Anna Maria Island in Manatee County; and Gasparilla and Captiva in Lee County. ★

Gulf Stream

Suit argues ‘unauthorized signs’ are protected speech

By Thomas R. Collins

That Tweedle Dee, that Tweedle Dum, that Ku Klux Klan-esque hood labeled “satire,” and a mule labeled “Mayor” on the side of Martin O’Boyle’s house?

They’re “not just paint.”

They’re constitutionally protected free speech, O’Boyle says. And he’s filed a federal lawsuit to keep town officials from making him paint over the cartoons.

O’Boyle has been at odds with the town after a decision in March rejected his request for variances he wanted in order to build a 25-foot entry tower



O’Boyle

variances are actually not needed for the changes. He has made his displeasure with the town known with a collection of cartoons making fun of — and outright insulting — town officials. A green ogre wearing a shirt and tie, for instance, is labeled as the “Vice Mayor.”

Town officials have cited O’Boyle for code violations,

as part of the remodeling of his \$1.6 million waterfront home on Hidden Harbour Drive. O’Boyle argues that

saying the paintings amounted to unauthorized signs, that the colors are not on the approved list and that the paintings did not go through the proper review process.

O’Boyle is scheduled to appear before the town code enforcement magistrate on June 4. But the suit seeks an injunction to stop the town’s code-enforcement efforts in its tracks, arguing that O’Boyle’s case is likely to succeed and that continuing with code enforcement would cause O’Boyle irreparable harm.

“O’Boyle maintains that the paintings ... are in fact speech, and not just paint,” his attorney,

Robert Gershman of Delray Beach, argues in the suit.

He says that other homes are decorated for holidays and special occasions and are not subject to code enforcement.

“Decorative wreaths, skeletons, turkeys, angels, snowpersons, and other like type adhesive decor has been placed upon the Town homes in a common and annual ritual,” he says.

Gershman downplayed one difference: that those decorations can be removed easily while paint is more permanent.

In an interview, Gershman said, “Practically and lawfully,

the issue should not be the mobility or content, it should be preventing the town from selectively enforcing what they don’t like.”

Asked about the effects should every home in the town be painted with free-speech-protected cartoons, Gershman said he couldn’t speak for other homeowners, but said, “Mr. O’Boyle’s are legitimate, purposeful and within his constitutional rights.”

The town’s attorney, John Randolph, is out of the office as of this writing and Town Manager Bill Thrasher had not replied by deadline to requests for comment. ★

Town sets up finances for legal wrangle

By Tim O’Meilia

Gulf Stream town officials are girding themselves for a long battle with unhappy resident Martin O’Boyle by dipping into town reserves for an extra \$100,000.

Eight O’Boyle-related suits have been filed against the town since April 15, including a federal suit in late May over his paintings of town officials as cartoon characters, monsters and KKK-like members on the sides of his house.

Although they didn’t announce it publicly, commissioners are preparing for legal fights with O’Boyle and his associates.

Commissioners voted 4-1 at the May 10 meeting to allot an extra \$80,000 for legal expenses and \$20,000 more for professional services in the current budget. Commissioner Garrett Dering opposed

the move, largely on budget procedural grounds.

In addition, O’Boyle has attended recent Town Commission and Architectural Review and Planning Board meetings, challenging the building and zoning code interpretations of Town Manager William Thrasher and town planning consultant Marty Minor of Urban Design Kilday Studios on items not related to his own property.

The centerpiece of O’Boyle’s lawsuit is an appeal of the commission’s March denial of his request for a 25-foot entry tower as part of a remodeling of his 1983 home on Hidden Harbour Drive. Commissioners rejected three of four variances by a 3-2 vote.

O’Boyle’s suit argues that town officials misinterpreted the building code and that variances are not required.

In the federal suit, O’Boyle

claims the paintings on his house are protected by the First Amendment right to free speech and that the town code is illegal if it prohibits the drawings.

The other four suits are over public records requests made by O’Boyle, his Commerce Group business, one of his employees and a public records activist. None of the suits relate to his own property but to an application for a new home at 3211 N. Ocean Blvd.

Among other things, O’Boyle challenged the 15 cents per-page copying charge and a permitted charge for labor on extensive requests. One suit said he was charged \$1.75 for clerk’s time and another, by public records advocate Joel Chandler, said \$3.50 was charged.

O’Boyle claimed that only the actual cost of copying should be charged and that the few minutes required to make other copies should not require

the additional fee.

In a response filed to one suit, the town said the extra charges were made because of the work load prompted by a large number of requests and the research involved in assembling the documents. “The \$1.75 was part of 366 public records filed in piecemeal fashion requesting 1,559 separate documents,” the town’s response said.

O’Boyle also claimed some records were redacted and others not provided in a timely manner. The town denied that.

In other business:

• Commissioners voted unanimously to institute a five-minute limit for speakers on non-agenda items and to move public comment to the beginning of the meetings. The action was prompted by O’Boyle’s courtroom-style questioning of commissioners and town officials during recent

meetings. The new policy allows speakers to make comments but not question town officials. “The presentation is just that. It’s not time for a Q and A,” said Town Attorney John Randolph, who drafted the new policy. The commission decided against a three-minute limit.

• Commissioners decided the demonstration street light and pole erected beside the police station is too tall and the wrong color. Instead they prefer a forest green 12-foot pole. Another demonstration pole may be erected. The proposed \$380,000 street lighting project calls for 53 of the lantern-style lights on residential streets and 35 cobra-head lights on A1A.

• Commissioners postponed until June a decision on a request to divide property at 1410 N. Ocean Blvd. into three lots so the owner and neighbors can work out an agreement over landscaping and fencing. ★

Around Town

Doc's pet project delivers food, cigars and a culture of jazz

Boca entertainment has never been like this. **Bob James** and **Fourplay** one week, followed by **Molly Ringwald**, then **Larry Carlton**, with James returning with **David Sanborn** on June 20 and **Steely Dan** at the **Mizner Park Amphitheater** on Sept. 12. Just what the doctor ordered.

Of course, **Michael Fagien** isn't your typical doctor. He spends the day looking at PETs (Positron Emission



Fagien

Tomography images) on his home computer and telling other doctors what's wrong with their patients. The rest of his time is spent with his other "pet" — **Jazziz**, a two-headed musical monster. One head is the magazine, *Jazziz*, which claims after 30 years to be "the undisputed authority on jazz and style." The other is *Jazziz*, the restaurant, a complete reworking of the old **Zed 451** at the south end of Mizner Park.

"It's not a jazz club," Fagien insists as he sneaks a french fry from his son's plate. "It's a restaurant. The food is great. It's fresh, local. We have a great chef (**Justin Flit**) and a see-through kitchen. We have a cigar lounge, a caviar bar, champagne room, private dining room, outdoor bar. We could be like a *Wine Spectator* or *Cigar Aficionado*."

But with the promise of live entertainment seven nights a week, he concedes he's "creating a culture of jazz."

Actually, it could be called *Jazziz Redux*. In 2004, Fagien opened the prototype next to **Hard Rock Hotel** in Hollywood. Two years later, he closed it — wrong clientele. He regrouped, found new backers, and looked toward home.

"This is what people in Boca



Poet **Richard Blanco**, who read his poem *One Today* at the second inauguration of President Obama, gave a reading and talk May 1 at the **Ritz-Carlton Palm Beach** in Manalapan for the **Plum Blush of Dusk Soirée**, which benefited the **Palm Beach County Human Rights Council**. Blanco said he did not know how he was chosen to read at the inauguration. After the event he met with the president, who hinted that the poet's work had been recommended to him. **Mary Kate Leming/The Coastal Star**

have been waiting for," he said. "They're more attuned to an upscale concept here."

Fagien seldom slows down, except perhaps to marvel at the keyboard artistry of James, who gave us the theme to *Taxi*, or listen to Ringwald, who went from child singer to teen film star to mother of two to grownup torcher. But he isn't playing solo. Twin **Steven**, a plastic surgeon, also has a stake in *Jazziz*, and wife **Zakiya**, an obstetrician/gynecologist, is the magazine's publisher.

Other artists appearing this month are singers **Bobby Caldwell** (June 5-6) and **Jon Secada** (June 12-13), and guitarist and former *Tonight Show* bandleader **Kevin Eubanks** (June 26-27).

Jazziz Nightlife is at 201 Plaza Real in Mizner Park. Tickets range from \$35 to \$95; visit www.jazziznightlife.com, or call 300-0732.

Here they come, just down the street ... at **Mizner Park Amphitheater** July 27, hey, hey, it's the **Monkees**, extending their reunion tour with the no longer reclusive **Michael Nesmith** and paying tribute to **Davy Jones**, the band's local member (Indiantown) who died last year.

The hills are alive ... with the sounds of construction, trunk lids slamming, dollies creaking and employees and volunteers trying to figure out what goes where. Welcome to **The Wick**, South Florida's newest performance house, which has taken over the old **Caldwell Theatre** on North Federal in Boca. The curtain won't rise until mid-September, but **Marilynn Wick**, the woman behind the name, has lots of work to do.

She's already begun remodeling the lobby. Walls will fall to create a space for the "ladies who lunch," a **la Tavern on the Green**. She'll create a cabaret and a space for her **Broadway Collection**, America's largest repository of theatrical costumes that she moved from Pompano Beach. And she'll put on a show or two, beginning Sept. 18 with *The Sound of Music*.

"Everybody loves it and it hasn't been done here in a while," Wick says. "Plus we have **Mary Martin's** original costume (Martin originated the role on Broadway), and all the kids will be local."

The opening season is tried and true — *White Christmas*, *42nd Street*, *The Full Monty*, *Steel Magnolias* and *Ain't Misbehavin'*, but Wick needs time to settle in. She thought she had lined up **Douglas C. Evans**, former **Niederlander Worldwide Entertainment** CEO as managing and producing director, but that is tenuous. She does have an artistic

director on board — **Jonathan Van Dyke**, a veteran of many South Florida productions who worked most recently at the **David Straz Center** in Tampa. Van Dyke is lining up directors and planning auditions.

At least he won't have to worry about costumes.

Father's Day. What to get Dad? The folks at the **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County** have about 1,400 ideas. The Council's **Uniquely Palm Beach** gift shop at 601 Lake Ave. in Lake Worth is a showcase for works by more than 50 artists that would suit that "gem of a man."

Mobiles made of found objects, books, men's jewelry, money clips made of glass, candles, bars of soap, note cards, jigsaw puzzles and, of course, paintings. Prices start at \$3.

Speaking of art, the *62nd All Florida Juried Competition and Exhibition* continues through July 14 at the **Boca Raton Museum of Art**. Mark Scala, curator at the **Frist Center for the Visual Arts** in Nashville, selected 149 works by 122 artists. He chose the paintings, graphics, drawings, sculptures, installations, photographs, computer-generated images, and videos because they "could be shown ... anywhere in the world without there being a question of (their) artistic merit."

I wonder where **John Boehner** would have been more comfortable.

At the April 27 Palm Beach wedding of **Michael Jordan** to Miami model **Yvette Prieto**? Or the May 10 wedding in Delray Beach of daughter **Lindsay** to **Dominic Lakhan**? Palm Beach is a great repository for Republican campaign funds; the guest list was full of NBA Hall of Famers and some decent golfers, including one named Woods; and the speaker of the House does like to play golf.

Delray, by comparison, has less money, but it is more fun, has better nightlife, has more public beach, has a few celebs ... and, after all, that's where Lindsay was sequestered.

Plus the gardens at the **Sundy House** are more romantic than the Gothic **Bethesda-by-the-Sea**.

When Boehner's younger daughter, **Tricia**, married **James "Jak" Kinney**, two years ago, the media paid little heed. Not so with Lindsay and Dominic ... for several reasons: The groom is Jamaican, 38 years old, works in construction, sports waist-length dreadlocks and several years ago was busted for possessing less than a quarter ounce of marijuana, enough for six to eight joints.

Media reports fell slightly short of **Watergate** standards.

Lakhan may have been cited for marijuana possession, but no record was produced of any judicial action. Because of the dreadlocks, the event was dubbed a "Rasta" wedding, despite lacking any evidence that Lakhan is a Rastafarian. Several news reports identified him as "black" or "African-Jamaican." Though the groom and his mother were born in Jamaica, his father came from Trinidad and is of Indian descent.

The wedding was small, 60 or so guests. The groom and the father of the bride both wore light gray suits. A trio played as **Boehner** danced with his daughter.

We do not know if the music included any **Bob Marley** tunes, although "One love, one heart, Let's get together and feel all right" would have been fitting. We do know that Lindsay's father supports the Defense of Marriage Act and opposes any legalization of marijuana, even for medical reasons.

We don't know much about Lindsay either, other than she's 35. No info on what she's been doing for 15 years — nothing on colleges, jobs or where she's lived. Not even a Facebook page. Ditto for her sister and both spouses.

Boehner spokeswoman **Brittany Bramell** told the *Cincinnati Enquirer* in an email: "The Speaker's daughters are not public figures. Accordingly, our office does not comment on their personal lives, even with respect to joyous family occasions such as their weddings."

But that didn't stop the screaming headline in *The National Enquirer*: "Secret Service Goons Wreck Boehner Wedding." As second in line to the presidency, the speaker of the House receives Secret Service protection. Where he goes, they go; and they do their job. They check everyone.

However, the *Enquirer's* photos — shot from a helicopter — don't suggest an "armed camp" at The Sundy House. Guests hardly appeared disturbed — except possibly by the chopper, as suggested in a tweet from the speaker's deputy chief of staff, **David Schnittger**: "Paparazzi rent-a-chopper over Boehner family wedding tonight. Hope you got some good pics. Congrats Lindsay and Dom."

If you plan to catch the Fourth of July fireworks in Boca, here's a tip: Don't go to the park!

For years, the display was held on the campus of **Florida Atlantic University**. But without consulting with FAU officials or the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Parks District, the city administration decided to move the event to the district's new **DeHoernle Park** on

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Fans swarm The People Upstairs, a South Florida reggae band, during the end of the 2013 Old School BeerFest at Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square in Delray Beach. It had begun to rain. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Spanish River Boulevard. It's big, 80 acres, but it's filled with soccer and baseball fields, jogging paths and native scrub. Its 403 parking spaces are adequate for a baseball or soccer crowds, but not the thousands who watch fireworks, especially when many will be occupied by game booths, children's rides, food vendors and a few black and whites (police cars).

Furthermore, the park has only one entrance. Good luck if you want to get home at a reasonable time.

The city is arranging for bus or tram transportation from **Boca Corporate Center**, the old IBM campus on the north side of Spanish River Boulevard, but it, too, has limited access, and district officials warn that limited access could result in round

trips of 40 minutes or more.

The Parks District's board is elected by residents who live in the city and beyond to the turnpike. Though not a city agency, it has cooperated closely since it was created in 1974 to provide parks and recreation facilities for the area. Rather than risk damage to the new fields, the district board offered to absorb some of the cost if a fireworks show could have been accommodated in FAU's new stadium. The city ignored the offer.

If the fireworks produce any duds — attendance, parking, emergency vehicle access, potential field damage, cleanup — the city and its residents will pay. The district's board members are not happy and suggest that future negotiations may not be so cordial.

Let the sparks fall where

they may.

Harvey Oyer III was thrilled to accept his Distinguished Author award May 15 at **Florida House** in Washington, D.C., but he was more pumped at being upstaged . . . by **Francesca Alfano**, his 12-year-old stepdaughter. At the award luncheon, she sang the national anthem and, as Oyer noted, "crushed it. She was the star."

That night at a dinner at the **Smithsonian**, she gave another boffo performance that led to an impromptu tour. A Smithsonian administrator led the family to a room where he invited her to play a piano — **George Gershwin's** piano.

"Are we allowed to do this?" Oyer asked.

"We're doing it!" the official replied, and explained that

Francesca was the first to play it since **Paul McCartney**. **Stevie Wonder** and **Paul Simon** had preceded the Beatle.

"She doesn't really appreciate who Gershwin is," said Oyer, a fifth-generation Floridian and great grandnephew of the legendary **Barefoot Mailman**. "But someday she'll have a great story for her grandchildren."

A Boynton Beach native and land-use lawyer, Oyer was cited for his children's books, *The American Jungle*, *The Last Egret* and *The Last Calusa*, which schools throughout the state use to give students a vivid picture of "old Florida."

Florida House was established by Sen. **Lawton Chiles** and his wife, **Rhea**, in 1973 as an "embassy" to showcase Florida's culture and diversity. Funded solely

by contributions from Florida residents, its programs include annual trustees awards to an author and an artist. Marine artist **Guy Harvey** will be honored this fall.

Mr. Rapoport goes to Washington. Fortunately for **Burt Rapoport**, it involved votes but not politics. The South Florida restaurateur made the trip to accept the **Community Excellence Award** for his **Rapoport Restaurant Group** at the **Small Business Summit of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce**. In February the Chamber included the Rapoport Group among its 100 Blue Ribbon Small Business Award winners, and then it was up to each winner to drum up votes. Rapoport asked the charities his restaurants have supported to return the favor. They did by a 1,200-vote margin.

The **County Commission** wants to build a hotel at the **Morikami**. The one-story *ryokan*, initially proposed more than three decades ago, would feature traditional Japanese architecture and be built with private funds. As for possible names, how about **Hotel Amanohashidate**. That's "Bridge to Heaven" in English. The bridge, one of Japan's three most scenic wonders, is near **Miyazu**, **George Morikami's** hometown and Delray's sister city.



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Commentary

With politicians at helm, education takes back seat

By Thom Smith

Don't think for a moment that Mary Jane Saunders' resignation as president at Florida Atlantic University will allow the campus to resume its persona as a tranquil haven for higher education.

Granted, her departure was inevitable, a fall necessitated not only by her actions but also by a board of trustees that lost sight of its mission. These are tough times, financially and politically. The governor and the Legislature may not know how to run education, but they have the money and therefore the power to control it.

Cynical? Many university trustees are appointed because they give lots of money to candidates' campaigns or have political capital.

Angela Graham-West, for example, possesses impressive academic credentials — a bachelor's degree in finance from Kansas State University, MBA from Long Island U. and Ph.D. in education back at Kansas State University — and she's a financial adviser

for Raymond James and Associates. But would Gov. Rick Scott have appointed her to FAU's board had she not been married to then-Rep. Allen West, his Tea Party comrade-in-arms?

Dr. Jeffrey Feingold, a Delray Beach dentist and another Scott appointee, operates seven comprehensive dental HMOs. Before he lists his academic credentials on his FAU résumé, he lists his service as chairman of the Jewish Leadership Council of the Republican Party of Florida.

Among Scott appointees, at least Butch Teske has some experience with running a school.

The decorated Army veteran with bachelor's and master's degrees from Murray State University in Kentucky and a doctorate in education from Nova Southeastern University was a middle school principal and later an assistant

superintendent in Indian River County.

Scott's most recent nominee backed out when reports were published about her missteps and misdeeds. Elizabeth "Betsy" Fago Smith built an empire by taking over nursing homes in remote communities. She lived lavishly; she donated to noble causes; but she borrowed heavily and built up \$110,000 in federal tax liens. In 2004 she organized a \$1.5 million fundraiser for Gov. Jeb Bush, who appointed her to the state oversight panel for Scripps Research Institute in Jupiter. She gave Scripps two \$1 million gifts, but in 2005, she resigned that position because of conflicts with Chairman Marshall Criser Jr., former president of the University of Florida.

Lest we forget George Zoley. An FAU grad, dynamic chairman and CEO of Boca-based GEO Group and major contributor to political campaigns, his appointment to the board of trustees was a no-brainer for Bush.

Zoley eventually became

chairman and also headed up the search committee that hired Saunders. So who would expect her to object when his company, which runs prisons for profit, offered \$6 million for naming rights to the Owls' stadium? The administration spread its wings and hooted about the windfall.

Students, faculty members and some community leaders struck like hawks. GEO's rep wasn't something to crow about.

In explaining her resignation, Saunders cited a "perfect storm" of bad news. The Fago Smith fiasco. Professor James Tracy's off-the-clock suggestions that the Sandy Hook massacre and the Boston Marathon bombing were government conspiracies remain puzzling. (Does he not own a high-definition TV?) The woeful mishandling of communications instructor Deandre Poole's "Stomp Jesus" exercise still hasn't been rectified.

The latter two go to the heart of the university's academic integrity. But in the Saunders

tableau, they were eagles nibbling Prometheus' liver. Had she handled them candidly and with conviction, those wounds would have healed.

From the outset, instead of showing some guts, she totally ignored the crucial issues, resorting to platitudes and issuing a litany of recent FAU successes. The GEO blow was fatal.

In a post-mortem in FAU's student newspaper, *The University Press*, board Chairman Anthony Barbar offered this insight: "We're looking for somebody that's going to build on the trajectory that [Saunders] started. We'll be looking for somebody with vision, somebody that's able to deal with the various stakeholders in the university: students, faculty, administrators, community, donors. And somebody that's decisive, able to make a decision and have a clear vision of what the future is for Florida Atlantic University."

Sounds like excellent standards for board members, too. ★

Along the Coast

Young performers show musical mettle

By Ron Hayes

Devin Dykstra is an apple. His brother, Blake, is a banana. On a Monday evening in May, as the two Manalapan brothers waited in a mirrored rehearsal hall at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, it was essential they remember this.

Devin's the apple, Blake's the banana.

They also had to remember when to clap, when to sway, when to wave their American flags and when to let rip with the kazoos.

Devin is 11, Blake is 9. The median age in

Manalapan is 61.

"I grew up here myself," says their mother, Kim Dykstra. "It's a wonderful town, but there aren't a lot of kids their own age around."

And then, three years ago, she discovered the Young Singers of the Palm Beaches — six countywide choruses for boys and girls 8 to 18.

Now the Dykstra boys have about 350 friends.

"The hardest part is the choreography," admits Devin, who joined in 2009. "But that first year I had trouble getting to the stage."

This is where the apples and bananas come in.



When the 78 members of the Treble Chorus march onto the Kravis Center's main stage for their part in the Young Singers'

10th anniversary concert May 19, Devin and the other "apples" file in from the left, Blake and his fellow "bananas" from the right.

Knowing what you are tells you where you're supposed to be.

"The hardest work is the choreography," agrees Blake, "but it makes me feel great. I love hearing the applause."

The Young Singers of the Palm Beaches was founded in 2003 by a group of local music teachers who envisioned a nonprofit children's chorus where only the singing mattered. Not race, religion, income — or shrinking school budgets.

That first season featured 79 singers and two choirs.

At the spring concert this year, 350 singers would perform.

In between, they've sung all over Palm Beach County, as well as in Boston, New York, Vienna and Disney World.

"Right now, our biggest challenge is how to manage our growth," says Beth Clark, the executive director. "The minute *Glee* came on TV, our auditions went from 60 to 100 that June. Suddenly it was cool to sing."

But not inexpensive. The YSPB has an annual budget of \$600,000. Singers pay a tuition of \$650 a year.

"And that's only about 34 percent of our budget," Clark says. "The rest I have to raise. But we've never turned a qualified child away because of financial need."

About 20 percent of the members receive some sort of help with tuition, but the other children don't know who these are, and they don't care. They don't have time.

From August to May, they are meeting for 90 minutes every week with artistic director D. Shawn Berry, four conductors and two accompanists, learning both the music and the moves for their holiday and spring concerts.

For the older singers, the choreography is sophisticated and complicated. Real Broadway show-tune dancing.

For the younger singers, like Devin and Blake, it's unsophisticated — and complicated.

Just try singing *You're A*



TOP: Members of the mass choir swirl their flags during the performance. **MIDDLE:** Devin Dykstra waits to take the stage during rehearsals. **BELOW:** Blake Dykstra sings during rehearsals. **Photos by David R. Randell and Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Grand Old Flag while standing on risers, swaying from side to side — one row swaying left when the other row sways right — and everybody waving little American flags in time to the tune.

At this Monday evening rehearsal, a week before the concert, Berry was as attentive to the apples-and-bananas aspect of the show as he was to the music.

"Sweetheart," he told one little girl, "I don't see where you're standing ..."

They had only two more last-minute rehearsals before the Sunday night show.

"I think I did pretty well," Devin said after Berry had led the Treble Chorus through a perfunctory run-through. "But the real concert is a lot more fun."

Blake was equally self-

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Briny Breezes

Meeting tape at issue in audit proceedings

By Tim O'Meilia

The Palm Beach County Inspector General has begun an audit of the financial operation of the town of Briny Breezes.

A representative of the Inspector General's audit division has met several times with the town staff in April and May. Documents and a recording of one of the meetings were subpoenaed in early May.

The chief of the Inspector General's audit division, Dennis Schindel, declined to reveal why the audit is being conducted, or whether it was prompted by a complaint, until the investigation is completed. The audit and subsequent report may take several months.

Briny Breezes Town Attorney Jerome Skrandel said the investigation was a performance audit — an examination of the internal controls of the operation of the town.

During a May 13 special meeting, Skrandel was critical of the Inspector General's office for seeking a subpoena to determine if an April 25 meeting of the audit representative and town personnel was taped illegally.

Skrandel said the recorder was in plain view and an announcement that the meeting was being taped was made so town employees could refer to it to supply the information that the audit required.

During the meeting, the auditor asked if the April 25

meeting was being taped and did not object, Skrandel said. Investigators returned April 29 with a subpoena.

"I think the conduct by the Inspector General's employee was reprehensible," he said, referring to the auditor's apparently seeking a subpoena to investigate the taping as a criminal act.

The recording and recorder were returned to the town by State Attorney's Office investigators May 16.

Detectives Robert Flechaus and Daniel Amero said the taping case would not be pursued, but that town employees had improperly taped the meeting by neglecting to get everyone's consent on the tape.

Under the Inspector

General's auditing procedures, the town will have an opportunity to meet with the auditors over the preliminary findings and later be able to include its own response and make comments to the final report.

In other business:

• Alderman Nancy Boczon said the town was negotiating with Hi-Byrd Inspections to continue as the town's building official. The firm planned to resign as of June 2 over a dispute with the management of Briny Breezes, Inc., the corporation that owns the town. If an agreement is not reached or another building official is not found, town residents may be forced to seek permits through Palm Beach County, which would greatly

prolong the application period.

• The town will submit address lists and "living quarters" counts to the U.S. Census Bureau as part of its challenge to the number of housing units reported in the 2010 census. The town insists it has 484 mobile homes and four empty lots. The census counted exactly 800 dwellings. If the number is corrected, the town's official population of 601 would likely drop as well, since the population figure is derived using a statistical formula based on the number of housing units. The correct numbers are needed for the town's comprehensive plan and would have little effect on the amount of state revenue-sharing the town receives. ★

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confident.

"I think I sounded fantastic," he announced.

And now it's 7:05 p.m. on Sunday night, May 19, and the lights in the Alexander W. Dreyfoos Concert Hall are dimming. The stragglers rush to their seats, and all 350 Young Singers find their places in the dark.

The chorus is so big it overflows the stage, down the sides, into the aisles.

This year, the spring concert is titled *Ubuntu*, an African word that signifies the interdependence of all humanity. Mark Hayes, a nationally recognized composer, has written a world-premiere anthem for them.

I am me because you are you, they sang, softly at first, then louder, louder.

I am who I am because of who you are

And these kids sounded ... absolutely fantastic.

Even if you were not a parent, grandparent or close family friend, they sounded flabbergastingly good.

The Young Singers of the Palm Beaches are amateurs, but they are not amateurish.

On the upbeat fiddle tune *Cripple Creek* and the reverent hymn *Exultate Justi in Domino*, they were upbeat and reverent.

Grace, a new arrangement of *Amazing Grace* by Hayes, was inspired, and when the lights went down for the pop hit *Fireflies* and the Intermezzo chorus sang it

while rhythmically sparking tiny flashlights in the dark, the audience broke into spontaneous applause.

For an hour and half, they sang somber spirituals — *Peace Like A River* — and frothy pop songs — *Rockin' Robin*.

When Cris Carianna sang and danced *The Brotherhood of Man* from *How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying*, you wondered if maybe a Broadway touring company had wandered onto the stage unannounced. He was that good.

And then, just before the final reprise of *Ubuntu*, the Treble Chorus arrives, apples on the left, bananas on the right.

The T-shirts and blue jeans are gone. Devin and Blake are grown-up and spiffy in black shirts, slacks and royal blue neckties, along with everyone else.

They begin with *Alleluia! I Will Sing ...* a song of love and freedom.

Then comes *I Whistle A Happy Tune*, from *The King & I*, but they don't whistle the chorus. They all whip out

kazoos and the audience goes wild.

And now the George M. Cohan medley.

Devin, the veteran singer, stands tall and dignified, reaching the back row, sure of himself.

Blake, new this year, has somehow mastered the art of grinning from ear to ear while singing his heart out.

You're a grand old flag!

You're a high-flying flag!

The entire chorus is swaying in time, this row left, that row right, waving their flags,

Yankee Doodle Dandies all, and suddenly audience can't help whistling, cheering and clapping along.

"Listen to me, kids," you want to tell every one of them, "you went out there apples and bananas tonight. But you came back stars." ★

Beginning July 15, the Young Singers of the Palm Beaches will offer a three-week workshop in musical theater with master classes taught by guest artists direct from Broadway. For information about auditions and fees, visit www.yspb.org.

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Delray Beach

DJ request fires up noise opponents

By Tim Pallesen

Coastal residents fear the Sandbar tiki bar might test the limits of Delray Beach's new noise ordinance.

Ocean Properties, the owner of the tiki bar adjacent to Boston's on the Beach, is asking the city for a conditional use permit to allow an outdoor DJ.

Neighbors say the Sandbar already has become a biker bar with motorcycle noise as disruptive as the music. They fear an outdoor DJ will make

matters worse.

"DJs know how to mix up the songs to get people in a frenzy," warns Fran Marincola, chairman of the Beach Property Owners Association noise committee.

Ocean Properties vice president Tom McMurrain said adding a DJ won't be a big change because the Sandbar already is allowed to play outdoor recorded music.

"The only purpose in adding a DJ is to select music that people want," McMurrain said,

"and we've agreed that the DJ won't have a microphone."

That doesn't satisfy George Brandon, the most vocal neighbor since the tiki bar opened in 2011.

"The Sandbar is the worst thing that's ever happened in Delray Beach," said Brandon, who lives next door. "This used to be a peaceful community.

"Now we have a biker bar with incredibly loud music. All last Sunday afternoon they played this horrible recording that no one on the city council

would tolerate," he said.

"We need a strict noise ordinance or this city is history," Brandon warned.

The proposed ordinance would ban any music that is clearly audible within 100 feet, which includes Brandon's condo. Music would be prohibited after 11 p.m. on weeknights and after 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday nights.

The BPOA, which wants a citywide ban on loud noise 24 hours a day, wasn't aware of the Sandbar request to allow a DJ

when the proposed noise law was debated by residents and restaurant owners at a May 13 public hearing.

Coastal residents thought they had resolved Sandbar noise issues with Ocean Properties last year. "They did a good job then of mitigating the sound by turning down the speakers and becoming more community friendly," BPOA president Andy Katz said.

So debate at the May 13 hearing centered on downtown, where Barry Tunick, a resident on Northeast Fourth Avenue, objected to loud music until 2 a.m. on weekends at Johnnie Brown's restaurant.

"Don't you understand that people sleep seven nights a week?" Tunick asked Johnnie Brown's owner Dick Nicholas. "This is an abridgment of my right to live in Delray Beach."

Nicholas responded by asking city officials to create a downtown entertainment district where his restaurant, Paddy McGee's and Bru's Room, wouldn't have to abide by the noise law.

"You either have live music or not. If you're going to allow it, you can't suppress it," Nicholas argued. "One or two people are intruding on my rights."

The most passionate speaker at the hearing was Beach Drive resident Anita Casey, who alerted the city to the potential consequences of too much noise.

"We're destroying Delray," she warned. "What are we bringing in with all this noise? Drugs, the mob and prostitution." ★



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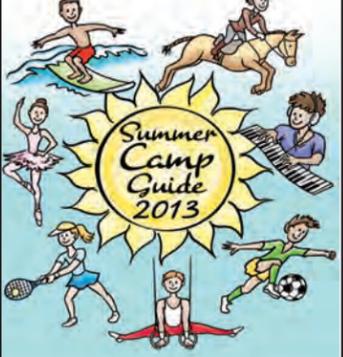
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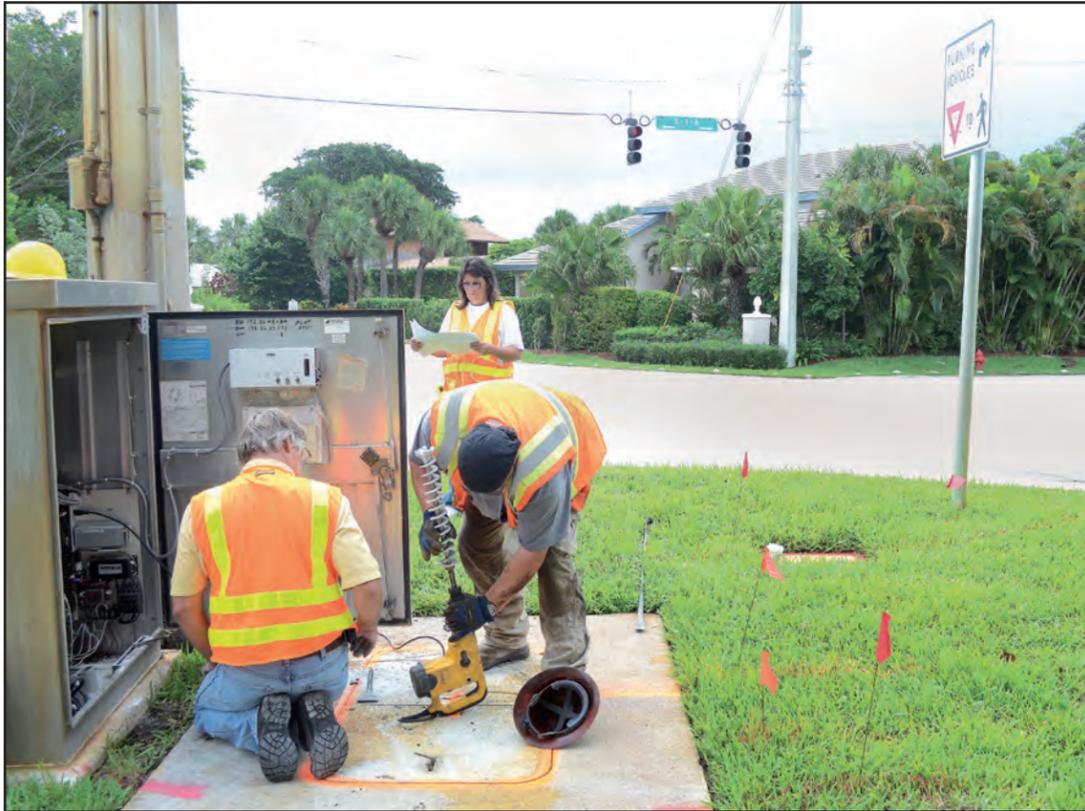
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Workers from Traffic Control Devices and The Florida Department of Transportation work on the wiring that controls the stop lights at the intersection of Woolbright Road and A1A on May 28. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

Neighborhood opposition doesn't stop new crosswalk on A1A

By Tim O'Meilia

Work on the installation of crosswalks and pedestrian signals at the A1A and Woolbright Road intersection began May 28, over the objection of Beachway Drive neighborhood residents and the Ocean Ridge Town Commission.

The Florida Department of Transportation decided to proceed with construction five days after town commissioners voted 3-1 to oppose the state-funded project.

In a letter to Mayor Geoff Pugh, state road officials cited safety concerns because of increased pedestrian traffic at the intersection, which leads to a beach access point. DOT has jurisdiction over the intersection since A1A is a state road.

"The intersection has experienced three pedestrian-related crashes since 2009, more than any other signalized intersection on A1A between Atlantic Avenue and Lake Avenue," wrote Mark Plass, DOT district traffic operations engineer.

Pugh said he was disappointed with the DOT's response, saying that state road officials expressed no safety concerns for the intersection when A1A improvements were made in the area in recent years, including the installation of crosswalks.

Ironically, it was the Town Commission that urged the DOT in 2011 to consider installing crosswalks at the intersection because of safety concerns. That request led to the project.

The \$44,500 project was scheduled to begin April 22, but state road officials agreed to postpone the work until the town held a special meeting

May 2. More than 20 nearby residents argued that the crosswalk would disrupt their neighborhood, attract more visitors and pose more danger to pedestrians than leaving it unmarked.

"My gut reaction is you're funneling people onto a public road, which isn't safe either," said nearby resident Penny Kosinski.

Beachway Drive, on the east of the intersection, has no sidewalks and pedestrians headed to the beach must walk in the street.

"We are attempting to put a major league walkway on a T-ball street," agreed 37-year resident Lisa Allerton.

Pugh and Commissioners Lynn Allison and Gail Adams Aaskov were unhappy with the traffic statistics provided by the DOT and said more in-depth examination was needed.

"This intersection is more dangerous than the intersections north and south of it. We know it's a dangerous situation. I have to vote for safety," said Commissioner Ed Brookes, the only commissioner to support the project. Commissioner Zoanne Hennigan was absent.

The DOT has ramped up its efforts in the last three years to protect pedestrians and bicyclists.

"This project definitely will make the intersection safer," said Jonathan Overton, DOT assistant traffic operations engineer, who attended the meeting.

He said safety concerns are paramount. "How many people have to get hurt or killed before we act?" he asked the commission. "If the signals don't go in and someone is hurt or killed, then the question will be 'Why isn't there one here?'"

Former Mayor Ken Kaleel

said signs should be erected directing pedestrians and bicyclists to crosswalks north and south of the intersection. "If it's so dangerous, why possibly would you promote it?" he said.

Overton said that pedestrians would still try to cross at the intersection rather than try to walk four-tenths of a mile to a crosswalk. "It's not possible to guide and influence human behavior correctly," he said.

Residents Richard DiPietro and Steve Coz said the crosswalks would create a false sense of security.

The vote against the crosswalks came despite the advice of Police Chief Chris Yannuzzi, who said in a memo that pedestrians would be crossing the Woolbright bridge to reach the beach whether town residents liked it or not and that government was obliged to protect them.

"Regardless of how an individual might feel, the concept of NIMBY (Not In My Back Yard) cannot govern decisions made in this situation. The benefit to the safety of the public at large should be the primary concern," he read to the commission.

"I am not interested in creating a memorial crosswalk," he said.

Resident Julia Walker had another perspective: "If there's anything you can do to curtail the invasion of Beachway, please do so."

The crosswalks and pedestrian signals will be installed on the north, east and south sides of the intersection. The west side already has a signal. The signals include a countdown clock for pedestrians. ★

Police to see better pay under new contract

By Tim O'Meilia

Ocean Ridge police will see a handsome difference in their paychecks under a new two-year contract approved by the Town Commission May 6.

The nine officers and four sergeants will receive an immediate 3 percent pay increase, a 3 percent cost-of-living increase in the new budget year beginning Oct. 1 and a 5 percent merit increase on their next anniversary date after that if they attain a satisfactory or better evaluation.

"I believe it's fair. There hadn't been an increase for quite a long time," said Mayor Geoff Pugh. "We've been negotiating this for quite some months."

Commissioners anticipated a pay increase last fall when they approved the annual town budget by including a 3 percent lump sum increase for all town employees, including the police.

The agreement, already ratified by the police bargaining unit, is the second contract negotiated by the Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association since the town's officers voted to unionize in 2011. Last year, the police received \$1,000 lump sum increase.

"The town residents made it clear they wanted to keep their own Police Department and not go to the (Palm Beach County) Sheriff's Office," Pugh said. "We wanted to pay them a little more money to show our appreciation."

Officers would have earned more as sheriff's deputies if the town had decided to contract with the sheriff's office.

"I would like to think (the wage increase) was a response to the overwhelming feeling from residents that the police department deserved a raise," said Police Chief Chris Yannuzzi, who took part in the negotiations for the town. "I am proud and humbled by that."

The wage increase was the only significant difference between the new contract and the original agreement. "They acquiesced on some things," Pugh said. "Otherwise, negotiations could have gone on for many more months."

In other business:

- Commissioners tentatively approved charging a \$50 registration fee to property owners who rent their homes in residential areas. Condominiums and co-operatives would be exempt. The commission wants to discourage short-term rentals in residential districts. "People complain that there are strangers in their neighborhood," said Commissioner Zoanne Hennigan. The registration system would not require owners to reveal the identity of the renter. "You want to know who your neighbors are," said Commissioner Ed Brookes. The town code forbids rentals of less than 30 days in residential districts. The commission will consider final approval in June.

- In a related matter, the commission approved seeking an injunction to prevent Joseph and Karen Romano from renting their home at 6011 N. Ocean Blvd. for less than 30 days. The Romanos repeatedly have ignored the 30-day rule, renting the \$2 million oceanfront estate for as much as \$8,000 a week and erected wooden or concrete columns without a building permit, town officials say. Joseph Romano is serving 15 years in federal prison in New York on a business conspiracy conviction and has been charged with plotting to kill the judge and prosecutor in the case.

- The commission asked Town Manager Ken Schenck for options on the future of the town's only commercial area, three blocks on A1A at the south end of town, other than a \$15,000 planning study. The area is scheduled to be phased to residential use by June 2014. The owners of a five-store building at 5011 N. Ocean have postponed plans for townhomes because of the economic downturn. "What happens if you move them out and there's nobody to move in?" Pugh said of the commercial strip.

- Commissioners took no action on a planning and zoning board recommendation to ban boats, trailers and recreational vehicles taller than 6 feet and to screen shorter ones from all sides, including backyards and across canals. Currently, 6-foot screening is required on the front and sides. ★

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PARADE

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The St. Patrick's Day Parade is a tradition in Delray Beach that began 45 years ago with an Irish bar owner carrying a pig in a small parade down Atlantic Avenue.

The parade struggled after the founder, Maury Power, died in 1996. Festival Management took control five years ago, replacing the marching bands that charged fees with Palm Beach County firefighters playing bagpipes and drums in a band that marched for free. The firefighter theme took off in 2010 when the Dublin Fire Brigade Pipe Band came from Ireland to perform.

More than 500 firefighters from Florida as well as Boston, New York City and two foreign countries came to march in the March 16, 2013, parade. Twelve ladder trucks from Miami to Martin County hoisted giant banners along Atlantic Avenue proclaiming their hometowns.

Parade grand marshal Harold Schaitberger, the president of the 300,000-member International Association of Fire Fighters, lists Delray Beach among the four best cities in America for firefighters to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. "The big parades are in New York City, Boston, Savannah — and Delray is right there," he said.



Revelers enjoy their beer during this year's St. Patrick's Day parade in Delray Beach. Organizers may ban alcohol from next year's parade, while local businesses want to limit events such as the parade that close Atlantic Avenue to traffic. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Festival Management announced on May 3 that management of future parades has been given to county firefighter John Fischer and two co-workers, with Ryan continuing as a consultant. A press release referred future parade inquiries to IAFF Local 2928 in Palm Beach County.

City commissioners said they will determine which street-closing events to eliminate based on who benefits by each

event.

"We have to start chopping," Commissioner Al Jacquet said at the May 14 workshop. Events sponsored by the city, the Chamber of Commerce and local nonprofits are most likely to survive.

A firestorm over pensions

After the workshop, Fischer said patriotism and community unity are the worthy purposes of his parade.

But on parade day he called the parade a "public relations bonanza" for firefighters seeking public support against cities and counties that cut their pension benefits.

"Children need to see clean-cut firefighters marching tall and proud with honor and dignity," he said in March. "This parade couldn't come at a better time than now, when firefighters across the country are being attacked by

politicians."

Schaitberger echoed that to motivate firefighters who marched in Delray's parade.

"There are those who don't appreciate us until they're in need," the union president told marchers during his pre-parade speech.

"They attack our benefits and retirement," Schaitberger said. "I hope citizens of Delray Beach and Florida will realize in their time of need that none of you question your responsibility even in an economy that's gone bust."

Governments have been forced to cut pension benefits after they discovered that their pension fund investments weren't generating the money that was promised before the recession.

Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens and Boca Raton were the first nearby cities to respond with pension reform.

But Delray Beach avoided the dilemma until the same May 14 workshop, where a city auditor alerted commissioners to a \$94 million shortfall in their pension fund for police and firefighters.

Commissioners have set a June 11 workshop to discuss the implications of that unfunded debt and whether pension benefits need to be cut here. "Taxpayers need to understand how significant these costs are," Glickstein said. ★



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Wayside House names executive director

After a nationwide search, the Wayside House board of directors has named Boca Raton resident Cathy Cohn as the agency's new executive director.



Cohn comes to Wayside House with nearly 30 years of experience in providing fiscal, strategic and operational leadership in the non-profit sector. As executive director, Cohn will work to ensure that Wayside House meets its financial objective while achieving its mission as a treatment provider for women with substance addictions.

The former CEO of Healthy Mothers/Healthy Babies Coalition of Palm Beach County, Cohn headed a 70-person staff and oversaw a \$6 million budget.

Cohn also was the prenatal care director for Planned Parenthood of South Palm Beach and Broward Counties.

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clip-clip. And, of course, a barber pole.

Meet Lino

On the mirror above his chair at Colby's Barber Shop in Ocean Ridge, Pasqualino Marmorato has placed a small sign to introduce "Your Barber Lino (Lee-no)."

"A barber pole says, 'This is a real barber shop,'" Lino says, as Il Volo sings *Volare* on a portable CD player nearby. "You go to a beauty parlor, they don't put this in the window."

Lino's barber pole is prominently displayed in his shop window. It's electric, it lights up, it spins. It's been there since the shop opened in 1996.

"Back in New Jersey, I had a seven-foot, ceramic pole that weighed almost 100 pounds," he remembers. "It was outside, and another, smaller one was on the roof. But then the town got wilder with the kids, so I moved it in."

Lino is from Pizzo, a small seaport nestled in the instep of Italy's boot. He is 70, and he has been cutting hair for 60 years.

"But I started when I was 5," he says, "sweeping up in my father's shop. By the time I was 10, I was already behind a chair. We had a neighbor who was a carpenter, and he built a stool for me to stand on so I could reach their heads."

In those days, a haircut cost you 10 cents. He gets \$15 now, \$18 for long hair.

When he was 16, his father retired, and Lino took over the shop. At 18, he joined the Costa cruise line, spent 10 years cutting hair while sailing back and forth across the Atlantic, then switched to the Caribbean routes out of Miami.

After 22 years in Lyndhurst, N.J., he returned to Florida in 1996, managed Colby's for 17 years, and bought it six months ago.

He's seen the styles come and go — long in the '60s, perms in the '70s, mid-length in the '80s. And he's heard it all, too.

"I've had customers tell me things they wouldn't tell their wives," he says. "My father was the same way. His friends spent more time in the shop than they did with their families, telling their problems."

These days, he gets requests for the Kojak look. Shave it all off. Only the vain dye their hair, he says.

And who's most vain?

"Middle-aged men. Late 40s, early 50s. More vain than women. They're going through this change, you know ..."

Meet Vito

Down in Boca Raton, Vito Damiani calls his shop in the Stonegate Plaza "Mr. Vito's Men's Hair Design." But he's not fooling anyone.

The city won't let him put a barber pole outside, so Vito's hung a stained glass rendering in the window.

Andrea Bocelli singing



The barber pole shines brightly in front of Colby's Barber Shop.

low in the background, Field & Stream by the counter, a framed print of a 19th-century "Tonsorial Parlor" on the wall and, just above that, a treasured gift from his grandchildren: A sign that says "Papa's Barbershop."

This is a barbershop, and he's an old-fashioned barber.

Vito grew up in Pisticci, about 30 miles south of Naples.

"I started out hanging around the barber shop as a cleanup boy. I did my first haircut when I was 11 1/2," he says, "and when I was 15, I started riding my bike to house calls."

At 17, he arrived in Brooklyn. He could cut hair, but he couldn't speak English. He got a job in two weeks.

In 1963, he was drafted on his birthday, and became a U.S. citizen 10 days before leaving for Vietnam.

"In New York, we did some crazy cuts," he recalls, "and then the Beatles came along and changed everything. I was in the army then, and when I came home — oh, my goodness."

His philosophy of barbering is simple: "Know your business, take care of your customers — and keep your mouth shut."

Bad barbers don't listen, he says. You have to listen for the haircut your customer wants, not the haircut you think he should have.

"I hear family problems, financial problems, but that's confidential — unless it's a funny story. We talk sports and family. Politics and religion are not discussed in my chair."

Now, about toupees ...

He smiles. "Even the best, I can tell. I had one customer who had three toupees. Short, medium and long. He'd change them so people would think his hair was growing."

In the shop window, near the stained-glass barber pole, hangs an American flag.

"I'm the American Dream," Vito says. "When I go to work in the morning, I don't feel like I'm going to work."

Meet Brad

Not all old-fashioned barbers are Italian, and they're not all 70, either.

Brad Elliott, owner of the 5th Avenue Barber Shop in Delray Beach, is 39, born and



Pat Grego, a barber at Mr. Vito Men's Hair Design in Boca Raton, gives a shoulder massage to Boca Raton resident Jerry Martin. The massager he is using is an Oster from the 1970s. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

raised in Johnstown, Pa.

His mother and grandmother cut hair. His father was a coal miner.

"I was kind of a wild kid," he says, "so when the coal mines shut down I was either going to go to beauty school or go to jail."

He trained at Rinaldo's Barber Shop in College Station, Pa., home of Penn State University.

"I wasn't really college material," he says, "but I was the barber to all the frat boys and football players, so I got invited to their parties."

He arrived in Florida in 1997 and worked in Boca Raton and Boynton Beach, before opening The Fifth Avenue Barber Shop

in Delray Beach in February 2012.

The barber pole by the sidewalk is portable because the city code won't let him have a permanent one. He made it himself from PVC pipe and brings it in at night. Inside, however, a genuine 1922 pole rotates on the wall beside his chairs.

"I like old," he says. "I just bought a 1932 Ford Roadster, and I love the doo-wop songs."

Instead of Italian tenors, Brad The Barber plays the oldies stations — Don McLean singing *American Pie*, for example. If Lino and Vito strive for a more conservative Old World ambiance, Brad The Barber is looser, more candid,

more *American Pie*.

"Oh, the kids!" he says.

"We charge them \$20, same as an adult, because sometimes they're a moving target. But I try to become their friend, see. I never say, 'I'm gonna cut your hair.' Cut's a scary word when you're a kid. I say, 'I'm gonna give you a trim.' It works."

Brad the Barber is young, and his business is young, but his dream is to own something old. Not a hair salon, but a genuine barber shop, the kind of place where men gather to socialize and a good haircut is only part of the appeal.

"I was meant to be a barber," he says. "A barber's like a bartender, except our customers are sober." ★

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South Palm Beach

Modeling shows most effective beach erosion plan

By Tim O'Meilie

The newest plan for saving South Palm Beach's fast-eroding shoreline is a series of seven buried groins dotting the beach from the Tuscany condominium to the Ritz-Carlton resort.

At least, that's what the computers say.

"There's enough sand down drift from Palm Beach to feed the beaches north of the Tuscany," Leanne Welch, Palm Beach County's environmental program supervisor, told the town council May 28.

The groins would be coupled with 75,000 cubic yards of sand to fill in hot spots along the shore. Welch said computer modeling

shows that plan is the most effective of the remaining choices and the one most likely to gain the approval of state and federal regulators.

With the modeling completed, an environmental impact study by the Army Corps of Engineers has been restarted. It had been stalled until the modeling was completed and until the town of Palm Beach chose its own plan for its southerly beaches, said Daniel Bates, deputy director of the county's Department of Environmental Resource Management.

The project would cost an estimated \$5 million and last three to five years, Welch said. More sand, at \$1 million a year would have to be added every three years. South Palm

Beach would pay 20 percent of the cost, the county 30 percent and the state 50 percent, if the state legislature appropriated the funds.

Bates estimated that the corps could begin taking public comment on the plan in the next six months after a series of public meetings. The final draft of the study is two years off.

Early last year, county commissioners dropped plans for a 1.3-mile project from southern Palm Beach to Manalapan that included a series of off-shore concrete breakwaters and several groins after a similar project for Singer Island was killed. Commissioners were concerned about the effects on sea turtle nesting and sea

grasses.

"I'm not happy with groins," said Mayor Donald Clayman. "I prefer breakwaters. They last much longer and are less expensive over time."

Last June, commissioners indicated they would consider a project that did not include hard structures. The difficulty is that extensive hardbottom off the South Palm Beach shoreline makes a simple sand restoration project nearly impossible to be permitted.

Scientists concluded that sand renourishment would result in the hardbottom being covered, destroying the habitat of near-shore marine life.

The current environmental study is being combined with

a similar study of Reach 8 in Palm Beach, from the Lake Worth beach to the northern boundary of South Palm Beach. A restoration project there had been previously denied because of similar environmental concerns.

In other business, the council:

- Approved a \$24,500 contract with the town of Palm Beach to install a sewer interconnection between the town and Palm Beach which could be used in case of emergency. Manalapan is also part of the emergency interconnection.

- Agreed to buy 120 new cerulean-colored chairs for \$29,000 as part of the refurbishing of the council chambers. ★

Manalapan

Commission seek solution to fee-refund lawsuit

By Tim O'Meilie

The Manalapan Town Commission will try to settle a lawsuit over \$158,000 in building permit fees for an oceanfront mansion that was never built.

Commissioners indicated they would likely return the bulk of the fees paid by the owners of 1020 S. Ocean Blvd, listed as Cielo Madera Land Trust, after Town Manager Linda Stumpf calculates the town's building and legal expenses on the project.

The trust is seeking a \$120,000 refund after rejecting an offer from the town for a \$130,000 credit on any new project or the transfer of the credit to a new owner.

"Give them the money they're requesting so long as we're not losing on the deal," Commissioner John Murphy

said.

The commission will consider a settlement at the June meeting.

Commissioners also said they will consider changing the town building code to allow permit fees to be refunded if a project is abandoned, as long as a refund is requested within a few weeks after the permit is issued.

Other cities, including Boca Raton, Palm Beach, Wellington and Jupiter, allow for 70 to 80 percent of the fees to be refunded if the owner applies within 30 days of the permit being issued. Manalapan's building code forbids refunds.

Cielo Madera bought the 2.4-acre estate once owned by Manalapan pioneer LeRoy Paisley in 2007 for \$10.5 million. Permits for an oceanfront home were issued in June and August 2010. An older

residence was demolished and land cleared, requiring several inspections, before the owners stopped the project.

The owners sought a refund in July 2011 and the commission asked the owners' attorney for more information in October 2011. Cielo Madera sued in July 2012.

In other business,

Commissioner Howard Roder insisted the March meeting minutes be changed to show that he did not accuse the town manager of taking both a car allowance and using a town car at the same time. After a lengthy discussion, commissioners agreed to delete the paragraph in question and replace it with a transcript of the discussion.

Roder repeated his earlier opinion that the manager should not have a choice between using a car or taking the allowance. He said the town attorney's opinion that the manager had the choice was wrong.

Commissioner Chauncey Johnstone urged the commission to drop the matter. "This has got to be stopped. This is silly. We need to move ahead on issues that are important to the town," he said.

- Commissioners approved an \$11,500 contract with South Palm Beach and Palm Beach for the installation of a sewage interconnection in case of an emergency. Manalapan and South Palm Beach sewage is treated through the Lake Worth regional plant.

- Commissioners gave final approval to limiting the use of portable storage units to seven days with one seven-day extension and exceptions for bad weather.

- Commissioners set a town budget workshop for 9:30 a.m. June 24, the day before the Town Commission meeting. ★

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FAR LEFT: Golf course designer Pete Dye surveys rocks dug up during work at the Gulf Stream Golf Club. **LEFT:** The club's logo flies on the flag at the oceanfront putting green. **BELOW:** Rocks are placed along a pond to improve shore stability. **Photos by Jerry Lower/ The Coastal Star**



DYE
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day," Dye said, referring to the legendary architect credited with Gulf Stream's original design in 1924. "He staked it, put the greens where they are and the tees where (the members) wanted them. Then he had a contractor come in and build it. They ran into rock and quit — they just put sand on top of it.

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But walking away has never been Paul B. "Pete" Dye's style. Not from his first 18-hole design in 1962 at what is now Maple Creek Golf & Country Club in Indianapolis

to these days as an 87-year-old living legend who still rides bulldozers and backhoes to get the results he wants.

A member of the World Golf Hall of Fame, Dye first came to Delray Beach in 1932. He has designed some of the world's most revered (and feared) golf courses, including TPC Sawgrass Stadium Course, Harbour Town Golf Links on Hilton Head Island, Crooked Stick Golf Club in Carmel, Ind., and Teeth of the Dog at Casa de Campo in the Dominican Republic.

And he and his wife of many years, Alice, designed one of the nation's top public courses, The Ocean Course at Kiawah Island, S.C., site of the 2012 PGA championship.

"Jack Nicklaus, Tom Fazio, Greg Norman... they draw up plans and get somebody to build their golf courses," Dye

said. "I build everything I do. I've never drawn up plans in my life — don't know how. I just build it and hope it has 18 holes and a driving range when I'm done."

At Gulf Stream Golf Club — one of the state's more prestigious private golf clubs — Dye is following up on last year's renovation work on the front nine with similar work on the back nine. That is, he is improving drainage, moving tee boxes, rebuilding bunkers

and recontouring the greens, most of which he termed "unplayable."

"The greens were so tilted back-to-front that the ball would just roll off them," Dye said.

He also cut down the sea grapes along the 18th fairway to open up expansive views of the Atlantic Ocean, and replaced the saltwater-tolerant Paspallum grass on the fairways and tee boxes with Celebration Bermuda grass

that holds up well to stress and drought.

"We use more fresh water here than salt water," Dye said.

When it's complete in July, the renovated Gulf Stream Golf Club course will play 7,100 yards from the tips (back tees) — more than 300 yards longer the previous routing. The front tees will play from 5,000 yards and the course will maintain its five sets of tee boxes.

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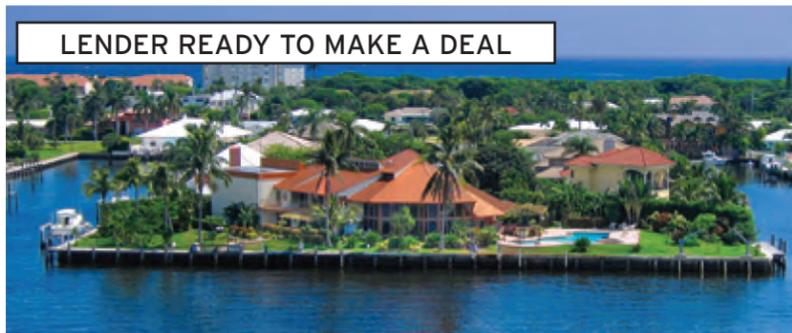
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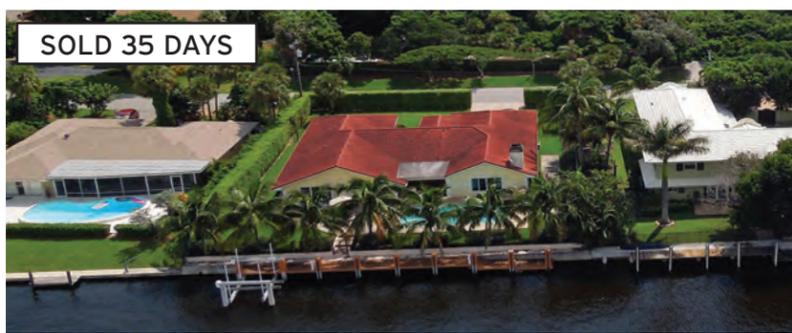
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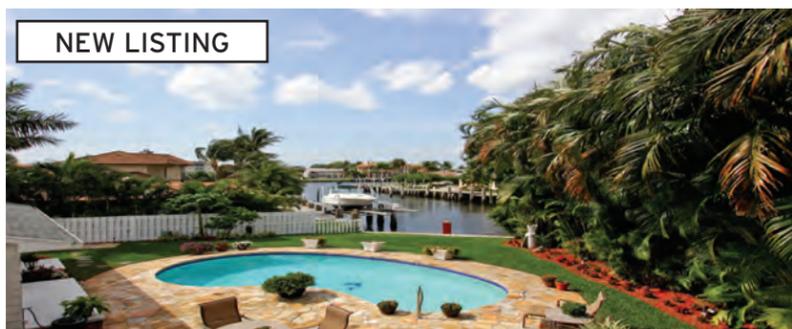
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Gulf Stream

Artist draws on experience in interview with students

By Rich Pollack

The questions for comic book artist Mark Sparacio came faster than a speeding bullet as art students at Gulf Stream School fired them one right after another.

"Are there artists who inspired you?" came one question.

"Do you work on several pieces at one time?" came another.

"Do you draw anything besides comic book heroes?" asked yet a third seventh-grader.

The artist, whose work includes cover drawings of characters ranging from Captain America to Princess Leia from *Star Wars*, seemed impressed by the queries.

"These are all great questions," Sparacio said as he fielded dozens of inquiries from the students gathered around him — while at the same time putting some touches on a couple of pieces.

Well known in the comic book world, especially among

those who make it to comic book conventions and are willing to plunk down anywhere from \$2,500 to \$10,000 for one of his originals, Sparacio has made a living for more than 30 years drawing heroes for the likes of Marvel and DC comics.

He's also been the artist behind several movie posters for some of Hollywood's biggest studios and has created the artwork for the packaging of dozens of toys, lunch boxes and trading cards.

Now living in South Florida and working as an adjunct instructor at Digital Media Arts College in Boca Raton while at the same time creating his own comic book — *Omega Paradox* — Sparacio was at the Gulf Stream School last month sharing his experience with seventh- and eighth-graders and hoping to inspire students to do their best, no matter what they do.

"All of the students he's meeting have had experience with painting, so this is a nice tie-in to the curriculum," said Hillary Pemberton, the



Artist Mark Sparacio shows off a work in progress to Gulf Stream School students, who also check out a cover illustration from a *Captain America* comic book. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

school's art director, who added that most of the students had created their own comic books as part of a fifth-grade project. "This is an opportunity for them to enjoy comic books as an art form."

During his time with the

students, Sparacio explained that his education at New York's School of Visual Arts under well-known artist Will Eisner helped pave the way for his success.

Still, he said, he works hard, putting in as many as 16 to 18

hours a day to make deadlines.

And that led to one more question, one that drew a chuckle from Sparacio and the others in the room.

"Do you drink a lot of Red Bull?" one student asked. ★

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Delray Beach

Cabana business first to fall to no-bid hard line

By Tim Pallesen

Mike Novatka, the cabana guy on Delray Beach's city beach, has become the first victim of a City Commission initiative to undo contracts renewed without competitive bids.

"All I care about is providing excellent service to our customers," Novatka said. "I try to leave the political stuff to the politicians."

A former city manager renewed Novatka's contract for another three years last year. Novatka pays the city \$170,000 annually to operate his business.

Nobody has complained about the cabanas that Novatka has provided to beachgoers since 2002. "Our customers love us. I've got a book full of written compliments," he said.

But then no-bid contracts became an issue in the March City Commission election.

Voters particularly upset by a \$65 million no-bid contract given to trash hauler Waste Management helped elect Mayor Cary Glickstein and Commissioner Shelley Petrolia, who say city rules require all procurement contracts over \$15,000 to come before the commission for renewals.

Commissioners voted 3-1 on May 14 to cancel the contract with Novatka and advertise for competitive bids.

Novatka's contract will stay in effect until the new contract is awarded.

"We're under new

management now and contracts to be renewed should come before the commission," said Commissioner Al Jacquet, who voted with Glickstein and Petrolia.

Commissioners also hired an outside attorney to determine whether Delray Beach can cancel its Waste Management contract by arguing that a previous city commission violated its own rules by approving the contract without competitive bids.

"This contract is the polar opposite of good policy," Petrolia said. "Our city lost \$12.5 million by not bidding."

"The decision not to bid this contract is bad for the city's image that cronyism is tolerated," Glickstein added.

The Waste Management contract was renewed for eight years without competitive bidding last August when Commissioners Adam Frankel and Angeleta Gray joined former Mayor Woodie McDuffie in a 3-2 vote. McDuffie justified the no-bid contract extension by saying Waste Management does an excellent job.

"I can't take a contract away from someone who's done this job," McDuffie said at the time.

The county Office of Inspector General issued a report in February saying commissioners had violated their rules by approving the contract and recommending that Delray Beach conduct "a full and open competition" for its trash business. ★

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Obituaries

Henry Sullivan 'Harry' Cahill

By Emily J. Minor

SOUTH PALM BEACH — Henry Sullivan "Harry" Cahill, a corporate accountant who retired young and moved to Florida so he could golf



every day, died May 4 at home with his wife of 67 years. Mr. Cahill was 98.

"He was a good man,"

said Eleanor Cahill, who married Mr. Cahill in 1946. Their first date was a New York Giants baseball game at the Polo Grounds. "I thought he was a big spender," she said. "And it was a 15-inning game. I'll never forget that."

Mrs. Cahill, who is 90, said they met while working at the Brooklyn Savings Bank in New York.

Throughout his life, Mr. Cahill and his wife shared a

love for armchair sports, but in his older years Mr. Cahill especially loved watching sports on television — golf, tennis, baseball, football.

"He didn't like hockey," she said.

He was also an avid reader.

Born in Yonkers, N.Y., on Nov. 14, 1914, Mr. Cahill made a career as an accountant for a home insurance company, serving briefly in the U.S. Army in financial services. The insurance company had a policy of mandatory retirement at age 62. That's when the couple moved to Florida so that Mr. Cahill could golf year-round. In his retirement years, he continued his accounting, occasionally doing the books for some influential Floridians, said his wife.

Mrs. Cahill said that while they loved their life in Florida, they always considered

themselves New Yorkers.

Still, her husband loved his frequent golf outings at The Links of Boynton Beach — a habit he kept up until about seven years ago, she said.

Recently, he developed pneumonia and then heart complications. Mr. Cahill went to Hospice, but came home for the last few weeks of his life, said his wife.

"He had a very good life," she said. "And that's the most important thing."

Mr. Cahill is also survived by two children and their families: Thomas Cahill, of Commack, N.Y., and a daughter, Nancee Cahill-Barney, of Massapequa, N.Y. Five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren also survive him.

Services were in May at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Lantana, where the couple were longtime members.

Margaret Cole Kotsko

By Ron Hayes

MANALAPAN — Margaret Cole Kotsko, who loved art, books and fashion, died peacefully at her home



in the Little Pond complex on May 19, surrounded by her husband of 56 years, Francis R. Kotsko, and other family members.

Mrs. Kotsko was 81, and had lived in the town since the mid-1990s.

"She must have at least 500 books here, and it's a real mix of fiction, biographies, gardening," said her sister, Dorothy Cole Sharrocks, of Swarthmore, Pa. "She was just one of the most loving, loyal and self-possessed people you could know."

Mrs. Kotsko was born on Dec. 10, 1931, in Clairton, Pa., and enjoyed a 42-year career in fashion merchandise retailing. She worked in both

buying and administration, traveling the world for Kaufmann's and Gimbel's in Pittsburgh and Talbot's in Hingham, Mass.

During her retirement years, Mrs. Kotsko was active with the Armory Arts Center in West Palm Beach, where she painted watercolors, and the Manalapan library and book club.

"She was just a lovely woman whom we enjoyed so much," recalled Lisa Petersen, the town's library director. "She was very kind and soft-spoken, always here with her Kindle, and always impeccably dressed. We'll certainly miss her."

Former town commissioner and vice mayor Bill Quigley was a longtime friend and next-door neighbor.

"She was a wonderful lady, and a class act," he said. "She and my wife would share and exchange recipes. We enjoyed so much having them as our neighbors and she will be

sorely missed."

Mrs. Kotsko had been ill since November, but remained active until mid-April.

Recently, she had urged the book club to read *Citizens of London*, Lynne Olson's history of American diplomats in London during World War II.

The club will read it next, Ms. Petersen said.

In addition to her husband and sister, she is survived by three nieces, Jane Sharrocks, of Essex, Md., Margaret Egan, of New Milford, Conn., and Katherine Sellmayer, of Catonsville, Md.

A funeral Mass was celebrated at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Lantana, with further services and interment at Round Hill Cemetery in Elizabeth, Pa.

The family asks that gifts in her memory be made to Hospice of Palm Beach County, 5300 East Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33407.

Edwina Rhodes Charyk

By Ron Hayes

DELRAY BEACH — Edwina Rhodes Charyk, a resident of The Landings since 1985, died peacefully on May 6. She was 87.

"We had 67 wonderful years together," said her husband, Joseph V. Charyk, who served as the first director of the National Reconnaissance Office under President Kennedy. "That's a long time, but also a wonderful collection of years."

During her husband's time in Washington and beyond, Mrs. Charyk was admired for her gifts as a hostess whose parties were both exquisite yet intimate affairs.

Whether entertaining global dignitaries or family and friends, she had a knack for making everyone feel special.

Locally, she was a member of the Gulf Stream Bath & Tennis Club and the Gulf Stream Golf Club, and a former board member of the Miami City Ballet.

She also was active with the Smithsonian Women's Committee and a member of the Woods Hole Club in Falmouth, Mass., and the Chevy Chase Club.

"I'm not sure if there's a secret to a long marriage," her husband reflected. "I think it's just trying to live a happy life together, and if you have a happy home with good friends, it helps."

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Charyk is survived by their four children, William, John, Chris and Diane, and their spouses, nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated on May 11 at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, where she had been a parishioner.

In lieu of flowers, her wish was that friends consider contributing in her memory to Scripps College, c/o The Development Office, 1030 Columbia Ave., Claremont, CA 91771.

Bill Mathis, former Ocean Ridge town manager

Retired Ocean Ridge Town Manager Bill Mathis, who was called back twice to be the town's top administrator, died May 11 in Belle Glade. He was 79.



Mr. Mathis, whose given name was

Delano William Mathis, was a police officer, police chief and town manager in Belle Glade for more than three decades before coming out of retirement in 1993 to manage Ocean Ridge.

He held the Ocean Ridge

position for three years. He returned to the post as interim manager in 2004 for two years and again in the summer of 2008.

In between stints in Ocean Ridge, Mr. Mathis served on the Belle Glade City Commission for five years, including three years as mayor.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara; a son and a daughter and two stepsons. A memorial service was held in Belle Glade and burial was at Foreverglades Cemetery in Belle Glade.

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10 Questions



John Kujawa lived and worked a variety of jobs around the world before returning to Delray Beach to settle, raise a family and start his LED lighting company, Lumitec. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: John Kujawa

Lumitec's offices are both high tech and high touch, thanks to its founder and president, John Kujawa.

He believes in giving customers the latest LED technology for marine lighting, while creating a fun, open work atmosphere for his employees in Delray Beach.

"I wanted to take the essence of Silicon Valley culture and translate that into manufacturing," he said. Lumitec employees wear jeans to work, conference rooms are called "mosh pits" by its engineers, and whiteboards abound at the Delray location.

That fun, but hard-driving atmosphere translated into a whopping 937 percent revenue increase in three years that was noted by Inc. magazine. It publishes an annual list of the 500 fastest-growing private companies in the nation; Lumitec, with 2011 revenues of \$3.4 million, ranked 399 on the Inc. 500 list in 2012.

"It's an external confirmation that what we have done is unique," said Kujawa (pronounced key-YA-va). "It feels good to be recognized."

He likes saying his LED lights are "made in the USA," because that stamp indicates Lumitec lights are quality products. The Delray Beach location also allows the company to be more responsive to its boatbuilding customers.

Lumitec's marine lights for recreational boaters are sold through a worldwide network of distributors and retailers. It offers interior, exterior and underwater LED lights and marine LED flood lights. The company also serves the public sector with scene LED lights and commercial truck

products for firemen, EMTs and police. Its high-powered LED flood lights and night-vision goggle lights are used by U.S. Special Forces.

When naming his 6-year-old company, the 44-year-old took a structured approach.

"Researched the Latin roots of possible names, and then wrote them on flash cards which were shown to friends who are mostly boaters, family and colleagues and asked them what the word meant and their reaction to it," he said. Lumitec topped Xygotlux, Illuminex and some straight-forward lighting company names.

The high-tech atmosphere defines the Lumitec factory. The company prides itself on rapid product development and investment in research and development. It has an electrical lab, optics lab, design studio and machine shop where prototypes are made, all outfitted with the latest equipment.

Even so, Kujawa says managing people is his biggest challenge as an entrepreneur. "People are the most crucial," he said. "We have a team of people with varying needs and work styles."

Some are so engaged that they take work home with them where they will do Internet research. Others have families and need to disengage from their work when they go home but they delve into their work while at Lumitec. Both types are valued by Kujawa.

When hiring, he looks for employees who have had to overcome hurdles in the workplace — because there will be obstacles in research and development, he said. Then, he wants to know what they did to stay on track and meet deadlines.

— Jane Smith

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

A. I grew up here in South Florida, attended Florida State University for undergraduate, and eventually went to Stanford University for my master's degree in engineering management. After graduate school, I lived and worked all around the world before moving back to Delray. I think this diverse spectrum of academic and cultural environments has given me a broader perspective on situations and events.

Q. What professions have you worked in?

A. A good part of my career was spent in engineering in Silicon Valley, working first for a computer hardware company and then for a few different software startups. Prior to that I was in marketing in Atlanta. Before and through college I was a bartender, Jet Ski mechanic, confectionery chef, and I had various other odd jobs. My career path is nonlinear, if nothing else.

Q. What professional accomplishments are you most proud of?

A. I am probably most proud of having started Lumitec and built it to the level it is today. I have worked at other startups, but those were well-funded by venture capitalists and were already moving when I was hired on as part of the core team. Lumitec was truly built from scratch. Seven years ago, it was just an idea and an empty office/lab space. Today we employ more than 30 people in research and design, sales, operations and manufacturing.

Q. What advice do you have for a young person selecting a

career today?

A. Certainly the well-worn mantra "do what you love" has merit. I would add: Be willing to take risks, think longer term, and to look past the monetary rewards of a particular job. As an employer I love to see candidates who have succeeded in different types of jobs. This tells me they are flexible, they learn well, and they will likely be able bring different points of view to the table. Similarly, in my own career I have had many different jobs. This has allowed me to confidently and knowledgeably manage many different aspects of my company, from the hands-on engineering, to finance, to marketing, even down to working in our machine shop/prototyping lab.

Q. How did you choose to live in Delray Beach?

A. Family, location and the laid-back unpretentious vibe. Before Delray, my wife and I were living in the marina district in San Francisco working in software. We could see the Golden Gate Bridge and the bay from our window. It was stunning. When we decided we were going to start our family, we wanted to plant longer-term roots closer to our families.

My sister had lived in the Nassau Street historical district, and we always loved it. It is warm, with the beach, shops, and great restaurants just steps away. What's more, the people in this area just seem better grounded, less edgy, and more unpretentious than in other parts of South Florida. There's a great neighborhood feel.

Q. What is your favorite part about living in Delray?

A. Living in an ocean-side, pedestrian-friendly

neighborhood. In cities like New York or San Francisco, you can park your car on Friday evening and not get in it until Monday morning. Here in Delray we have the same thing, in a quiet community setting with the Atlantic Ocean as a backdrop.

Q. What book are you reading now?

A. With three children ages 3 to 7, most of my reading these days is out loud, and most of my books are "pre-selected." Let's just say I've learned a lot about trains, sharks, dinosaurs and princesses.

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

A. I haven't bought a CD in probably five or seven years. I listen almost exclusively to Pandora, which keeps things current and new, and exposes me to interesting new tunes. I seed it with Dave Matthews, Maroon 5, Government Mule, Rolling Stones and Bob Dylan. I get an interesting and eclectic mix.

Q. Do you have a quote that inspires your decisions?

A. "Whether you think you can or think you can't, you are right." — Henry Ford. Looking back, I can attribute many of the things I've accomplished in my life to just believing it could be done.

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

A. I think Shrek would be the best fit. He's goofy, sometimes a little addlepat, but succeeded through perseverance. And, like me, he ended up with an amazing wife, magical children and a fairy-tale life.

Along the Coast

Tiny hawksbill rescued, revitalized, released

By Jan Norris

Easter the hawksbill turtle had its own resurrection, thanks to Delray Beach resident Joan Lorne.

The teacher's aide was walking along the beach with her twin brother, Tim Paller, also of Delray Beach, on Easter Sunday when she found the young turtle.

As a sea turtle monitor, she watches out for hatchlings and nests along a three-mile shoreline from southern Ocean Ridge to northern Delray Beach and scours the beach to mark nests before the cleaning crews come in. She also rescues stranded hatchlings.

"I go out twice a week. We have four others who monitor a three-mile stretch," she said. To be a monitor or to handle sea turtles, which are protected species, you must be permitted by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Lorne's daughter, a marine biologist, is a permit holder, and her mother now watches over the beach on her behalf.

Finding a hawksbill is unusual. The endangered species is generally found much farther south.

"I knew it was a hawksbill," Lorne said. "They are a dark brown and beautiful. Their shells used to be used for tortoiseshell jewelry. We don't

often see them on our beach; we get mostly loggerheads. We've had leatherbacks, now we get both, frequently."

She put the 3-inch turtle in a towel, and made a call to the FFWCC. "They told us to take it to Gumbo Limbo. The rehabilitation team took in the turtle. We decided to name it Easter since we found it Easter Sunday."

Whitney Crowder is the assistant sea turtle rehab coordinator at Gumbo Limbo. She described the little turtle as "lethargic, weak and emaciated" when it arrived.

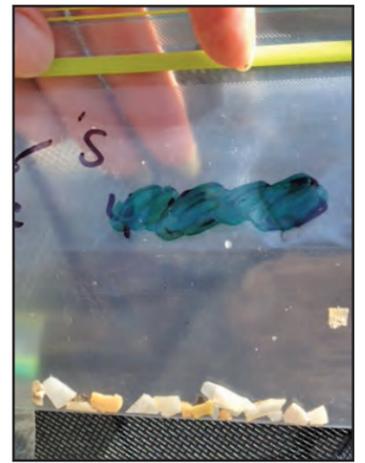
"As time progressed, we noticed he was passing plastic in his fecal matter. It's common, unfortunately, to this sized turtle."

The turtle that was post-hatchling, meaning it was hatched last season, had been eating along a weed line and ingesting tiny particles of plastic that are trapped there, and it became impacted.

Though X-rays were taken, they couldn't see anything in the baby turtle — it was simply too small.

Feeding them quantities of foods or a laxative to flush their systems isn't practical in the baby turtles, Crowder said.

"They eat such small pieces of food," she said. "Normally, we'd do mineral oil. He's so small, we didn't. We just kept going through his fecal matter



LEFT: A 1-year-old hawksbill turtle found on Easter Sunday has been released after being nursed back to health at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center in Boca Raton. ABOVE: Bits of plastic passed by the turtle. Photos provided

to make sure he was passing the plastic." The rescue workers gave him liquids, and fed him "teeny tiny pieces of squid tentacle and shrimp," Crowder said. "We feed them slowly and give them lots of fluids, then just wait for the plastic to pass."

Workers collected the plastic beads to analyze, though Crowder says there's no way of telling where the plastic came from or what type it is.

Lorne worried over her rescue-baby.

"I checked with Gumbo Limbo five days later. They were about to X-ray the turtle and they held up the bag with several plastic pellets. 'I saw the turtle in the tank. When I saw how happy and active it was, I was relieved. Gumbo Limbo is awesome.'"

Easter became so strong, he climbed out of the basket he was sharing with other hatchlings, so was put in his own tank.

Though they referred to him as a "he," they can't know if Easter is a male or female without an internal exam. Its sex can't be determined by sight until it's 20 or 25 years old, when it becomes sexually active, Crowder said. Males have larger tails — the site of the sexual organs.

Once a few weeks had gone by and the turtle had regained its strength and was eating heartily, it got a free ride back to the Gulf Stream on May 3.

It was released with another young hawksbill that had appeared with the same problem, Crowder said.

"They're released several miles offshore in the Gulf Stream — which is where they're headed. It gives them a better chance for survival."

Though she didn't witness the release, she was happy for Easter, Lorne said. "It's a good ending to a story about people who litter."

If you happen upon a sea turtle beached or in distress, call the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission hotline to report it before moving the turtle, Crowder said. "They'll guide you with instructions on how to handle it, or put you in touch with someone permitted to handle sea turtles."

The toll-free number is 888-404-3922. ★

Lantana

Beach parking to get modern meter system

By Mary Thurwachter

By the time the Ocean Avenue bridge reopens in November, beach-goers will find something new at the Lantana public beach — parking kiosks.

At its May 13 meeting, the Town Council approved spending up to \$77,389 for two parking kiosks to upgrade the town's current single-space, coin-operated system.

"Now some of the meters work, some do not," Mayor Dave Stewart said.

The kiosks will permit users to pay with coins and bills, as well as credit cards and smartphones.

Initially, town staff hadn't included smartphone usage as part of its proposal, but council members requested that feature.

"We need kiosks to bring us into the 21st century," said council member Phil Aridas, who pressed for the

smartphone capability.

"I'm against coins," Aridas argued. "Coins are ancient stuff. We shouldn't have to send our people out collecting coins. I don't like it. It's Mayberry."

But other council members insisted coins were still necessary.

"Not everyone has a credit card or a smartphone," Stewart said.

Police Chief Sean Scheller said the new kiosks should be installed toward the end of the year. Residents can still purchase beach decals.

The kiosk system will enable police to improve enforcement methods and cut down on staff time collecting from the present 200-plus meters. Currently it takes a few hours a day three times a week to empty them.

In other council action, the town chose Hypoluxo Island resident Kathy Dunn to serve on the Lantana Nature Preserve Commission. Her term will expire Jan. 31, 2015. ★

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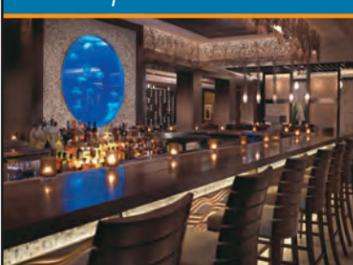
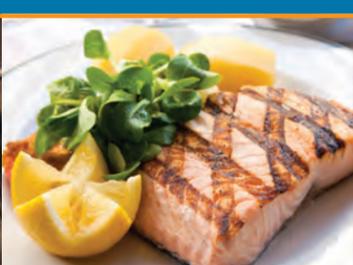
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Celebrations

Groundbreaking Ceremony

Gulf Stream School, Gulf Stream – May 24

Students and staff of Gulf Stream School pose for a group photo to commemorate the school's 75th anniversary and to celebrate the groundbreaking of the new Crocker Pavilion. The school is expanding to better meet the classroom needs of the school.

Jerry Lower/
The Coastal Star



Redmond/Spitznagel Engagement



Jeff Redmond popped the question to a surprised Julia Payne Spitznagel on a February trip to Thailand. They plan to wed Sept. 22 at Arches National Park in Moab, Utah, where they first met on a group-hiking weekend. Julia was recently accepted to the Colorado Bar and is a junior legal associate at Reilly Pozner in Denver. She graduated from the IB program at Atlantic High School, then received her BA at the University of Florida. She graduated from the Sturm College of Law at the University of Colorado in Denver. Julia's parents are Dr. Kim L. Spitznagel and his wife, Elena, of Hypoluxo Island and Jupiter, and Jennifer Payne Spitznagel and her husband, Daniel Nowell, of Hypoluxo Island. Jeff is an eight-year Army veteran with deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan, and works in the wind-energy industry. He is a graduate of Redstone College in Denver. The couple will reside in the Denver area.

Spitznagel Graduation



Kevin Lane Spitznagel earned his master's degree in English from Longborough University in Leicestershire, U.K. He has been hired as an editor by a tech writing company in Winter Park, Colo., where he and his malamute, Decker, live at 8,000 feet of elevation. Kevin graduated from Santaluces High School, and then received his bachelor's degree in English from Colorado University at Boulder.

Photos provided

Wells/Downe Wedding

Ocean Club, Ocean Ridge – April 27

Chloe Anderson Downe and Duncan Graham Wells were married on the beach at The Ocean Club on April 27. The date was exactly six years from the day they first met at the University of Virginia. Chloe lived in Ocean Ridge between 1993 and 2001 and graduated from Gulf Stream School. Her father, Hugh Downe, is a 20-year resident of Ocean Ridge.

Photo provided



Civic Association Donation

Police Department, Gulf Stream – May 15



Gulf Stream Civic Association Board Member Dan Lounsbury presents a check for \$15,000 to Gulf Stream Police Chief Gary Ward. The donation will be used to purchase three video systems and digital video recorders for police vehicles used by the Police Department. 'The installation of this equipment will not only assist us with our work, but it will help us improve the overall safety of the entire community,' Ward said. Photo provided

Along the Coast

One-stop shop aims to help launch water transit system

By Jane Smith

Water taxis may soon be traveling on the Intracoastal Waterway in Palm Beach County.

The County Commission recently directed staff to create a one-stop registry for water taxi operators between Boca Raton and Jupiter.

“Every city gets it,” says Richard Radcliffe, executive director of the Palm Beach County League of Cities and coordinator of the water-taxi task force. “Everyone would like to have it, and it would raise the quality of life.”

He estimates the county has 19 cities with access on the Intracoastal. He envisions winter visitors buying a day pass for a water taxi in Delray Beach, lunching in Jupiter and then dinner in Boca Raton before sailing back to Delray Beach.

The start date for the water taxis remains unknown because the business side of the service still has to be worked out. Plus, the size of the county — 41 miles from Tequesta to Boca Raton — may be a drawback. Boat operators may end up serving a portion of the county, Radcliffe said.

In Boynton Beach, a few operators have inquired about using the water taxi dock, built using federal tax dollars, at the city’s marina, according to Vivian Brooks, executive director of the city’s Community Redevelopment Agency. “The issue is: How do you make a business model to make it work,” she said.

The county is trying to remove barriers by creating the registry, Brooks said. Each city would then have to determine what its licensing and other requirements would be.

In Lantana, the town is



Supporters hope that water taxis like this one in Fort Lauderdale will soon be plying the waters of Palm Beach County. **Photo provided**

interested in the service. “We are in favor of anything to help the businesses downtown,” said Maggie Barszewski, a planner for Lantana.

Although there is a public boat-launch, the town doesn’t currently have a public marina. This fall, after the bridge that crosses the Intracoastal Waterway connecting Lantana with Manalapan reopens, there will be six public day docks that a water taxi might use, she said.

Delray Beach is waiting to see what the county creates before determining whether a water taxi dock is needed and a good location for it, said Rich Reade, sustainability/public information officer. “Still we would want to look at it,” he said, because it can reduce traffic on the roads.

Boca Raton also is interested in the countywide water taxi system, said Assistant City Manager Mike Woika. But the city has not identified any sites for a water taxi dock.

Many components are needed to make the water taxi service work, said Angela Morlok, a planner with the Metropolitan Planning Agency. She described the components as signs advertising the water taxis and a website where potential users could check schedules and rates. ★

Caridad Center Board Member Introduction

Gulf Stream – April 10



Scott and Hilary Sullivan attend a cocktail reception hosted by Robert Souaid of Gulf Stream to introduce the coastal community to the work being done at Caridad Center — the largest free medical, dental and vision clinic in Florida. *Editor’s note: Last month, the Sullivans were misidentified. The correct identification is above. Photo provided*

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A couple can marry overlooking the ocean at the Four Seasons Resort in Palm Beach. Photo provided

Beachside weddings have sandy but elegant appeal

By Jane Smith

Warm sand squishing between toes. The soft sound of waves lapping at the shore. The gentle kiss of an ocean breeze.

For those reasons and more, brides often choose to get married on the beach.

Linda Adams' only daughter had her choice of South Florida resorts for her wedding venue. But Brittany picked Harbour Island in the Bahamas because it had special meaning to the Hypoluxo Island family.

"We're boaters," Adams said, "and it was a family vacation spot for many years."

For the price of a 250-guest wedding extravaganza in Palm Beach County, the Adams family had a more intimate but still elegant affair for 74 guests. The wedding lasted four days. Everywhere they went on the 3.5-mile-long island, the Brilanders (residents born there) greeted the bridal party, turning them into mini-celebrities.

The only thing they had to bring was Brittany's wedding ensemble. From Boca Raton Bridal,

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Blair Adams (brother and man of honor), Linda Adams (bride's mother), Brittany Adams Manimbo (bride), Daniel Manimbo (groom) and Dave Adams (father of the bride) celebrate the couple's wedding at Harbour Island in the Bahamas. Family photo



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she selected a Jenny Lee Couture silk taffeta gown in ivory blush with a James Clifford Swarovski crystal belt embellished with hand-sewn fabric flowers. She wore a Cheryl King halo cathedral veil with sprays of Swarovski crystals along the edges. "It was just lovely in the candle light," said her mom.

Their wedding planner, Ben Simmons and his partner Charlotte Phelan of Little Island Design, did all of the rest, including setting up a large white sailcloth tent that covered the guests as they ate, drank and danced on the beach. They also set up discreet portable screens nearby to shield the commodes and sinks from passersby.

"The restrooms felt like we were in Morocco," Adams said.

That similar type of all-inclusive wedding package also is available at oceanfront resorts in South Palm Beach County. The Four Seasons Resort in Palm Beach; the Ritz-Carlton, Palm Beach in Manalapan; and the Boca Raton Resort & Club are among the properties with wedding packages. Even ElevenSpa in Delray Beach now offers wedding consultations.

Four Seasons

At the Four Seasons, they host only one wedding couple at a time, "so the Four Seasons becomes your wedding destination all your own," said Laurie Zuckerman, public relations director.

They also host wedding weekends that include "fun rehearsal dinners like a Friday Night Clam Bake, the oceanfront reception and a beautiful brunch on Sunday."

Its signature wedding package includes a cocktail reception with passed hors d'oeuvres, three-course plated dinner, custom wedding cake, Champagne toast and complimentary night in an ocean-view room for the bride and groom. The packages start at \$179 per guest in the summer and \$190 per guest during the season.

June is the most popular month for weddings at the Four Seasons, Zuckerman said. While it has an expansive beach, most couples prefer to get married on the resort's oceanfront pool terrace, with its 180-degree views of the beach and ocean, she said. The resort likes to work 12 months in advance to give the bride her preferred wedding date.

The photographers, flowers, wedding officials and music are all extra. The resort has a preferred vendor list to match its five-star reputation.

Ritz-Carlton Palm Beach

At the Ritz-Carlton, they don't host weddings on the beach because it is too



Wedding planners erected a tent for the Bahamian nuptials of Brittany and Daniel Manimbo. Screens to the left mask bathrooms. **Family photo**



Brittany and Daniel Manimbo's wedding at Harbour Island reflected a casual island vibe. **Family photo**



Couples can marry at the Boca Raton Resort & Club's pool cabana, which offers ocean views. **Photo provided**

narrow, according to Nancy Deigan, senior catering sales manager. The weddings take place in the courtyard with its infinity pool. That space can accommodate between 50 and 350 guests. The resort also has a pre-approved vendor list that matches its five-star reputation.

Intimate weddings can be planned 30 days in advance, but larger ones with 350 guests are often planned one year in advance to schedule the couple's preferred date, she said.

Brides can expect to spend between \$2,500 for an intimate wedding to \$150,000 for weddings with 350 guests, Deigan said. She estimated the average cost per guest at \$200, but again that depends on what the bride chooses, from buffet style to a plated, sit-down dinner.

Boca Raton Resort & Club

At the Boca Raton Resort & Club, the four-diamond Beach Club is a popular wedding venue.

The resort can work with only two months of notice, but prefers 12 months to ensure the bride gets her choice of date.

First, they ask the bride about her wedding plans.

"Some have been dreaming of this day since they were 6 and have it all planned out," said Jillian Stevens, the resort's wedding specialist. "Then others have no idea of what they want."

Its beach weddings start after 5 p.m. mainly because that stretch of beach is used by the resort's guests. "That way, after all the activities are done, it's a nice, intimate experience," she said.

Brides who come for destination weddings prefer that "toes in the sand experience," Stevens said. But most of the local couples prefer to get married on the pool deck so that guests don't have to take off their shoes. The sand also can be difficult for older or disabled guests to walk on, she said.

After Hurricane Sandy passed by last October and the resort lost most of its beach, it brought sand onto the pool deck for one couple who wanted a beach wedding.

The resort has its own onsite planning and décor consulting firm called Boca by Design, which can assist a bride with the whole ceremony and reception. It also has an onsite floral shop where they direct brides. A preferred vendor list for

photographers and music also is available.

Depending on the type of food chosen, brides can expect to spend at least \$250 per guest, which includes a five-hour reception in the Dunes Ballroom with a Champagne toast, four-course dinner, custom wedding cake, service charge and tax. The cost can go up to \$350 per guest for a more upscale menu. The resort also charges a \$2,000 ceremony fee for the use of the space.

ElevenSpa

ElevenSpa in Delray Beach also is getting into the wedding planning business with its new Marry Me program. Monte Durham of TLC's *Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta* fame is the creative director of the spa's full-service bridal experience.



Durham

Durham visits the spa once a month where appointments are set up for consultations with the bride and her family, said Ileani Garrido, spa director.

The Marry Me service starts at \$250 for a one-hour consultation, then goes up from there depending on what the bride and her family want, she said. He'll advise the brides on the best color lipstick to wear on the big day to the perfect chandelier earring. Plus, he can help the bride select her wedding dress, she said.

ElevenSpa works with Boca Bridal for this service.

When planning a beach wedding, the spa, which opened on Nov. 11, 2004, has an in-house person that can arrange tents to be set up on the beach.

Bahamas island wedding

For weddings on Harbour Island, which is accessible by boat from nearby Eleuthera with an airstrip, Little Island Design provides a one-stop shop, Simmons said. A Brilander, he hires local residents and vendors to fulfill the bride's dream wedding.

Depending on the type of food, his company charges from \$60 to \$160 per guest and \$15 to \$30 per head for drinks. Setup costs are extra,



Weddings take place in the courtyard of the Ritz-Carlton Palm Beach. **Photo provided**

as are other services. They may include full sit-down service for dinner under a tent on the beach, someone to officiate the ceremony, music, flowers and photography, he said.

For Linda Adams, the four-day celebration was "just magical." Even a year later, she gushes about her daughter's wedding and how relaxing but elegant it was.

The island is known for its pink sand, "inhabited by roosters and royalty," Adams likes to say.

Simmons flies the flowers in from Nassau for his events. Brittany chose to go with white orchids for herself and garden roses for the groom and the "man of honor," who was her brother Blair, said their mom. The bride didn't have any female attendants but selected her brother for the supporting role he played in her life.

The guests arrived via golf carts to the tunes of an island band playing. The seats for the sunset ceremony were white-washed benches with linen cushions, which Adams described as "so simple, yet so cool."

The band played during the cocktail hour, where wedding guests could sit on white couches and chairs, with candles and lanterns providing the light outside the tent.

"Ben had local chefs at cocktail hour preparing fresh ceviche, seafood shots and famous conch salad next to the open bar (which also featured) large glass containers of Island Rum Punch," Adams said.

After cocktail hour, the reception continued under the white sailcloth tent filled with white candles and giant Japanese hanging lanterns with a sit-down dinner of rack of lamb and hogfish snapper, she said.

Later that night, about 11 p.m., the Adams-Manimbo wedding guests congregated on white linen sofas that were placed on beach "around one of Ben's giant bonfires." After-dinner liqueurs were served, cigars were smoked, and the sweet sounds of ocean waves provided the background music.

A full moon lit the beach that night. "It was soooo pretty with perfect weather, too," Adams said. "I'm so grateful!"



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Meditation dates back thousands of years. In modern times, it's been commercialized, co-opted by new-age psychology, and pooh-poohed by skeptics.

But meditation endures. Why? For one thing, it's a powerful antidote to that familiar by-product of a multitasked life: "monkey mind."

Gotta leave for that appointment by 10 o'clock, no later. Oh, we're out of olive oil. I wonder why my daughter isn't calling. Another shooting on TV? Must Get Cat Litter. I cannot be late for that appointment today ...

These random, ping-ponging thoughts are like static in a broadcast signal, interfering with our brain's ability to focus, remember and perform efficiently, says Charlene Wilkinson of coastal Delray Beach.

Wilkinson is a corporate attorney who has studied and taught meditation for more than 30 years. She recently conducted workshops in meditation and mindfulness at Unity Church in Delray.

"I have students in their 70s who come in and say, 'I can't get my mind to slow down, I can't sleep at night,'" Wilkinson says. "It may be that as we age, our nervous systems are less able to deal with all the things coming at us. But with practice, meditation can slow the mind down and bring it into its natural state, which is a very calm, peaceful state."

Bringing the mind into stillness has helped one of Wilkinson's students, 58-year-old Luanne Cadem, cope with her high-stress career as a litigation paralegal.

"It helps me focus," Cadem says. "I've seen a tremendous difference."

Another student, retiree Lotus Boss, 68, says daily meditation enables her to maintain emotional equilibrium, cultivate a positive attitude, and deal with the aches and pains of aging.

"Even when I'm aching, I can detach from it more easily because I'm calmer," Boss says.

There are other benefits, too — both mental and physical. St. Andrews Club resident Ann Purcell has practiced Transcendental Meditation since the early 1970s and has traveled the world teaching the trademarked TM technique. She cites research that shows it can help improve job performance, lower blood pressure, relieve depression, and reduce the symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder.

"When we're tense and anxious, we're more incoherent, but when we're settled and clear, we're more focused and can accomplish much more," Purcell says. She recently published a book called *Let Your Soul Sing: Enlightenment is for Everyone*.

Given all the distractions of modern living, is regular meditation difficult? It depends on whom you ask.

"With TM, you learn right from the start that it's easy and effortless," Purcell says — but she adds you must learn it from a certified TM instructor. The standard fee is \$1,500.

Wilkinson, who teaches for a nominal fee or simply a "love donation," is amused by claims of effortlessness



Students practice breathing exercises during a Meditation and Mindfulness seminar facilitated by Charlene Wilkinson at Unity of Delray Beach. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

"because meditation isn't easy. It's a discipline. We have to make the effort, set aside the time, find the place, use our techniques — primarily focused breathing and repeating a mantra — and then surrender to the results," she says.

If you've read the best-selling book *Eat, Pray, Love*, you'll remember the author's struggle to settle into her meditation sessions at an ashram in India. In the end, she was able to overcome "monkey mind" and find inner peace.

You can, too. And you don't have to book a trip to India to try it.



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A few places to learn

Peaceful Mind, Peaceful Life

A nonprofit organization based in Boca Raton. Meditation and mindfulness seminars held in various locations. <http://peacefulmindpeacefullife.org/events/>

Unity (Church) of Delray Beach

101 NW 22nd St.
Delray Beach, FL 33444
276-5796

Check website for occasional meditation workshops
www.unityofdelraybeach.org/events

Palm Beach Shambhala Meditation Group

"Learn to Meditate" program at the West Palm Beach Library
411 Clematis St.
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868-7701

The Sacred Treehouse

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The Quantum Healing & Empowerment Center

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Scott Simmons/The Coastal Star

And that pineapple jus? It offers a sweet counterpoint to the spice.

It is served with a red bean puree and braised greens.

A dried pineapple tuile trims the dish out nicely.

— Scott Simmons

Health & Harmony

Note: Events are current as of 5/24. Please check with organizers for any changes. To submit your event, contact Michele Smith at thecoastalstarcalendar@gmail.com.

JUNE 1

6/1 - Pompey Park Walking Club at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. Program designed to promote health and camaraderie. Participants receive pedometers to track and log progress. Register at the Parks and Recreation administrative office. Runs through 8/31. 7 am and 6 pm. \$5/residents, \$6/non-residents. 243-7356.

6/1 - SPIN® Class at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N. Ocean Blvd., Ocean Ridge. Classes held seven days a week on the boardwalk overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. Sunrise to 9 am and 4 pm to sunset. Donations accepted. 287-0953.

6/1 - Saturdays @ Sanborn: Yoga Class at Sanborn Square, 72 N. Federal Hwy., Boca Raton. Classes held every Sat. Registration: 8:45 am; class: 9 am. Free. 393-7703 or www.downtownboca.org.

6/1 - Jazzercise at the Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E. Ocean Ave. All ages and levels welcome. Class runs M-Sat. 9-10 am. Fees start at \$38/month. 742-6240.

6/1 - Boca Bootcamp - Tuesdays & Saturdays at Spanish River Park, 3001 N. State Road A1A, Boca Raton. Class combines bodyweight exercises, cardio-kickboxing, and aerobics to build lean muscle and burn calories. For all levels of fitness. Try first class for free. Saturdays 9-10am. Per 4-pack: \$40/resident, \$50/non-resident; per 8-pack: \$75/resident, \$94/non-resident; per 12-pack: \$100/resident, \$125/non-resident. 393-7807.

6/1 - Yoga Class at the Train Depot, 747 S. Dixie Hwy., Boca Raton. Classes held M-Sat: 9:30-11 am & T: 6:30-8 pm. 5 classes: \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents; 10 classes: \$110/residents, \$137.50/non-residents; 20 classes: \$200/residents, \$250/non-residents. 477-8727.

6/1 - Capoeira Fitness for ages 12 & up at Sanborn Square, 72 N. Federal Hwy., Boca Raton. Classes held every Sat. 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703.

6/1 - Zumba Class at the South Beach Park Pavilion, 400 N. State Road A1A, Boca Raton. Saturdays, 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703.

6/1-2 - Yoga at the Beach - Held every Saturday and Sunday at Red Reef Park West, 1221 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton, and Mondays at Red Reef Park East, 1400 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. Classes held on the grass overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway. Cash not accepted on-site. Sat. & Sun.: 10-11 am; M: 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.

JUNE 2-8

Sunday - 6/2 - Yoga with Live Music every Sunday at the Colony Hotel, 525 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. 9:30-11 am. \$20. 703-1236 or www.colonyyoga.com.

Monday - 6/3 - Jazzercise/Body Sculpting at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Sculpted arms, a strong core, tight glutes, and firm legs are the focus of this 50-minute muscle toning workout that features a creative combination of weight training and stretching. Held every M & W. 8:45-9:35 am. First class is free. 8 classes: \$56/residents, \$70/non-residents. 16 classes: \$96/residents, \$120/non-residents. 347-3950 or www.sugarsandpark.org.

6/3 - Mom's Morning Workout at Boca Raton Community Center Annex, 260 Crawford Blvd. Lose weight, tone up, get sculpted and build endurance. A personalized system in a group setting. Easy to follow nutritional meal plan and F.I.T. APP included. M-W-F: 9-10am. Per 6-pack: \$90/resident, \$112.50/non-resident; monthly membership: \$150/resident, \$187.50/non-resident. 393-7807.

6/3 - Jazzercise/Light at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. 50-minute class pairs moderate aerobics with exercises designed to improve strength, balance, and flexibility. Held every M & W. 9:40-10:30 am. First class is free. 8 classes: \$56/residents, \$70/non-residents. 16 classes: \$96/residents, \$120/non-residents. 347-3950.

6/3 - Tai Chi for Beginners of all ages at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St., Delray Beach. Learn natural ways to relieve tension, stress and pains. Certified instruction. Held every Monday. 11 am-noon. Per class: \$15/residents; \$20/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/3 - Parkinson's Exercise Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Held every Monday. First class is free. 8 classes: \$32/residents, \$40/non-residents. 16 classes: \$60/residents, \$75/non-residents. 11:30 am-12:30 pm. 347-3950 or www.sugarsandpark.org.

6/3 - Body with Style Aerobics at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd. Classes held M&W. 6:30-7:30 pm. \$3/at the door. 742-6550.

6/3 - Men's Issues Support Group meets every Monday at the Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. 6:30-8 pm. First session free, \$5 thereafter. 483-5300.

Tuesday - 6/4 - Cardio Sculpt at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Circuit-based workout targets multiple muscle groups to build lean muscle. Modifications given to accommodate pregnant moms as well as beginner to advanced fitness levels. Held every T&Th. 8:45-9:30. 4 classes: \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents; 8 classes: \$66/residents, \$82.50/non-residents; 16 classes: \$118/residents, \$147.50/non-residents. 347-3950.

6/4 - Heartsaver Automated External Defibrillator (HSAED) at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Education Center, 800 Meadows Road, Boca Raton. Class designed for the general public and teaches adult, child and infant one person CPR, as well as the use of the Automated External Defibrillator. Held again 7/2. 9 am-noon. \$30/class. Registration: 955-4468.

6/4 - Get Fit Mom's Boot Camp at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Circuit-based workout incorporates cardio exercises, strength training, running drills, body weight resistance training, agility drills and core strengthening. Perfect for new moms looking to get back in shape as well as moms-to-be looking to stay active and fit during their pregnancy. Modifications given to accommodate all levels of fitness. Held every T&Th. 9:30-10:20. 1 class: \$10/residents, \$12.50/non-residents; 4 classes: \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents; 8 classes: \$66/residents, \$82.50/non-residents; 16 classes: \$118/residents, \$147.50/non-residents. 347-3950.

6/4 - Women's Issues Support Group meets every Tuesday at the Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. Two times available: 10-11:30 am or 7-8:30 pm. First session free, \$5 thereafter. 483-5300 or www.groupcounseling.org.

6/4 - Beginners Yoga at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Enjoyable program helps you stay fit. Participants should bring their own yoga mat. Held every T&Th, 10:15 am; Chair Yoga: T, 11:30 am. \$10. 278-5455.

6/4 - Caregivers Support Group meets every Tuesday at the Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 483-5300.

6/4 - Karate/Martial Arts Classes at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. Students ages 9 to adults learn Karate along with a blend of other combat martial arts. Held every T & Th. 6-7:30 pm. Per class: \$5/residents; \$6/non-residents; or monthly \$35/residents; \$40/non-residents plus a one-time \$25 for uniforms. 243-7356.

Wednesday - 6/5 - Yoga for ages 18 and up at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St., Delray Beach. Held every W. 9-10:30 am. Per class: \$10/residents; \$15/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/5 - Parkinson's Exercise Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Held every Wednesday. First class is free. 8 classes: \$32/residents, \$40/non-residents. 16 classes: \$60/residents, \$75/non-residents. 2-3 pm. 347-3950.

6/5 - Divorced and Separated Support Group meets every Wednesday at the Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. 6-7:30 pm. First session free, \$5 thereafter. 483-5300.

6/5 - Tai Chi Class - Wednesdays at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Emphasizes moving meditation for focus, concentration, release of stress and attention skills. Two sessions offered: beginners, 6:10-7:10 pm; intermediate, 7:10-8:10 pm. 8 classes: \$48/residents, \$60/non-residents; 12 classes: \$66/residents, \$82/non-residents. 393-7807.

Thursday - 6/6 - Delray Beach Walkers Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Improve your health, make new friends, and enjoy the beautiful vistas Delray Beach has to offer. Sponsored by Ocean Rescue and Veterans Park Recreation Center. Held every Thursday. For ages 18 and up. 8 am. Free. 243-7352.

6/6 - Surgical Weight Reduction Symposium is presented by Miguel A. Lopez-Viego, M.D., in the Clayton Conference Center of Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Learn how laproscopic gastric bypass and Lap-Band surgery can change lives. Held the first Thursday of each month. 6:30 pm. Free. 737-7733 ext. 84688.

6/6 - Yoga Class at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Ongoing classes held Th. 6:30-8 pm. 5 classes: \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents; 10 classes: \$110/residents, \$137.50/non-residents; 20 classes: \$200/residents, \$250/non-residents. 477-8727.

JUNE 9-15

Tuesday - 6/11 - Breastfeeding Support Group at The Red Tent, 20 S. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Bring your baby and join a community of mothers and mothers-to-be to discuss breastfeeding questions. For all stages of pregnancy through weaning. 10 am-11:30 am. Free. 309-4314.

6/11 - Soul Soother: Mini-Meditations for Busy Lives with Cindy Griffith-Bennett at The Crystal Garden, 2610 N. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Workshop teaches ways to add up to a half hour of meditation into your day, along with spiritual lessons to help you stay motivated. 7:30-9:30 pm. \$20. Registration: 369-2836.

JUNE 16-22

Tuesday - 6/18 - Heartsaver Automated External Defibrillator (HSAED) - Presented by Boca Raton Regional Hospital at the Fire Department, 6500 Congress Ave., Suite 200, Boca Raton. Class is designed for the general public and teaches adult, child and infant one person CPR, as well as the use of the Automated External Defibrillator. 6-9 pm. \$30/class. Registration: 955-4468 or www.brrh.com.

Wednesday - 6/19 - Breastfeeding Prenatal Class is taught by lactation consultants at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Expectant parents learn the benefits of breastfeeding, keys to success, supply and demand, positioning, breast pumps, returning to work and weaning. Both parents are encouraged to attend. 6:30 pm. \$25/couple. Registration: 369-2229.

JUNE 23-29

Sunday - 6/23 - Meditation Open House at Transcendental Meditation, 660 Linton Blvd., Suite 201A, Delray Beach. Includes two short documentaries: Meditation Makeover (Incense and Beads not Required) at 1 pm; Exploring the Frontiers of Consciousness, Creativity and the Brain at 2 pm. 1-3 pm. Free. 994-6990 or www.TM.org/bocaratn.



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Finding Faith

Stokes heading from Delray to N.J.; Mt. Everest climb had extra challenge

The Rev. William "Chip" Stokes of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Delray Beach has been elected the bishop of New



Stokes

Jersey. "I am humbled beyond expression," Stokes said after his May 3 election over eight other candidates. He

leaves Florida on Aug. 1 and will be ordained as bishop on Nov. 2.

The St. Paul's congregation ministers to the Haitian immigrant community that surrounds its church on Swinton Avenue. Paul's Place is an afterschool refuge next to the church for neighborhood children, who are able to excel academically with church tutors.

That ministry was attractive to the Episcopalians who voted for Stokes to come to New Jersey, according to the Rev. Gregory Bezilla, the chairman of diocese's transition committee.

"What they see in him is someone who is willing to take the lead in speaking and taking action on behalf of marginalized people, the poor and immigrants especially," Bezilla said. "I also think he is someone who is deeply concerned about young people."

Stokes, 56, has served St. Paul's for 14 years. He will face challenges at Diocese of New Jersey with poverty, dwindling church membership and the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy.

The interfaith bond between St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church and Temple Beth El began with a 1980 bomb scare at the Jewish synagogue on the eve of Yom Kippur.

A Jewish rabbi asked a Catholic priest for help when Temple Beth El was evacuated during worship services. Torahs and other Jewish ritual objects were carried next door to St. Joan of Arc so the Jewish worship service could resume.

The Jews and Catholics have gotten to know each other since then, understanding each other's religion. Their annual Interfaith Weekend has been celebrated for the past 27 years.

Father Robert Levitt, past president of the largest Catholic seminary in the U.S., spoke to the two congregations about ecumenical understanding and cooperation on April 27-28.

The concept of giving to the less fortunate is taught early, starting with 3-year-olds, at Boca Raton Christian School.

More than 250 students in pre-K through eighth grade participated April 6 in a marathon day of community



Debbie Dingle's successful ascent of a peak near Mount Everest has inspired fellow parishioners of Advent Lutheran to join in her quest to help fight human trafficking. Photo provided

service that the school has sponsored annually since 1983.

Each class learned about its service project in the weeks before the event. Parents contributed all the supplies that were needed.

The youngest pre-K children filled bags of rice for needy families who receive groceries from CROS Ministries in a project called Grains of Gratitude. Other toddlers decorated the bags.

Every class had an interesting project. First-graders made teacups for widows. Fifth-graders weeded the garden of an elderly woman near the school.

Even firefighters got a little love when seventh-graders served them breakfast at their fire station.

Debbie Dingle's rocky climb up a 18,124-foot summit next to Mount Everest wasn't easy.

Most of the 45 women mountain climbers raising awareness about human trafficking got terribly sick because of bad water they drank at the bottom of the mountain. Dingle lost 10 pounds. A helicopter was called to rush the woman sharing Dingle's tent to a hospital.

Above the tree line, the climbers knew they couldn't all reach the top. "We were all so sick and weak," Dingle said. "Some knew their bodies would not allow them to continue."

Dingle, representing Advent Lutheran Church of Boca Raton, was one of 25 climbers who braved 60 mph winds to reach the very top of the giant summit on April 19.

The soccer mom repeatedly sang a song that she had learned as a child in church:

"If you trust in me, and stay in song, everything is going to be fine," Dingle sang repeatedly as she climbed up the mountain.

Dingle's mission has caught fire at Advent Lutheran. "This is becoming a significant ministry for our church," said her pastor, the Rev. Andrew Hagen.

The congregation first supported her last year when she raised \$70,000 to rescue women from prostitution, exploitation and poverty by climbing Mount Kilimanjaro.

"The higher up you go, the more momentum you gain to

serve the cause when you come down the mountain," Hagen said.

A dozen Advent Lutheran women will climb Pike's Peak in Colorado to get started. Another church group will go to India to see the job training that the mountain climbers provide for rescued women.

St. Mark Catholic School has suddenly closed after a dramatic 44 percent drop in enrollment.

The pre-K through eighth grade school in Boynton Beach had 225 students this past year. But the ax fell when only 126 enrolled for the upcoming 2013-14 school year.

Originally, 166 students had pre-enrolled for next year and the Diocese of Palm Beach was assisting in hopes that St. Mark could hold on. But then an additional 40 students left and all hope was lost.

"In the past few weeks, the number dropped significantly as students transferred to other schools, including new local charter schools," St. Mark priest Richard Florek wrote parents on May 24.

"Despite our best efforts to increase enrollment, the decrease in students has created a most challenging financial situation and would create a financial burden on parents and the parish," Florek said. "This has been a very difficult decision to make."

The Diocese is helping families of the remaining 126 students enroll at other nearby Catholic schools, including St. Vincent Ferrer in Delray Beach. The hope is for the eighth-graders to remain together at another school next year. "They have been at St. Mark for a long time and are a close-knit group," Gary Gelo, schools superintendent for the Diocese, said.

St. Mark School opened in 1958 with nuns from the Four Sisters of Charity as its first teachers.



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Standing shoulder-to-shoulder and toe-to-toe with arms crossed in supplication, members of the Islamic Center of Boca Raton participate in a midweek prayer service. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

Islamic Center joins interfaith homeless project

By Tim Pallesen

Muslims have joined Christians and Jews to support Family Promise, the interfaith effort to provide emergency shelter for homeless families with children.

"We want neighbors to know that Muslims are ones you can count on to be there for them," said Mohamed Abushadi, a spokesman for the Islamic Center of Boca Raton.

The Islamic Center joins 13 Christian churches and four Jewish synagogues to give volunteer and financial support for South County homeless families.

The move is evidence that Muslims are blending into the spiritual fabric of their community.

"The universal message of humanity and brotherhood defines us," Abushadi said. "As Muslims, we find it essential to explain the true nature of Islam, which means submission to God.

"Submission to God implies compassion to all humankind," he said.

The Muslim congregation began here with students at Florida Atlantic University holding their Friday prayer services in a classroom in the art department.

The congregation got noticed eight years ago when it bought a school east of FAU that has become the Garden of Sahaba Academy, a school for 190 students from kindergarten through ninth grade.

"That was a big milestone for us," Abushadi said. "An actual structure of our own gave a strong message that this was a legitimate center where our outreach began."

Hundreds of Muslims worshiped in the school's main hall, overflowing outdoors

because the space was too small.

The solution was a new \$2 million mosque that opened next to the school last August.

The 30,000-square-foot mosque has room for 500 men to pray in its main hall. Women pray in smaller rooms on the second floor.

Muslims have faced hostility and prejudice when they opened mosques in other American cities. But the Muslims here invited their neighbors to dinner and their opening went peacefully.

Now Christians and Jews have embraced the Islamic Center as the newest member of Family Promise, one of the South County's most ambitious interfaith charities.

Twelve host congregations now take turns to provide

shelter for homeless families in their churches and synagogues. The Muslim congregation joins five others that just provide

volunteers and financial support. "We haven't reached the level of participation where we want

to be yet," Abushadi said. "We're testing the waters to see how much we can do to help." ★

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Paws Up for Pets

Care options for older pets are increasing

I remember the first time I spotted my 19-year-old cat, Little Guy, looking confused in a corner of my living room. He appeared to be lost. He also began vocalizing more with a mournful meow that seemed to say, "Where am I?"

At the time, I wasn't sure what was happening to him, but now I would be. Little Guy had developed feline dementia, also known as feline cognitive dysfunction.

He lived to be 20 and during his final year, I had trained all guests to gently guide this brown-striped tabby out of corners and to sweetly answer, "Little Guy, over here" whenever he began making those sorrowful howls. In people years, he lived to be 96 years old.

Today, I share my home with three seniors and one youngster. My dogs, Chipper and Cleo, are 10 and my cat, Murphy, is 14. In human years, the dogs are roughly 60 years old and Murphy is 72. Zeki is the feline kid at age 4. So far, my ageless canines still love to surf and take long hikes, and Murphy still enjoys our daily

play sessions as she "stalks" the feather wand toy.

Many of us are sharing our homes — and hearts — with senior pets. In fact, one-third of all cats and dogs are at least 7 years old. Depending on the breed, that equates to senior citizenship status.

Thanks to advances in veterinary medicine, improved commercial diets and a stronger people-pet connection, our dogs and cats are living longer. But as our beloved pets transition from seniors to geriatrics, they are also susceptible to age-related conditions, including cognitive dysfunction, similar to Alzheimer's disease in people.

"Cognitive dysfunction (also known as dementia or senility) is a neurological disorder of older dogs and cats characterized by a decline in cognitive ability due to brain aging," explains Mark Dew, DVM, owner and medical director of the Animal HealthCare Center in Lake Worth. He also serves as the Palm Beach Veterinary Society liaison to the Florida Veterinary Medical Association.

And, yes, he is the proud



A 'family' portrait of the seniors in Arden Moore's household: (l-r) Chipper, 10; Cleo, 10 and Murphy, 14. In dog years, Arden is 10. A dog's age in human years is calculated on age and weight. The old saying that one year in a dog's life equals seven human years is roughly true.

owner of Hootie, a black-and-white 17-year-old cat.

"Hootie was a stray kitten we adopted when he was about 8 weeks old," says Dr. Dew. "Unfortunately, he does have some signs of cognitive dysfunction, but we manage it well."

Some cats and dogs start to exhibit certain telltale signs of cognitive dysfunction around age 12. Veterinary and

behavioral experts use the acronym DISH to refer to the symptoms and signs associated with canine or feline senility.

D is for disoriented. Pets who are disoriented often walk aimlessly, stare at walls or get stuck in corners.

I is for interactions. Pets with impaired mental function often become less likely to greet people when they come home or to seek out a lap.

S is for sleep. Dogs and cats who once slept soundly through the night may prowl or pace restlessly at night and may vocalize as they roam.

H is for houstraining. Some cats suddenly forget to use the litter box and some dogs may forget to let you know they need to a potty break outside and piddle on the floor.

If your pet is exhibiting any of these signs, please have your veterinarian perform a thorough examination that will include blood and urine tests. Your golden oldie may have a physical condition that could be treated with medicine or at least slowed down.

Sadly, there is no cure for cognitive dysfunction in our pets — yet. We can't put the brakes on the rapidity in which our pets accumulate birthdays, but we can take purposeful steps to keep them feeling years younger. Veterinary researchers are learning ways to manage senility with memory-improving medications and specially formulated senior diets.

At home, we can keep our senior pets mentally stimulated by playing a fun game of hide-and-seek with food treats

stashed in different rooms of the house. We can engage in a toned-down game of fetch with our dogs by rolling the ball across the floor. We can provide orthopedic pet beds to ease their arthritic joints and provide low-level litter boxes to make it easier for our senior cats to enter and exit.

One of my favorite pet advocates on the planet is actress Betty White, who turned 91 earlier this year. She was a guest on my *Oh Behave* show on Pet Life Radio and I will never forget her declaration, "Old age is not a disease; it is merely a stage of life."

Now that's great advice from America's ageless wonder for us and our pets.



Arden Moore, founder of *FourLeggedLife.com*, is an animal behavior consultant, editor, author, professional

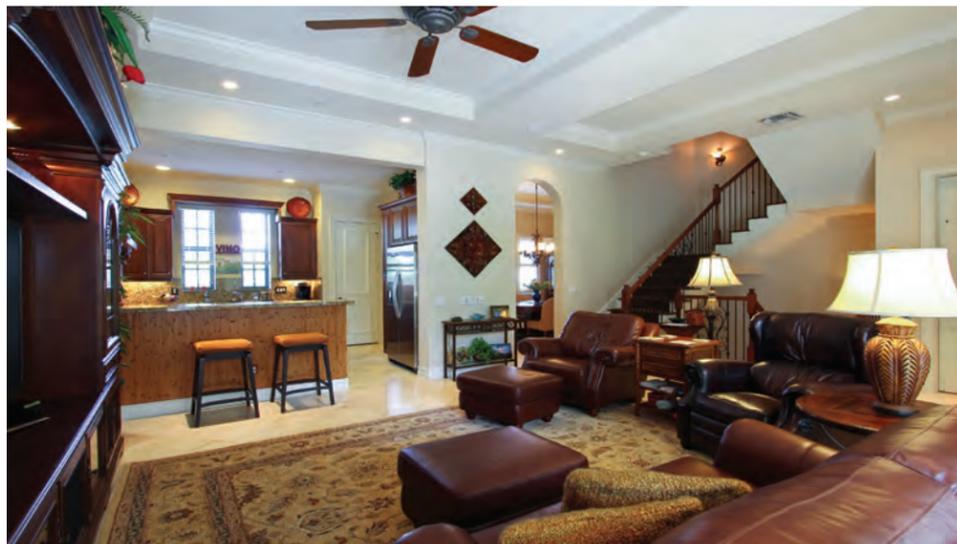
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Summer Arts

Cassatt paintings at Norton; theater in Boca, and at Dramaworks, Plaza

The American painter Mary Cassatt is best-known for her paintings of women and children, but this month at the Norton Museum, patrons have the opportunity to see four of the Impressionist artist's works on paper.

The four works — three pastels and an aquatint etching — are being exhibited in the West Palm Beach museum through June 30 as part of its new Masterpiece of the Month series. In June, the focus is on the Norton's American collection, and the museum's American art curator, Ellen Roberts, said the drawings present another way to look at this important artist's output.

"The public is mostly familiar with her work in the way that they are with all the Impressionists. But I think what's important when looking at those types of works that seem so familiar to us — they're reproduced everywhere, on posters and placemats and coasters — that it's actually hard for us to see them for what they are," Roberts said last month from Chicago, at whose Art Institute she worked before coming to the Norton.

"In the case of Cassatt, she was really a radical of her time. If you look at her pictures of women and children, like these four works, they don't look particularly radical to us. But if you look at them in comparison to other types of works that were being made at the time that were much more sentimentalized, then you realize what she's doing that's so new," she said.

The drawings are on loan to the museum from a private collection but have been promised to the Norton as a gift, Roberts said. Created from 1891 to 1908, the four



Mary Cassatt's Woman Bathing (La Toilette)

The Arts Paper

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drawings show intimate scenes of domestic life in the late Victorian and Edwardian eras: Women nursing babies, washing up, and sewing, and a head study of a girl wearing a bonnet.

"Middle- and upper-class

women spent most of their lives in the domestic space. Her close friend (painter Edgar) Degas would go out and paint a new kind of urban life of the streets, but Cassatt, as a well-bred woman, did not live in that world," Roberts said.

Born in 1844 in Pittsburgh in comfortable circumstances, Cassatt studied in Philadelphia before departing for France after the Civil War to pursue her artistic vocation, and lived there for the rest of her long life (she died in 1926). She was a member of the Impressionist circle, exhibiting and socializing with them, and in her later years became an inspirational figure to younger American and Canadian artists.

Among her greatest achievements are her prints, Roberts said, which are inspired by Japanese art as well as the work of her fellow Impressionists. One of those works, *Woman Bathing (La Toilette)*, is part of the exhibit, and demonstrates Cassatt's formidable skill at draftsmanship.

"She was a great artist. Her ability to capture the human form, and to capture the way people look when they're living, she was a master at that, and that's something you can really see in her works on paper," said Roberts, who is writing a book about museum founder Ralph Norton that is expected to be out in time for the Norton's 75th anniversary in 2016. "There's something about the way she's using that chalk on the paper that has an immediacy that doesn't come across when you're looking at a photograph of it. That's

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something I hope people will appreciate about seeing the actual work.”

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Theater: The words summer and theater have long gone admirably together, and while that often means park district productions or youth programs for kids out of school for the warm months, there's still quite a bit of professional activity going on this month.

Palm Beach Dramaworks in West Palm Beach closes its 2012-13 season this month with a production of *Dancing at Lughnasa*, **Brian Friel's** shattering study of frustrated



Julie Rowe, Margery Lowe, Gretchen Porro and Erin Joy Schmidt in a scene from *Dancing at Lughnasa*. Photo provided

lives in rural Ireland in 1936 (it was made into a movie with **Meryl Streep** in 1998). **J. Barry Lewis** directs a cast including **Julie Rowe, Margery Lowe, Gretchen Porro, Erin Joy Schmidt, Meghan Moroney** and **Cliff Burgess**. The play, which opened May 24, continues through June 16

at Dramaworks' Don and Ann Brown Theatre on Clematis Street. Shows are Wednesdays through Sundays; check www.palmbeachdramaworks.org for times or call 514-4042, Ext. 2. Tickets range from \$47-\$55.

Boca Raton's **Slow Burn Theatre** has proven to be a nervy, inventive company in its

relatively brief time hereabouts, and for its June production founders **Patrick Fitzwater** and **Matthew Korinko** have chosen *The Wedding Singer*, **Matthew Sklar** and **Chad Beguelin's** musical version of the popular **Adam Sandler** movie from 1998 about a rock star wannabe in the 1980s who falls in love with a waitress. The show runs from June 21-30 at the **West Boca Performing Arts Theater** on the campus of **West Boca High School**. Tickets range from \$20-\$35; call 866-811-4111 or visit slowburntheatre.org.

Alan Jacobson's Plaza Theatre in Manalapan focuses on the era of platform shoes and disco balls in Rick Seeber's jukebox revue, *8-Track: The Sounds of the '70s*. The revue will feature four singers in the music of the **Carpenters, the Bee Gees, Barry Manilow, Helen Reddy, Marvin Gaye**, and a host of others. (Shag rug, apparently, is optional.) The show opens June 14 at the theater, 262 S. Ocean Blvd., and runs through July 7. Tickets are

\$45; see www.theplazatheatre.net or call 588-1820 for showtimes.

Finally, **Florida Atlantic University's Festival Repertory Theatre** summer programs have a decidedly Stephen Sondheim bent as they open this month. The revue *Side by Side by Sondheim*, which collects many of the composer-lyricist's most popular songs, opens June 22 and runs through July 7 at the **University Theater** on FAU's Boca Raton campus.

A week later, the school presents **Stephen Sondheim's** 1962 musical *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum*, a racy farce set in ancient Rome that features a sparkling score including the standard *Comedy Tonight*. The show opens June 28 and runs through July 21. This is the 15th year of Festival Repertory Theatre, in which FAU students perform alongside professional Equity actors. Tickets are \$12-\$20; call 800-564-9539 or visit www.fauvents.com.



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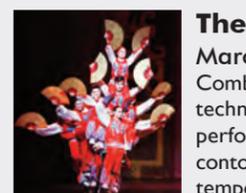
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January 16

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ELIZABETH SMART

February 13

The victim of one of the most followed children's abduction cases of our time, Elizabeth Smart is now one of the nation's leading advocates for change related to child abduction, recovery processes and national legislation. Through her foundation, she continues to motivate parents, law enforcement and leaders worldwide to focus on children's safety.



TONY MENDEZ

March 20

Ben Affleck's character in *ARGO*, this year's winner of the Academy Award for Best Motion Picture, is based on former CIA agent Tony Menendez, the real-life mastermind behind one of the most daring hostage rescue missions in history. His new book *ARGO: How the CIA and Hollywood Pulled Off One Of The Most Audacious Rescues In History* was published prior to the release of the film. Tony is also an award winning artist with an international reputation.



STORY MUSGRAVE

April 10

He was building and floating rafts down a river at age five, driving trucks and tractors at age 10, and learned to repair them by age 13. He never finished school and ran off to Korea, joining the U.S. Marines where he was an aircraft electrician. Today, he holds seven graduate degrees in math, chemistry, computers, medicine, physiology, literature and psychology! He has 20 honorary doctorates but is best known for his 30 year career as a NASA astronaut, who performed the first Shuttle spacewalk on Challenger's first flight and led the space walking team on the Hubble Telescope repair mission.

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Books

Gulf Stream veteran finds writing inspiration in a flash

By Ron Hayes

On the west wall of Ron Standerfer's sunny Gulf Stream study, you'll find an impressive collection of music CDs — classical, big band, show tunes, jazz, even some Beatles.

On the east wall, above his desk, you'll find an array of black-and white-photos, including one of a handsome young man in a flight suit, smiling like he's just been plucked from the jungles of Laos.

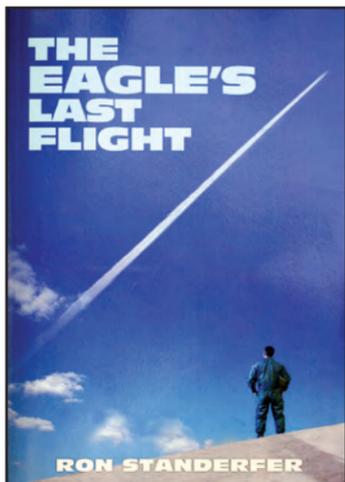
The Eagle's Last Flight is Standerfer's first novel. It's not about music.

"I played sax and clarinet, but I was a music major dropout from Southern Illinois University when I joined the Air Force at 19," he says. "By 20, I'd made second lieutenant, but I couldn't buy a beer in a Texas bar."

Twenty-seven years later, the college dropout from Belleville, Ill., retired from the Air Force as a full colonel. In between, he'd sweated out the Cold War in F100 fighter jets, flown 232 and a "half" combat missions in Southeast Asia, and worked for the Pentagon as a liaison between the Air National Guard and active military.

Along the way, he'd been hit by a nuclear blast at Yucca Flats, Nev.

In 1998, Standerfer and his wife, Marzenna, moved to Manhattan's Upper West Side.



She went to work. He went to a friendly neighborhood bar called Il Violino and sipped his afternoons away with the singers and stagehands from Lincoln Center. They called him "the colonel."

"I saw myself as another Hemingway, with a comfortable pension," he says now with a laugh.

One afternoon, weaving home from a long lunch at Il Violino, he found Marzenna waiting.

"You have to get a life," she told him, "or you're going to become an alcoholic."

The next day, he decided that being a writer was cheaper than being an alcoholic, and *The Eagle's Last Flight* took off.

"It was thinking about that nuclear test that made the book click for me," he says.

In 1957, Standerfer was stationed in northern Maine



ABOVE: Ron Standerfer, of Gulf Stream, looks over memorabilia and photos from his days as a fighter pilot for the U.S. Air Force. His adventures — and misadventures — were all fodder for his first novel, *The Eagle's Last Flight*.

LEFT: Standerfer, shown in the cockpit, was shot down over Laos in 1969. Photo provided

when he was asked to volunteer for a nuclear test in Nevada. The morning was chilly. The nuclear device, capable of a detonation double the bomb dropped on Nagasaki, was on a tower eight miles across the desert. Standerfer stood on a platform with a dosimeter, which measures exposure to radiation, on his chest.

As the final countdown began, he put his hands over his

eyes and faced the tower.

"There was a flash of light so bright and blinding the bones of my hands were visible as if by X-ray," he recalled.

A mushroom cloud rose in the sky, and a shock wave rolled across the desert.

"They collected the dosimeter I was wearing, brushed me off with brooms to remove any radioactive fallout ... and sent me back to my squadron."

Twenty years later, he received a letter from the government reporting that test participants were developing leukemia at two to three times the normal rate.

Standerfer is 78 now, and he doesn't have leukemia.

"The book describes the dangers of flying, the bailing out, the getting shot down — all that's me," he says. "But people were also dying of leukemia, and I don't happen to have leukemia."

The Eagle's Last Flight is a novel, not a memoir. The hero is Skip O'Neill, not Ron Standerfer. But they both "sat nuclear alerts," waiting in the cockpit of a fighter jet in northern Japan, flying missions in Vietnam and, yes, getting shot down over Laos.

"I spent a year in Vietnam, flying one or two missions a day, supplying close air support, and on April 1, 1969, I got shot down over Laos," he

says.

That's the "half" of his 232 and a half missions.

"It's embarrassing," he says, "but I just got too full of myself, and I got shot down by a little guy on a bicycle with an anti-aircraft gun."

In 2003, Ron and Marzenna Standerfer were perusing *The New York Times* in search of a summer rental in Florida and came across a place in Gulf Stream. They've been at Gulf Stream Manor ever since.

"We just said, 'This is for us,'" he says. "It's a lovely place, with a lovely atmosphere."

In 2007, he finished his book, and published a small edition for his military buddies.

"This is pretty good," they said. "You should promote it on the Web."

So far, he's sold perhaps a thousand copies. Standerfer doesn't expect to become a millionaire, or Ernest Hemingway.

"But here's what I believe," he says. "All veterans have two needs: to remember, and to be remembered. My great-grandfather fought with Grant in the Civil War, and I know nothing about it. He was in an Illinois regiment. But for those of us who were there, the Cold War wasn't so cold, and this is my tiny contribution to the memory." ★

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JUNE 1

Saturday - 6/1 - Motivation Man Olympic & Half Iron Distance Triathlon in downtown West Palm Beach. Presented by The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America. Body marking & gear set-up: 4:30-6:15 am; Race start: 6:30 am. \$175/Olympic individual triathlon, \$275/Half iron individual triathlon, \$375/Half iron relay triathlon. 218-2929, Ext. 16.

6/1 - Crazy Games Water Day at Barrier Free Park, 3111 S. Congress Ave., Boynton Beach. For ages 2-13 and their parents. Fun fitness games and several water themed relay races. Wear bathing suits and water shoes. 9-11 am. Free. 742-6569.

6/1 - Boynton Beach Community Farmer's Market at Ocean Avenue Park, 100 NE 4th St. Locally grown artisan food, fresh baked goods, specialty olive oils, handmade jewelry, and much more. Held year round every Saturday. 9 am-2 pm. Free. 714-2745.

6/1 - 10 and Under Tennis: Junior Development Clinics for ages 5-15 begins at the Tennis Center, 3111 S. Congress Ave. Held Saturdays through 6/22. Held again 7/6-27. Age 5-6: 9-9:45 am; age 7-10: 10-11 am; age 10-15: 11 am-noon. For ages 5-6, \$34/residents, \$42/non-residents; for ages 7-15, \$40/residents, \$50/non-residents. Registration: 742-6575.

6/1 - Drop-In Story time - Music, stories, finger plays and action songs stimulate learning at the Boca Raton Public Library, 200 NW Boca Raton Blvd. For children of all ages accompanied by an adult. Held every Saturday. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968.

6/1 - Exhibit: Photography by the Boynton Beach Camera Club at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Exhibit runs through 8/3. Library hours. Free. 266-9490.

6/1 - Exhibit: Flying High: The Story of Kites at Cornell Museum of Art & American Culture, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Interactive exhibition showcases the history of kites from their origins in ancient China, to their scientific uses worldwide, to their nostalgic and fun-loving use in America. Runs through 9/29. T-Sat.: 10 am-4:30 pm, Sun.: 1-4:30 pm. \$10/general, \$6/seniors & students with ID, \$3/children (4-12), Free/children ages 3 and under. 243-9722.

6/1 - Exhibit: A Quilting Evolution at Cornell Museum of Art & American Culture, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Exhibit includes a broad mix of 80 to 100 traditional and art quilts, as well as a selection of the award-winning "Quilted" Artists Books from FAU Jaffe Center for Book Arts Biennial Competition. Runs through 9/29. T-Sat.: 10 am-4:30 pm, Sun.: 1-4:30 pm. \$10/general, \$6/seniors & students with ID, \$3/children (4-12), Free/children ages 3 and under. 243-9722.

6/1 - Exhibit: School of Creative Arts Group at the Crest Galleries, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Multi-media exhibit showcasing drawings, paintings, collage, mixed media and photographs by adult and youth students and instructors. Runs through 11/3. M-F: 9:30 am-4:30 pm, Sat.: 10 am-3 pm. Free. 243-7922.

6/1 - Exhibit: Places and Faces by Phyllis Anselona and Bob Currie at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Runs through 7/11 during regular hours. Free. 278-5455.

6/1 - Little Wonders - Introduce children to plants and animals around them with a hike, crafts and stories at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Ages 3 & 4 accompanied by an adult. 10-10:45 am. \$5/members, \$8/non-members. Reservations: 544-8615 or www.gumbolimbo.org.

6/1 - Savage Ancient Seas: The Ancient Aquatic Deep at The South Florida Science Museum, 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach. The first attraction at the newly expanded and renovated museum debuts before the official opening. Exhibit educates guests about Archelon, the 17-foot-wide sea turtle, or Magalodon an extinct species of shark. Exhibit runs through 9/16 during regular hours. Admission: \$11.95/adults, \$8.95/children (3-12), \$10.45/seniors (62+), free/children under 3. After 6/8, prices increase. 832-1988.

6/1 - Future Men and Women of Delray Beach at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. Mentoring program designed for ages 12-18. Program provides young men and women an avenue for social growth, healthy living, and community service.

Saturdays, year round. 10-11 am. Free. 243-7356.

6/1 - Judo Class at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Warm-up exercises, instruction, practice and tournament training. Two sessions: Wednesdays - Mixed ages & ranks: 6:30-8 pm; Advanced: 8-9 pm; Saturdays - all groups: 10am-noon. Per month: \$21.50/resident, \$27/non-resident. 393-7807.

6/1 - I Love Art Classes at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Ages 4-10 create art utilizing recycled items. Two sessions: 10:30 am-noon or 12:15-1:45 pm. Session runs Sat. through 6/22. \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents. 742-6650.

6/1 - Coral Reef Shark Feedings are held daily, Tuesday through Sunday, at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S. Ocean Blvd. Delray Beach. Feeding begins at 10:30 am T-Sat. and 1:30 pm Sunday. Discover what Atlantic Ocean reef fish, nurse sharks, and spiny lobsters eat for breakfast. Free with \$4 admission to the nature center. 274-7263.

6/1 - Cheerleading Classes at the Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E. Ocean Ave. Develop teamwork and a positive attitude with an emphasis on safety. Saturdays through 7/20. Ages 3-11. 10:45-11:45 am. \$88/resident, \$110/non-resident. Registration: 901-0637.

6/1 - Cooking Class: Summer Brunch Bunch at The Ancient Olive, 514 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Featuring Grown Up Grilled Cheese, Quinoa Salad and Mojito Madness-Vinegar infused. 11:30 am. \$30. 266-1099.

6/1 - Science Stories at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 and up. Held Saturdays, 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912.

6/1 - Inventors Society of South Florida Meeting at Ligi Tool & Engineering, Inc., 3220 SW 15th St., Deerfield Beach. First meeting is free. Held the first Saturday of each month. 1 pm. Free. 676-5677.

6/1 - Art-E-Ology: Jose Clemente Orozco: Mini Portraits for grades 3-5 at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Once a month, children 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. 1-2:30 pm. \$5/child. Reservations: 392-2500 ext. 106.

6/1 - The Great Summer Quest at the Ritz-Carlton, 100 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Teams of six travel by chauffeured vehicles in search answers to clues throughout Palm Beach County. 1 pm/scavenger hunt, 6 pm/after party. Proceeds benefit The Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County. Food, refreshments, prizes and gifts. Summer chic. \$450/individual, \$2,500 team of six. 683-3287.

6/1 - USA Netball Association at Pompey Park Recreation Center, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. A fast, skillful, team game based on running, jumping, throwing and catching. For females ages 6 and up. Saturdays, 2-5 pm. \$5/person per day. 243-7356.

6/1 - The Adventures of Pan at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Two shows: 2-4

pm & 7-9 pm. \$15/advance, \$20/at the door. 586-6410.

6/1 - Alligator Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Road., Boca Raton. Listen to a short talk about the baby alligator while he is being fed. Held every W & Sat. 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760.

6/1 - Teen Car Club - Held Saturdays at the "505" Teen Center, 505 SE 5th Ave., Delray Beach. Hands on learning on how to keep up on the maintenance of your vehicle. Girls are welcome. For ages 12-20. 4-6 pm. \$5/non-members. 243-7158.

6/1-2 - Vacation Bible School: Hayday! Growing in Friendship with Jesus at First Presbyterian Church of Boynton Beach, 235 SW 6th Ave. Pre-K through 5th grade are invited to attend two days filled with fun, singing, Bible learning activities and refreshments. Sat.: 9 am-3 pm; Sun.: 10:30 am-noon. Free. Registration: 732-3774.

6/1-2 - Bridge Duplicate at the James A. Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. Sanctioned A.C.B.L. duplicate bridge game for the experienced player. A light snack on Saturdays and a light lunch on Sundays will be served. Partners available for singles. On-going sessions year round. 12:30-4 pm. Sat.: \$8/person; Sun.: \$10/person. Reservations or partners: 338-2995.

6/1-2 - The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee is performed by the Plaza Theatre Conservatory at The Plaza Theatre, 262 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Sat.: 2 pm & 7:30 pm; Sun.: 2 pm & 6 pm. \$45. 588-1820.

6/1-2 - Sylvia at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Sat.: 8 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 2. \$30. 272-1281, Ext. 4.

6/1-2 - Forbidden Hollywood at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. A comic once-over is given to blockbuster movies and performers. Sat.: 7:30 pm; Sun.: 4 pm. Tickets \$35. 237-9000.

6/1-2 - Tick, Tick... Boom! - Presented by Outré Theatre Company at the Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Held again 6/7-9. F & Sat.: 8 pm; Sun.: 2 pm. \$30/adults, \$25/seniors, \$20/students. 954-300-2149.

6/1-2 - Dancing at Lughnasa by Brian Friel presented by Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St., West Palm Beach. Runs through 6/16. W-Sat.: 8 pm; W, Sat. & Sun.: 2 pm. Select 7 pm shows 6/2, 9, & 16. Tickets \$47-\$70. 514-4042.

JUNE 2-8

Sunday - 6/2 - Sunday Breakfast held each week at VFW Post 5335, 500 NE 21st St., Boynton Beach. 8-11:30 am. \$2.50-\$5. All are welcome. 732-1989.

6/2 - Kabbalah & Coffee: The Secret of Simplicity at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave. Includes weekly Living Torah Video Presentation. Held every Sunday morning. 10-11:30 am. Free. 417-7797.

6/2 - COBRA Minis Basketball for ages 3-5 at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Children learn basic motor skills to play organized basketball while they work one-on-one and spend



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6/2 - Summer Scenes in Oil Pastels is presented as part of the ARTful Adventure Sunday series at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Family 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 with paid museum admission. 392-2500.

Monday - 6/3 - Senior Bingo at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. For adults ages 60 years young and up. Class held every M&W. 11 am-noon. Free. 243-7356.

6/3 - Exhibition: The Legacies of Delray Beach Families at the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave., Delray Beach. Runs through 8/20. Museum hours. 279-8883.

6/3 - Adult Duplicate Bridge at Harvey E. Oyer, Jr. Park, 2012 N. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Held every M/W/F. 12:30-3:30 pm. \$3/ person per game. 736-6550.

6/3 - 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.

6/3 - Got Gaming? at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 6/10, 17 & 24. 5:15-6:30 pm. Free. 266-9490.

6/3 - Delray Divas Step Teams at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. An organized and structured step team that performs at local events and statewide competitions. Program reinforces the role of youth as positive members of the community. For grades K-12. Class held every M & W. 6-8 pm. Monthly: \$30/residents; \$40/non-residents. 243-7356.

6/3 - 14th Annual Culinary Creations: Eat, Drink and Do Good at The Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Presented by The American Culinary Federation Palm Beach County Chefs Association to benefit Quantum House and The Palm Beach County Chefs in Distress Endowment Fund. Dinner features four courses prepared by the region's most talented chefs served round robin style. 6:30 pm/hors d'oeuvres & champagne reception; 7:30 pm/four-course presentation with silent auction, live auction & chance drawing. \$125

or \$175/VIP. 494-0515.

6/3 - Meditation Mondays at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Meditate to enhance overall health and well-being. Mondays, 7 pm. Free. 278-5455.

6/3 - Intermediate/Advanced Fencing/Epee Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Kids learn fencing skills, forge new friendships. Held every M, W, F, 7-10 pm, & Sat. 6:30-10 pm. \$125/residents, \$156.50/non-residents. 347-3950.

6/3 - Sophisticated Discussions: A Singles Group - Join over-50 peers in a supportive, singles group discussion at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Held Mondays. Refreshments served. 7-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7807.

6/3 - Art Deco Cuba 2013 is presented by Art Deco Society Palm Beach president Sharon Koskoff at Stonzek Theatre at the Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Koskoff presents discoveries from the 12th Art Deco World Congress held this year in Havana, Cuba. 8 pm. Free. 276-9925.

6/3 - U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 54 meets the first Monday of each month at Harvey Oyer Park, 2010 N. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Boaters and non-boaters welcome. 8 pm. 966-2158.

Tuesday - 6/4 - Pompey Park Senior Club at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. Activities include field trips, breakfasts, games and events, fitness and health activities and social gatherings. M & W. 10 am-1 pm. Free (fees will be associated with trips). 243-7356.

6/4 - Family Days at the Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Held every T & Th. through 7/30. Program designed to provide a place and opportunity for families with children to get together during the summer months. Guests are welcome to bring a packed lunch. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Free. 655-2276.

6/4 - Adult Folk Dance Class at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. Ages 18 years old and up. Learn new dances from around the world for physical fitness, exercise, and fun. Held every T. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$7/class. 243-7356.

6/4 - Chess Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Knowledge of the game is necessary. All levels welcome. Held T & F. Noon-4 pm. Annual fee: \$20/residents, \$25/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/4 - The Wonderful World of Herbs at Whole Foods, 1400 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Menu includes: Classic Basil Pesto on Squash Noodles, Dill Poached Salmon Salad, and Brown Butter Sage Potatoes. 1-2 pm. \$10. Registration: 447-0000.

6/4 - Owl Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. Listen to a short talk about the animal and watch while it is being fed. Held every Friday. 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760.

6/4 - COBRA Minis Basketball for ages 3-5 at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Children learn basic motor skills to play organized basketball. Tuesdays through 7/16. 3:30-4:15 pm. \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. 347-3916.

6/4 - Small Fry Storytime for ages 3 and up at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Features songs and a craft project. Held every Tuesday. 4 pm. Free. 278-5455.

6/4 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd., Boca Raton. T & Th through 6/27. Held again 7/2-7/30. Level 1 & II: 4-4:45 pm. Cost per session is \$60/resident, \$75/non-residents. 544-8540.

6/4 - 10 and Under Tennis: Junior Development Clinics for children ages 4-12 at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd. Tuesdays through 6/25. Held again 7/2-30 (ages 4-6, \$25-\$31; ages 7-12, \$38-\$48/non-residents.). Age 4: 4:30-5pm; ages 5-6: 5-5:30 pm; ages 7-8: 5:30-6:15pm; ages 9-12: 6:15-7:15 pm. For ages 4-6, \$20/residents, \$25/non-residents; for ages 7-12, \$30/residents, \$38/non-residents. Registration: 742-6550.

6/4 - Diamonds & Pearls Dance Team at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. A community dance team program that prides itself on passion, dedication, excellence, and respect that participates in local and collegiate homecoming parades and statewide special events. For middle, high school and college students. Held every T & Th. 6:30-8:30 pm. Monthly: \$30/residents; \$40/non-residents. 243-7356.

6/4 - Line Dancing at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd. Classes held Tuesdays. 7-8:30 pm. \$5/at the door. 742-6550.

6/4 - Soul Line Dancing at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd. Classes held Tuesdays. 7-8:30 pm. \$5/at the door. 742-6550.

6/4-5 - Hammock Trails - 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. Tuesdays, 10-11 am & Wednesdays, 10 am-noon. Free. 544-8605.

Wednesday - 6/5 - Shuffle Board/Disc Knockout at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. A fun game involving skill and strategy. For all ages, minors accompanied by an adult. Held W & F. 9-11 am. Annual fee: \$15/residents, \$20/non-residents. 243-7350.

Boca Raton Garden Club 60th Anniversary
Garden Club Clubhouse - June 8



Established in 1953, the Boca Raton Garden Club will celebrate its 60th anniversary along with National Garden Week with an Open House and Garden Tour from 1 to 4 pm June 8 at its clubhouse, 4281 NW 3rd Ave. There will be refreshments, raffles, exhibits and prizes. Admission is free. For more information, call 395-9376 or visit www.bocaratingardenclub.org. **ABOVE:** Anniversary Committee Member Carol Stankee, Club President Carol Brown and artist Talin Lyman, who created the 60th anniversary poster. Photo provided

6/5 - Lawn Bowling at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. For ages 18 years and up. Enjoy a sport that takes skill and practice. Held W & F. 9 am-11 am. Annual fee: \$40/residents, \$45/non-resident. 243-7350.

6/5 - Founder's Day at the Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Celebration in honor of the museum's founder and Henry Flagler's granddaughter, Jean Flagler Matthews. Take a self-guided tour of art and objects related to the Gilded Age. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 655-2833.

6/5 - Current Events Discussion Group at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Wednesdays, 10:30 am. Free. 278-5455.

6/5 - Ballet Butterflies at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Pre-ballet class that exposes the 2-3 year olds to ballet music, positions and movement. Wednesdays through 7/10. 10:45-11:15 am. \$78/residents, \$83/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/5 - Socrates Café - Weekly discussion group at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 6/12, 19 & 26. 11:30 am. Free. 266-0194.

6/5 - Bards of a Feather at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton Beach. Join a round robin poetry reading of nature-inspired poems. For all ages. 12:30 pm. Free. 966-7000.

6/5 - Scrabble at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Held every Wednesday. 1-4 pm. Free. 278-5455.

6/5 - Ballet Bee's for ages 5-7 at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Ballet class emphasizes classical vocabulary in a structured and fun way. Held Wednesdays through 7/10. 3-3:45 pm. \$90/residents, \$95/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/5 - Boardwalk Tours at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton Beach. Join a docent for a guided tour of Green Cay's wetlands. For all ages. Held at 3 pm every Wed. Free. 966-7000.

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6/5 - Food Truck Connection is held each Wednesday at Harvey Oyer Park, 2010 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. A gathering of South Florida's finest food trucks. 5-9 pm. 742-6040 or www.foodtruckconnect.com.

6/5 - Meet Me at the Museum: Hot Days /Cool Nights at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Individually themed evenings feature a tour of current exhibitions, live music, wine and socializing. Registration includes live music and two glasses of wine (full cash bar available). 5:30-8 pm. Advance: \$8/members, \$12/non-members; at the door: \$12/members, \$18/non-members. 392-2500 ext. 208.

6/5 - Belly Dance Class at the James A. Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. All ages and abilities are welcome to learn this ancient form of dance. Wednesdays through 7/10. 6:30-7:30 pm. \$65/residents, \$81/non-residents. 367-7035.

Thursday - 6/6 - Quilters meet every Thursday at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest. Share information and perpetuate quilting as a cultural and artistic form. 9-11:30 am. Free. 742-6886.

6/6 - Free Thursdays Summer Admission at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. Throughout June, July & August, admission to the Norton is free for Florida residents (including Art After Dark) with proof of residency. 10 am-9 pm. 832-5196.

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6/6 - Adult Acrylics Art Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Local instructor teaches basic acrylic painting techniques to beginners and available for instruction to advanced painters as well. Call for list of supplies needed. Held every Thursday. For ages 18 & up. Noon-2 pm. Fee for six- classes: \$55/residents, \$60/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/6 - Basic Driver Improvement Class by the Safety Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. at the South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach. Noon-4 pm. Free. 845-8233.

6/6 - Senior Bridge at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. All experienced players are welcome. Partners are not needed. Held every Thursday. For ages 18 and up. 1-4 pm. Annual fee: \$15/residents +\$1/game, \$20/non-residents + \$2/game. 243-7350.

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6/6 - Magic Show with Michael Winters for ages 3 and up at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Free. Registration: 278-5455.

6/6 - Ellenville's Moonlit Farmer's Market each Thursday year-round at Ellenville Garden Center, 220 NE 11th St., Boca Raton. Food, wine, kids activities, music, local farmers and artisans, fresh produce and more. 4-8 pm. Free. 245-7347.

6/6 - Art After Dark: Featuring Songwriter's Showcase at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. Changing special exhibitions, live music, films, tours, cash bar and menu options from Café 1451. All ages welcome. 5-8:30 pm. Free. 832-5196.

6/6 - Volleyball at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd. Thursdays, 6:30-8:30 pm. \$5/at the door. 742-6550.

6/6 - Cooking Class: Totally Twisted Tomatoes at The Ancient Olive, 514 E.

Municipal Meetings

6/3 & 7/1 - Ocean Ridge - First Monday at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N. Ocean Blvd. 6 pm. Agenda available at: www.oceanridgeflorida.com.

6/4 & 7/2 - Highland Beach - First Tuesday at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S. Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda available at: www.ci.highland-beach.fl.us.

6/5, 18 & 7/2 - Delray Beach - First & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda available at: www.mydelraybeach.com.

6/10 & 6/24 - Lantana - Second & fourth Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Circle. 7 pm. Agenda available at: www.lantana.org.

6/11 & 6/25 - Boca Raton - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W. Palmetto Park Road. 6 pm. Agenda available at: www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

6/14 - Gulf Stream - Second Friday at Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Road 9 am. Agenda available at: www.gulf-stream.com.

6/25 - Manalapan - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S. Ocean Blvd. 9:30 am. Agenda available at: www.manalapan.org.

6/25 - South Palm Beach - Fourth Tuesday at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S. Ocean Blvd. 7:15 pm. Agenda available at: www.southpalmbeach.com.

6/27 - Briny Breezes - Fourth Thursday at Briny Breezes Town Hall, 4802 N. Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Agenda available at: www.townofbrinybreezes-fl.com.

Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Featuring Creative Caprese Salads, Stuffed Tomatoes and Tomato Tarts. 6:45 pm. \$35. 266-1099.

6/6 - City of Delray Beach Town Hall Meeting at Delray Center for the Arts at Old School Square Crest Theatre, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Presentation on the city's financial condition and growth management followed by citizen discussion and participation. 7 pm. 243-7203 or www.mydelraybeach.com.

6/6 - Tinyard Hill by Tommy Newman and Mark Allen presented as part of the Summer Tune-Up: Play-Reading-Concert Series at The Theatre at Arts Garage, 180 NE First St., Delray Beach. Thursdays through 6/27. 7:30-10:30 pm. \$15-\$20/advance, \$20-\$25/at the door. 450-6357.

Friday - 6/7 - Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce 43rd Annual Golf Classic at Via Mizner Golf and Country Club, 6200 Boca Del Mar Drive, Boca Raton. Breakfast 7am; Shotgun start 8 am; awards & luncheon 1:30 pm. 7 am-2:30 pm. \$200/player or \$800/foursome. 395-4433 ext. 233.

6/7 - Free Community Day at the new South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach. View the newly expanded center and celebrate the name change. 10am-5 pm. 10 am/ribbon cutting. Free. 832-1988.

6/7 - Mommy, Mother Nature & Me: Animal Dads at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. Programs include activities such as: stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, and crafts. Ages 2-5. 10:30-11:15 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760.

6/7 - Karaoke Ice Cream Party at the Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S. Federal Hwy. 12:30-1:30 pm. Free. 742-6570.

6/7 - Alzheimer's Cafe at the Shirley & Barton Weisman Delray Community Center, 7091 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. A unique gathering for people affected by Alzheimer's disease and related memory loss, along with their families, friends, caregivers and professionals. The gatherings also create an opportunity to share feelings and explore constructive solutions for caregivers in interaction with others in similar situations. Held the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. 2-4 pm. Free. RSVP: 866-7086.

6/7 - Diaper Drop: Get Behind It! kicks off to provide at-risk mothers with essential "baby basic" items to help ensure a healthy start for their little ones. Presented by United Way of Palm Beach County. Donations: diapers, wipes, new receiving blankets and onesies can be dropped off from 2-4 pm every Friday until 6/20 at the United Way, 2600 Quantum Blvd., Boynton Beach. 375-6621.

6/7 - Skunk Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. Gather in the exhibit hall and listen to a short talk about the animal and watch while it is being fed. Held every Friday. 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760 or www.daggerwing.org.

6/7 - COBRA Minis Hockey for ages 3-5 at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Children learn the basic motor skills to play organized hockey while being indoors in tennis shoes. Sticks and other supplies provided. Held Fridays through 7/26. 3:30-4:15 pm. \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. 347-3908.

6/7 - Sushi and Stroll Summer Walk at The Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. Experience the gardens in all their beauty, enjoy taiko drumming, a cold drink and a breathtaking sunset. Fushu Daiko drumming performances seating begins at 5:30 pm (\$2 with admission). Held again 7/5. 5:30-8:30 pm. \$8/non-member adults, \$6/kids, free for children 3 and under. 495-0233.

6/7 - Chips Off the Old Block at Clay Glass Metal Stone Cooperative Gallery, 15 S. J St., Lake Worth. Palm Beach County Woodturners set up lathes to turn chunks of wood into

finely crafted masterpieces before your eyes. Features works by Teri Salomoni. Free. 6-9 pm. Free. 588-8344.

6/7 - Cooling Dinner for the Hot Sun! at Whole Foods, 1400 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Recipes include: Peppermint Tea Spritzer, Daikon Cucumber & Watermelon Salad, Eggplant Swiss Chard & Mushroom Ragu over Buckwheat Noodles, and Strawberry Banana Nice Cream. 7-8 pm. \$10. Registration: 447-0000 or www.wholefoods.com.

6/7 - FAU Astronomical Observatory - Public viewing day observations at FAU's Boca Raton Campus, Science & Engineering Building, #43, 4th floor, 777 Glades Road. Viewings held on the 1st Friday and 3rd Tuesday of each month. 7 pm. Free. 297-STAR.

Saturday - 6/8 - Farm Your Backyard Workshop at Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service, 559 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. Tips and techniques on site preparation, seedling establishment, planting, garden maintenance and harvesting. Includes tour of the Mounts Botanical Garden vegetable garden. 9 am-2 pm. Free. Registration: 233-1792.

6/8 - Pickleball at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Adults of all ages enjoy this fast-paced and exciting sport which combines badminton and tennis. Ongoing classes held Sat. begins 6/8. 9 am-noon. \$5/at the door. 742-6550.

6/8 - Swimming Lessons for Toddlers at the John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. Ages 6 months to 3 years old must be accompanied by an adult in the water. 10 am. Saturdays through 6/29. Held again 7/6-27. \$40/resident, \$50/non-resident. 742-6645.

6/8 - Water Safety Day at Pompey Park Pool, 1101 NW 2nd St., Delray Beach. Enjoy the excitement and obtain the necessary information to be safe in an aquatic environment. 10 am-2 pm. Free. 243-7356.

6/8 - Group Swim Lessons at the John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. Ages 3 and older. Young children must be potty trained. Held Saturdays in four-week sessions through 8/18. Held again 7/6-27. Four 45 minute classes per session. Levels I, II: 10:30 & 11:15 am; Level III: 11:15 am. Cost per session is \$40/resident, \$50/non-residents. 742-6645.

6/8 - Ride & Remember Trolley Tour departs from the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave., Delray Beach. 2-hour tour focuses on 5 historic districts. Held the second Saturday of each month. 10 am-noon. \$20. Reservations: 279-8883.

6/8 - The Writer's Studio at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 6/15, 22 & 29. 10 am-noon. Free. 638-7251.

6/8 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Lake Worth and Lantana - Conducted by the Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave, Ste. 483, Boynton Beach. Four hour tour includes a combination of both bus and walking tour and food sampling, along with visits to historical and cultural sites. Held the second Saturday of each month, year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required - check website for available dates. \$40/adult & senior citizen, Free/children under 18. 243-2662 or www.tastehistoryculinarytours.org.

JUNE 9-15

Sunday - 6/9 - Concert: Palm Piano Trio - Presented as part of Music At St. Paul's series at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. A dynamic new trio anchored by pianist Valentin Mansourou. 3 pm. \$20/preferred seating, \$15/requested donation, \$5/students. 278-6003.

Monday - 6/10 - Dig into Reading: Summer Reading Club 2013 for infants to grade 5 at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Earn prizes and an invitation to a special party by reading throughout the summer! Register in the Youth Services area starting 6/10 and receive a goodie bag and reading log. Runs through 8/3. Free. 742-6390.

6/10 - Curtain's Up! A Performance Drama Program at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 6-15. Class runs M-F through 6/28. 10 am-3 pm. \$600/resident; \$750/non-resident. 347-3900.

6/10 - Quilting Bee - Twice monthly quilting class at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 6/24. 10 am. Free. 266-0194.

6/10 - We "Dig" Reading!: Readers Theater for grades 2-5 at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Act out short skits based on famous children's books and folk tales from around the world. Held again 6/17 & 24. 1-2 pm. Free. 742-6390.

6/10 - Digging into Art Program for grades K-4 at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Discover your inner artist in conjunction with the Summer Reading Club theme of Dig into Reading. Held again 6/24. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. 742-6390.

6/10-14 - I Wanna Rock at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Ages 9-14 choose music and create their own music video. Participants receive a DVD of their film and a film festival will take place on Friday. Class runs M-F through 6/14. 9 am-3 pm. \$260/resident; \$325/non-resident. 347-3900.

6/10-14 - Bright & Smart Robotics at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Class combines engineering skills with visual-spatial activities. Class runs M-F through 6/14. Held again 6/17-21, 6/24-28, 7/1-5. 9 am-3 pm. Per session: 1 week - \$300/resident; \$375/non-resident; 4 days - \$240/resident, \$300/non-resident. 347-3900.

Tuesday - 6/11 - Group Swim Lessons at the John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. For kids ages 3 and older. Young children must be potty trained. Group sessions held T-F, with four 45-minute classes per session. Session 1: 6/11-14; Session 2: 6/18-21; Session 3: 6/25-28; Session 4: 7/2-5. Level 1, II & III: 9, 9:45 & 10:30; Cost per session is \$40/resident, \$50/non-residents. 742-6645.

6/11 - Kindermusik with Ms. Angela for ages 3 months-4 1/2 years at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Parents and children play, listen, and dance to musical activities specifically designed to stimulate early childhood development and strengthen neural pathways in a child's mind. Tuesdays through 7/2. Ages 13-18 months: 9:30-10:15 am; age 19 months-2 1/2 years: 10:30-11:15 am; age 3-13 months: 12:30-1:15 pm; Spanish Immersion for ages 2 1/2-4 1/2: 11:30- am-12:15 pm. Per session: \$64/residents; \$72/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/11 - Dance to Your Own Beat at the Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S. Seacrest Blvd. Ages 1-5 engage in fun exercises and dance movements using scarves, musical instruments and a parachute. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380.

6/11 - Games @ Your Library at the Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S. Seacrest Blvd. Grades K-4 play favorite video, board and card games. Held again 6/25. 1-2 pm. Free. 742-6380.

6/11 - The Clothes On Their Backs by Linda Grant is presented as part of the Evening

Book Group at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. 6 pm. Free. 266-9490.

6/11 - Kenya/African Safaris is presented by Denise Sears as part of the Armchair Travel Series at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. 6:30 pm. Free. 266-9490.

6/11 & 14 - Home Canning Classes at Mounts Building Auditorium, 531 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. Offered by The Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service. Learn how to can vegetables and fruits, the type of equipment you need for canning different foods, what can or cannot be altered safely in a recipe and what is important for food safety. Class offered in two parts. 9 am-1 pm. \$5. Registration: 233-1742.

Wednesday - 6/12 - Beach Treasures at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Meet at the center to learn about seashells and the animals that make them. Caravan to Red Reef Park, 1400 N. State Road 1A, and search for ocean treasures. For all ages. Held again 6/26. 9-10:30 am. \$5/members, \$8/non-members. Reservations: 544-8615.

6/12 - Coaching the Mature Driver is presented by Safety Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. at Temple Emeth, 5780 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Drivers 55 and over get an insurance discount when they take this course. 9 am-4 pm. \$10. 845-8233.

6/12 - Family Storytime at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Listen to stories, sing songs and learn fingerplays. Infants-Age 5. Held again 6/19 & 26. 10-10:45 am. Free. 742-6380.

6/12 - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren: Educational Program Series at the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service, University of Florida, 559 N. Military Tr., West Palm Beach. Learn about legal issues, guiding behaviors and discipline, computers, resources, support, managing stress and more. Bring a brown bag lunch. Held again 6/26. 10 am-1 pm. Free. 233-1739.

6/12 - GFWC Women's Club of Delray Beach Inc. meet at the 505 Teen Center, 505 SE 5th Ave., Delray Beach. 10:30 am. Free. 843-6821.

6/12 - Silver Science Days: The Museum is Not Just for Kids! at the South Florida Science Museum, 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach. Every second Wednesday of each month guests age 62 and over can experience the museum, learn from engaging guest speakers, view a planetarium show and enjoy refreshments for only \$5. 2-5 pm. 832-1988.

6/12 - Dx3 - Delightfully Delicious DEAR Time at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Grades 2-12 are invited to Drop Everything And Read (DEAR)! Afterwards, listen to an exciting read-aloud. Held again 6/19. 2:30-3:15 pm. Free. 742-6380.

6/12 - Family and Friends at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Education Center, 800 Meadows Road. Learn 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. Held again 6/26. 6-8 pm. \$25. Registration: 955-4468.

6/12 - Zonta Club of Boca Raton Monthly Meeting at The Holiday Inn, 2809 S. Ocean Blvd., Highland Beach. Zonta, a worldwide organization of women in business and the professionals who work together to advance the status of woman through volunteer

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work, donations and scholarships, meets year round on the second Wednesday of the month for dinner. 6 pm. \$30. 482-1013 or www.zontabocaraton.org.

6/12 - The A to Z-z-z-s of Writing Children's Books for ages 19 and up at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Five-week series held Wednesdays through 7/17. 7-9 pm. \$115/resident, \$143.75/non-resident. 347-3900.

Thursday - 6/13 - Playdough Fun Day at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Ages 3-5 years make shapes, letters or whatever they want with Playdough. Held again 6/27. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6393.

6/13 - Knit 'N Purl - Twice monthly class at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 6/27. 10:30 am. Free. 266-9490.

6/13 - Monsieur Ibrahim (2003) - France - (R) is presented as part of the Cinema as an Art Form series at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. In a poor neighborhood in Paris, a Turkish shop owner befriends a Jewish teen boy. 1 pm. \$5/members, \$10/non-members in addition to museum admission. 392-2500.

6/13 - Harlem Shake Time at the Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S. Seacrest Blvd. Come in costume or as you are and show us your moves. Event will be videotaped for the time capsule project which will be buried on the Library grounds at the end of summer. Youth under the age of 18 must have a photo release form signed by a parent/legal guardian. Obtain a photo release form from the Youth Services staff. For all ages. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 742-6380.

6/13 - Concert: Romance in Song at the Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455.

6/13 - Art After Dark: Featuring Islamic film: Bhutto (2010) at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. Featuring changing special exhibitions, live music, films, tours, cash bar and menu options from Café 1451. All ages are welcome. 5-8:30 pm. \$12/adults, \$5/ages 13-21, free/under age 13. 832-5196.

6/13 - Open House: Space of Mind Schoolhouse at 102 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Learn about coaching services available to cater to homeschooled students enrolled in accredited virtual programs. 5-8 pm. Free. RSVP: admin@myspaceofmind.com

6/13 - Country Night Thursday at The Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. Dinner: 6 pm; Line and partner dance lessons: 7 pm; Open, all-request country music and dancing: 8-11 pm. \$10/includes group lesson & one house drink. 912-0000.

6/13 - Family Fun Night: The Last Dinosaur Puppet Show at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Meet fantastic dinosaurs with puppeteer Bob Nathanson and Puppets to Go! For all ages. 6:45-8 pm. Free. 742-6380.

6/13 - Cooking Class: Great Date Night at The Ancient Olive, 514 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Featuring World Traveler Tapas from Greece, Spain and Vietnam. 7 pm. \$45. 266-1099 or www.theancientolive.com.

6/13 - The Longing and The Short of It by Daniel Maté presented as part of the Summer Tune-Up: Play-Reading-Concert Series at The Theatre at Arts Garage, 180 NE First St., Delray Beach. Held Th. through 6/27. 7:30-10:30 pm. \$15-\$20/advance, \$20-\$25/at the door. 450-6357.

6/13 - The Night Stalkers at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton Beach. Join a Naturalist on a nighttime boardwalk tour looking at nature from the point of view of its nocturnal residents. For all ages. 8:30 pm. \$5/person. 966-7000.

6/13 - 8-Track: The Sounds of the 70's at The Plaza Theatre, 262 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Runs through 7/7. Th-Sat.: 7:30 pm; 4/17, Sat., Sun.: 2 pm. \$45. 588-1820.

Friday - 6/14 - 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. Wear clothes that can get wet. No flip-flops or sandals. Ages 10 to adult, children must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 6/28. 9-10:30 am. \$5/members, \$8/non-members. Reservations: 544-8615.

6/14 - Kindermusik Classes at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Held Fridays through 7/12. Age 12-18 months: 9:30-10:15 am; age 18-36 months: 10:30-11:15 am; age 2.5-4 years: 11:30 am-12:15 pm; age 1-12 months: 12:30-1:15 pm. \$64/residents, \$80/non-residents. 742-6221.

6/14 - Fishing Fridays at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. Ages 8-15 learn fishing pole basics, casting tips, freshwater fish identification and fish habits. Supplies are provided.

Bring sunscreen, water and wear closed-toe shoes. 9:30-11 am. Held again 7/26 & 8/16. \$10. Registration: 629-8760.

6/14 - Father's Day Party at the Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S. Federal Hwy. 1-3 pm. \$3/person. 742-6570.

6/14 - BYOB Wine Glass Painting at Art-Sea Living, 1628 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. 5-7 pm. \$25. 737-2600.

6/14 - Hip Hop Dance Party Class for ages 5-9 at the James A. Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. Learn choreographed warmups and dances to favorite songs. Runs Fridays through 7/5. 6-6:45 pm. \$48/residents, \$63/non-residents. 367-7035.

6/14 - Dad and Daughter Date Night at Delray Beach Golf Club, 2200 Highland Ave. Celebrate Father's Day with an elegant evening featuring a full-course dinner with music for dancing. Take home a keepsake photo. 6:30-10 pm. Purchase tickets by 6/10. \$25/person, \$20/daughters under 12. 243-7277.

6/14 - Man & Woman of the Year presented by The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at The Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. 7 pm. \$175. 616-8682.

6/14-16 - Nevermore at Sol Children Theatre, 3333 N. Federal Hwy., Boca Raton. F & Sat: 7 pm; Sat.&Sun.: 2 pm. \$12/adult, \$8/junior. 447-8829 or www.solchildren.org.

Saturday - 6/15 - Parenting in Nature at Mounts Botanical Garden, 559 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. Unplug the kids from technology and get them plugged into nature with simple ideas for encouraging nature play. For pre-K to grade 5 and their parents/guardians. 9-11 am. \$10/members, \$15/non-members, free/children. 233-1757.

6/15 - Kindermusik with Ms. Angela for ages 3 months-4 1/2 years at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St., Delray Beach. Parents and children play, listen, and dance to musical activities specifically designed to stimulate early childhood development and strengthen neural pathways in a child's mind. Held Saturdays through 7/13. Ages 13-18 months: 9:30-10:15 am; age 19 months-2 1/2 years: 10:30-11:15 am; age 3-13 months: 12:30-1:15 pm; Spanish Immersion for ages 2 1/2-4 1/2: 11:30 am-12:15 pm. Per session: \$64/residents; \$72/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/15 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Delray Beach & Boynton Beach - Conducted by the Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave, Ste. 483, Boynton Beach. Four hour tour includes a combination of both bus and walking tour and food sampling, along with visits to historical and cultural sites. Held year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required - check website for available dates. Held again 6/22. \$40/adult & senior citizen, Free/children under 18. 243-2662 or www.tastehistoryculinarytours.org.

6/15 - Nature Craft for Father's Day - Design and decorate a card and gift bag for Father's Day using natural objects you find at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. For ages 7-12. 11 am-noon. \$8/members, \$12/non-members-per child. Reservations: 544-8615.

6/15 - Becky Woodbridge speaks and signs her new book, *Contagious Optimism*, at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. 1 pm. Free. 279-7790.

6/15 - Creation Station at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Families learn more about the visual arts in a relaxed and fun manner. 1-4 pm. Free with paid Museum admission. 392-2500.

6/15 - South Florida Symphony's Blue Door String Quartet: American In Paris at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Featuring David Diamond: *String Quartet No. 8*; Reynaldo Hahn: *String Quartet*; and Ravel: *String Quartet*. 8 pm. \$25. 272-3523.

6/15 - Jazz Project: South Florida Jazz Orchestra at the ArtsGarage, 180 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. \$25-\$35. 8-11 pm. 243-7129.

6/15-16 - Dunlap and Pennington: Concert Artists at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Classically trained, international performers bring their duo act into the digital age by combining a 9' grand piano with a 21st century custom-designed instrument called a Wersi. Experience the magic of their flying fingers and dancing feet projected larger-than-life as they perform everything from Brahms to Broadway and from Gershwin to Gaga. Sat.: 7:30 pm; Sun.: 4 pm. Tickets \$35. 237-9000.

JUNE 16-22

Sunday - 6/16 - Father's Day 6/16 - Weekend Movie Madness: Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) 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. 347-3948.

6/16 - Father's Day at the Cornell Museum, Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. All dads receive free admission when accompanied by their children with an afternoon of mini kite building. 1-4 pm. \$10/general, \$6/seniors & students with ID, \$3 ages 4-12, free for ages 3 and under. 243-7922.

Monday - 6/17 - Fun & Fitness Activities Program at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 5-11. Activities include yoga for kids, aerobics, team games, hip hop, gymnastics and arts & crafts. Runs M-F. Held again 6/24-28, & 7/1-5. 8 am-5:30 pm. \$150/residents; \$187.50/non-residents. 347-3900.

6/17 - Coaching the Mature Driver is presented by Safety Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach. Drivers 55 and over get an insurance discount for three years when they take this course. 9 am-4 pm. \$10. 845-8233.

6/17 - Art Smart at the Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Ages 4-5 learn letters and numbers through crafts, stories, songs and creative play. Please pack a snack. Session is held M/W/F through 7/12. 9 am-noon. \$48/residents, \$60/non-residents. 742-6221.

6/17 - Children's Program: Tales for Tadpoles for ages birth to 2 years at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 6/24. 10 am. Free. 266-9490.

6/17 - Become a Science Ace with Boynton Beach Ace Hardware at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Ace your next science fair project with a little help from Ace Hardware. Miss Valerie will demonstrate cool science experiments that can be performed using everyday household items. For grades 2-6. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. 742-6380.

6/17 - Camping Out @ Your Library at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Go "camping" in the library! Local Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Order of the Arrow troops will demonstrate American flag folding, provide wilderness survival tips and perform a Native American dance. Sing camp songs and listen to spine-tingling tales around the "campfire" while gazing into the "night sky." For all ages. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 742-6393.

6/17 - I've Got Rhythm: The Music of George Gershwin starring Jeanne Lynn Gray & John Lariviere at The Plaza Theatre, 262 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Held again 7/1. 7:30 pm. \$30. 588-1820.

6/17-21 - Director's Cut: Reel Film Experience at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 9-14. Week-long class runs M-F through 6/21. 9 am-3 pm. \$260/resident; \$325/non-resident. 347-3900.

Tuesday - 6/18 - Young Explorers for ages 24-36 months at the Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Story time, creative movement and crafts strengthen children's physical and social development. Class held T through 7/9. 9-10 am. \$20/residents, \$25/non-residents. Registration: 742-6650.

6/18 - Coaching the Mature Driver is presented by Safety Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. at the Volen Center, 1515 W. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton. Drivers 55 and over get an insurance discount for three years when they take this course. 9 am-4 pm. \$10. 845-8233 or www.safetycouncilpbc.org.

6/18 - Group Swim Lessons for ages 5-15 at Pompey Park Pool, 1101 N. 2nd St., Delray Beach. All staff are American Red Cross Certified and the course material covers Level I to Level VI. Classes are 30 minutes. Eight-class course held T&Th through 7/10. Three times: 10 am, 4 pm & 5 pm. \$30/residents, \$40/non-residents. 243-7358.

6/18 - Children's Program: Turtle Tales for ages birth to 3 years is presented at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 6/25. 10 am. Free. 266-9490.

6/18 - Stories 'n Yoga at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Learn beginning yoga poses, breathing and relaxation techniques while listening to entertaining stories that will "stretch" your body and your mind. For ages 5 to grade 3. 10:30-11:15 am. Free. 742-6380.

6/18 - Connect the Tots for children 3-4 is held at the Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Includes group projects, team games and social skills building activities. T&Th through 7/11. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$38/residents, \$48/non-residents. Registration: 742-6221.

6/18 - Clayng Around for children ages 8-14 at The Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Kids learn basic techniques of

pottery including wedging and centering clay. 4-week sessions held on Tuesdays (through 7/9) or Thursdays (through 7/11). Thursday classes begin 6/20. 1:30-3:30 pm. \$33/residents, \$42/non-residents. Registration: 742-6650.

6/18 - Karate for kids 5-17 at the Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E. Ocean Ave. Learn self-control, respect and confidence. T: 3:45-4:30 pm. Class runs through 7/23. \$74/residents, \$94/non-residents. Registration: 767-1154.

6/18 - Cartooning, Drawing and Coloring for ages 7-15 at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Learn basic cartooning techniques and simple line drawing and shading. Bring pencil and paper. Tuesdays through 7/30. 4-5:30 pm. \$52/resident, \$65/non-resident. 347-3900.

6/18 - Play Reading: Brighton Beach Memoirs by Neil Simon is presented as part of the Summer of Simon series at The Four Arts King Library, 3 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Mrs. Jan Marie Cook, drama teacher at Palm Beach Day Academy facilitates. 5:30 pm. Free. 655-2766.

6/18 - Cooking Class: Simple Sensational Summer Salads at The Ancient Olive, 514 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Learn to create three beautiful, flavorful salads. 6:30 pm. \$35. 266-1099.

Wednesday - 6/19 - Dance Trends Youth Dance Program at the Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E. Ocean Ave. Children learn the discipline and art of dance in a fun and loving atmosphere. Wednesdays through 7/24. Class times and prices vary by age/style. 542-0215.

6/19 - Basic Driver Improvement Class is presented by the Safety Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. at Temple Emeth, 5780 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. 8:30 am-12:30 pm. Free. 845-8233.

6/19 - Children's Fitness Classes/ Gymnastics: Beginner 1 at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. A great way to build confidence and coordination. Beginner 1 is for all new students. Held every W through 7/10. Age 3-4: 9-9:40 am; age 5-6: 10:45-11:40 am; age 7 & up: 9:45-10:40 am. Age 2-3 parent/child: 11:45 am-12:25 pm. Four-40 minute classes: \$37.67/residents, \$47.08/non-residents; four 55-minute classes: \$50.33/residents, \$62.92/non-residents. 347-3950.

6/19 - A Closer Look: Fernand Leger's The Viaduct (1925) at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. Talks begin in a gallery and focus on an individual artwork, then move to the Museum Theater to explore the work's cultural context. 1-2:15 pm. Free with museum admission. 832-5196.

6/19 - 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.

Thursday - 6/20 - Block by Block: Inventing Amazing Architecture at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. An exhibition of 10 landmark skyscrapers from around the world, each masterfully constructed with LEGO toy building bricks by Dan Parker, LEGO Certified Professional. Exhibit runs through 10/13 during regular museum hours. 832-5196.

6/20 - Learn with Legos @ Your Library at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Make a truck, spaceship or whatever your imagination conjures up using Legos. Ages 3-9. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380.

6/20 - The Italian (2005) - Russia - (PG-13) is presented as part of the Cinema as an Art Form series at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. An abandoned boy in a small Russian village is adopted by an Italian family. 1 pm. \$5/members, \$10/non-members in addition to museum admission: \$15/adults; \$12/seniors; \$8/students with ID. 392-2500.

6/20 - Rise of the Guardians (PG) - Presented as part of the Sizzling Summer Movies Series at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. For ages 7 & up. 2-4 pm. Free. 742-6390.

6/20 - Didgeridoo Down Under: Music & Customs of Australia at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Children's program. 2:30 pm. Free. 266-9490.

6/20 - Art After Dark & Curator's Conversations: Summer Kick-off at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. Featuring changing special exhibitions, live music, films, tours, cash bar and menu options from Café 1451. All ages welcome. 5-8:30 pm. \$12/adults, \$5/ages 13-21, free/under age 13. 832-5196.

6/20 - DIY Art Projects: Be A LEGO Architect at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. Explore the

galleries and visit the classroom for related art project. 5:30-7:30 pm. Free. 832-5196.

6/20 - Grand Opening Celebration of The Blume Literacy Center on the Brenda and C.P. Medore Campus of the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County, 3651 Quantum Blvd., Boynton Beach. Refreshments and light hors d'oeuvres. 5:30-7 pm. Free. RSVP: 279-9103.

6/20 - 4th Annual Juneteenth Celebration on behalf of the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum in Delray Beach at Crane's BeachHouse Hotel & Tiki Bar, 82 Gleason St., Delray Beach, as part of their summer series of third Thursday fun-raisers to benefit local non-profit organizations. 6-8:30 pm. \$25/person. 278-1700.

6/20 - Artists Alley Open Studios - Held every third Thursday in the new warehouse arts area in Pineapple Grove Arts District, running north and south between NE 3rd and 4th Streets, east of 3rd Avenue and west of the railroad tracks in Delray Beach. 6-9 pm. Free. www.artistsalleydelray.com.

6/20 - Thursday Movie Classics: Argo (R) at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. 6:30 pm. \$1 admission includes popcorn and a beverage. 347-3948.

6/20 - Boynton Beach Art District Open Mic Night at 422 W. Industrial Ave. Held the third Thursday of each month. 7-10 pm. Free. 786-521-1199.

6/20 - Hostage Song by Clay McLeod Chapman & Kyle Jarrow presented as part of the Summer Tune-Up: Play-Reading-Concert Series at The Theatre at Arts Garage, 180 NE First St., Delray Beach. Held Th. through 6/27. 7:30-10:30 pm. \$15-\$20/advance, \$20-\$25/at the door. 450-6357.

6/20-23 - Monty Python's SPAMALOT - presented by Entr'Acte Theatre at The Crest Theatre, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Held again 6/26-30. W-Sun.: 8 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 2 pm; \$20/adults, \$10/children under 12, \$10/students with ID. 243-7922 ext. 1.

Friday - 6/21 - Mommy, Mother Nature & Me: Fish at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. Programs may include activities such as: stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, and crafts. Ages 2-5. 10:30-11:15 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760 or www.daggerwing.org.

6/21 - Young Artwork Classes for ages 2-6 at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Bilingual art program consists of fun and enriching art sessions where children learn about the most influential artists and talk about their works, techniques and styles. Class is taught in English and Spanish. Two-week session runs through 6/28. Age 2-3: 2-2:45 pm; age 4-6: 3-3:45 pm. \$36/residents, \$47/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/21-23 - Side By Side by Sondheim at FAU's Boca Raton campus, University Theatre, 777 Glades Road. Featuring the music and lyrics of Stephen Sondheim. Held again 6/29, 7/5-7. F&Sat.: 7 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 1 pm. \$20/general admission, \$12/students with ID, \$15/FAU Faculty, staff & alumni. 800-564-9539.

Saturday - 6/22 - Dance Trends Youth Dance Program at the Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E. Ocean Ave. Children learn the discipline and art of dance in a fun and loving atmosphere. Saturdays through 7/27. Class times and prices vary by age/style. 542-0215.

6/22 - Watercolor Demonstrations by Tom Jones at Hand's Office and Art Supply, 325 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Meet the artist and observe his painting techniques. Jones will donate the painting he produces in each demonstration for a participant raffle. Two demonstrations: 9:30am-noon; 1:30-4 pm. Free. Registration: 276-4194.

6/22 - Group Swim Lessons for ages 5-15 at Pompey Park Pool, 1101 N. 2nd St., Delray Beach. All staff American Red Cross Certified and the course material covers Level I to Level VI. Classes are 30 minutes. Held Saturdays through 8/10. Three times: 10 am, 4 pm & 5 pm. \$30/residents, \$40/non-residents. 243-7358.

6/22 - Cooking Class: Brunch Bunch Mom and Me at The Ancient Olive, 514 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. For moms and kids ages 10 and up. 11:30 am. \$30. 266-1099.

6/22 - Young Artwork Class for ages 2-6 at the James A. Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd., Boca Raton. Bilingual art classes for young children using age appropriate art materials and tools together with parent. Saturdays through 6/29. Age 2-3: 10:30-11:15 1m; age 4-6: 11:30 am-12:15 pm. \$37/residents, \$49/non-residents. 367-7035.

6/22 - Kidz Cultural Class for ages 4-9 at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St., Delray Beach. An energetic upbeat dance class using music rhythms and steps from around the world. Saturdays through 8/3. 2:30-3 pm. \$78/residents; \$83/non-residents. 243-7350.

6/22 - BYOB Wine Glass Painting at Art-Sea Living, 1628 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Held again 7/6. 4-6 pm. \$25/person. 737-2600.

6/22&23 - Hamilton Nationals vs. Rochester Rattlers and MLL Experience at Florida Atlantic University's stadium, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Presented by Major League Lacross and ELEV8 Sports Institute. Two-day jamboree-style tournament for age groups 9-19 held 6/22-23. Game: 7:30 pm. Game: \$15-\$50 w/limited VIP available for on-field seating, suites or party bays. 746-2233, 504-1868 or 352-0694.

JUNE 23-29

Sunday - 6/23 - Some Enchanted Evening: Music of Rogers & Hammerstein - Spirit of America 2013 at the Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium at the University Center on FAU's Boca Raton campus, 777 Glades Road. 60-member Klezmer Company Orchestra with guest vocalists will perform beloved music by Rodgers and Hammerstein. 3 pm. \$18-\$40. 800-564-9539.

Monday - 6/24 - The Violets of March by Sarah Jio presented as part of the Afternoon Book Group at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. 1 pm. Free. 266-9490.

6/24-28 - Director's Cut: Claymation at 24 Frames Per Second at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 9-14. Week-long class runs M-F through 6/28. 9 am-3 pm. \$260/resident; \$325/non-resident. 347-3900.

Tuesday - 6/25 - Creative Dance Time at the Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S. Seacrest Blvd. Ages 3-8 use music to focus on movements that spark the imagination, promote creativity and help boost all areas of learning and growth. 10:30-11:15 am. Free. 742-6380 or www.boyntonlibrary.org.

6/25 - Book Club is presented 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.

6/25 - Basic Driver Improvement Course is presented by Safety Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. at the Volen Center, 1515 W. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton. 4-8 pm. \$10. 845-8233 or www.safetycouncilpbc.org.

6/25 - Beginner/Intermediate Dog Classes at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Teach your dog the basics in the beginner class; fine-tune what you have learned in the intermediate class. Session runs through 7/29. Classes held outside on the basketball court behind the Community Center and are cancelled in inclement weather. Beginner: 6-7 pm; Intermediate: 7-8 pm. \$85/residents, \$106/non-residents. 393-7807.

6/25 - Boynton Beach Fishing Club meets the 4th Tuesday of the month at Harvey E. Oyer, Jr. Park, 2010 N. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Join other fishermen to discuss hot topics and learn new tricks of the trade. 7-9 pm. Free. 703-5638.

Wednesday - 6/26 - Story & Craft Time at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Road, Boynton Beach. Kids discover nature through crafts and stories about animals and other nature-related themes. For ages 3-6. 10 am. \$2/child. 966-7000.

6/26 - Fossil Safari with the Science Eye at the Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S. Seacrest Blvd. Be a paleontologist for the day and search, analyze, identify and curate your own fossils. For grades K-8. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 742-6380.

6/26 - Baby Care Prenatal Class at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Provides an overview of topics such as ensuring your newborn's health, safety and well-being. 6:30 pm. \$25/couple. Registration: 369-2229.

6/26 - Adult Pottery at the Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Learn to use a slab roller, coil maker and an electric wheel while creating pottery. Session runs W through 8/7. 6:30-9 pm. \$60/residents, \$75/non-residents. Registration: 742-6650.

Thursday - 6/27 - Goodbye Lenin (2003 - Germany - R) is presented as part of the Cinema as an Art Form series at The Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. To protect his fragile mother from fatal shock, a young man must keep her from learning that her beloved East Germany as she knew it has disappeared. 1 pm. \$5/members, \$10/non-members in addition to museum admission: \$15/adults; \$12/seniors; \$8/students with ID. 392-2500.

6/27 - Journey to the Center of the Earth (PG) - Presented as part of the Sizzling Summer Movies Series at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. For ages 8 & up. 2-4 pm. Free. 742-6390.

6/27 - Lecture: The 100 Year Evolution of American Quilting at The Cornell Museum

Fourth of July Events

Lake Worth 100: Centennial Celebration & Great American Raft Race on Lake and Lucerne sidewalks and at Bryant Park for a full day of old-fashioned family fun. The Parade of Rafts begins at 10 am and runs through downtown to the new Bryant Park boat ramp. Features a flotilla of the most outlandish vessels afloat. The rafts will race around an obstacle course at 11 am. At noon, Bryant Park hosts live music, arts and crafts vendors, food and drink and fun, culminating with fireworks at 9 pm. The Lake Worth Beach Complex offers the ultimate Centennial experience with dancing in the Casino ballroom, gourmet food stations by Callaro's Steak House, cash bar and VIP viewing of the fireworks, 7-10 pm, \$35/person. Noon-10 pm. Free. 533-7395.

Delray Beach July Fourth Celebration at AIA and Atlantic Avenue. Sand Sculpting contest on the beach, Beautiful Baby Bathing Suit Contest, food, music and fireworks at 9 pm. Activities begin at 2 pm. Free. 279-1380 Ext17 or www.downtowndelraybeach.com.

West Palm Beach 4th On Flagler Celebration at the West Palm Beach Waterfront Commons, 101 S. Flagler Drive. Annual celebration featuring living music, food, fun & games and fireworks display (9 pm). New this year is a ticketed party (ages 21+) at the Lake Pavilion. 5-10 pm. Free. 822-1515 or www.cityofwfb.org.

Lantana's 4th of July Celebration & Chili Cook-Off Contest at Bicentennial Park, 321 E. Ocean Ave. Featuring food vendors, live music, chili cook-off (6-8 pm) and fireworks at 9:15 pm. Bring your blankets and chairs. Parking at the K-Mart (1201 S. Dixie Hwy.), with free shuttle service to the park from 5:30-10:30 pm. Events begin at 6 pm. Free. 540-5000 or www.lantana.org.

Boca Raton's Fabulous 4th Celebration at Countess deHoernle Park, 1000 Spanish River Blvd. Family activities and games, food vendors, live music and fireworks. 9 pm fireworks display. Activities begin at 6:30 pm. Free. 393-7807 or www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

Boynton Beach: Salute to Independence at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N. Federal Hwy. Presented by the Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency. Featuring live music (6:30 pm), Patriotic Salute (7:30 pm) and fireworks show (9 pm). Food & drink vendors on site. No pets or personal fireworks permitted. Free parking & shuttle from Boynton Beach High School. 6:30-9:30 pm. Free. 742-6246 or www.boyntonbeachcra.com.

Tea Room, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Lecture led by Janet Pruett Hill, co-founder of the Gold Coast Quilters Guild. Jane discusses the evolution of quilting fabrics, designs, patterns and techniques. A Q&A and light refreshments follows. Free with museum admission. 2 pm. 243-7922 ext. 1.

6/27 - Children's Program: John Storm's World of Reptiles at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. 2:30 pm. Free. 266-9490.

6/27 - Boynton Beach Art District Art Walk at 422 W. Industrial Ave., Boynton Beach. Features open studios, open galleries, food truck and entertainment. Held the fourth Thursday of each month. 5:30-9 pm. Free. 786-521-1199.

6/27 - Grandparents Raising Grandchildren: Educational Program Series at the Palm Beach County Cooperative Extension Service, University of Florida, 559 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. Learn about legal issues, guiding behaviors and discipline, computers, resources, support, managing stress and more. 6-8 pm. Free. 233-1739.

6/27 - BMX Bike Night at the "505" Teen Center, 505 SE 5th Ave., Delray Beach. Open night for BMX bikers. Helmet required. Ages 5 to adult. Held the last Thursday of every month. 6-9 pm. \$2/guest pass. 243-7158.

6/27 - Cooking Class: Great Date Night at The Ancient Olive, 514 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Featuring World Traveler Tapas from France, Thailand and Holland. 7 pm. \$45. 266-1099 or www.theancientolive.com.

6/27 - Dani Girl by Michael Kooman and Chris Dimond presented as part of the Summer Tune-Up: Play-Reading-Concert Series at The Theatre at Arts Garage, 180 NE First St., Delray Beach. Held Th. through 6/27. 7:30-10:30 pm. \$15-\$20/advance, \$20-\$25/at the door. 450-6357 or www.artsgarage.org.

Friday - 6/28 - Under The Sea Nights At The Museum at the South Florida Science Museum, 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach. 6-10 pm. \$11.95/adults, \$8.95/children (3-12), \$10.45/seniors (62+), free/children under 3. 832-1988 or www.sfsm.org.

6/28 - Adult Ballroom Dance Class at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Dancers of all levels benefit from instructor Lee Fox's experience and detailed instruction. Singles and couples welcome. Session runs Fridays through 7/26. Beginner Dance: Cha Cha, 6:30-7:30 pm; Intermediate Dance: Tango, 7:45-8:45 pm. \$50/residents, \$63/non-residents. 393-7807.

6/28-30 - The Commedia Puss In Boots at Sol Children Theatre, 3333 N. Federal Hwy., Boca Raton. F & Sat: 7 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 2 pm. \$12/adult, \$8/junior. 447-8829.



Saturday - 6/29 - Sea Angels Beach Cleanup at Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N. Ocean Blvd., Ocean Ridge. Held every last Saturday of the month. 8-10:30 am. 369-5501.

6/29 - Tropical Fruit Festival: Taste of the Tropics at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. A Tropical fruit display with over 100 tropical fruits and tropical fruit samples. Plus fruit and fruit trees available for purchase. Food displays, live music and more. 10 am-3 pm. \$5. 233-1757.

JUNE 30-JULY 6

Sunday - 6/30 - Magical Intuitive Painting Retreat at Artful Dreamers Studio, 112 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Beginners & seasoned painters welcome to this daylong retreat. Supplies included. 10 am-5 pm. \$75. 901-1446.

6/30 - The June Gloom Tour: Daniel Tosh with Special Guest Jerrod Carmichael at The Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Part of an over 15 city tour. 7 & 9:30 pm. \$35 and up. 651-4329.

Monday - 7/1 - Summer Skits at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 5-11. Program combines movement, drama, games and each child's imagination in silly skits. Class recital on Friday. Please wear sneakers. Class runs M-F through 7/5. 8 am-5:30 pm. \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 347-3900.

7/1 - Director's Cut: Toying Around and Comic Relief at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 6-9. Students create a stop motion, animated film using toys and the latest digital equipment from Apple. Class runs M-F through 6/29. 9 am-4 pm. \$260/resident; \$325/non-resident. 347-3900.

Wednesday - 7/3 - Cooking Fun Class at the Train Depot, 747 S. Dixie Hwy., Boca Raton. Ages 5-9 have fun learning basic cooking with fresh ingredients including kitchen safety, measurements, napkin folding, and table setting. Recipes include pastas, chocolate chip cookies, salads and more. Parents not allowed in the classroom during class. Three-week session runs W through 7/17. Held again 7/31-8/14. 9-10:20 am. \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents plus a \$20/supply fee. 393-7807.

7/3 - Arts and Crafts Class at the Train Depot, 747 S. Dixie Hwy., Boca Raton. For ages 5-9. Children work with beads, clay, origami, glow-art, soap making and more. Parents are not allowed in the classroom

during class. Three-week session runs W through 7/18. Held again 7/31-8/14. 10:30-11:50 am. \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents plus a \$20/supply fee. 393-7807.

7/3 - Independence Day Picnic at the "505" Teen Center, 505 SE 5th Ave., Delray Beach. Enjoy music, BBQ, eating contest and outdoor games. For all ages. 6 pm. Free/donations accepted. 243-7158.

Thursday - 7/4 - Jay & The Americans with Special Guests The Del-Satins at the Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium at the University Center on FAU's Boca Raton campus, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 6 pm. \$39-\$75. 800-564-9539.

Friday - 7/5-10 - Tanabata: Japan's Star Festival at The Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. Tanabata traces its origins to a legend about the Cowherd Star (Altair) and the Weaver Star (Vega), lovers separated by the Milky Way, that are allowed to meet just once a year - on the seventh day of the seventh month. Visitors can write their own special wishes for the future and place them on the Tanabata bamboo in the museum lobby. 10 am-5 pm. Free with paid museum admission. 495-0233 Ext. 200.

Saturday - 7/6 - Little Wonders - Introduce children to plants and animals around them with a hike, crafts and stories at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. For ages 3 & 4, accompanied by an adult. 10-10:45 am. \$5/members, \$8/non-members. Reservations: 544-8615.

7/6 - 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.

7/6 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St., Boca Raton. Saturdays through 8/31. Level 1, II, III & adult classes: 12 & 1 pm. Cost per session is \$60/resident, \$75/non-residents. 393-7851.

7/6-7 - Atlantic City Boys: Jersey Boys Tribute at the Keith C. and Elaine Johnson Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Take four talented performers who all played on Broadway in the Jersey Boys, add in the repertoire from the wonderful period of the '60s, mix in the charisma and charm of these handsome young men and you get the Atlantic City Boys singing your favorite hits in their inimitable Jersey Boys style. Sat.: 7:30 pm; Sun.: 4 pm. Tickets \$35. 237-9000.

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40 AUDUBON CSWY

This beautifully appointed and landscaped residence has a 1,500 SF Master Suite on 1st level. Water views from the moment you enter the home.

Offered at \$2,499,000

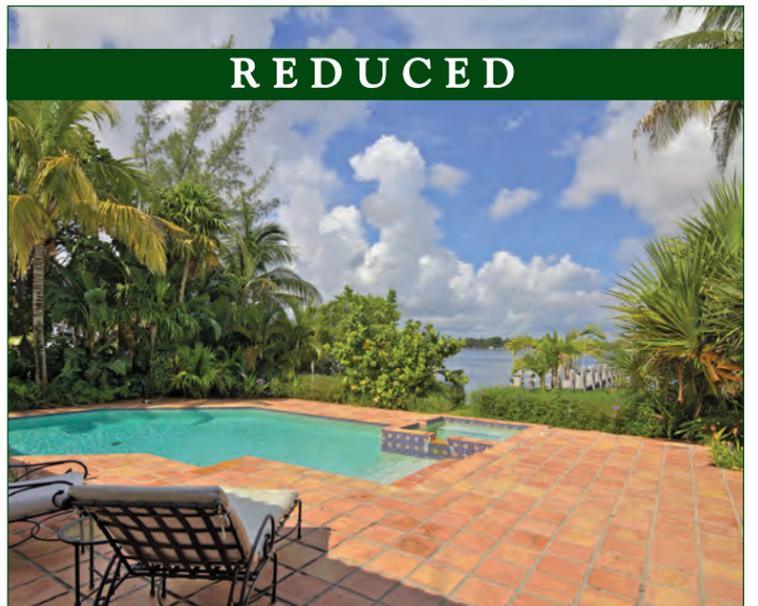
SOLD FOR \$2,300,000



PENDING SALE WITH BUYER

**314 N ATLANTIC DR.
HYPOLUXO ISLAND – LANTANA**

Waterfront home on North End of Island walking distance to beach, shopping, Ritz-Carlton Eau Spa and dining facilities.



REDUCED

**WIDE WEST INTRACOASTAL VIEWS
HYPOLUXO ISLAND
ON S ATLANTIC DR**

2 Bedroom/2 Bath + Den + Family Room, 2-car garage. Private setting with pool/spa and deep-water dock, ocean access. Large, screened lanai accessed from family room, LR w/fireplace. Gorgeous sunset views!

\$1,500,000



JUST SOLD

1520 LANDS END RD.

Contemporary 2-story with 5 En-Suite Bedrooms and 1 Half Bath, 2-car garage is sited on over 200 ft of water frontage with long south views.

Offered at \$1,695,000

SOLD FOR \$1,600,000



**HYPOLUXO ISLAND
JUST REDUCED!**

Affordable and charming pool home. with wood floors and screened patio off of eat-in kitchen. 1-car carport. Location, location, location! Fantastic, large yard in best of all neighborhoods walking Distance to ocean beach, dining and shopping.. Needs some TLC.

\$294,000

House of the Month

Each month, The Coastal Star features a house for sale in our community. The House of the Month is presented as a service to our advertisers and provides readers with a peek inside one of our very special houses.



Balconies and interior spaces highlight ocean views at 4001 North Ocean in Gulf Stream.



This unit at 4001 North Ocean offers ample room for entertaining or simply relaxing with the views as a backdrop.

Condo offers a residential masterpiece on A1A

It is Gulf Stream's first new oceanfront condominium in more than 30 years, and 4001 North Ocean is complete and residents are now moving in.

The enclave brings together luxury oceanfront living in an idyllic setting. Of the 34 luxury residences offered, only seven remain, including three penthouses.

Ranging in size from 2,770 square feet to 4,898 square feet, each residence features floor-to-ceiling, expansive direct ocean views through impact-resistant windows, 10-foot ceiling heights and generous master and guest bedrooms.

The large open kitchens feature Italian-crafted cabinetry with premium features, finishes and appliances.

Built by the Kolter Group, the complex features walk paths with seating and direct access to the ocean's edge. On-site staffing is there 24/7, and the building's amenities include an oceanfront pool and spa with natural gas heating systems, an outdoor kitchen with gas grill and a fitness center overlooking the ocean and pool deck.

There also are private-access-controlled elevator lobbies with video security monitoring, a gated and enclosed remote-entry parking garage and individual climate-controlled storage closets for each residence.

Each residence also has individually metered electrical, high-speed cable, telephone and Internet access and structured wiring provisions to meet individual security and lighting control needs.

Priced from \$2.1 million to \$5.1 million, call Mark Mollica, Director of Sales, (561) 450-7494. 4001 N. Ocean Blvd., Gulf Stream, FL 33483. www.4001northocean.com.



The foyer offers an elegant entry into this oceanfront condominium.



ABOVE: Kitchens offer state-of-the-art appliances as well as natural gas for cooking.



LEFT: 4001 North Ocean is the first new condominium construction in Gulf Stream in more than 30 years.

Your Window Into Palm Beach Real Estate



1695 LANDS END ROAD

Fantastic views from stunning 9,700 SF 6BR/6.5BA waterfront estate with deep water dockage. Free Ritz Beach Club membership with purchase! Web ID 993 **\$4.095M**



100 CHURCHILL WAY

Exquisite 6BR/6.5BA Mediterranean estate on Manatee Cove. 8,300 total SF with attached guest suite. Free Ritz Beach Club membership with purchase! Web ID 2791 **\$3.5M**



1235 LANDS END ROAD

Exceptional 3BR/3.5BA home offers gorgeous wide water views of Intracoastal. Free Ritz Beach Club membership with purchase! Web ID 2794 **\$2.795M**



NEW LISTING

1 SPOONBILL ROAD

Beautifully renovated waterfront 3BR/3.5BA home within minutes of beach access. Free membership LaCoquille Club located at the Ritz Carlton! Web ID 3017 **\$2.15M**



11 SABAL ISLAND DRIVE

Elegant 4BR/5.5BA Mediterranean estate offers host of luxuries. Overlooks Intracoastal. Boat dock with 35,000 lb lift. Just minutes to Ocean access. Web ID 994 **\$2.095M**



4 LITTLE POND ROAD

Beautifully appointed 2BR/2BA villa is near the former Vanderbilt Estate. Free Ritz Beach Club membership with purchase! Web ID 1097 **\$695K**



SOLD

25 SPOONBILL ROAD

Stunning renovated 4BR/3.5BA with Old World finishes. Direct water views with quick Ocean access. Ritz Carlton Beach Club membership included! Web ID 1228 **\$2.495M**



SOLD

45 AUDUBON CAUSEWAY

Classic Point Manalapan estate with over 5,800 SF under air. Spacious 3BR/4.5BA floor plan features high ceilings and custom crown moldings & cabinetry. Web ID 1224 **\$1.6M**



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1690 LANDS END ROAD

Fantastic views from stunning 9,700 SF 6BR/6.5BA waterfront estate with deep water dockage. Free Ritz Beach Club membership with purchase! Web ID 993 **\$4.095M**



SOLD

812 E. MARBELLA LANE

Amazing wide water views from this 4BR/4.2BA home with deep water dockage. Oversized great room, vaulted ceilings and pool. Web ID 2792 **\$1.699M**



1555 SOUTH OCEAN BOULEVARD

Picturesque parcel that reaches from the Ocean to Intracoastal Waterway, sunrises and sunsets are part of the package at this 5BR/7.3BA estate in Manalapan. Web ID 1110 **\$10.5M**



REPRESENTED BUYERS

25 SPOONBILL ROAD

Stunning renovated 4BR/3.5BA with Old World finishes. Direct water views with quick Ocean access. Ritz Carlton Beach Club membership included! Web ID 1228 **\$2.495M**



SOLD

409 SE ATLANTIC DRIVE

Completely renovated 3BR/3BA Bermuda style home tucked away between the Ocean & Intracoastal. Custom high-end finishes. Web ID 1109 **\$599K**



70 CURLEW ROAD

Stunning details throughout this 5BR/5.2BA with over 6,500 SF. Private guest suite. Gratis beach club membership. Web ID 2877 **\$3.35M** **Furnished**



1020 SOUTH OCEAN BOULEVARD

Direct Ocean to Lake property with 209' of direct Ocean frontage on 2+ acres and private dockage. Build your dream home. Plans avail. for 20,000+ SF home. Web ID 1121 **\$13.5M**



SOLD

1201 N. ATLANTIC DRIVE

Fabulous 5BR/5.5BA home located on "no wake" wide Intracoastal on Hypoluxo Island. Custom kitchen, pool and gorgeous views. Web ID 2819 **\$2.895M**



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