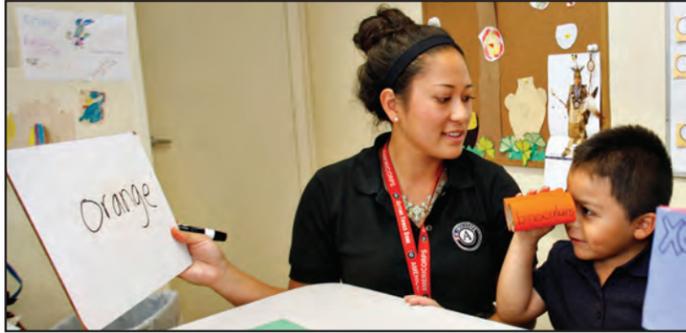


## Boynton Beach/Ocean Ridge

### The kids *across* the bridge



AmeriCorps member Courtney Cambra works on spelling with Chalino Sanchez-Trejo, 5, at The Pines North in Delray Beach.



AmeriCorps members Michael Owen, 27, and roommate Cathy Hentschel, 23, relax with their dogs in their pet-friendly Las Ventanas third floor loft apartment. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

### Corps lives lean while teaching 'money math' and lots more

By Ron Hayes

The next time you cross the Woolbright Road Bridge and a red light catches you at Federal Highway, use the moment to ponder that impressive apartment complex on the northwest corner of the intersection.

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## Boynton Inlet

### Concern for safety leads to beach closure confusion

By Jane Smith and Dan Moffett

Palm Beach County closed the beach access on the north side of the Boynton Inlet in late April because of a rash of nearby drownings and rescues since January, according to the county parks and recreation director.

By the last Friday in April, the new signs were in place and the gate, near the shower pole, was welded shut. One sign read: "BEACH ACCESS CLOSED-Use South Side Of Inlet." The other two signs warned beachgoers about the hazards of the inlet and the sand transfer plant.

Over the weekend, Manalapan police officers were stationed on the north side of the inlet, directing beachgoers to the south side. When questioned by fishermen about the reason they couldn't fish from the beach, the police officers said a county ordinance restricts people from getting within 75 feet of the sand transfer plant — a confusing point considering a fishing pier sits adjacent to the plant.

County Commissioner Steven Abrams, whose district includes the South County coastal areas, was set to give a press conference April 30 at the inlet with the mayors of Manalapan, Boynton Beach and Ocean Ridge. He wanted to call attention to the hazardous conditions on the north side of the inlet, where going in the water within 75 feet of the sand

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## Hypoluxo Island

### Teen makes pelican rescues her own mission

By Cheryl Blackerby

An osprey with a fish in its beak flew overhead, a blue heron perched at the end of a pier and submerged manatees blew bubbles next to Anastasia Neff's kayak.

It was an idyllic scene in Lake

Worth Lagoon that made the horrors of Pelican Island even more appalling.

Dead pelicans hung high in the island's mangrove branches, monofilament fishing line wrapped around wings and feet. Fishing line with a sinker weight trailed from one bird's gaping bill, a treble hook

embedded in its throat.

Three birds had silver metal bands, tagged by biologists, on their dangling legs.

Fifteen-year-old Neff counted eight dead pelicans in the trees, and one in the shallow water that covered the

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Anastasia Neff, with an injured pelican she managed to save, makes it her goal to rescue and document pelicans. Photo provided

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## Coastal Star



Bernard Finkelstein was named president and chairman at Florence Fuller Child Development Center. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

## Volunteer wants more people to know about Boca's 'best-kept secret'

By Ron Hayes

For 17 years, Bernard Finkelstein worked in Cleveland, Ohio, and relaxed in Highland Beach.

And then, in 2002, he retired.

"Cleveland was too cold," he says.

Bernard and Sonia Finkelstein sold their Coronado condo, bought another in the new Toscana development and moved here permanently.

He had found a climate to warm his body. And then he found a calling that warms his heart.

Shortly after arriving in Highland Beach full time, a friend invited him to join the planned giving committee of the Florence Fuller Child Development Center in Boca Raton.

Five years later, he joined the board, and on Jan. 1, he became its president and chairman.

Back in Cleveland, he was Bernard A. Finkelstein, a certified public accountant with Ernst & Young. To the 625 boys and girls at Florence Fuller, he's "Mr. Bernie."

"I had a great career," he says, "and now it's time to give back. In Cleveland, I'd been a life trustee with the National Conference of Christians & Jews and also was active with a group called Economics America, bringing economic education to the lower grades. Florence Fuller seems to play into both those things — diversity and education."

Founded in 1971 to help disadvantaged toddlers prepare for kindergarten, the Florence Fuller Center now serves children from infancy to fifth grade at its original home on Northeast 14th Street, as well as a west center at State Road 441 and Yamato Road.

"I've always felt we're the best-kept secret in Boca Raton," Finkelstein says, "but it's difficult."

Despite government grants, he notes, the center still has to

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raise about \$1.7 million every year to meet its \$6 million annual budget.

And the ZIP code doesn't help.

"There's a great deal of wealth in Boca Raton," he says, "but also a great deal of poverty, so when we ask for grants and donations, there's a mental block we have to overcome. People wonder, 'Why would anyone in the 33432 ZIP code need funding?'"

By careful planning, they make the budget, Finkelstein says. What's lacking is emergency reserves.

"The standard rule is that you should have enough money for three months' expenses in case of an emergency," he explains. "We're just under that, and we should be well over it, given our age."

A welcome gift arrived on April 10, when Impact100, a South County philanthropy for women, donated \$100,000 to the center's Family Preservation Program, which provide crisis intervention, parenting skills and individual counseling for 500 family members.

"This is the first time we've gotten it, and it's fabulous," says Finkelstein. "It's real recognition of what we contribute to the community at large. The Family Preservation is an extension of what we do. We take care of their kids and

now we're trying to move in to a new phase of family support, so this is a real tribute."

Soon, the center hopes to begin a capital campaign to build a much-needed multipurpose building at the west location, but if the retired accountant's worried, it doesn't show. At 69, he likes where he's living, and loves what he does.

"Highland Beach is the best of all worlds," he says. "You've got quiet, peaceful surroundings while also being close to anything you could ever want."

When he's not working to improve the lives of the 625 children at the Florence Fuller Child Development Center, Finkelstein plays — with his own grandchildren. He has six, and three of them live in Parkland.

"I've got two herniated disks," he says. "I can't play golf, I can't play tennis, so I play with my grandkids. Because I traveled so much in my working life, my wife, Sonia, gets all the credit for raising our two daughters and I try to make up for it with my grandkids."

Not long ago, he took those grandkids for a day at the Palm Beach Zoo, where Finkelstein spotted a parade of familiar T-shirts.

A class from the Florence Fuller Center just happened to be there, too — wearing their T-shirts, walking hand-in-hand, staying in line.

"Take a look at this," Mr. Bernie told his granddaughters. "There's a lesson here." ★

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## Editor's Note



On April 28, signs remained posted and Manalapan Police were warning people to stay off the beach north of the Boynton Inlet. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

## Confusion about beach access abounds

For four days in April, the golden sand to the north of the Boynton Inlet was off limits to the public. This made some people happy, but made many others fuming mad. And although some agencies agreed on how to proceed, others waved flags of warning. As a result, the access was re-opened one day before a scheduled media event to discuss "new public safety signage" at the inlet. So how did this boondoggle occur?

Was the northern access closed because the inlet's refurbished sand-transfer plant is more dangerous than it was before? Did it happen because more people are using the north side of the jetty when the guarded south side fills up? Did it happen as a way to satisfy those Manalapan residents who complain of bad behavior displayed on their beach? Or maybe it happened as a way for the county to sell a need for additional parking spaces at Inlet Park to the residents of Ocean Ridge.

Who knows? Maybe it's simply the byproduct of an improving economy bringing more and more residents to our area, and subsequently more and more to our beaches.

I suspect those who acted to close the access were influenced a bit by of all these things.

This not an isolated situation: Many of these same issues will be discussed at an Ocean Ridge town meeting on May 6. In this instance, it's

about the public beach access at the end of Beachway Drive just across the Woolbright Road Bridge. An increase in population across the bridge is causing concern for a handful of residents who live near that beach access point.

If towns like Ocean Ridge respond to vocal and well-funded pressure and choose to limit public access — joining South Palm Beach, Manalapan, Gulf Stream and Highland Beach as coastal towns with virtually no public beach access — isn't the Palm Beach County Tourist Development Council going to have a difficult time honestly depicting a long, romantic stretch of "public beach" as they work to attract even more tourists?

And what's the sales pitch to companies who might want to expand or relocate to this area? Surely, it's not that their employees can easily spend a day at the beach, because that's becoming harder and harder to do.

With "Dog Beach" long gone — and that area rumored to soon become luxury townhomes with private beach access — there will be even more public pressure to access the remaining "public" beaches, even where they don't provide parking or facilities.

Call it a sign of the times. Call it unintended consequences. Call it a shame.

— Mary Kate Leming, Editor

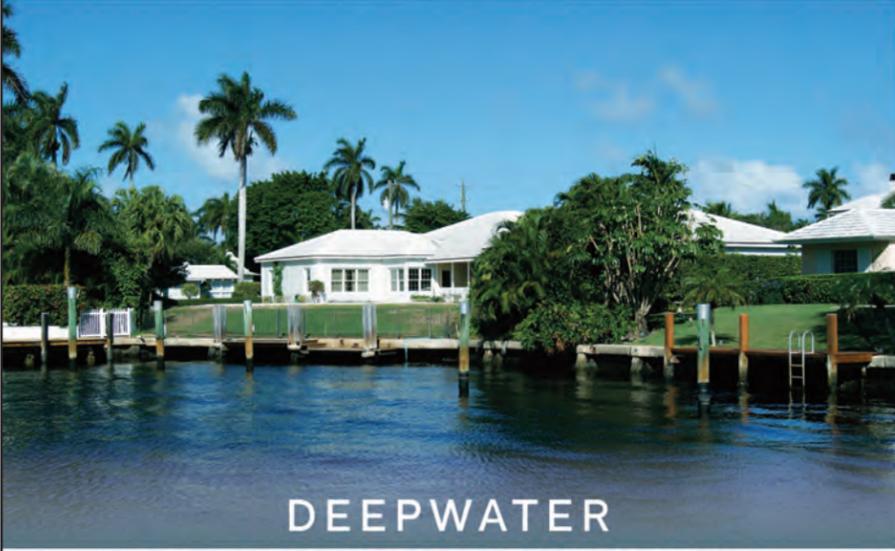


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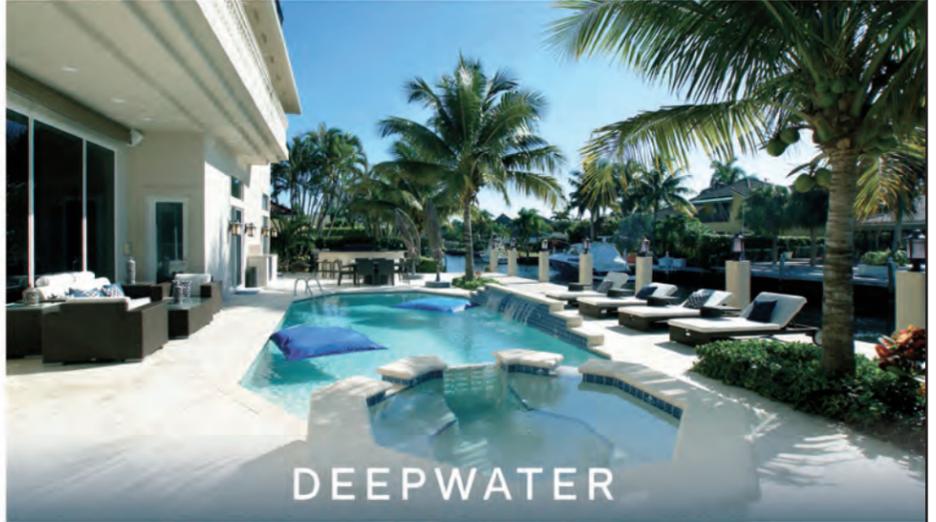
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Letter to the Editor

Sidewalks and bike lanes are paths to peace

Twelve years ago, SAFE (Safety As Floridians Expect) led a successful effort in persuading FDOT to build bike lanes and fill in sidewalk gaps in Delray Beach.

Since then, pedestrian and bike traffic have increased geometrically along SR A1A in

all of Palm Beach County.

Now, local police departments are giving warning tickets to motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists when they violate state laws. However well-intended this activity is, it does not address the root problem.

Bicyclists and pedestrians should have their own travel lanes where there is sufficient right of way — that means sidewalks and bike lanes.

SAFE suggests that FDOT build bike lanes where there is sufficient right of way, provide as wide a paved shoulder as possible where there is not, and reduce the speed limit to 25 MPH through narrow roads — like Gulf Stream, sections of Manalapan, etc. — by installing speed tables.

Until sidewalks and bike lanes are built, there will be no peace among motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists. And, pedestrians and bicyclists are being denied full consideration and safe access.

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## Gulf Stream

## Orthwein moves aside as Morgan becomes mayor

By Dan Moffett

Joan Orthwein spent the last two years in the crosshairs of Gulf Stream's legal battles, serving as the town's mayor during the stormiest period in its history.

At the Town Commission's April 11 meeting, she told a chamber crowded with well-wishers that it was time for someone else to take the helm.

"I'm not going to lie. It's been challenging," Orthwein said. "But you know what, the citizens have been wonderful and very supportive and caring of me. It is a wonderful community."

The commission unanimously approved newly elected Scott Morgan as the town's new mayor and Commissioner Robert Ganger as vice mayor, with Orthwein moving aside to a commissioner's seat.



Morgan



Orthwein

The reorganization is significant. Morgan, a lawyer and former chairman of the Architectural Review and Planning Board, campaigned on a platform that called for an aggressive legal defense against the town's detractors.

Gulf Stream faces more than 20 lawsuits and numerous public records requests filed by Martin O'Boyle and Chris O'Hare, two residents who have charged the town with violating their constitutional rights. During the election campaign, O'Hare put signs

disparaging Orthwein on a boat and anchored it behind her waterfront home.

Morgan didn't waste time beginning his aggressive defense against the town's critics. He called a special meeting of the commission for April 14 to consider an ordinance against overnight parking at Town Hall — regulation aimed at vehicles displaying political signs that criticize town officials. The commissioners unanimously approved a first reading of the ordinance, which restricts parking from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., and then made it law at another meeting on April 29.

O'Boyle and O'Hare objected, saying the ordinance violated free speech and also illegally restricted beach parking.

During the special session, Morgan and commissioners also scheduled a budget workshop immediately following

the regular May 9 Town Commission meeting. Morgan said he wants to find residents willing to serve on an ad hoc financial committee to help the town deal with dwindling reserves and rising expenses.

Four uniformed police officers were on duty during the April 11 meeting, a testament to the uneasy climate in the town these days. Commissioners have had to hire outside counsel to fight the suits and have set aside an additional \$190,000 to cover legal fees.

Morgan says "an aggressive, proactive approach to the lawsuits is necessary to prevent further harm to our town." He praised Orthwein's work as mayor. "You stepped into a job at a time that was very difficult, probably the most challenging period for the town since its founding," Morgan said. "You worked both publicly and

privately to resolve the many issues we face, whether it be underground electric wires or more importantly, the onslaught of public records requests and litigation that followed. And all the time you had the best interests of the town at heart. But more than that, you did it with grace."

Orthwein said Morgan is ideally suited to guide Gulf Stream through its legal obstacle course. "The way things are today, I don't know why all politicians aren't lawyers," she said smiling.

"Scott's a great leader who is a lawyer and a litigator. He will help streamline the legal problems we're having, and they're huge. I'm not an attorney. Scott brings a great deal of wisdom, leadership and respect to the party."

Ganger said the town still will need Orthwein's contributions as a commissioner because of her extensive experience and understanding of the town's history.

"She's held her head high," he said. "She's served us well. We're not saying goodbye to a mayor; we're saying thank you for all you've done."

Orthwein, who came to the commission in 1995, is the second-longest serving elected official in Palm Beach County behind Cloud Lake Mayor Patrick Slatery, who has held office for 36 years.

She says moving forward with the project to put the town's utility wiring underground is her biggest achievement.

"That was a dream of mine," she said. "I have to say I was so excited and proud of this community when they voted for it. The underground wiring is such a positive thing."

One of Orthwein's last acts as mayor was presiding over the commission's unanimous approval of a decorum policy for meetings that prohibits verbal attacks and abusive language. O'Boyle and O'Hare spoke against the measure, criticizing it as too vague and too much like an ordinance with enforcement consequences, rather than a declaration of policy with no punitive provisions.

"The town has shown great resilience," Orthwein said. "We'll get back to normal some day."

**In other business:**

• Engineering consultant Danny Brannon told commissioners they will need about \$30,000 to pay for construction work on the Town Hall's rear entrance to make it compliant with Americans with Disabilities Act requirements. The entrance will need a new access ramp, handrails and reconfigured parking. ★

• Town Manager William Thrasher said the town is creating more portals on its website to make public records available online. ★

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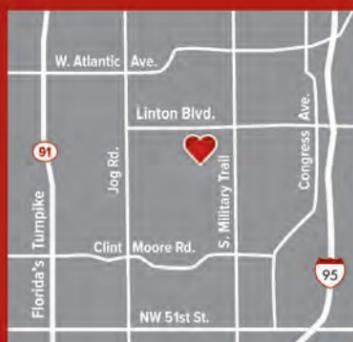
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## Delray Beach

# Accidents, traffic already concern neighbors of East Atlantic project

By Jane Smith

During the past three years, traffic accidents along a stretch of East Atlantic Avenue have increased, according to a *Coastal Star* analysis of city and county traffic records.

Along the road between Federal Highway and A1A, accidents bottomed out at 29 in 2011, during the economic downturn, and rose to 49 in 2013, when tourism rebounded.

Most of the wrecks were rear-end collisions resulting in minor damage, but a few of the 2013 East Atlantic Avenue accidents resulted in injuries.

One hit-run crash in early October at Gleason Street sent two tourists who were crossing the avenue with their children in a stroller to the

hospital. The husband's leg was broken, the wife received cuts and bruises, but the toddlers escaped injury.

The 24-year-old driver was traveling 50 mph in a 35 mph zone, and allegedly ran a red light, hitting the tourists, according to the crash report.

The driver was found about a mile from the scene, where she blew .263 percent and .265 percent on breath tests, more than three times the limit at which a Florida driver is considered too impaired to drive.

At press time, no trial date was set for her felony DUI case, according to the Palm Beach County State Attorney's Office.

In another wreck last September, a speeding Toyota Tacoma pickup spun out after leaving the wet drawbridge.

The pickup jumped the curb and struck a 37-year-old male, who was taken to the hospital with injuries. The pedestrian survived, and the 26-year-old driver was cited for careless driving.

Another October wreck was caused by an 88-year-old woman who was cited for careless driving after a four-car pileup waiting for the drawbridge over the Intracoastal Waterway to lower. She was stopped behind three cars in her new Mercedes SL550 when she mistakenly put her foot on the gas instead of the brake, causing the chain reaction.

That wreck occurred near the site of the recently approved \$200 million Atlantic Crossing complex, a mixed-use development of 82 luxury condos and 262

apartments, 83,000-square-foot of Class A office space and 76,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space.

### Study anticipates increased traffic

While the intersection of West Atlantic Avenue and Military Trail and West Atlantic and Congress avenues record the city's top accident numbers, East Atlantic Avenue will see considerably more traffic when Atlantic Crossing comes on line, a study shows.

By 2017, when the nine-acre, mixed-use project opens at Federal Highway and East Atlantic Avenue, rush hour traffic will slow to a crawl, according to a study commissioned by the Florida Coalition for Preservation.

The coalition sought the study because Atlantic Crossing's developer was required only to study traffic patterns within the project, not surrounding neighborhoods. That was because the city had designated the project site exempt from surrounding traffic studies many years ago in an effort to encourage redevelopment in rundown parts of the downtown.

"That project sits at Main and Main in Delray Beach," said Robert Ganger, president of the coalition. And if the traffic congestion becomes too severe, he said, it could make Atlantic Crossing an undesirable destination, "which would hurt Delray Beach's image."

Andrew Katz, vice president of the Beach Property Owners' Association and who lives on South Ocean Boulevard, was more measured in his response.

But during the season, he avoids East Atlantic Avenue by driving south to Linton Boulevard to reach other parts of the city.

"It already has significant issues in the season, with the bridge openings twice an hour for seven, eight minutes each time. That means there are significant parts of each hour that traffic is not moving on Atlantic Avenue,"

said Katz.

The BPOA helped pay for the traffic study along with private donations and money from a local garden club.

Delray Beach is in the process of hiring a traffic engineering consultant to study traffic on East Atlantic Avenue, said Randal Krejcarek, city environmental services director. The last study was done in 2009, he said.

When the project received approval in January, it did not include two access roads promised in exchange for the city abandoning a section of Northeast Seventh Avenue, charges a lawsuit filed in late February by the neighboring Harbour House homeowners association. It wants the court to force the city to require the developer to build the access roads to handle the 11,000 cars expected daily and not let the project's traffic clog neighborhood streets. At press time, a hearing date was not set.

Atlantic Crossing's development team sees the issue differently.

"As far as the claim that we have reneged on an agreement to provide an internal east-west street, this is patently false," said Don DeVere, vice president of the Edwards Companies, a partner in the project.

"This street was part of a prior plan approved by the city in 2009. In 2011, we put forward a new plan with many improvements, which never included this street. This new plan has gone through all appropriate review and approval processes, and has been approved by the city as the new site plan for Atlantic Crossing. We feel fully confident that the city will prevail on the merits of this case."

Ganger said the Coalition will continue to monitor the situation.

"As a barrier island public service entity, we are still involved because it is a quality of life issue," Ganger said. ★



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**ABOVE:** Candace Neff paddles along with her daughter on some trips to offer support. **RIGHT:** Anastasia Neff works her way through a stand of mangroves north of Hypoluxo Island looking for injured pelicans. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star



## PELICAN

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island, just north of Hypoluxo Island, at high tide.

Tromping over the mangrove roots in rubber boots, she pointed out a lifeless pelican lodged on a branch, fishing hooks protruding from its throat, its white and gray wings, ruffled by the breeze, spread in death.

### Dead Pelican Island

Neff, who grew up on Hypoluxo Island, is on a mission to save the pelicans. As a small child, she named the little mangrove island near her house Pelican Island, but she now calls it Dead Pelican Island.

She has recruited friends to cut the fishing line out of the mangroves so pelicans, which like to roost on the island, don't die. She has pulled out fishing hooks snagged in their mouths and wings.

"You push the hook through, snip off the barb, then push it back out," she says of the grisly task.

After one pelican died, Neff felt its throat and found five more hooks.

Her mother, Candace Neff, used to help, but Candace finds the island too depressing these days.

"Where there might be one dead pelican years ago, there are now many more hanging in the trees," she said. And often

there are those that are not yet dead, desperate to escape the fishing line.

This is a familiar problem for the South Florida Wildlife Center in Fort Lauderdale, says Sherry Schlueter, the center's executive director.

"We get brown pelicans in frequently," she said. "At least 75 percent are coming in for fishing hook and fishing line injuries."

The center has wildlife ambulances, three veterinarians, and a staff of 60 who rescue wildlife in Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade counties.

"We've had to rescue pelicans from high trees with line wrapped around their heads and necks and feet," she said. "We've had a lot of pelicans who have ingested hooks that are swallowed with a fish. Many of those require pretty extensive surgery. The hooks can do a lot of damage to the esophagus and stomach. And cause long drawn-out agony and death."

### Taking action

Other places in Florida are getting tired of seeing pelicans injured by fishing hooks.

On April 2, Naples became the first town in the state to pass an ordinance that forbids treble hooks and fishing lines with multiple hooks on the city pier.

The law was passed in reaction to 76 injured pelicans

in December alone.

Clearwater has had a treble hook ban for 15 years, although it's a policy, not an ordinance.

"I've had my share of rescuing pelicans, and it does seem most do have those treble hooks, which is not to say regular hooks don't cause damage, too," said Ricardo Zambrano, regional biologist at Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission.

The fishing hooks and line are just two more problems on a long list for the brown pelicans. Another is the disturbance of nesting areas, he said.

"They were susceptible to the use of the pesticide DDT and their numbers dropped quite a bit. They are coming back from a decline, but they are still not out of the woods," he said.

Zambrano warns anglers not to cut the line if a pelican is snagged by a hook.

"If you cut the line, the bird goes free and most likely will get tangled in the line. Try to bring the bird in safely, if possible. Cover the bird with a T-shirt or towel, and cut the hook's barb off, which will allow it to be removed safely. And then call a wildlife rehab center," he said.

Schlueter reminds rescuers not to close the bird's bill. "Most people don't know that

### Tips for anglers

- Call a wildlife rehab center such as South Florida Wildlife Center if you hook a pelican. Even if you remove the hook, the bird may need surgery and antibiotics. Call 954-524-4302, ext. 10, [www.southfloridawildlifecenter.org](http://www.southfloridawildlifecenter.org). Or take the animal to the center at 3200 SW Fourth Ave. in Fort Lauderdale. Kennels are available outside to leave an animal after hours.
- Don't feed pelicans, throw fish carcasses in the water or leave fish on the dock.
- Don't leave fishing lines unattended.
- Check tackle frequently for frayed line that may easily break.
- Dispose of monofilament line in recycle bins at marinas and docks, or in a plastic bag to recycle at home.
- Volunteer at the South Florida Wildlife Center to help pelicans and other wildlife. Training classes are offered to teach volunteers how to rescue pelicans.
- If you see a dead bird with a silver band on its leg, call the number or go to the website on the band and report the death.

Migrating brown pelicans fly between the southeastern states, particularly North Carolina and Florida.



if you keep the bill closed they can't breathe," she said.

On the day in late April when Anastasia counted the nine dead pelicans, a brown pelican landed on a nearby branch, thought better of it and flew off.

Neff stopped to admire its slow-motion flight over the water.

"I think they're beautiful," she said. "They're very sweet, and when they look at you their eyes are very soft."

The ninth-grader at G-Star School of the Arts hopes to someday make wildlife documentaries.

Surely, at least one will be about pelicans. ★

## Delray Beach

# City grapples with panhandling and trolley-riding homeless

By Tim Pallesen

A majority of city commissioners wants to charge a dollar for trolley rides to discourage the homeless from riding free to a soup kitchen.

To stop the homeless from begging for money, commissioners also want a tough new ordinance to prohibit panhandling.

"We have beautiful trolleys that are supposed to bring individuals to our city to spend money — not to give free rides to the homeless so they can go to a soup kitchen," Commissioner Adam Frankel said.

Frankel joined Mayor Cary Glickstein and Commissioner Jordana Jarjura to say during an April 8 workshop they will

support trolley fares.

Volunteers at the largest Delray soup kitchen serving the homeless were stunned by Frankel's comment to a TV reporter after the meeting.

"To single out such a vulnerable population and deny them services is appalling," Caring Kitchen director April Hazamy said. "I am shocked that the city wants to make the homeless situation worse."

Trolley fares and the crackdown on panhandlers were recommended by a police-led task force that studied the impacts of the city's homeless population. The proposed panhandling ban duplicates a Fort Lauderdale ordinance designed so people can be free from fear of intimidation in

public places.

Nonaggressive panhandling would be prohibited in places where the public is likely to feel threatened, such as within 15 feet of sidewalk cafes on Atlantic Avenue.

Aggressive panhandling would be banned everywhere the city. Panhandlers who sit and hold a sign would not be considered a threat, the task force said.

The task force recommended trolley fares because "free transportation may have the unintended effect of enabling the homeless population," according to its report to commissioners. The group suggested that residents and employees in the city be given annual trolley passes at a reduced rate.

Only Commissioner Al Jacquet questioned trolley fares at the April 8 workshop. "I have a problem that the purpose of this is to get rid of the homeless," he said.

"The homeless are people, too," said Ruth Magaria, executive director of Christians Reaching Out to Society Ministries, which operates the Caring Kitchen at 196 NW Eighth Ave. "We need to figure out a way that they can get to a place to eat."

The task force also urged the city to work with the Caring Kitchen and other soup kitchens near downtown to prevent takeout food containers from being discarded at the city library, beach and private yards.

Police believe much of

Delray's homeless problem can be attributed to recovering drug addicts who become homeless when they relapse and get kicked out of Delray's many sober houses.

Police say more than half the city's property crimes are by people here for recovery. The task force is studying performance standards for drug treatment centers to reduce the number of relapses and crime.

"Relapses and desperate people are a problem for the community," said task force member Marc Woods, a retired police officer who monitors sober houses for the city.

Caring Kitchen administrators say most of Delray's homeless are not addicted to drugs or alcohol. ★



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transfer plant is prohibited by a little-known county ordinance.

Linda Stumpf, Manalapan town manager, said she and the Manalapan mayor met with Abrams in mid-April to express their concerns about the dangerous conditions on the north side of the inlet.

"I brought up our concerns about the rip currents and the drownings to Abrams. He agreed with us that closing the access was a step in the right direction. There have been far too many drownings and near drownings."

The beach access closing lasted for four days.

Late on April 28, Abrams' staff sent out this text message: "The county inadvertently restricted access to the beach area. The gate is being removed in the a.m. and access will be restored. It was a premature move that is being corrected. They [county Parks and Recreation Department] received numerous complaints. Also advised the Manalapan



April 27, A Manalapan Police officer warns a man that he is not allowed on the beach north of the pumping station. **Jerry Lower/ The Coastal Star**

police of this so that they will not restrict access to the beach. The focus is diverting the swimmers not the beachgoers."

The following day, Stumpf was perplexed: "We don't know exactly what they're going to do next but I do know the gate has been opened. My understanding is that they are going to try to prohibit swimming there.

"Apparently there's been some pushback, and DERM [Department of Environmental Resources Management, which operates the sand transfer plant] said we have to allow access. [Congresswoman Lois] Frankel's office called and said she'd gotten a number of complaints.

"We received calls from both sides. Some people were very happy that there wouldn't be any more drownings there. Others were upset that the beach was closed. Nobody who called that was unhappy was from the area. They were from west Lantana, or out of town and didn't live here."

Abrams said his goal was not to stop people from playing Frisbee or sunbathing on the beach, but to stop people from getting in the water on the north side of the inlet where conditions are hazardous.

**A series of area incidents**

The three young men who drowned since the start of the year were either wading or swimming in unguarded areas. Two drowned near the Boynton Inlet, which is hazardous even on a calm day, said Phil Wotton, south district captain for Palm Beach County Ocean Rescue.

"What makes the Boynton Inlet so dangerous is all the activity that takes place there," Wotton said. "You have an inlet, with that comes strong tidal currents. When people swim too close to the inlet on an incoming tide, the current pulls them towards the inlet. If you are swimming on the north side that takes you towards the jetty. On the south side it does the same, but it will suck you into the inlet.

"During guarded hours our staff will blow their whistles to keep people away or rescue, if needed. On the north side we cannot see them until the fishermen get our attention."

Boats zipping in and out of the inlet, snorkelers looking at the reef below and surfers trying to catch a wave add more activity, creating a hazardous area, Wotton said. The sand transfer plant with its sudden

drop-off adds another hazard.

Plus, the north side of the inlet sits in Manalapan, which does not have lifeguards.

The north side also has a large sign prohibiting swimming, diving or wading near the sand transfer plant.

Even so, Sebastian Francois, a 15-year-old visiting from Haiti, was wading on the north side on Jan. 14 when he went under. Two days later, recreational divers recovered his body in the ocean.

Francois might not have known the sand transfer plant there has a sudden drop-off, said Ocean Ridge Police Chief Chris Yannuzzi, who first offered condolences to the families of the drowning victims.

That death was followed by the drowning of Billy Jeudi, 23, who went for an early morning swim on Feb. 13 on the south side of the inlet and was caught in a rip current that pulled him into the inlet. His body was found the next day in the Lake Worth Lagoon.

Two male teenagers were stranded on March 1 when they were surfing on the north side of the inlet. A strong current pushed Nick Quigley and Jonah Zucker into the jetty and they managed to hold on to a pillar for 20 minutes until they were rescued.

On March 26, an unidentified 19-year-old nearly drowned after he was caught in currents while swimming near Ocean Inlet Park, south of the inlet. He was able to swim back to shore on his own, although the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Marine Unit and Coast Guard had dispatched boats.

Less than a week later, 20-year-old Jacobo Dorcelly drowned off Ocean Ridge Hammock Park, about 1 mile south of the inlet and another unguarded beach with two warning signs about the lack of lifeguards. He was swimming with two other men when he went under and didn't resurface. The rescue call went out about 5:30 p.m. on April 2, and his body was found about an hour later.

"We encourage them to swim by a lifeguard, [but] there has to be some personal responsibility also involved," said Eric Call, director of the county's Parks and Recreation Department. "The county can't [afford to] have guards working till dark and on beaches that are infrequently used."

On Good Friday, April 18, a day without school, two Park Vista High School seniors visiting the south inlet beach were called to rescue two younger boys who were stranded in the inlet. The seniors, Collin Barch and T.J. Preble, both 18, jumped in the water, according to news reports. The two younger boys then climbed onto Barch's back, and as Preble swam closer, one climbed onto his back. Barch and the kid on his back made it to the shore safely. But the boy on Preble's back kept pushing him under and the water soon separated the two.

That boy was estimated to be about 10 years old by Wotton of county ocean rescue. "Our rescue boat responded and rescued a minor who was holding on to a surf board against the jetty," he said.

The boy was transported to Bethesda East Hospital with minor injuries. Wotton's staff was alerted about 4:30 p.m. of the situation by county fire rescue dispatch and a beach patron who came to the lifeguard tower on the south side of the inlet.

Preble was rescued by some people who threw a rope down to him from the end of the fishing pier. He was taken to JFK Medical Center and remained overnight because of a fever.

**An increase in visitors**

During the first quarter of the year, visitors to South County beach parks have increased four- or fivefold, said Lt. Allan MacQueen with county Ocean Rescue. Just over 150,000 people have visited Ocean Inlet park this year, which started on Oct. 1. The attendance figure ranks the park fifth out of 13 for county beach parks.

Last year, it also ranked fifth with attendance at 332,539. County beach parks are popular, MacQueen said, because they mostly have free parking.

Swimmers unfamiliar with the strength of the ocean currents or those who simply don't care to find out are also problems, MacQueen said. He mentioned a May 2013 incident when lifeguards warned a group of teens against entering the rough water in Gulfstream Park. The teens walked a half-mile south to an unguarded area to go into the ocean, where one drowned that day. His body still has not been found.

If MacQueen were in charge, he said he would have a big stack of foam noodles for inexperienced swimmers to use. "That way, you have something to hold on to when you're out there and get in trouble," he said. "You can kick to stay afloat until you are rescued." ★

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## Delray Beach

# City moves toward county beach-light law

By Tim Pallesen

The lights on First Presbyterian's steeple are among those that must be dimmed, shielded or shut off if Delray Beach adopts the county's sea turtle protection law.

Oceanfront businesses and residences also would get darker so sea turtles hatchlings can find their way from the beach to the ocean.

The strict sea turtle protection law is necessary for the city to be eligible for county money to pay for dune restoration projects.

"I don't see where we have any choice," Mayor Cary Glickstein said at an April 8 workshop where staff proposed the sea turtle law.

"This program is going to impact a lot of businesses," code enforcement officer Al Berg warned commissioners. "First Presbyterian's steeple also attracts turtles."

Commissioners passed the ordinance unanimously on first reading on April 15. A final public hearing is set for May 6.

The law bans during turtle nesting season — March through October — decorative lighting visible from the beach if it is not necessary for human safety or security.

Sea turtle hatchlings emerge from nests at night, recognizing the sea by its naturally bright open horizon. Artificial lighting visible from the beach leads the baby turtles inland where they will not survive.

"This law isn't only good for the sea turtles," said Jacey Biery, a county environmental resources management analyst. "It also brings back the starry skies."

The Marriott hotel, the Sandbar tiki bar and other businesses on Ocean Boulevard near Atlantic Avenue may be required to turn off signs and other unnecessary lights to comply, city and county officials said.

"We will work with them the best we can for a solution," Biery said. "But lights can't be visible from the beach either directly or indirectly by causing illumination."

Some violators may be given the opportunity to retrofit existing lighting fixtures by adding sheet metal shields so stray light doesn't reach to the beach. Amber LED lightbulbs also may be substituted at some locations to reduce glare.

The law also requires that all beach furniture be removed each night to make movement easier for sea turtles. A turtle surveyor must give approval each morning before the furniture can be returned to the municipal beach.

Coastal municipalities have the option to either let the county enforce its turtle protection law on their beaches or to adopt a municipal law that is equally strict.

Manalapan opted into the county law and Ocean Ridge is working to do the same. Boca Raton chose to adopt and enforce its own law. ★

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## CORPS

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dynamic lifestyle — “Luxury Apartment Homes.”

But for 35 young men and women who inhabit 13 of those three-bedroom lofts overlooking the intersection, the luxury ends when they leave for work each morning.

To them, Las Ventanas is affectionately known as “the AmeriDorm” — home since 2009 to members of AmeriCorps, a domestic service organization patterned on the Peace Corps.

Locally, they work for Literacy AmeriCorps, a project of the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County.

From those luxury apartments, AmeriCorps members disperse each morning to 30-plus sites in Palm Beach County.

At In The Pines, two affordable housing developments for migrant workers in Delray Beach, they tutor children learning to read.

At Ed Venture Charter School in Hypoluxo, they teach students with severe cognitive and mental health deficits to prepare for job interviews.

At the Boynton Beach City Library, they help adults earn a high school diploma and children with their homework.

Last year, AmeriCorps members contributed more than 68,000 hours of service in Palm Beach County.

And they did it all for \$12,100 a year each.

In other words, they didn't do it for the money.

“I love these guys,” says Audrey McDonough. “They're full of life and idealism. It just recharges you, and every year you have a fresh new crew ready to go.”

If Literacy AmeriCorps has a den mother, it's McDonough, the program's director since it came to the Literacy Coalition in 1998.

In 2008, she got help when Brad Hertzberg, a former member here, was hired to help coordinate the program.

Together, they are responsible for hiring, assigning and supervising as many as 40 recent college graduates from about 20 to 25 states.

“If you're gonna pack up and take a road trip across country to be in a new experience sight unseen,” she says, “you've already got some spunk.”

McDonough interviews and hires her applicants by phone, so just as they come here sight unseen, she also greets them sight unseen. She doesn't actually see who she's hired until they arrive.

And then Kevin walks through the door.

If you're assuming all AmeriCorps members look like the youth pastor at a



**TOP:** The AmeriCorps group gathers at the end of a training session at the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County.

**MIDDLE:** AmeriCorps member Aman Kaur, 22, of Parsippany, N.J., works with adults at the Boynton Beach City Library to help them prepare for their GED tests.

**BOTTOM:** Kevin Hovick helps mulch a community garden at Cason Community Church in Delray Beach. **Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Baptist Sunday school, meet Kevin Hovick.

“When he showed up,” McDonough recalls, choosing her words carefully, “his hair was ... kind of long.”

Hovick, 23, of Hamden, Conn., has a degree in anthropology. He wears beaded jewelry, prominent tattoos on both arms, and earlobes pierced and stretched with those painful-looking hoops you used to see only in *National Geographic*.

“I thought, ‘Well, now, where will he fit in?’” McDonough recalls.

Hovick wanted to tutor children. McDonough assigned him to the troubled teens at Ed Venture Charter School, and he hated it.

“I was very intimidated at first because I'm this small little white kid,” he says. “I didn't think I had the skills.”

This is his second year there. The long hair is gone, but the earrings remain, and he loves the job.

Hovick spends his days tutoring students 15 to 22, who read at a fifth- or sixth-

grade level, if that.

“I've had a student ask me if I was alive when Abraham Lincoln was president,” he says. “It can get frustrating, but it's never boring. You just have to take your time and not rush things.”

In 1989, Jerry and Donna Goray of Ocean Ridge founded the Farmworker Children's Council, the outgrowth of a church project that now provides housing and educational services at two In The Pines developments in Delray Beach.

This year, Courtney Cambra, 23, of Carlsbad, Calif., a graduate in special education, spends her afternoons at In The Pines North on Hagen Ranch Road, tutoring children whose parents speak little or no English.

“We've had AmeriCorps here for 10 years,” Goray says. “They've all been good, but Courtney's the most outstanding.”

Today, she's working

with two boys, Chalino and Michel, 5 and 6, so shy they speak in a whisper.

“I have one student here whose focus is so scattered he'll look at the first letter, and if the word is ‘maybe,’ he'll guess ‘make.’”

“But I love it,” she quickly adds. “What's frustrating is when I don't know if I'm doing enough to help them.”

On a recent Sunday morning, Michael Owen, 27, of West Liberty, Iowa, relaxed in his third floor loft, reflecting on life in the AmeriDorm and what it's like to live on \$12,100 a year.

Each AmeriCorps member pays \$450 a month rent toward the three-bedroom lofts, he explained. After that, they get creative.

“Food stamps is a life saver,” Owen said, “and you learn how to cook.”

Some roommates pool their \$200 in monthly food stamps to make sure one apartment isn't supporting three bottles of ketchup.

Bar Louie has \$1 burgers on Tuesday nights, and Tijuana Flats has Taco Tuesdays. It's \$6 for a movie at the Boynton Cinemark on Tuesdays and at the Alco Cinema on Military Trail on Thursdays.

Owen works a part-time job tutoring after work, and so does Courtney Carma.

Kevin Hovick and Leah Levy work nights at Delivery Dudes. On a good night, they can make \$170 in tips.

“I go from 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. without going home at all,” Owen said, “and then I come home so tired I don't even go to the gym here, even though we have one. I work out in my room and go to

sleep.”

They call it the AmeriDorm, but in fact, there isn't a lot of socializing.

If AmeriCorps members see each other in a group, it's probably during the weekends, when they might walk over the bridge to relax on the beach at Ocean Ridge.

“I'm a jogger, so I love the beach,” says Cathy Hentschel, 23, of Plainfield, Pa. “I'll jog over the bridge and take a walk on the beach and then jog back.”

Most of the time, though, they're all too busy to hang out.

“Kevin and I are roommates,” says Ithran Kaoyton, 24, of Detroit, a graduation coach at Lake Worth High School, “and we might see each other five minutes a day.”

“We call it our five minutes of fame.”

While Kevin Hovick teaches the teenagers in one room at Ed Venture, Owen is in another, using a Sam's Club website to try to teach “money math.”

Two-for-the-price-of-one isn't necessarily a good deal when another product costs a bit more but offers more content, he points out. But if the handful of students in class understand, it doesn't register on their faces.

Owen is teaching them how to cope with supermarkets, live within a budget, plan a party, rent an apartment.

And they are teaching him patience.

“You don't look at the big picture,” he explains. “You have to look at the little brush strokes, the little victories. When you understand where they came from, you don't see them as a behavior problem. You see them as a person.”

When he leaves Ed Venture, Owen heads over to the Boynton Beach City Library, where Cathy Hentschel spends five hours a day helping children from area elementary schools with their homework.

“I love my kids,” she says. “I couldn't imagine them with someone else.”

Noah buys a pencil. He uses one quarter and two

## What Is AmeriCorps?

In 1993, Congress established the Corporation for National and Community Service to manage three main programs: the Social Innovation Fund, Senior Corps and AmeriCorps.

In Florida, more than 16,000 people are serving in CNCS programs. About 14,000 are with Senior Corps, while 2,359 are at 88 AmeriCorps programs throughout the state, including the 39 young men and women working with the Palm Beach County Literacy Coalition.

"The federal money is distributed through Volunteer Florida, which pays about 60 percent of our \$800,000 annual budget," says Audrey McDonough, director of the Literacy Coalition's AmeriCorps project.

The remaining 40 percent comes from grants and a \$5,700 fee each service site pays to employ an AmeriCorps member.

At the Boynton Beach City Library, for example, two AmeriCorps members cost the library \$11,400 a year. However, one of those members is sponsored by the Friends of the Library through its used book sales.

The Literacy Coalition's AmeriCorps members serve from Aug. 12, 2013, to July 11, 2014.

Monday through Thursday they are at their service sites, while Fridays are reserved for training at the Literacy Coalition headquarters on Quantum Boulevard.

For this, they are paid \$12,100, before taxes are deducted, or about \$450 every two weeks.

In addition, all members who complete the 1,700 service hours receive a \$5,550 "education award," which can be used toward college tuition or to pay off student loans. If the member leaves early, the entire award is forfeited.

In his 2015 budget, President Obama has requested \$1.05 billion for the CNCS.

— Ron Hayes

nickels to pay. How much does the pencil cost?

As she coaches a first-grader through the problem, Owen slips into another chair at the table and welcomes the next child.

His workday is over. This is not his part-time job. He does this because he wants to.

Meanwhile, in a conference room just off the library's lobby, Aman Kaur, 22, of Parsippany, N.J., is helping four adults prepare for their GED tests.

Mondays she teaches English; Tuesdays, math; Wednesdays, science; and Thursdays, social studies.

This is Thursday, and the four adults are seated at the table, reading very simple books about Charles Lindbergh and Eleanor Roosevelt, Ellis Island and Sept. 11.

Ask what they think of their teacher and you'll hear the real value of Literacy AmeriCorps.

Reynold Destine, 41, is a prep cook.

"She's great," he says, then reconsiders. "No, she's more than great. She's wonderful."

Criselda Desir, 41, cleans houses. "We have a very intelligent teacher, so if you're a good listener you will learn. I've learned that money math is the most important kind of math."

Adeline Roger, 52, worked as a cook but dreams of becoming a home health aide.

"I learned that zero is a real number," she says, and her voice swells with wonder. "I thought zero was just zero, but I learned that a 1 with a single zero after it is 10, but 1 with three zeros is 1,000. Zeros are not nothing! Zeros matter!"

And Belshebay Edden is 74.

"This beautiful lady here" — she gestures reverently toward the teacher, 52 years her junior — "she takes her time if you don't understand, and she's helped me so, so much.

"She is the mother, and I am the child."

Two Saturdays a month, each of the AmeriCorps members is also required to perform community service work as part of their annual responsibilities.

You'll find them at Habitat For Humanity or the United Way, the Community Caring Center or Special Olympics.

On April 12, for example, while Michael Owen and nine other members helped out at the West Palm Beach Public Library, Kevin Hovick and colleagues were weeding and mulching a community garden at Cason Community Church in Delray Beach.

When his AmeriCorps year here ends on July 11, Michael Owen will join the Peace Corps in Colombia.

Courtney Carma has applied to the Peace Corps, too, but is also considering another AmeriCorps program, working with the mentally disabled in Pennsylvania.

And Kevin Hovick, who volunteers with the Special Olympics every Monday after work, is taking an online course in therapeutic recreation through the University of Milwaukee.

Take a moment to ponder all this the next time a red light catches you by the AmeriDorm at Woolbright Road and Federal Highway.

And when at last the light turns green and you drive on, try *not* to feel a little better about the younger generation. ★

## Ocean Ridge

# Town sets beach access workshop date

By Dan Moffett

Ocean Ridge residents will get their chance to weigh in on a number of contentious public beach access issues at a much-anticipated workshop scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. on May 6 in the Town Hall.

"The time is here," said Mayor Geoffrey Pugh at the Town Commission's April 7 meeting. "Everyone who has an opinion about it can show up, we can hear their ideas and go from there."

The commission had decided months ago to postpone setting a date for the workshop until after the March elections and the seating of two new commissioners, James Bonfiglio and Richard Lucibella. The commission also discarded a proposal to kick the beach access debate down to the town's Planning and Zoning board for guidance.

Vice Mayor Lynn Allison had led the opposition to that idea, arguing that it was the Town Commission's responsibility to handle the matter, after first soliciting the input of residents at the workshop.

"We need to be aware of what your suggestions are," Allison said of the importance of a workshop to get residents' comments, "so we can combine them with what we think as well."

How to manage public beach access has been a divisive issue in the town for the last six months, growing out of a dispute over what signs on the beachfront walkways should say.

Property owners along the beach complain that the town should not advertise beaches as public because it encourages people to come to places that have no facilities and no lifeguards. The property owners say there are too many out-of-town beachgoers who wonder onto private backyards, litter and misbehave.

Unlike several neighboring coastal towns, Ocean Ridge has no ordinance prohibiting alcohol consumption on the beach. Some oceanfront residents think it should.

On the other side of the access issue are residents who believe that the town makes itself vulnerable to lawsuits if it does not use signage that makes it clear the beaches are open to the public. These residents argue that public beaches should be exactly what the name implies, and that beachfront property owners are acting out of self-interest by exaggerating the cases of misbehaving out-of-towners.

Caught in the middle is the town's Police Department. Chief Chris Yannuzzi has increased his officers' beach patrols at the request of

town officials and says that has decreased the number of patrols elsewhere — a development that has stirred up more controversy recently.

An early April break-in at a home on Harbour Drive South has led some residents to conclude that police are spending too much time on the beaches and not enough time patrolling the neighborhood streets.

Yannuzzi has told commissioners the increased beach presence hasn't uncovered any serious criminal activity and little in the way of inappropriate behavior.

Commissioners hope to learn enough at the May workshop to come to a consensus on a new beach access strategy later this year that will satisfy all sides of the debate.

### In other business:

The commission unanimously approved Pugh for another term as mayor and Allison for another as vice mayor. Pugh has served on the commission since 2003 and is beginning his second year as mayor.

"I love this town. I think it's paradise between a lot of hustle and bustle," Pugh said. "I think we have a gem here and that we can keep it as a beautiful safe haven that we can all love and cherish." ★

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## Along the Coast

# After 5-year lag, PBC adopts Climate Action Plan

By Cheryl Blackerby

Palm Beach County joined Broward, Miami-Dade and Monroe counties in 2009 to present the first Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit. Elected officials from all four counties came together to discuss challenges and strategies for responding to the impacts of climate change.

So it was a mystery and a subject of discussion at the 2013 summit held in November in Broward, over why Palm Beach County had still not yet signed the group's Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change

Compact, drafted after the first summit.

The strongly worded and detailed action plan has 110 specific recommendations that address the need to protect a vulnerable water supply and coastal infrastructure, among other issues.

On April 15, five years after the plan was written and after the other counties signed on, Palm Beach County finally voted to adopt the plan.

The reason for the county's reluctance in the past?

In spite of the long lag, County Commissioner Steven Abrams says there was no reluctance.

"The Board of County Commissioners signed onto the plan last because we made a conscious decision to spend time building consensus among the cities and others. County officials met with numerous groups to explain the plan and then the commissioners formally signed onto it," he said.

Palm Beach County has, in fact, not only backed the plan but actively worked on it, he said. "The commission has supported the compact from the very beginning, has been participating with staff, hosting one of the annual meetings, etc.," he said.

The compact's challenges are daunting, according to the counties' research. One of the group's findings: Sea levels are projected to rise 3 to 7 inches from 2010 to 2030 in Key West, according to calculations by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

By 2060, Florida's sea levels could rise 9 to 24 inches. These and other calculations show the enormous risks, not only to people in Key West, but to the 5.6 million residents of these four counties.

Asked how the plan will affect county business such as building codes, Abrams said the county will concentrate on planning ahead.

"Fortunately, Palm Beach County is on higher ground than our neighbors to the south, so we can be less reactive and more proactive regarding our infrastructure," he said.

Plans for building projects, for example, will have to take a changing climate into consideration.

"As new projects, both public and private, come through, attention will be paid to climate implications," he said. "Many builders are already taking the environment into account in their buildings by seeking LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certifications, for example." ★

## South Palm Beach

# Honor flight makes full, moving day for WWII veteran

By Ron Hayes

At 6:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 26, a 90-year-old real estate agent named Woody Gorbach took off from Palm Beach International Airport aboard a US Airways jet, bound for Washington, D.C.

At 8:20 that night, he returned.

In between, Woody Gorbach spent the day remembering a boy from Bridgeport, Conn., who enlisted in the U.S. Army at 19, sailed to Italy with the 34th Infantry Division, carried an M1 rifle into the battles of Monte Cassino and Anzio beach, rode one of the first tanks into Rome amid Italian cheers, and made it home alive. And he spent the day remembering comrades who fought just as bravely but didn't come home.

He wasn't alone. And he wasn't the oldest.

Gorbach was one of 85 area veterans to join the latest trip sponsored by Southeast Florida Honor Flights, a nonprofit organization that thanks World War II vets by flying them to Washington to visit the national memorials honoring their service.

"This is our fourth year," said Todd Tucker, a lieutenant with Martin County Fire-Rescue and chairman of the organization's Southeast Florida branch, which has no paid staff. "Our goal is four flights a year, two in the spring and two in the fall."

There is no charge to the vets, who are paired with a guardian for the day, each of whom pays \$400 for the privilege of accompanying a veteran.

"A lot of our volunteer guardians are firefighter paramedics, so there's almost no situation we can't deal with," Tucker said. "We've flown double amputees, and we have a 99-year-old on this flight."

Gorbach was aboard because his wife, Lois, happened to spot



a newspaper story about the most recent flight.

"Woody, why don't you call?" she suggested.

"Well, I hadn't seen any of the memorials," Gorbach reasoned, "but I've spoken to people who've been and they all say it's an experience you never forget."

He called, then filled out a detailed application. After he was accepted, Lois learned more about her husband's war than she'd heard in 60 years of marriage.

"At Monte Cassino, I was only there three days and I got trench foot with frostbite," Gorbach remembered. "They sent me to a hospital in Africa for three weeks, and while I was gone my platoon was

annihilated. Frostbite saved my life."

In May 1944, he hit the beach at Anzio.

"I was in the first division to land," he said. "All mountains, horrible weather, snow. We took a lot of casualties. The Germans were all over the beach and at the top of the mountains. I didn't think I was going to make it back, to tell you the truth."

Gorbach made it back in November 1945 with a Bronze Star and a Croix de Guerre. He was 21.

He got married, started a family, started law school and quit to work in his father's real estate firm. He's sold real estate ever since, except for a brief period in 1998, when he



**LEFT:** Woody Gorbach displays his World War II-era medals and documents. **ABOVE:** Gorbach, pictured in Pisa, Italy, served in Europe. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

and Lois retired to South Palm Beach.

"I tried retirement for a month or two and it got boring," he says. "I played too much tennis."

Now he's back, selling real estate at Lang Realty in Manalapan, where his son, Donald, is also a Realtor.

"I enlisted 71 years ago," he says with a smile, "and I'm still going strong."

A single day in Washington is scarcely enough to remember a war that lasted four years and claimed 291,557 American lives, but it was a full day.

Gorbach toured the Iwo Jima Memorial, was served lunch by the Knights of Columbus, watched the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and ended the day with a visit to the World War II Memorial on the National Mall.

The monuments moved him, but the surprises brought tears to his eyes.

"As we were departing on the runway," he recalled, "a

truck from Palm Beach Fire-Rescue gave us a fantastic salute, washing down our plane to salute us for our service."

They arrived at Reagan National Airport to be greeted by a huge crowd of men, women and children waving signs and reaching to shake their hands or kiss them.

A band was playing, a choral group from West Point was singing. "It brought tears to everyone's eyes," Gorbach said. "We couldn't help it."

During lunch at a Knights of Columbus hall, he was met by three cousins he hadn't seen in years, and at the World War II Memorial on the Mall, his grandchildren, Averi and Jared Seligmen, suddenly emerged from the crowd.

Nearby, former Sen. Bob Dole, another 90-year-old vet, sat greeting anyone who wished to shake his hand.

"He saw my nametag and said, 'Hello, how's everything in Florida?'" Gorbach recalled. "A real politician, but he seemed sincere."

And then they were back at PBI, with another crowd cheering and waving signs.

"Seeing my wife and son in the crowd — well, I cried again. ... God bless America. What more can I say?"

About 16 million Americans served in World War II. Today, only about a million survive and most, like Woody Gorbach, are in their 90s.

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## Lantana

# Apartment project proposed for Cenacle property

By Mary Thurwachter

A proposal to redevelop the retreat property owned by the Catholic Cenacle Sisters into a high-end rental community took a step forward on April 23 when the Lantana Planning Commission gave its blessing to a needed zoning change.

There is a contract on the 10-acre property at 1400 S. Dixie Highway, pending a zoning change from commercial to mixed-use waterfront.

The next hurdle for the

buyers, Ocean Ridge developer Jerry Goray and Trinsic Residential Group (a Dallas-based company with an office in Miami), will be securing approval for the zoning change from the City Council. The matter is expected to come up at the town's May 12 meeting.

The Cenacle property stretches between Dixie Highway and the Intracoastal Waterway and is across the street from a shopping center at the corner of Hypoluxo Road and Dixie Highway. The land

was zoned commercial several years ago to make way for a proposed hotel. But that deal fell through.

Boca Raton attorney Bonnie Miskel, representing the developers, said the plan is to build 319 units with resort-like amenities and lush landscaping.

The mixed-use waterfront designation, she said, would be a better fit for the area than the current commercial designation.

Some of the apartments would likely be live/work

units to accommodate small businesses such as architects, designers or attorneys. Renters would have their businesses on the first floor and live upstairs.

Attorney Al Malefatto, who represents the Catholic Cenacle Sisters, said the nuns are very much in favor of the proposal.

Manny Martinez, managing director of the Trinsic Residential Group, said the proposed development would be attractive not only to people who already live in Lantana, but to those who work in West

Palm Beach or Boca Raton.

"Lantana has a small village feel and you can get to Interstate 95 in five minutes," he said.

Martinez's company bought the Peninsula on the Intracoastal in Boynton Beach before construction was finished and the property was in foreclosure. His firm turned the condos into rental units.

"All 70 units were rented for an average of \$2,500 a month," he said. "We sold it to a condo converter."★

## Town agrees to finance gas line extension

By Mary Thurwachter

Rather than borrowing money from a bank, the town of Lantana will finance the extension of natural gas lines to Hypoluxo Island using money from its general fund.

In March, the Town Council directed Town Manager Deborah Manzo to take necessary steps to obtain financing for the design, construction and installation of natural gas lines. After

consulting with Lantana Finance Director Stephen Kaplan, Manzo determined that the most cost-effective financing available would be for the town to underwrite the project itself.

Both the general fund and the utility fund have sufficient balances to accommodate the loan, Manzo said during the town's April 28 meeting. As of Oct. 1, 2013, the general fund had \$4,109,878 and the utility fund had \$5,545,807.

Based on estimates from SunTrust and TD banks, the prevailing interest rates range from 3.75 to 4.5 percent. The cost estimate to obtain bank financing for the \$590,000 project is \$47,000 over the 10-year assessment period, of which nearly \$30,000 could be avoided through town financing. Assuming an interest rate of 4 percent over 10 years, the maximum annual assessment per property would be less than \$270 per year.

But the total cost and amount of the special assessment will ultimately be determined by the Town Council. With the town financing the loan, the average annual interest revenue to Lantana will be about \$12,000 a year for 10 years.

"It's a win-win situation," said Rod Tennyson, one of the islanders who led the push for natural gas. "The town's going to earn some revenue and we'll save money."

While the town is providing the financing, Hypoluxo Island residents will pay for the gas line extension, Mayor Dave Stewart said. "The majority of the people on the island wanted it."

In October, the town sent letters to all 309 property owners asking for a yes or no vote on whether they wanted a natural gas line extended. By deadline, 197 yes votes came in, 11 more than required for passage.★

## Briny Breezes

# Town Council wants changes for deputy town clerk

By Dan Moffett

Briny Breezes Town Council members are trying to figure out how to redefine the deputy clerk's position so they can offer residents more access to Town Hall services.

The issue comes down to whether Deputy Town Clerk Lesa Shoeman should continue as an independent contractor — the town's only one — who has some flexibility over when and where she works, or should she become a town employee who is required to work in Town Hall during specified hours?

The distinction between contractor and employee is important because of potential liabilities and tax issues the town might face, depending on which arrangement it chooses.

"Essentially, what was happening was the town needs more on-premises work here at Town Hall for the residents," said Town Attorney John Skrandel. "Residents have been complaining about not being able to get communication, whether it's permits or other information, except on Tuesday and Thursday, which is the time the Town Hall is open."

Shoeman took the position in September 2012 and has been under contract as a part-time independent contractor. But that arrangement probably won't work if the town wants her to keep Town Hall open more days each week.

Skrandel said it "tends to make her more of an employee" than a contractor if she's

required to be in the office.

"Residents can't go to her home to get things," Skrandel said during the April 24 council meeting. "If she's not here, it's a problem. If she is here, she's more of an employee." Mayor Mike Hill, also an attorney, said that, as a legal matter, the description of her position doesn't count nearly as much as the nature of the relationship between her and the town.

"Just because we call Lesa an independent contractor or because she wants to be an

independent contractor doesn't make her an independent contractor," Hill said.

The mayor said that if the Internal Revenue Service considers her an employee, then the town would have an obligation to withhold payroll taxes. Hill said he believes that what the town wants from her "makes her sound a lot to me like an employee."

Skrandel said that, because the deputy clerk has access to public records, allowing her independent contractor status

and off-site work raises custody issues about the possibility of important documents leaving the Town Hall. What if they're lost, stolen or destroyed?

Briny has struggled to come up with the right formula for the deputy clerk position for several years. Shoeman, 40, the daughter of town bookkeeper Linda Harvel, is the third person to hold the job since 2011.

Council members have said they have no complaints about Shoeman's performance, but do

want her duties to change. They voted unanimously to cancel her contract, but to keep paying her until May 18, hoping that a new arrangement with her can be worked out by then.

### In other business:

• Council members unanimously approved the proposal of Alderman Karen Wiggins to cancel the July Council meeting.

Wiggins said it's been too difficult to get a quorum for meetings during the summer months.★

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Lantana

# County posts signs forbidding cast netting on new Ocean Avenue Bridge

By Willie Howard

Palm Beach County has posted four “cast netting prohibited” signs at the walkway entrances to the new Ocean Avenue Bridge in Lantana.

County Commissioner Steven Abrams said the county posted the signs (in mid-April) in hopes that cast netters would use the designated fishing platform below the bridge, instead of throwing their nets from the bridge span.

The move follows complaints from Lantana Mayor David Stewart, who lives on nearby Hypoluxo Island and has seen cast netters there several times in the wee hours of the morning since the \$37 million county bridge opened in November.

Stewart said he often sees the netters between 2 and 5 a.m. and worries that some are



The \$37 million Ocean Avenue Bridge, opened in November, features a designated fishing platform for fishermen and cast netters. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

taking more than their share of bait fish and other marine life, sometimes filling drums with the harvest from their nets.

Early April 7, Stewart said one cast netter was filling a bucket with the catch from his net on the bridge, then transferring his catch to a 55-gallon barrel.

“I’m passionate about people

not taking more than they need,” Stewart said.

Hypoluxo Island resident Jennifer Spitznagel said she, too, is concerned that commercial netters are taking too many fish from the waters around the bridge.

“They’re hitting it hard,” Spitznagel said. “The habitat is just coming back. That area is

getting slammed.”

Some cast netters have left oyster shells and fish scales on the walking path of the new bridge, which opened in November and features a designated fishing platform on its west side.

Stewart and Abrams say anglers — and cast netters — should use the fishing platform instead of throwing nets from the walkways and observation platforms on the north and south sides of the bridge.

Stewart said he has asked Lantana police to check anglers and cast netters who are fishing from the new bridge.

“I want it documented that they’re there so often, taking fish out of there,” Stewart said.

Lantana police have checked several anglers and netters since the new bridge opened. None had been charged with any wrongdoing as of early April.

A spokeswoman for the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission said in early April that FWC officers had not charged any cast netters with violations at the Ocean Avenue Bridge since it opened last fall.

On Dec. 1, Lantana police noted that people fishing from the bridge refused to move when the bridge tender needed to open the drawbridge for a boat to pass through. They moved after police arrived.

In several cases, people fishing and netting from the bridge span have moved to the designated fishing catwalk or nearby sea walls as suggested by town police. But others have refused to leave, telling police that they catch more fish near the center of the bridge.

Lantana Manager Deborah Manzo said the town can’t outlaw fishing or cast netting on the bridge because it’s owned by Palm Beach County.

“We just check for fishing licenses and ask that they use the fishing pier,” Manzo said.

Abrams, the District 4 county commissioner, worked with county staff to post “cast netting prohibited” signs on the new bridge and on the County Road 707 bridge leading to Jupiter Island.

“Due to the fact that the people fishing do leave quite a mess behind, the county will be posting signs for no cast netting on two of our bridges,” Abrams said in an April 8 email.

“The county and this commissioner, working with the town of Lantana, devoted a lot of time, energy and money towards constructing the fishing platform as part of the bridge project, specifically so the needs of those wishing to fish would be met,” Abrams said.

Meanwhile, the Lantana Town Council recently decided to add parking meters to the spaces at Bicentennial Park, a move that could deter cast netters from using the bridge.

The waterfront park on the north side of Ocean Avenue is a popular destination for anglers. Installed in March, the meters charge \$1.50 an hour for parking at Bicentennial Park.

Ann Spickler, owner of Perk’s Bait & Tackle off Lantana Road, said the hourly parking fee is discouraging families from fishing at the park — and hurting her business.

“They slipped it in without telling anybody about it,” Spickler said. “How many people will go down there and take the kids if they have to pay a meter?”

Marc Lee, owner of Bar Jack’s Fish Tales tackle shop and the Lady K drift fishing boat on the west side of Sportsman’s Park, said he has no objection to the parking meters — except that they worsen an already troublesome parking situation along Ocean Avenue. ★



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**ABOVE:** A conceptual rendering of the \$1.6 million Harbor Master project that is under construction near the fuel dock at Boynton Harbor Marina. **Rendering courtesy A.W. Architects.**  
**BELOW:** Construction is underway at the Harbor Master building near the fuel docks at Boynton Harbor Marina north of the Two Georges restaurant. **Courtesy of Boynton Beach CRA**

## Boynton Beach

# Marina work starts despite legal challenge

By Willie Howard

The latest renovation project at Boynton Harbor Marina, the Harbor Master building, was under construction in mid April despite a lawsuit filed by West Construction that seeks to stop the work.

Attorneys for Lake Worth-based West, the lowest bidder on the Harbor Master project, filed suit against the Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency on March 13, less than a week after Lake Mary-based Collage Design and Construction Group broke ground on the building.

Collage was the second-lowest bidder on the contract.

The complaint against the CRA, which owns the marina and awarded the construction contract to Collage, asks a judge to stop the work and award the contract to West.

The lawsuit claims that stipulations in the invitation to bid on the marina project — including a requirement that the bidders had not been a party to litigation or arbitration arising from a public project within the past two years — violate Florida law.

West filed a protest of the contract award to Collage, claiming the responsible bidder qualifications were “arbitrary, capricious, vague, indefinite, uncertain, unclear and exclusionary.”

CRA Attorney Ken Spillias said the judge will not consider West’s request for an injunction until after a hearing on the CRA’s motion to dismiss the case. The hearing on the motion to dismiss the case could be as early as this month, Spillias said.

“It is still our position that there is no legal basis for the entry of an injunction,” Spillias said in an April 17 email.

The Harbor Master project will include restrooms, a ship’s store, landscaped open space and new fuel pumps. It’s part of a multi-phase redevelopment of Boynton Harbor Marina, which was purchased by the CRA in 2006.

Earlier work on the marina included building a decorative entry sign on Ocean Avenue



and rebuilding the boat slips and the fuel dock.

Future marina projects will include tearing down a two-story building near the Sea Mist III drift boat docks on the west side of the marina to create open space with benches and landscaping, said Michael Simon, assistant director of the CRA.

At about 1,500 square feet, the Harbor Master building will include an office for the dockmaster, who currently works from a metal shipping container at the fuel dock.

The project is scheduled for completion in January if it’s not

delayed by West’s complaint.

“It’s going to be a big improvement,” said Bill Forbes, captain of the Great Day charter fishing boat moored near the Two Georges restaurant. “This place has come a long way.”

Capt. Geno Pratt of the Geno IV charter boat said he will be glad to see the new Harbor Master building completed.

But Pratt said he would like the CRA to expand public parking at the marina. He said marina parking spaces become scarce on weekends, especially during the winter season. ★



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## Along the Coast

# Dredging contractor pulls out of Boca beach project despite extension

By Cheryl Blackerby

In a surprise move by the contractor, dredging on the north Boca Raton beach has stopped midway through the project, and won't restart until November.

Bad weather caused Boca Raton to miss the April 30 deadline for finishing the dredging project on the north beach.

Up against the time limit, the city scrambled to apply for 15-day-extension permits needed from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Just when Jennifer Bistyga, city coastal program manager, had permit confirmations from the two agencies on April 28, the dredging contractor pulled out with only 55 to 60 percent of the beach work done.

Even with the extension, there wasn't enough time to finish the job and the dredge contractor had another job to go to, Bistyga said. "The contractor left on Saturday (April 26) morning."

The dredging contractor, Marinex Construction in

North Charleston, S.C., won't be back on the beach until early November, she said.

The permits will come in handy to make the beach ready for turtle nesting season, which has already begun, she said.

"We need to take all the pipes off the beach and we need to comb the beach for turtle nesting," she said.

Combing means tilling the sand to fluff it up and make it easier for turtles to dig holes for nests. "Often the sand is very compact and hard for the turtle to lay the eggs," Bistyga said.

Even though the beach project is only half-finished, there's enough sand to give protection for summer storms, she said.

"The northern section has enough material to provide some protection for hurricane season. And we had sand return after we lost it to Sandy," she said.

The north beach of Boca Raton is the fourth and final project in a series of dredging projects that include Delray Beach, Ocean Ridge and south beach in Boca Raton. The back-to-back projects that used the same dredging company



A bulldozer levels the sand escarpment in Ocean Ridge just south of Boynton Beach Oceanfront Park while beachgoers and sea shell collectors enjoy the beach. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

were plagued by high winds and rough seas in the fall and spring.

The Ocean Ridge project also has had problems including escarpments as high as 5 to 9 feet, carved out by waves and wind. On April 23, the county started leveling the scarps, or cliffs. The escarpments made it difficult, if not impossible, for turtles to nest.

"The contractor finished April 23 and the turtle monitor and I checked the beach this morning. All is good," said Tracy Logan, coastal geologist for Palm Beach County Environmental Resources

Management.

Turtle monitors found two turtle nests on the beach, which were marked so bulldozers could work around them.

County sea turtle experts will make the decisions on whether to relocate any newly deposited nests near an escarpment, she said.

"The turtle nests were north of the bulldozer work, north of Ocean Hammock Park. They were leatherback turtles, early nesters," Logan said.

The escarpments were, to some degree, expected, she said.

"Renourished beaches characteristically scarp after

construction as the new beach profile equilibrates," she said. "The sand pumped onto the beach has not yet been sorted by wind and waves. Even some of the native beaches have been scarping in response to the sea conditions we have had this spring."

Boca's north beach project, as well as the beach projects in Ocean Ridge and Delray Beach, are U.S. Army Corps of Engineers beach renourishment projects. The fourth project was south Boca Raton beach, which is not an Army Corps project, but the city used the same contractor to save money. ★



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## Along the Coast



Gloria Adams has worked at the Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square for 25 years, 23 of them as director of the Cornell Museum of Art. **Libby Volgyes/The Coastal Star**

### Retiring museum director exhibited a flair for engaging art

By Lucy Lazarony

For 25 years, artist Gloria Adams has brought eclectic and engaging collections of art to the Delray Beach Center of the Arts.

She's served as director of the Cornell Museum of Art since it opened in 1990.

Before the museum opened, she worked as administrative assistant for all of Old School Square, the original name for the Delray Beach Center for the Arts.

"Everything I do on a daily basis feeds my soul," says Adams from her office at the Cornell Museum, which she was expected to leave at the end of April for her retirement.

She enjoys discovering unknown talents, working with her "priceless" volunteers, and keeping her office door open for visits from the community.

"The fun part of this job is the people you meet and the experiences you have," Adams says. "Every day you wake up and it's an adventure."

And there's the excitement of creating new exhibits and showcasing them in the Cornell Museum, a restored and renovated 1913 Delray elementary schoolhouse with rare Dade County pine floors and tall windows.

"Every time you get an exhibit, it's like Christmas morning," Adams says.

Under Adams' guidance, the

Cornell Museum has hosted a wide range of art and American cultural exhibits over the years.

"We're a pretty eclectic museum. And we pretty much can do everything. And we have," Adams notes. "Just about anything that comes across that would interest the public."

From teddy bears to Barbie dolls to pirates; from military miniatures to wood carvings of birds; from art showcasing local Delray and Florida history to the museum's first national juried exhibition, featuring glass, jewelry, oils, photography, sculpture and watercolors from artists from across the United States — the Cornell Museum has spotlighted it all.

Adams got the idea for what became her favorite exhibit watching a George Carlin comedy bit about people's stuff. Inspired, she invited the community to "bring us your stuff."

And they brought it. Betty Boop dolls, Victorian jam jars, stamps, purses, hats: All kinds of cherished items from people's homes were contributed. Soon there were memory walls for the 1940s, '50s and '60s. But Adams still needed a star, a standout to make the exhibition complete. Into her office walked artist Jay DePalma, who creates gorgeous, graphite drawings of the glamour girls of the '40s, '50s and '60s.

"The same day, he brought

them in," Adams remembers.

"I can't tell you how I do a show. It just sort of falls into place."

Joe Gillie, president of the Delray Beach Center for the Arts, says it is Adams' own creativity that brings together the exhibits. Adams knows how to find works of art and she knows how to work with the community.

"For us, Gloria has been the consummate professional. She has been able to transform this museum into something the community really cares about," Gillie says. "And she's been able to do it on a shoestring budget and that's amazing."

Adams has the Cornell Museum booked until February 2015 with shows including a paper as art exhibit and a "red, white and beautiful" quilting exhibit from Gold Coast Quilters.

After 25 years focused on creating exhibitions of other people's art, Adams, a watercolor artist, will be picking up her paintbrush this summer.

"I'll probably start painting again. Volunteer somewhere. Spend the summer with my grandchildren," Adams says.

Will she still contribute to the Delray Beach Center for Arts?

"Oh yeah! It's in my blood. Morning, noon and night for 25 years! How could I not? I'll be around." ★

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## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Donna Schneier

Envelopes get pushed when art dealer Donna Schneier is involved.

The Manalapan resident's latest coup is an enviable exhibition at The Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City titled "Unique by Design." It will become part of the permanent collection.

"It's really cool," said Schneier, noting the exhibit will be curated as 20th-century art, not jewelry. "This is art. It just happens to be art-to-wear."

She donated the 100-plus pieces she has collected throughout the decades to the museum in 2007, the year she left the Big Apple and moved to South Florida. The pieces were designed by 88 artists from 17 countries and date mostly from the 1960s and '70s.

"Everything was revolutionary at that time, even jewelry," Schneier said. "Big, bold, dangerous. I thought it was an amazing envelope to push because traditional jewelry has always been associated with precious metals. If you think about other cultures, that's not true. Jewelry has always been simply something which denoted your stature in life."

Schneier will make another mark at The Met when the museum publishes a book to accompany the collection featuring 150 photographs and an essay written by metalsmith editor Suzanne Ramljak.

"That city gave me so much," said the former New Yorker, whose company Donna Schneier Fine Arts specializes in post-World War II ceramics, glass and sculpture. "That city changed me totally as a human being and offered me incredible opportunities. I wanted to give something back."

Closer to home, Schneier chairs Bijoux, a daring art-jewelry sale that raises money for the Norton Museum in West Palm Beach. This year's sale took place at the end of February.

"It turned into a wonderful, exciting, educational, glamorous event," Schneier said. "The message is that



Donna Schneier's collection forms the show 'Unique by Design' at The Metropolitan Museum of Art. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

there are other forms of body decorations other than diamonds and pearls."

— Amy Woods

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

**A.** Miami Beach. In the '50s, Miami Beach was similar to Palm Beach today — a quiet, elegant lifestyle but with lots of "sparkle plenty." You can take the girl out of Miami Beach but not Miami Beach out of the girl.

**Q.** How/when did you begin collecting jewelry?

**A.** I always collected some form of art jewelry, like art-deco jewelry, Bakelite — a plastic product — and Matisse Renoir copper and enamel costume jewelry of the '40s to early '60s, based on the modernist art forms. I encountered contemporary art jewelry on a trip to London in the mid-'80s.

**Q.** Have you had other careers? What were the

highlights?

**A.** I have been an art dealer since 1966, but left the art world for 15 years to import gold jewelry from Italy to large-volume discount users in the United States. The business, Una Donna, was the country's third-largest gold importer. It was sold in 1991. I couldn't wait to return to the art world.

**Q.** What advice do you have for those pursuing a career in the fine arts today?

**A.** If you do what you love, you won't work a day in your life.

**Q.** Tell us about your exhibit at the Norton Museum.

**A.** The event at the Norton is a fundraiser for the museum called Bijoux. It is a four-day event in its third year. We invite artist from all over the world who make art jewelry their career to participate.

**Q.** How did you choose to make your home in Manalapan?

**A.** New York City — that routine was just too much for us. We decided we loved Florida, we'd lived in Florida before, so we decided we're going to stay in Florida.

**Q.** What is your favorite part about living in Manalapan?

**A.** It reminds me of growing up in Miami Beach — a safe, beautiful place to live. You can easily get to any cultural activity, and shopping, restaurants, tennis, golf ... what could be better? Everytime I look out my window and I see water — which is such a sedative — I can't believe I'm lucky enough to live here.

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

**A.** "I ask not for a lighter burden, just broader shoulders." (A Jewish proverb.)

**Q.** Have you had mentors in your life — individuals who have inspired your life decisions?

**A.** My father, Dr. Irwin Makovsky; and my beloved art-history professor, Abe Chanin. My father was probably the most ethical man I've met in my life. He was a physician. He was deeply religious. He said to us, "I never want to see your name in the newspaper because you've done something wrong." Ha!

My art-history professor was a great inspiration, and he knew that I wanted to collect, and so he would say to me, "Always buy what you can afford and pay it out." That's what I did.

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

**A.** Meryl Streep. I think she's the epitome of the modern woman. She has a career. She has a family. I used to see her up in the New York playhouses with her children. She's intelligent. She's compassionate. She's all the things that I hope I am. ★

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## Along the Coast

# 'Saturation' efforts aim to make roads safer for all users

By Rich Pollack

The YouTube videos and website postings flooded the Internet for days after the South Florida Safe Roads Task Force completed its weeklong initiative last month to increase safety among bicyclists, motorists and pedestrians on State Road A1A.

The phones were ringing, too — off the wall, in some places.

Many of the postings and calls were from bicyclists concerned that the police "saturation" effort involving several law enforcement agencies and coordinated by the task force were a bit heavy-handed and inconsistent. Other calls, postings and emails came from residents and even some bicyclists pleased by the effort.

For the task force, getting people talking and thinking about the need to share the road safely was what the effort was all about.

"We went into this wanting to increase awareness and educate the public, whether they were in a car, on a bicycle or walking," said task force spokeswoman Tara Kirschner, executive director of the Dori Slosberg Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to traffic safety. "Through all the feedback and the statistics, which show this wasn't a citation-writing mission, we made significant inroads toward achieving that goal."

Statistics compiled by the task force show that participating law enforcement officers, from northern Broward County through the town of Manalapan, issued 175 citations during the effort, which took place during the first week of April. In addition, there were 100 written warnings and 148 verbal warnings.

A closer look at the numbers,

however, shows that motorists received the most citations, 107, and that pedestrians received 35 tickets, two more citations than bicyclists.

When it came to warnings, cyclists received 83 written warnings and 138 verbal warnings, while motorists received 15 written warnings and four verbal warnings. Pedestrians received two written warnings and six verbal warnings.

The statistics do not include citations or warnings written by Palm Beach County sheriff's deputies, who assisted in the effort.

"We're setting out to avoid serious accidents," Kirschner said. "The more people who know what rules pertain to them, the faster we can achieve that goal."

Following the police saturation initiative, members of the task force met with representatives of local bicycle clubs in small groups to discuss the initiative and future efforts to raise awareness of safety issues.

"We want this initiative to work, too, but it just needs to be redefined and consistent in the way the rules are enforced," said Chris Hoch, executive director of the ZMotion Foundation, which includes 1,300 riders. "Some cyclists, including me, think this is great for those who are breaking the law, but everyone needs to be on the same page."

Kirschner said the task force plans additional small meetings with cyclist groups to discuss future safety and education-focused initiatives, which could include similar saturations but also safety events and public service announcements.

"We really want this to be something that is amenable and beneficial to everyone," she said. ★

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**Manalapan**

**Commissioners give final approval to Audubon bridge project**

By Dan Moffett

After viewing an engineering consultant's slide show and getting reassuring answers to another round of unsettling questions, the Manalapan Town Commission unanimously agreed to move forward with a plan to replace the aging Audubon Causeway bridge.

The decision ends months of administrative hand-wringing over the cost, design and construction inconvenience for the 25-foot span that links two portions of Point Manalapan.

Commissioner Peter Isaac called the April 22 vote approving the \$750,000 project a "kick it back in gear" resolution.

The town now will seek bids from contractors and approval from state and federal agencies,

a permitting process that could itself take several months to complete.

The goal is to begin construction about a year from now, at the end of the 2014-15 tourist season. Brian Rheault, the owner of the town's engineering consulting firm, West Palm Beach-based Bridge Design Associates, says it will take about eight months to finish the work once the actual building begins.

One lane of the bridge will be kept open at all times during construction to allow traffic to cross, Rheault told the commission, but the waterway underneath the span will be closed to boats. He said motorists will be left to use "an on-your-honor system" when it comes to yielding to oncoming vehicles.

"This type of bridge replacement requires residents to be polite and develop some type of common decency," he said. "They have to develop some sort of etiquette."

Rheault put on a slide show for commissioners of a similar project his company oversaw, replacing the Island Drive bridge in Ocean Ridge five years ago.

He said much of the concrete sections of the structure will be precast to avoid downtime and keep the project moving. Most of the materials and equipment will be staged off-site to avoid cluttering the construction area and annoying homeowners.

It will take about 4½ months for workers to complete half the bridge, opening a new lane that will have no load restrictions on trucks and utility vehicles. "Anything can cross at that point," Rheault said.

The town can expect "50 years plus" of service from the rebuilt bridge, according to the consultants, who says the

current Audubon bridge is about that old and has none of the more durable modern materials that will go into the new span.

Rheault told commissioners they might be able to shorten the construction time by offering the contractor financial incentives to finish early — typically, something in the order of \$1,000 for each day the project beats a set deadline. The town could also put penalties into the contractor's contract for going past the deadline.

"You'd be surprised how many contractors do that because they see that as pure profit," he said. "But if you offer the incentive, you have to have the disincentive, too, for finishing late."

**In other business:**

- Commissioners unanimously approved spending \$23,500 from an unassigned fund to cover the cost of making the entrance to the Town Hall compliant with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

A consultant's report recommended design changes that included building a ramp to the main entrance and reconfiguring parking spaces to provide better access for people with disabilities. Town resident Kersen de Jong had complained to officials that the building was not compliant with ADA standards.

- Mayor David Cheifetz said he is frustrated over the difficulties commissioners have had getting things done and will offer a reorganization plan at the next commission meeting.

"Part of it is the process itself," Cheifetz said. "I've learned that there are many more acronyms than I even want to think about — there's RFQs, RFPs, BMAs and Sunshine Laws — and getting the simplest things done in the public sector is sort of frustrating for me."

The mayor says his plan will draw principles from businesses in the private sector that he hopes will allow the commission to function more efficiently. ★



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South Palm Beach

# Webb sworn in as new police chief

By Dan Moffett

Carl Webb's career in law enforcement began in Pittsburgh during the 1970s when he volunteered as a reserve officer with his hometown's police department.

Webb went on to earn his certification at the Indiana (Pa.) University academy, and then decided to abandon his beloved Steelers to seek employment in a warmer climate. He came to Florida and got a job as an officer with the Greenacres Police Department in 1986, and three years later showed up in South Palm Beach, looking for an opening.

The town hired Webb on Jan. 12, 1989. It was the start of an enduring relationship between cop and community.

On April 22, 2014, South Palm Beach made him its police chief.

"Twenty-five years means an awful lot," said Councilman Robert Gottlieb, after the Town Council unanimously approved Webb's promotion from acting

chief, a position he held since Chief Roger Crane's retirement in November.

Webb, 60, said his goal is to maintain the level of service residents have received in recent years and do so with a commitment to openness.

"We have nothing to hide and everything to show," Webb said.

"I want to be more available to everyone to let them understand what we are doing. Sometimes police departments are perceived as secret entities. I want the perception to be that we are an open door. If you have any questions, any time, stop in and see me."

Council members have praised the attention to detail in Webb's monthly incident reports since he took over running daily operations six months ago. Down the road, he says the town will have to consider making some capital improvements to the department.

"I'm always willing to take a look at advances in technology,"

Webb said. "We have in-car camera systems that are first generation and need to be updated. Even our cars are starting to age. Our weapons are 20 years old, and it's about time to make improvements with them."

During the last year, Webb has been directly involved in the hiring of four of the seven officers he now commands, so this is a department that already bears his mark.

"It's an honor to serve," he said, "and I appreciate the faith the town has shown in me."

**In other business:**

- Council members unanimously approved Yudy Alvarez as town clerk, ending her probationary appointment that began when she replaced Janet Whipple, who resigned in October to take a part-time position as town clerk of Loxahatchee Groves.

Alvarez had been deputy town clerk since 2008 and was hired in 2006 as the town's permit clerk. She will earn \$45,000 annually and last year



Police Chief Carl Webb and Town Clerk Yudy Alvarez were sworn in to their official positions. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

was designated a certified town clerk by the Florida Association of City Clerks.

Mayor Donald Clayman said Alvarez's promotion "was seconded by everyone — with definite unanimity."

- The town got a glowing financial report from its outside auditor, Ronald Bennett of West Palm Beach-based Nowlen Holt & Miner PA.

Bennett said that in 26 years of doing audits for numerous towns along A1A, South Palm Beach is virtually the only municipality he's seen that has no debt and no issues with

its balance sheet. Despite the nosedive in property values from the economic downturn and corresponding loss of tax dollars, the town has steadily increased its surplus revenues in recent years and now has \$1.1 million in its unassigned fund.

Bennett credited town administrators for their sound fiscal management and keeping a tight rein on expenditures through some tough years.

"The town manager has done an outstanding job," Clayman said of Rex Taylor, "and this just proves it." ★

**South Palm Beach police history**

**May 1955:** Town of South Palm Beach is created, five-eighths of a mile long. Palm Beach County Sheriff's deputies patrol main road, A1A.

**April 1973:** South Palm Beach has an estimated population to be just over 300 people living in 12 condo buildings. Town officials meet with the state attorney to determine how to enforce ordinances without a police department.

**1976:** Town creates Public Safety Department and hires retired New York City officer Stanley Morse to run it.

**July 1977:** County Planning Board suggests the towns of South Palm Beach south to Gulf Stream form one police agency.

**Aug. 13, 1979:** South Palm Beach police assist Manalapan in capturing two alleged immigrant smugglers. The boat captain and deckhand are tried for six counts of murder for allegedly forcing a woman and her children overboard off the coast of Manalapan. They drowned.

**January 1983:** After another incident of immigrant smuggling, Morse criticizes the federal government for not providing money or assistance to South Florida communities to deal with the flow of refugees.

**Oct. 1, 1985:** Town approves hiring of a ninth police officer at \$22,000 salary.

**1986:** Lantana provides emergency service to South Palm Beach.

**1993:** Chief Morse retires. He hired eight men to patrol A1A and the parking lots of condo buildings. The town becomes noted for the many speeding tickets the officers issue.

**January 1994:** Capt. Roger Crane promoted to chief.

**February 1997:** County agrees to spend about \$430,000 to expand West Palm Beach's police radio system to include South Palm Beach and five other cities.

**2001:** South Palm Beach, already protesting its population count, files formal challenge to Census 2000 count. Its 2000 number of 699 is 781 people less than the 1990 count of 1,480. The Census

population number is used to determine national crime rates.

**February 2001:** Robin Scoggin, town's first female public safety officer, resigned minutes before she was scheduled to give a taped interview regarding her firefighting background for a South Palm Beach police internal investigation.

**April 2004:** New state fire regulations force South Palm Beach to contract with county for fire-rescue.

**2005:** Starting salary for a police officer is \$34,500.

**October 2005:** Hurricane Wilma, a backdoor storm, blasts through the town. Police officers work 24/7 for eight days. Town Hall lost a window on the east side, forcing two officers to hold a piece of plywood on the opening during the storm. The town didn't have water or power for days. The police officers, who provide "kid-glove service" to their residents, drove a truck out to the South Florida Fairgrounds to pick up bottled water. The officers then climbed flights of stairs to deliver the water.

**Aug. 17-18, 2009:** Mayor Marty Millar has dust-up with the town police after having too much to drink at Rachel's strip club and trying to use his own town police cruisers as a taxi service, a request nixed by Crane.

**Oct. 1, 2009:** Police dispatch handled by Lantana.

**November 2011:** In a rare violent crime, a shooter fires 22 rounds in the hallways of a condo building where he lived. He said he fired the shots to warn others about a bomb in the building. But officers did not find a bomb, and he was arrested on two felony charges.

**Nov. 12, 2013:** Crane retires, Capt. Carl Webb is appointed interim chief. Town has eight police officers including the chief. Starting salary for a police officer is \$43,000.

**April 22, 2014:** Carl Webb sworn in as South Palm Beach's police chief.

— Compiled by Jane Smith

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## Obituaries

### Elsie Silva

By Ron Hayes

BRINY BREEZES — Elsie Silva was a single mother who reared six children by herself, made their clothes, cooked homemade meals, worked two or three jobs, and baked molasses cookies that were sweet to eat but hard on a diet.



“She made cookies all the time,” remembers her daughter, Joanne Friedman. “Homemade bread.

Swedish pastries. She’d say, ‘Want a cookie?’ when I was on a diet, and I’d say, ‘Oh, Mom, why’d you do that?’ I’d resist, but it was hard, they were so good.”

Ms. Silva died March 27 at Pinecrest Hospice in Delray Beach. She was 78 and had wintered in Briny Breezes for about 10 years before moving here permanently in 2007.

In addition to her baking, she was active in the town’s shuffleboard and watercolor clubs, played the card game Train, and made a ritual of Wednesday visits to local thrift shops with several friends.

“When you have six kids, I’m not sure strict even came into it,” Mrs. Friedman said. “I know you never talked back to her, but somehow she always made ends meet and ended up buying her own house.”

Elsie Ostergberg Silva was born in Jamaica Plain, Mass., on Jan. 21, 1936, and worked as a telephone receptionist in Boston hospitals and private businesses before moving to Freeville, N.Y., with her companion, Charlie Hatfield.

In addition to Joanne and Ira Friedman, also of Briny Breezes; and Mr. Hatfield of Freeville N.Y., Ms. Silva is survived by three other daughters, Laurie Kirby and her husband, John, of Worcester, Mass.; Deborah Deluca and her husband, Peter, of Leicester, Mass.; Cyndi Hylton and her husband, Mark, of Oxford, Mass.; and a son, James Donald McEwen and his wife, Katherine, of Franklin Mass.; 18 grandchildren, eight great-grandsons and a great-granddaughter.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Denise, who is survived by her husband, Andre, and a son, Reynard, of Becket, Mass.

A memorial service was held in Briny Breezes on April 9, with another planned at the McLean Community Church in McLean, N.Y., on June 15.

The family asks that donations be made to a hospice of readers’ choice.





Karen Marcil and Christina Auer show off items from Our Boat House in Boca Raton's Mizner Park. The retail company was started in 2005 in Vero Beach. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

**Business Spotlight**

**Family gets a blast of inspiration from hurricanes for decor store**

By Christine Davis

You can thank Frances, Jeanne and Wilma for Boca Raton's new boutique that features all things nautical for the home. It all started in 2005, the year that named storms made it all the way to Zeta. They were the perfect storms that created a website, ourboathouse.com, that by 2011 grew into a Vero Beach store, Our Boat House Inc., and, six months ago, expanded yet again to Our Boat House III at 425 Plaza Real in Mizner Park, Boca Raton.

Just like a powerhouse whirlwind, the Auer family's Our Boat House venture continues to gain momentum and move along the coastline. "I've been a decorator all my life," explained co-owner Lori Auer-Smith, who started Our Boat House with her sister, Karen Marcil.

"Karen's home in Vero Beach was damaged during hurricanes Frances and Jeanne. "We renovated the house and completely redid it, incorporating nautical touches, including porthole doors and ship cargo lights that we had found in our travels. The house received such a great reaction that we decided to start a website to sell similar items."

Since it is a family affair, Lori serves as decorator and buyer; Karen buys and also runs the Vero store; their brother Albert, with his wife, Christina, Boca Raton residents, oversee the Mizner Park store; and their mother, Ellie Auer, accompanies her daughters on buying trips. Inspiration for the store came from growing up in the Hamptons, and Ellie, who is a long-time collector.

They grew up with nautical items, Lori said. "After the 1939 hurricane that hit Long Island, our mother found a post from an old hotel sign, which she placed next to our fireplace." It's just got to be the wind

and the water. "These kinds of things are in our blood," she said.

Popular items on the site and at the stores include authentic, brass, ship-cargo lights, teak-porthole doors, unusual old trunks, sea floats, bed linens embroidered with a rope motif, and custom driftwood furniture and wall hangings.

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"They are so fresh-looking, and we use touches of blues and greens in our designs. We also have outdoor furniture and hand-painted furniture. Our fabrics are all natural washable cottons and linen," Auer-Smith said. "We have more than 2,000 products on our website, and we sell over the country."

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## Business Spotlight

## The Bridge returns as Waterstone Resort &amp; Marina

On May 7, **Waterstone Resort & Marina**, 999 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton, will celebrate its grand opening. A marriage of water and stone, the resort and marina feature fabulous water views, a social and fun pool promenade, handsome architecture and interior décor that seamlessly integrates with its water environment, guest suites with balconies and water views and two dining venues (**Boca Landing** and **Waterstone Bar & Grill**).

Saluting the arts, it features works curated exclusively for the resort by **Bette Ridgeway** and **Nina Sampaleanu**, including a piece that draws influences from the coastal surroundings. The resort also will feature partnerships with regional cultural venues providing event access and a variety of packages.

At a ribbon-cutting ceremony on May 8, **Plaza Theatre** patrons will be treated to food, drink and entertainment at **Club Plaza's** new piano bar. They'll enjoy a cabaret show *Broadway's Second Bananas*, starring **Beth Dimon**, followed by a performance by **David Curtis**. Future activities will include jazz performances, chamber musicals and other eclectic events. For information about the Plaza Theatre, its current or upcoming season, contact the Plaza Theatre box office at 262 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan, call 588-1820, or visit [www.plazatheatre.net](http://www.plazatheatre.net)

An independently organized **TEDx** event will make its debut with a program about ideas worth spreading, scheduled for 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. May 9 in the **University Theatre** on the **Florida Atlantic University**



The former Boca Raton Bridge Hotel, now known as Waterstone Resort & Marina, will have its grand opening May 7. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

campus. The conference offers short talks, demonstrations and performances by experts on a wide range of subjects.

Among those presenting will be **Brad Short**, who started his journey with parkour at the age of 14. Parkour is an athletic discipline in which participants negotiate any environment as efficiently as possible using their physical abilities. It commonly involves running, jumping, vaulting, rolling and other similar physical movements.

Short became fascinated after seeing a film about parkour, and started his own YouTube channel in 2011 dedicated to showcasing his parkour abilities and daring stunts. He has built a name for himself within the parkour community and quickly

reached a point of training with the most recognized and talented parkour athletes in the world.

Short attended Florida Atlantic University and pursued a degree in exercise science. In February 2011, he became a certified parkour and free-running instructor through the World Freerunning and Parkour Federation. Short is now the manager and head instructor at **Intensity Parkour**, a parkour gym in Margate.

General admission tickets are \$100, and include all meals and beverages and a seat in the main auditorium. Tickets for students have limited availability and include all meals and beverages for \$30, and seating in the simulcast lounge. All tickets may be purchased at [www.tedxboacaraton.com](http://www.tedxboacaraton.com), where biographies and information on all expert speakers may be seen.

At its 12th annual **Doggie Ball** on March 24, **Tri County Humane Society** leadership announced a new organization name and unveiled a new logo and plans for campus expansion. The new name is **Tri County Animal Rescue**, and visual re-branding was launched to reflect its mission of a 100 percent no-kill regional 501(c)3 animal rescue nonprofit that operates 100 percent on donations.

"We have spent a great deal of time strategizing on a re-freshened branding that effectively communicates 'what we do' and 'what drives us,'" said the organization's chairwoman, **Harriet Lewis-Mooney**.

The new logo design is symbolic in both color and elements, she added. "It is a dramatic departure from the rescue organization's previous branding mark that featured an umbrella and a variety of animals, including ducks, bunnies, hamsters and birds that are not rescued by Tri County for adoption."

The new logo features the colors of red, yellow and orange. The choice of red reflects the action and passion of the organization's board, staff, volunteers, donors and advocates. Yellow emulates the Florida sun, as well as the happiness that awaits abandoned, abused or neglected dogs and cats, puppies and kittens rescued each year. Orange stimulates optimism and awakens the community to join and advocate for the organization and those it saves.

On the logo, a dog and cat are featured in a protective

haven of a palm tree with the brand promise of "100 percent no kill" arched above their heads.

Co-founder and executive director **Suzi Goldsmith** reported that a new state-of-the-art animal rescue center on Boca Rio Road was designed to increase quality intake services. The center will house an examination room, a treatment room, and isolation facilities for rescues with contagious illnesses and conditions.

The **Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce** will host 36 teams of golfers at its 44th annual **Golf Classic** on June 6 at **Via Mizner Golf & Country Club**, 6200 Boca del Mar Drive, Boca Raton.

Participating golfers will enjoy breakfast, a putting contest, and a day of golfing followed by a luncheon/awards reception. The event will kick off at 7 a.m. with a breakfast and finishes around 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$200 per player and \$800 per foursome. Approximately 170 guests are expected to attend. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For information, call 395-4433, ext. 233.

Gearing up for its **Festival Days** in August, the Boca Chamber recently unveiled its 2014 Festival Days logo, which was created by **Ashley Ramirez**, a ninth-grade student from the marketing and communications class of **West Boca High School**. Selected from more than 20 entrants, Ramirez's logo depicts the sun representing a heart that is shining and warming the Boca community.

Hosted by the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, **30 Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!)** students, ages 11 through 18, will compete in the Sixth Annual Southeast Region Saunders Scholars Competition, 3:30 p.m. May 16 at Florida Atlantic University's College of Business, DeSantis Pavilion.

This is one of three national events; the top two student businesses from each regional competition will be flown to Washington, DC to compete in the Finals round at America's Small Business Summit. These young entrepreneurs will be competing to win college scholarships ranging from \$25,000 to \$50,000 and the opportunity to be on ABC Television's hit show *Shark Tank*.

The Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce has been administering the YEA! Program in partnership with FAU for three years with great success. The Boca Chamber Young Entrepreneurs Academy has graduated more than 50 CEOs in the seventh through 12th grades, and a national YEA! winner graduated from the Boca Chamber program.

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The Style Bar Hair Bar and Day Spa in Palm Beach recently provided three cancer patients with a spa day. **Pictured:** Sandy Wade, Gail Forrester, Perrie Gurfein (spa owner) and Judy Kephart. **Photo provided**

Express Travel Insider for the British Virgin Islands. "It is a wonderful honor," Davis said. "Palm Beach Travel is an American Express affiliate, specializing in Platinum and Centurion Travel as well as cruises, tours and family reunions. The British Virgin Islands are one of the most beautiful places to explore, and my customers always appreciate insights into ways to enjoy the Islands, even if they have been there before." For information, call Palm Beach Travel at 585-5885.

**E. Peter McLean's** investment of time and money at 70 Curlew Road in Manalapan certainly helped sell the home, said listing agents **Nicholas Malinosky and Randy Ely**, realtors with **Corcoran**.

McLean bought the property in October 2008 for \$1.25 million, and this February, the 7,824-square-foot Bermuda-style home sold for \$2.7 million to **Henry and Junko Siemon**. "While that looks like double the price and it was purchased as an investment property, Peter completely redid it and lived in it for a couple of years. He basically rebuilt it and he created one of the most incredible homes with beautiful finishes," Malinosky said.

Two homes owned by **Dennis and Shelia Hammond** that sold within days of each other would not be considered flipping, either. Perhaps double downsizing would be more appropriate to say?

Between April 1 and April 3, the Hammonds sold a home at 346 Brazilian Ave., Palm Beach, for a recorded \$5.425 million to a revocable trust in the name of **Elizabeth D. Remmert**, with Remmert serving as trustee. Beverly Broberg of **Brown Harris Stevens** represented Remmert. Broker **Linda Gary** of **Linda A. Gary Real Estate** represented the Hammonds. The Hammonds paid \$5 million

for the Palm Beach property last July, property records show.

Again represented by Linda Gary, the Hammonds also sold their Manalapan estate at 1920 S. Ocean Blvd. for a recorded \$11.84 million. The buyer was a Miami-based limited liability company named **South Ocean Living LLC**, represented by agents **Jack Elkins** and **Bunny Hiatt** of **Fite Shavell Associates**. The Hammonds had paid \$10 million for the house in July 2011.

Some more real estate news: **Lang Realty** recently made a \$4,500 donation to **Habitat for Humanity** as part of its annual Open House Extravaganza, where prospective home buyers toured more than 300 listings priced from \$200,000 to more than \$1 million throughout the Palm Beach and Treasure Coast.

No surprise, the Boca Raton-based **National Council on Compensation Insurance** supports its employees living healthy lives, too. In March, its employees celebrated **National Nutrition Month** by participating in interactive workshops, seminars and contests on a variety of food-related subjects, as well as access to an onsite farmer's market, with healthy food good to go home for supper.

**Akron Biotech** recently was awarded a **Phase 1 Small Business Innovative Research Award** from the **National Institutes of Health** to develop enzyme-based formulations for the isolation of stem cells from various tissues. A collaboration with **Dr. Gregg Fields**, vice president of scientific affairs at **Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies**, the project will involve the use of new engineered-enzyme formulations to improve viability and quality of isolated stem cells with no toxicities. Akron Biotech will manufacture and

commercialize kits for tissue dissociation and develop further therapeutic applications for a wide variety of diseases.

"This is a critical step toward improving healthcare and advancing cell therapies," said **Claudia Zylberberg**, founder and CEO of Akron Biotech.

This past April, luxury home décor designer, **Michael Aram**, founder of **Michael Aram, Inc.** and the creative director of **MacKenzie-Childs**, **Rebecca Proctor**, appeared at **Bloomington's** and **Neiman Marcus** in Boca Raton to introduce the brands' newest collections.

**Felicia Holden** recently was named senior vice president of human resources and operations of the independent brokerage and risk management agency **Century Risk Advisors**, which has offices in Boca Raton and Miami. Holden began her career in New York as operations manager of a major investment banking firm, before moving in 1990 to South Florida.

She found her niche within human resources at an annuities company in Boca Raton, where she held the position of human resources generalist. She then joined **Century Financial Services**, where she was assistant vice president, director of human resources and administration.

Holden has achieved an insurance designation as an accredited customer service representative and has her Florida customer service representative insurance license. She also received the Society for Human Resource Management's designation of professional in human resources.



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an unrelated and pleasant treatment.

"After booking so many dates for doctors' appointments, it was nice to pencil in 'spa day appointment at the Style Bar' in my calendar," said **Gail Forrester**, a breast cancer survivor and single mother of two.

The **Style Bar Hair Bar & Day Spa** in Palm Beach provided Forrester, **Judith Kephart** and **Sandy Wade**, all patients from the **South Florida Radiation Oncology Program**, with massages, manicures, pedicures and facials.

"It's nice to give back to the community, especially when so many survivors are overwhelmed with medical bills," said **Style Bar** owner **Perrie Gurfein**. "The last thing they can afford is to treat themselves to a day at the spa, but it's honestly the very thing they need and deserve, and we were happy to provide them with this. I speak firsthand, as a cancer survivor myself."

Recently, **Annie Davis**, owner of **Palm Beach Travel** at **Plaza del Mar** in Manalapan, was named the American

The **Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce's** 28th annual Chamber Golf Tournament, a scramble with four-player teams and 18 holes to be held at **Gleneagles Country Club**, is just around the corner on May 16.

Promising to be lots of fun, there's a cocktail hour and contests (longest and straightest drives, closest to the pin, hole-in-one). Price is \$650 per foursome or \$165 per player.

Gleneagles Country Club, recently named "Best New Golf Course" by *Golf Digest*, is at 7667 Victory Lane, Delray Beach. Registration and lunch is scheduled for 11 a.m. with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be offered at 5 p.m., followed by an awards presentation.

Golfers who don't want to play a full game or can't get a whole team together, can join for the buffet lunch, attend an afternoon lesson from a Gleneagles Country Club professional followed by a stretch-and-strength lesson, then attend the cocktail reception and awards ceremony.

"If you're on the road and on your way to Florida, you now can plan your whole visit to Delray Beach before you even get here," says **Stephanie Immelman**, executive director of the **Delray Beach Marketing Cooperative**. That's because the marketing cooperative worked with **Rand McNally's Best Town Travels** program to help build a new mobile app for vacationers and business travelers learn about Delray Beach and what it has to offer. Through the free app, visitors will have easy access to an overview of the area, as well as listings of things to do, places to stay and restaurants to visit. The free app is available on iTunes.

On March 26, in honor of **Women's History Month**, three women battling three types of cancer came together for their scheduled appointments just like they've done in the past; only this time they received

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Richie Podvesker, deli master of the store, directs a customer to the beer collection while handling the sandwich orders of a dozen customers at a time. He has been making subs and other meals for more than 21 years.

## Along the Coast

# New owners, same old-school style at Seaside Deli

Richie stays on at popular deli as new owners strive to keep business a family affair

By Paula Detwiller

The roadside deli you know and love has changed hands.

But don't worry. The pair of hands you care most about — the ones that make your favorite submarine sandwich — aren't going anywhere. And according to the new owner, not much else will change, either.

You'll still be able to pick up a No. 19 (turkey, avocado, swiss, honey mustard, lettuce and tomato on a kaiser roll), a six-pack of Red Stripe, some shoestrings, motor oil and a cake mix. You'll still hear Frank Sinatra tunes while picking out your purchases. And all those autographed celebrity photos will remain on the wood-paneled walls.

The Seaside Deli and Market, located on A1A a half-mile south of Woolbright Road, is the barrier island's upscale, old school convenience store. It's also the only "food-to-go" place along A1A from Manalapan down to Delray Beach.

So when the owner (who asked that



**ABOVE:** The gator head at the cash register has been lending pennies to customers for decades, and prepackaged meals fill one of the many coolers. **CENTER:** Kevin Belliard, son of new owner Rafael Belliard, is already working on the books. **RIGHT:** The walls of the store are covered with autographed photos and a collection of Polaroids featuring smiling customers. **Photos by Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

we not name him in this story), quietly sold the business early last month, some may have wondered about its fate.

"I don't know what the neighborhood would do without this place," says Gulf Stream resident and deli regular Gene Jankowski, who was dropping in to

order his usual tuna salad and cole slaw. "Richie's the best."

That would be Richie Podvesker, 41, son of the owner and the face of the deli counter for the past 21 years. He too shies away from talking about himself, except to blurt out a very telling

individual statistic.

"I can knock out a sandwich every 42 seconds," he says.

And that's a good thing, because long lines can form at the deli counter

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**DELI**

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around lunchtime, particularly on sunny days.

"I drove up here from Pompano today just to see Richie," says former Ocean Ridge resident Michael Homer, getting in line. "He's been my buddy for the longest time, and he makes a great sandwich."

Homer orders a No. 11, chicken salad with bacon.

In addition to "Richie's Special Sandwiches," all 38 of them, the Seaside sells more than 200 different beers; old-fashioned soda in glass bottles (Squirt, birch beer, cream soda); and homemade take-out dinners: baked ziti, barbecue pork, Italian meatballs, soups and quiche.

There's an entire aisle of candy, and if you run out of toilet paper, cat food, hairspray, or champagne, they've got that too.

Richie's brother Hughie worked here for a time, from 1993 to 2001, which explains the double billing on the sign. He ended up going back to the family's native New Jersey.

"It wasn't his thing," Richie's dad says.

**A new family takes over**

The Seaside's new owners are 28-year-old Kevin Belliard, who manages the store, and his parents, Rafael and Leonora. Originally from the Dominican Republic, Rafael Belliard played major league baseball in the 1980s and '90s, first for the



**ABOVE:** You can order most sandwiches any way you want.

**RIGHT:** Richie's dad with Hughie and Richie at the counter of the Seaside Deli in 1993. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star



Pittsburgh Pirates, and later for the Atlanta Braves. He's now an assistant adviser to the general manager of the Kansas City Royals.

Kevin graduated from American Heritage School in Delray Beach and went on to play four years of college baseball (one year at Southern University in Baton Rouge, the rest at Bethune-Cookman University in Daytona Beach). After graduation, he coached baseball at Alabama A&M University before joining the business world, managing an AT&T retail store, and then a

Boca Raton Taco Bell for the past two years.

He and his fiancée, Gladys Rodriguez, live in Boca Raton and have a 2-year-old son named Kevin Alexander Jr.

"We'd been looking around for a business to buy," says Kevin. "From day one, when we saw this store, we fell in love with it. I like how everything feels like you're maybe in a 1960s or '70s movie and it hasn't changed much. It goes with the surf shop next door."

What does he like best?

"The customers. Everyone who comes in feels like family.

The regulars all know my name already. It reminds me of the bodegas in the Dominican Republic. Everyone knows the employees, and you go there because it's convenient and close to home," he says.

Kevin says he's not making any personnel changes.

"It'll be Richie's Seaside Deli and Market as long as he wants to stay here. I kid you not, he makes the best subs I ever tried."

Kevin talks about the uniqueness of the market, with so many items all in one place, and a history of

attracting celebrities. Richie's dad confirms some of the big names: Jimmy Buffett. Mariah Carey. David Caruso. And athletes like one-handed pitcher Jim Abbott, hockey legend Mario Lemieux, NBA star Jim Jackson.

"The deli's been here a long time and been very successful," Kevin says. "We're keeping everything the same."

He pauses. "I am looking to move to the island, though. I would gladly give up a grass backyard in Boca to be near the sand of the beach." ★

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The cake was packed with large bits of lump crab and was held together with minimal binders. The restaurant does not use a lot of seasoning in the crab cake, but it doesn't need



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to when the Key lime aioli served on the side delivers the right mix of tang and zing. The only thing that would have made it better? A perfectly toasted roll.

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Around Town

# Real movie fans prefer Palm Beach Film Fest over others

If you want bright lights, head for the big city. Big bucks and exotic cars and a penthouse suite? Try Cannes. Mucho-chic and mucho celeb? Make Sundance your destination.

But if you stay around as the credits roll to learn who shot and edited ... if you care about what actors do on the screen, not off ... if you love cinema on a small screen ... in other words, if you're a real movie fan, then the **Palm Beach International Film Festival** is for you.

Sure, you get names. The previous 19 festivals have attracted the likes of **Esther Williams, Selma Hayek, Jeremy Renner** and **Jennifer Lawrence**.

This year, **Jason Priestley** touted his first directing job; **Robert Morse**, still going at 82, offered proof that the really talented can blithely slip from stage to movies to TV without blinking.

Occasionally a sleeper wakes up: *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, first screened in Palm Beach, made \$350 million.

You get parties — just not as lavish — after major screenings at Bogart's in Boca's **Cinemark Palace 20** and a VIP bash at **Eau Palm Beach** for a very un-Hollywood \$75.

No battery of searchlights, no chauffeured Bentley or Rolls limo to deliver Priestley and Morse to the theaters and no blinding spotlights inside. Down in front, mikes in hand, in the same low light as their audience, they spoke from the heart about their work.

"We can't bring in big a filmmaker and pay for all his expenses," festival President **Randi Emerman** said, noting that it survives on a budget around \$100,000. "A lot of people from the industry are here, and what they see in the program here is far superior to many other festivals that have lots more money to spend. We



Robert Morse with Randi Emerman and Rick McCoy at the Palm Beach International Film Festival. Photo provided

put a lot of detail into nailing down the best program we can.

"To do it right, we would need a budget of \$700,000, which is still a lot less than many festivals that don't have near the quality. We're able to do it on a budget of less than \$100,000 because a lot of talented people are willing to help and our volunteers have stepped up big time."

Emerman was thrilled that Cinemark finally joined **Muvico** and **Cobb** as presenters. She also singled out the contribution of **Burt Rapoport**, who hosted three post-screening events at his **Bogart's** in-theater restaurant in Boca.

Tie-ins with Sundance and Toronto give Palm Beach more credibility. The filmmakers take good vibes about the area to their home countries, and down the road that brings people, and money, back.

And although Emerman wonders every year if the festival will return, she already is planning. After all, it will be the 20th. "I just wish we could get more people who live here

to come out," she said. "I still haven't figured that out."

For every **Selma Hayek** or **Robert Redford**, the movie business attracts the likes of **Randy Ringler** and **Grace McPhillips**, dedicated to their craft or a cause and eager to grab any opportunity to tout their work.

For much of her life, Ringler has worked in professional baseball, including 15 years with the New York Mets. Now she's latched on to the Asian version of *Field of Dreams*. She teamed up with filmmaker **Mirra Bank** to push *The Only Real Game*. Based in Manipuri, a region in northwest India, it tells the story of residents that have played baseball since 1944 when American GIs were managing air deliveries to Asia. Today the region is wracked with unemployment, drug and gun violence and HIV/AIDS, yet the residents still play baseball. And Ringler will be delighted to bend your ear about it.

McPhillips was a teenage beauty queen in Alabama, studied at Elon College in North Carolina, toured with Broadway theater companies and made the occasional movie before marrying and settling down in Chicago. She's on the Midwest board of Screen Actors Guild and founded Chicago Acting in Film Meetup, a professional organization for

actors in the Chicago area.

McPhillips came to Delray to plug *The Other One* as writer, producer and star. Several other films are in the works, plus a trip to Cannes this month, then back to Chicago where she and husband Corbett Lunsford also run Green Dream Group. Its goal: to make Chicago a better place for everyone to live by improving buildings through independent, scientific building diagnostics.

Yet she still must pinch her pennies. After a media meet-and-greet at Delray's new downtown Hyatt, she had a screening of *The Other One* at Boca's Cinemark. How far is it? How much is a cab? — she asked in quick succession. Fortunately for her, a festival fan offered her a ride. Imagine that happening in Cannes?

More news from the Rapoport kitchen: Burt has broken ground on **Apiero Kitchen & Bar**, at **The Marketplace** in Delray. Right next door to **Burt & Max's**, his joint venture with **Dennis Max**, it'll offer Mediterranean cuisine.

And concerns about parking by Rapoport and other merchants and patrons may be assuaged somewhat by the County Commission. Members voted April 24 to allow the center to use four additional acres in the adjacent

agricultural reserve for 439 parking spaces, a 40 percent increase. In exchange, the center's developers agreed to preserve nine acres for agriculture and open space. Perhaps they could erect an educational center, a model farm, where kids and adults, as well, could learn where milk, eggs, filet mignon, and the like, come from.

Meanwhile, let's hope Burt and his four executive chefs can find a parking space in Manhattan when they visit the James Beard House on May 22. At the invitation of the Beard Foundation, **Jon Greening of Deck 84, Jay Prisco of Burt & Max's, Ben Burger of Henry's** and corporate pastry chef **David Innes** will prepare a "Fresh From Florida" menu including tuna sashimi tacos, black grouper paella and roasted Jackman Florida Waygu beef tenderloin.

Interesting relocation: The **Social Security Administration**, formerly housed in a Delray Beach strip mall near Atlantic Avenue and Military Trail, has moved to somewhat more glamorous quarters in Boca — the high-rise building that houses **GEO Group**, the international for-profit prison company. The building, incidentally, is owned by **Canpro Investments Ltd.**, a Canadian company.

**GEO** is catching it from another direction. A coalition of 25 advocacy groups delivered a petition with more than 10,000 signatures to the Seattle-area headquarters of the **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation**, asking the mega-charity to end its relationship with GEO. A spokesman for Gates, which invested \$2.2 million in GEO in 2012, responded: "... Some of the lack of clarity in the criticism, is this understandably complex structure that we have where the foundation invests in life-saving technologies, in U.S. schools, in making sure people living with AIDS in Africa are less likely to die. ... The trust invests in a lot of things to make sure we have the most money we can have to do that job."

Dealing with crackback blocks in the NFL is nothing compared to the Florida real estate market. Back in 2004, former **University of Miami** and **Baltimore Ravens** linebacker **Ray Lewis** bought a beachfront home in sleepy Highland Beach for \$5.22 million. In 2012 he led his Ravens to the Super Bowl title and retired with honors — twice NFL Defensive Player of the Year and Super Bowl MVP — but all that hardware couldn't boost the value of his home. After more than two years on the market, the four-story Mediterranean design recently sold for \$4.775 million, close to half a million below list.

Buyers are reported to be **Dragos Alexe** and **Susanne Kramer**, but no additional information was provided. Internet records list a Dragos Alexe as the founder and CEO of **DAX Technologies**, a telecommunications software company based in Matawan, N.J., that was sold in February for \$37 million.

**John Kelly**, fresh in as president at **FAU**, isn't the only new face on campus. **Michael Curry**, who played for seven NBA teams in 11 years is the Owls' new basketball coach. Curry, who played his collegiate ball at **Georgia Southern**, will make a reported \$325,000 in the first year of a six-year contract. That's \$75,000 more than departed coach **Mike Jarvis**. He comes to Boca Raton from Philadelphia after three years as associate head coach for the **NBA 76ers**. He also served four years as president of the **NBA Players Association** and in the 2008-09 season, his only season as head coach of the **Detroit Pistons**, led them to the playoffs.

Curry wasted no time signing a major prospect, returning to Detroit to sign 6-5 swingman **Maceo Baston II**. Top-quality player, Curry said, but equally important, a top student.

Looking for an LED balloon? No misspelling, mind you, we're talking LEDs, as in light-emitting diodes, that show up in everything from kid's shoes to automobile headlights, and from 6 to 10 p.m. May 15 in Delray's **Pineapple Grove** district, will illuminate 300 balloons for the year's first "**Evening on the Avenue.**"

"One of our goals is to showcase light as art," Delray Beach Marketing Cooperative special events manager **Jarrod White** said. A three-dimension light wall will provide the backdrop for music by **Drew Tucker & Brass Monkey**. More entertainment will come from roots rocker **Brendan O'Hara**, the **Lynn University String Quartet**, sidewalk art and face painting, the first in a series of citywide scavenger hunts and a "Chill Lounge" in the new **Hyatt**.



FAU President John Kelly visits FAU's Karen Slattery Educational Research Center for Early Childhood Development and speaks to students about gardening as part of Earth Day. Photo provided

Around the corner, **Arts Garage** is celebrating the gift of \$100,000 to its **Creative City Collaborative** from **Impact 100 Palm Beach**, a philanthropic women's organization serving southern Palm Beach County. The grant will expand two programs, **Stage It** and **Drumline**, which help kids, many of them at-risk, to develop artistic skills while learning positive forms of expression. **Drumline** works with youths after school and during the summer, when they're often unsupervised, to provide music instruction and opportunities to perform. With its in-school and after-school programs, the Theatre Education Project helps students experience the creative and expressive possibilities of music and theatre by attending professional performances and completing an intensive curriculum.

Additional \$100,000 grants were awarded to **Florence Fuller Child Development Centers** and **Achievement Center for Children and Families**.

*Auf Wiedersehen, Bad Ragaz.* Up in Boynton's **Las Ventanas** complex at the corner of Federal and Woolbright, the **bierhalle** has given way to **Lucertola Ristorante & Birreria**. Call it a locational conflict. **Bad Ragaz** is a popular spa, not in Germany or Austria, but in Switzerland, albeit the German-speaking region of Switzerland. The self-serve beer taps at the tables weren't popular enough to keep customers coming back. **La familia Silvestri**, which has enjoyed a good run with **Tramonti** in Delray, decided to switch to Italian in Boynton.

To give it a special kick, they moved **Tramonti's** executive chef to **Lucertola**, where he turns out the likes of chicken saltimboca, penne carbonara, polenta and gorgonzola

fries with truffle mayo and — sounds intriguing — Mediterranean lamb burger on pretzel roll with arugula, cucumber, feta and tapenade served with sweet fries.

TV has its "voice" and its "idols," but chances of finding a contestant over 30 are slim and none. Nevertheless, America's got lots of talent over 30 — even over 65, and you can find it not on recording tracks, but on the railroad tracks.

On Sunday, May 18 at **Parker Playhouse** in Fort Lauderdale,

a dozen singers 65 and older — eight from Palm Beach County — will compete in **Tri-Rail's "Senior Idol"** finals. They were tops among more than 100 singers who competed in April. The winner won't have to pass from car to car singing opera or Sinatra favorites, but he or she may be in the next seat, as the grand prize is \$500 and a free one-year **Tri-Rail** pass.

Local talent includes **Diane Cestari**, **Deanne Friedberg** and **Penny Mandel** from Boca Raton; **Ron Silver**, **Beverly Sisisky**, **Nanci Suzanne** and **Joanie Walters** from Boynton and **Lou Villano** from Palm Beach Gardens.

He hasn't been home in more than 40 years, but **Reza Pahlavi** has not given up hope that one day he will return to Iran. Unless or until the political realities change, he will continue as "shah-in-exile" to make his case for a secular, democratic nation wherever he is given a forum. On May 20 at **City Fish Market** in Boca Raton, he'll make his case at a luncheon meeting of the recently formed **Gold Coast Tiger Bay Club**. Guest tickets are \$35 in advance, \$45 at the door. (852-0000).

Gone, and probably soon forgotten: Boca's **101 Cantina** closed unexpectedly in early April. No reason was published for the demise of the popular collegiate hangout on the backside of Boca's **Royal Palm Place**, and all mention of it disappeared from the website of the parent company, which also operates 101s in Gainesville

and Tallahassee. The closing no doubt drew cheers, not tears, from city police who had made 98 arrests there since it opened last June. Underage drinking was a big problem.

The space is controlled by Boca resident **Mitchell Kaminsky**, who has announced that it will soon become the **Filling Station Gastropub**, no connection to Miami's popular **Filling Station** and **Garage Bar**. No doubt the cops hope customers don't overflow their tanks.

Up in Manalapan's **Plaza Del Mar**, the **Plaza Theatre** will host a ribbon cutting May 8 for its new **Club Plaza**, a new dining and entertainment cabaret and piano bar offering the likes of jazz and chamber music, while hosting seminars, weddings and other social events.

**Benvenuto** in Boynton Beach will host **A Taste of Boynton**, from 6:30 to 9 p.m. June 12, Participating restaurants include the **Backyard**, **Carolina Ale House**, **Secret Garden Cafe at the Green Market**, **LongHorn Steakhouse**, **Culinary Solutions Catering**, **Banana Boat**, **Prime Catch**, **Village Tavern** and **GFS Marketplace**. Entertainment by **John Dustin Flamenco Fusion**. For tickets, \$35, call **Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce**, 732-9501.



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## Summer Arts

## Catch Seraphic Fire while they're hot — and in Boca

**S**eraphic Fire, the Miami-based concert choir with two Grammy nominations to its credit, performs this month at **St. Gregory's Episcopal Church** in Boca Raton, wrapping up its third season of regular Palm Beach County performances with a program of African-American spirituals.

And if you haven't heard this group of singers in Boca yet, you'd better make the concert May 8, because they won't be back.

Seraphic Fire will not be returning to St. Gregory's in October, nor will it be appearing anywhere in Palm Beach County for the entire 2014-15 season.

"It was a financial decision more than anything else," said **Joey Quigley**, the group's managing director, and brother of choir founder **Patrick Dupré Quigley**. The chief reason: Seraphic Fire was unable to get any substantial monetary backing in Palm Beach County.

"We had hoped this could become a new audience for us, and the subscribers we had were very loyal," Joey Quigley said. "But we weren't able to get the growth we'd anticipated from the area, or get the donor and government support we get from all our other venues. So Boca became something of a non-starter."

The choir has tried two other times to establish a Palm Beach County presence, beginning early on with a couple seasons at **First Presbyterian Church** in Delray Beach, and then a midweek afternoon series at the **Harriet Himmel Theater** at CityPlace in West Palm Beach, before coming to St. Gregory's.

"Intellectually, it should work, with the size of the household incomes there," he said of Palm Beach County. "It should be fertile ground, but it's not. It's so strange. It seems to be very closed off."

With the exception of the **New World Symphony**, which is an educational academy, and the long-defunct **Florida Philharmonic**, Seraphic Fire

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is the only homegrown South Florida classical institution to be nominated for a Grammy award. It was nominated twice in 2012, and you would think that might be enough to win it steady support.

But there is something about the local arts scene that makes it difficult for outsiders. That's a shame, because it would be difficult to find a higher-caliber homegrown group to boast of here.

The upcoming season's attractions include collaborations with **The Sebastians**, a Baroque concert orchestra, and **Piffaro**, a Renaissance ensemble, and feature Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass*, American composer Kile Smith's *Vespers*, and the Arnold Schoenberg-Rainer Riehn reduction of Mahler's exquisite *Das Lied von der Erde*.

Other programs include an all-American evening, Vivaldi's *Gloria*, Mozart's *Ave Verum Corpus*, and the annual candlelight Christmas and Handel's *Messiah* concerts. Seraphic Fire will be performing these shows in Broward and Miami-Dade counties, with the closest venue to Palm Beach County being **All Saints Episcopal** in Fort Lauderdale.

"When we told our Boca subscribers about this, many of them said, 'Well, I guess I'll drive 15 minutes more and go to Fort Lauderdale,'" Quigley said.

So if you want to see and hear what Palm Beach County just lost, make a date to catch the spirituals program, which is called *Steal Away* and which is set for 7:30 p.m. May 8, at St.



Cast members take the stage in the Arts Garage production of *The Trouble With Doug*. Photo provided

Gregory's, just behind Mizner Park. Call 305-285-9060 or visit [www.seraphicfire.org](http://www.seraphicfire.org), get a ticket, and say farewell.

We don't tend to think of **Franz Kafka** as a merry sort, given the kind of oppressive, often gloomy fiction he wrote in secret during the 41 years of his tuberculosis-abbreviated life.

But the great Czech writer was a huge fan of the dramatic arts, even to the point of supporting an Eastern European Yiddish theater troupe that performed in Prague during the days when the Zionist movement was in its first flush. So if he were with us today, he might be very happy about one of his stories serving as the inspiration for a musical now playing through May 11 at Delray Beach's **Arts Garage**.

*The Trouble With Doug*, which is getting its first full production here at The Theatre at Arts Garage, draws its basic plot device from Kafka's story *The Metamorphosis*, in which Gregor Samsa awakes one morning to find himself transformed into a giant insect. In the musical version by composer **Will Aronson** and lyricist **Daniel Maté**, a young computer programmer named Doug Gregory with a loving, almost too-close family, is on the verge of a move from New York to San Francisco when he finds himself turning into a giant slug on the eve of his 27th birthday.

"We took Kafka's premise of a man becoming something else and we ran with it in our own direction," Maté said.

Aronson and Maté, who co-wrote the book of the show, said while the original story features a horrified and hostile

family that wants the problem with Gregor to disappear, the family in this musical is much more "relatable," Maté said.

The first versions they wrote of the show, which has been in development for eight years, had a much more alienated family, similar to the story, and the result was a bit too Brecht-Weill for Aronson and Maté.

"When you add music to that, it sounds kind of arch, like it's a commentary on something," said Maté, 38, a native of Vancouver who studied psychology at McGill University before entering the graduate musical theater writing program at New York University, where he met Aronson.

"So we decided to neutralize that edge, and create a family that is loveable and is doing their best ... and then this transformation happens, and the question of the play is: How is this going to affect the man to whom it's happening, and how is it going to affect the people around him?"

The five-person cast, directed by **Margaret Ledford**, includes **Clay Cartland** as Doug, **Barry Tarallo** and **Patti Gardner** as his parents, **Shane Tanner** as his older brother, Vince, and **Alix Paige** as his fiancée, Vanessa. Pianist **Paul Reekie** leads a three-piece band that includes cellist and percussionist **Elena Alamilla** and reeds player **Glenn Rovinelli**.

The score by Aronson, a 32-year-old native of Connecticut and a graduate of Harvard, is the product of a young composer whose accomplishments include award-winning musicals in South Korea (*My Crazy Girl*) and shows for the Barrington (Mass.) Stage Company, and whose pedigree includes a year of Fulbright graduate work in Berlin, where he studied the operatic repertoire.

"Certainly it draws on traditional musical theater to some extent, but I would say it does have a more classical-jazz bent to it," Aronson said. "All the shows I've written so far sound somewhat different — there's obviously a connective relationship; it's all by me and my sensibility — but I think with different worlds and different shows, you want them to sound different, you want them to create their own world."

Both Aronson and Maté are grateful for the support of **Lou**

**Tyrrell**, the theater's artistic director, who tried to get *The Trouble With Doug* for his Florida Stage just before that company went under. Maté, who also is a composer, was at Arts Garage this season with an evening of his songs called *The Longing and the Short of It*, which was nominated for five Carbonell awards.

Aronson said his collaboration with Maté works best when the two men feel drawn to the story they're telling, which is the case with *Doug*, and with the show they're working on, an adaptation of the Hansel and Gretel folktale.

"I think both of us tend to do better work when we're taking risks, which means you have to go outside your comfort zone, which means by definition you can't be afraid all the time," he said. "If you're going to try something that might be crazy and it might be good, sometimes it just might be crazy."

Shows are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. May 2, 7, 8, and 9; at 8 p.m. May 3; 2 p.m. May 4; and 2:30 p.m. May 10 and 11. Info: 450-6357 or [www.artsgarage.org](http://www.artsgarage.org); tickets start at \$30.

This is the year the United States' long war residence in Afghanistan is coming to an end, but not much of the culture of that region has seeped into the general consciousness.

Opening this month at the **Boca Museum of Art** is an exhibit of Afghan war rugs, more than 40 relatively recent creations in which traditional Central Asian design motifs have been altered by new weavers to reflect the region's decades of armed conflict.

One of the rugs, for instance, resembles the kind of rug familiar from this part of the world in its borders and layout, but most of the center is a portrait of **Amanullah Khan**, who was king of Afghanistan just after World War I and won the country's independence from the British. The figure of Khan, resplendent in a green army uniform, is framed by three handguns, two tanks and two helicopters. Another features a twinned series of repeating tanks in the center, separated by rifles; still another uses tanks on the border and features a map of Afghanistan covered with symbols of war, including cannons, grenades and fighter jets.

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## Greg's List

Some of the other things I'm looking forward to this month...

### MAY 3-4

**Boca Ballet Theatre:** Dan Guin and Jane Tyree's company presents *Dance Fest*, a compilation of classical and contemporary balletic works with some special guests joining this troupe of talented dancers. This season's *Nutcracker* showed that there were some likely stars in the making among them. The shows are set for 8 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday at Olympic Heights High School in western Boca Raton. Adult tickets are \$35; children and seniors get in for \$25. [www.bocaballet.org](http://www.bocaballet.org) or 995-0709.

### MAY 7

**Dane Johansen:** The cellist of the Escher String Quartet this month will walk the almost 600-mile ancient route to the Santiago da Compostela in Spain, performing the six cello suites of J.S. Bach in the old churches along the route. But before he heads overseas, he'll stop by the Café Boulud in Palm Beach's Brazilian Court Hotel for a fundraiser that's been added to the Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach season. You can hear him play Bach beginning at 7 p.m.; the event starts with cocktails at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$125; call 379-6773. Johansen's site about his journey is [www.walktofsterra.com](http://www.walktofsterra.com).

### MAY 11

**Ballet Palm Beach:** Colleen Smith's Palm Beach Gardens-based troupe is notable for its size, enthusiasm and exemplary discipline, especially among its youngest members. Smith's own choreography will be on display in a mixed-rep show called *Tales My Mother Told*, featuring four dances in honor of moms (for Mother's Day) set to music by Mendelssohn and Piazzolla, songs by Irving Berlin, Johnny Mercer and Cole Porter, and the French jazz classicist Claude Bolling. The show bows at 4 p.m. at the Eissey Campus Theatre on the campus of Palm Beach State College in Palm Beach Gardens. Tickets start at \$15; 207-5900 or [www.balletpalmbeach.org](http://www.balletpalmbeach.org).

### MAY 16

**Tryst Opening:** British playwright Karoline Leach's popular two-person play from 2006 about a con man who meets his match when he tries to add another woman to his list of amours he's courted, discarded and robbed. Palm Beach Dramaworks's production at its home in the Don and Ann Brown Theatre on Clematis Street in West Palm Beach features Jim Ballard and Claire Brownell, who are directed by J. Barry Lewis. Through June 8; 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Wednesday and Saturday, 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday (except only 2 p.m. June 8). Tickets are \$60 (opening night: \$75); 514-4042 or [www.palmbeachdramaworks.org](http://www.palmbeachdramaworks.org).

### MAY 23

**Eldar Djangirov:** The young Kirghiz-American jazz pianist astounded audiences with his virtuosity in an appearance at the Festival of the Arts Boca a few years back. Last year he released two albums: one of music by Bach, Brahms and Prokofiev, the other featuring his trio, which includes saxophonist Chris Potter and vibraphonist Joe Locke. Djangirov will be in trio mode at the Crest Theatre in the Delray Beach Center for the Arts in this appearance; the next day, he's at the Atlanta Jazz Festival. The concert begins at 8 p.m., tickets are \$40. 243-7922, ext. 1, or [delraycenterforthearts.org](http://delraycenterforthearts.org).

### MAY

#### Palm Beach Cultural Council:

There's been renewed enthusiasm in the painting community for taking the canvas outside in a technique called *en plein air*, usually associated with the French Impressionists. Members of the Palm Beach Plein Air Artists went out to 10 different Palm Beach County locations and came back with works that are now on display through June 7 at the Cultural Council's free gallery in their Lake Worth headquarters. Group organizer Ralph Papa speaks at 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 6, at the council about the project and the joys of plein air painting. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; 471-2901.

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War Rug with Map of Afghanistan. Photo provided

It's somewhat disturbing to see these images depicted on an art form long associated with luxury and painstaking craftsmanship, but surely the works of these anonymous women weavers honestly depict the reality of a nation forever caught in the middle of antagonistic interests.

The exhibit, which runs through July 27, is paired with an exhibit of pieces by the American artist **Elaine Reichek**, who creates needlework that raises feminist and multicultural questions.

Works on display include a sampler from 1992 featuring a Native American couple next to the tree of the Garden of Eden, with a quote from Christopher Columbus above: "Their manners are decorous and praiseworthy."

Reichek will be on hand at the museum at 4:30 p.m., May 3 for a question-and-answer session about her work, followed at 5 p.m. by a lecture from **Annemarie Sawkins**, curator of the Afghan exhibit.

Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Wednesday and noon-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Admission is \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors, and \$6 for students with ID. Call 392-2500 or visit [www.bocamuseum.org](http://www.bocamuseum.org).

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## Philanthropy Calendar

## Pay it Forward

Pay it Forward is a calendar designed to celebrate the many philanthropic events in the community. Events are current as of 4/27. Please check with organizers for any changes.

## MAY

**Saturday - 5/3 - Palm Beach Shop & Stroll** at Evelyn & Arthur, 100 N. County Road, Palm Beach, and 277 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Shop at either of the boutiques and see 10 percent of proceeds donated to Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network, which will use it to pay for a two-year to find better ways to screen and treat the cancer type. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 572-0900 or www.evelynandarthur.com.

**5/3 - Kentucky Derby Party** at Boca Greens Country Club, 19642 Trophy Drive, Boca Raton. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres, open wine-and-beer bar, buffet dinner, raffles and auctions to benefit Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse, Dolores Taylor Scholarship Fund and Forgotten Soldiers Outreach. 4-8 pm. \$65. 927-7179 or www.orgsites.com/fl/quotabocadelray.

**5/3 - Kentucky Derby in Delray** at Spodak Dental, 3911 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Ladies: Don't forget your hats. Gents: Grab your bow ties to commemorate the 140<sup>th</sup> "Run for the

Roses" at this benefit for the Community Caring Center of Greater Boynton Beach, featuring cocktails, Southern fare, music and games. 4-7 pm. \$20. 364-9501, Ext. 25, or www.cccgb-org.webs.com.

**Tuesday - 5/6 - Great Give** in Palm Beach County. Get your computers, laptops, tablets and phones ready for the 24-hour giving event designed to raise as much money as possible for 330 local nonprofits. Midnight-11:59 pm. 844-448-3329 or www.greatgivepb.org.

**Friday - 5/9 - Man & Woman of the Year** at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Come out and support Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Palm Beach Area at the grand finale of its 2014 fundraising campaign. 7 pm. \$175. 616-8682 or www.mwoy.org/pb/.

**Wednesday - 5/14 - Brunch with Tiffany & Co.** at The Sonoma House, 220 NE 11<sup>th</sup> St., Boca Raton. Join local "angel moms" and foster children for a brunch that will raise funds and awareness for the Place of Hope's new Haven Campus cottage that houses youths who have aged out of state care. 10:30 am. \$100. 483-0962 or www.hopeatthehaven.org.

**Monday - 5/19 - Wine Dinner Party** at New York Prime Steakhouse, 2350 Executive Center Drive, Boca Raton.

Reserve tickets now for the inaugural silent-auction event and delicious dinner benefiting Women of Tomorrow Mentor & Scholarship Program. 6:30 pm. \$125. 305-371-3330 or www.womenoftomorrow.org.

**Thursday - 5/22 - Business Awards Luncheon** at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Be one of 300 guests at this Boca Chamber event to honor Small Business Leader of the Year, Business Leader of the Year and Business of the Year. 11:45 am-1 pm. \$75. 395-4433, Ext. 233, or www.bocachamber.com.

**Thursday - 5/29 - Kickoff Party for Walk To End Alzheimer's** at Jazziz Nightlife, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Savor appetizers, sip cocktails and bid in the silent auction to support Alzheimer's Association. 5:30-7:30 pm. \$25 in advance; \$30 at the door. 967-0047, Ext. 203, or www.alz.org/walk.

**Saturday - 5/31 - All-American Tailgate Party** at Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Get ready for a day of family fun with other sport fanatics that will feature food, craft beer and live entertainment to benefit Achievement Centers for Children & Families. 5-9 pm. \$25 for adults; \$10 for children; ages 12 and younger get in free. 266-0003, Ext. 16, or delraytailgate.com.

## Freedom Climb 2014

7 Summits Colorado, Breckenridge -- July 12-18



The Wasie Foundation is inviting women age 18 and older to team up with Operation Mobilization in the quest to end human trafficking by raising funds through a challenging series of summits. Cost is \$800, which includes lodging, food, transportation and snacks. Call 954-765-1320 or visit www.thefreedomclimb.net/events/freedom-climb-2014 or www.wasie.org. **ABOVE:** Tina Yeager, Debbie Dingle, Jen Klaassens and Jill Taylor at last year's Freedom Climb. **Photo provided**

## JUNE

**Wednesday - 6/4 - Founder's Award Inaugural Luncheon** - Presented by the Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties, at Kravis Center for the Performing Arts Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Honoring Marjorie S. Fisher and Julie Fisher Cummings. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$50/person

or \$100/sponsored table of 10. 659-6800 or www.yourcommunityfoundation.org.



To submit your event, contact Amy Woods at [flamywoods@bellsouth.net](mailto:flamywoods@bellsouth.net).

## Celebrations

## 2014 SuperSTAR Spectacular

Mercedes-Benz of Delray, Delray Beach – April 9



The Milagro Center had its annual cultural arts-inspired fundraising showcase highlighted by vocal, dance, mime, step, and spoken-word performances by students and teachers. A silent auction of themed packages and sales of artwork created by student artists raised funds for the nonprofit, which provides academic support to more than 200 of the community's poorest children. **ABOVE:** Kurt Knaus, of PNC Bank, with Milagro Center's Barbara Stark and Alison Hill. **Photo provided by Emiliano Brooks Productions**

## Bel Lido honors Lou Voress

Bel Lido, Highland Beach – March 27



Lou Voress was honored at the annual Bel Lido Homeowners' Association Meeting. Voress earned the honor for her dedication and duties spanning nearly four decades as secretary and member of the board of directors. She was presented with flowers and a tribute by association President Ron Brown and received a standing ovation. **ABOVE:** (seated) Arlan and Lou Voress, (standing) Highland Beach Police Chief Craig Hartmann, Delray Beach Emergency Fire and Rescue Chief Danielle Connor, Brown and association board member Gerry Marshall. **Photo provided**

## Boys &amp; Girls Clubs

Delray Beach Marriott – April 3



The Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County's Be Great Dinner to benefit the Naoma Donnelly Haggin Boys & Girls Club of Delray Beach raised more than \$192,000 following a day of events and that honored Michael and Susan Mullin, recipients of the Forrest and Frances Lattner Award, and Kyra Dobard, Boys & Girls Club of Delray Beach's Youth of the Year. More than 250 supporters attended the affair. **ABOVE:** Marc deBaptiste, Michael and Susan Mullin, Beau Dellafeld and Tom Lynch. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

## 2014 Boating &amp; Beach Bash

Spanish River Park, Boca Raton - March 22



Dozens of costumed superheroes joined other volunteers and attendees in raising a banner for the 2014 Boating & Beach Bash for People with Disabilities. Dubbed 'Miracle on the Intracoastal,' the bash is the largest free event in the country for those with physical and / or intellectual challenges. This year's event drew 6,000. The most popular activity is the opportunity to enjoy a well-supervised ride aboard one of 20 yachts, lended to the bash for the day by their owners — most of them members of Boca Raton's Royal Palm Yacht & Country Club. **Photo provided by Aaron Lurie of VMA Studio**

## Celebrations

### Fashion on the Field

International Polo Club Palm Beach, Wellington – April 6



The always-popular couture competition during halftime, sponsored by Veuve Clicquot and The Gardens Mall, benefited The Center for Family Services of Palm Beach County, a nonprofit that offers affordable counseling services. **ABOVE:** Becky Sanders, Krista Kowalczyk and Kelly McWilliams. **Photo provided by Janis Bucher**

### Red Rose Gala

Royal Palm Yacht & Country Club, Boca Raton – March 27



The National Society of Arts and Letters' Florida East Coast Chapter welcomed more than 200 guests to its 32nd black-tie event honoring winners of the competition and scholarship recipients. Guests enjoyed an evening of dinner and dancing and a silent auction highlighted by a performance by this year's woodwinds and musical-theater champions. **ABOVE:** Judith Asselta, with Alexander and Roswitha Guzinski. **RIGHT:** Kevin Ross and Co-Chairwoman Alyce Erickson, with the Lifetime Achievement Award. **Photos provided by Downtown Photo Fort Lauderdale**



### Play for P.I.N.K.

Atlantis Golf Club – March 11



The Atlantis Golf Club Women's Golf Association raised \$25,355 this year to benefit P.I.N.K. (Prevention, Immediate diagnosis, New technology, Knowledge), an organization that donates funds to The Breast Cancer Research Foundation. To date, the club has donated \$206,014 to support the cause. The tournament and luncheon featured LGPA pros Michelle McGann and Marlene Streit. **LEFT:** Committee members (back, l-r) Michele Fashjian, Judy Jokiel and MJ Stewart. (front, l-r) Linda Reichenstein and Sue Wagner. **Photo provided**

### Egg Hunt and Celebration

Pope John Paul II High School, Boca Raton – April 12



Pope John Paul II High School's Natalia Heguaburo (from left), Kaitlyn Maesel, Will Jeanlys (as the Easter bunny), Alena Constanian and Travis Hughes prepared snacks and baskets for 80 children served by Florence Fuller Child Development Centers in recognition of the holiday. **Photo provided**

### Celebrating the Apple Fruit

Boynton Woman's Club, Boynton Beach – Feb. 23



Children & Parents Day took the apple to new heights with the fruit's incorporation in more than 10 different recipes, a cooking class, arts and crafts and souvenir photos in the apple orchard. The annual event has evolved into a popular culinary gathering for families and serves as a prelude to National Nutrition Month. **LEFT:** Artist-in-residence Inge Behrens and Babs Lentz of Art-Sea Living Gallery. **Photo provided**

### Style 4 Hope

Four Seasons, Palm Beach – March 21



Dress for Success Palm Beaches' luncheon benefit raised more than \$20,000 for programs that help local women get ready for re-entry into the workplace. Nearly 250 supporters gathered for the event that featured a fashion show, special guest Star Jones, a longtime supporter of Dress for Success, and Joi Gordon, CEO of Dress for Success Worldwide. **LEFT:** Jessica Rosato, with Diane Wilde, CEO and founder of Dress for Success Palm Beaches. **Photo provided**



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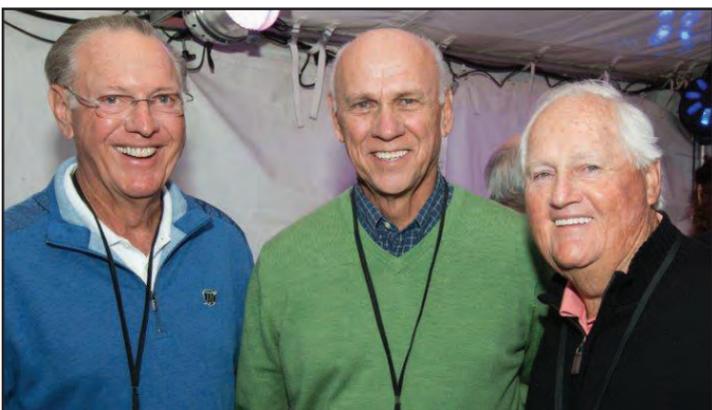
West Palm Beach Marriott – April 11



Ray Coleman, executive director of the FAU / Pine Jog Environmental Education Center, welcomed more than 160 friends and supporters to a festive affair with the theme 'Revealing Today's Environmental Leaders.' Awards went out to Environmental Educator of the Year, Program of the Year, Agency/Nonprofit of the Year and Visionary, as well as Lifetime Achievement. Nearly \$60,000 was raised. **ABOVE:** Anne Henderson, assistant director of education at the center, with husband Walker Henderson. **Photo provided by Veronica Frehm, Frehm Photography**

### Festival of the Arts Boca

Mizner Park Amphitheater / Cultural Arts Center, Boca Raton – March 6-15



The eighth annual arts, culture and music event assembled the biggest parade of stars in its history and featured the return of violin virtuoso Itzhak Perlman. 'This year's Festival of the Arts Boca was one of our best and most successful ever,' said Charles Siemon, chairman and co-executive producer. In addition to Perlman, performances included the Bill T. Jones / Arnie Zane Dance Company, Arturo Sandoval, Cirque de la Symphonie and Forte. **ABOVE:** Sponsors John Whelchel, Jim Rosemurgy and Bob Long. **Photo provided**

### 25 Years: A Salute to the Heroes of Caridad

International Polo Club, Wellington – April 7



The Caridad Center healthcare and dental clinic honored the 400 volunteers whose medical, dental, vision and social-services expertise enables the nonprofit clinic to provide 26,000 patient visits each year. The dinner celebrated the center's quarter of a century of providing free medical services to the working poor and uninsured in Palm Beach County. **ABOVE:** Dr. Douglas Kohl and Matthew Weiss. **RIGHT:** Dr. Leo and Maureen Quinn. **Photos provided**



### Impact 100 Grand Awards Celebration

Lynn University, Boca Raton – April 10



More than 300 women made a big 'impact' when they gathered for Impact 100 Palm Beach County's Grand Awards Celebration to award \$320,000 to five nonprofits in South County. Three recipients were each awarded a \$100,000 High Impact Grant. They were: Achievement Centers for Children and Families, The Creative City Collaborative, and The Florence Fuller Child Development Centers. Three other finalists each received \$10,000.

**ABOVE:** Grant winners Lou Tyrrell, Alyona Ushe and Drew Tucker, of ArtsGarage. **LEFT:** Attendees Loretta McQueen and Peggy Ruzika. **Photos provided by Sherry Ferrante Photography**

### Making Waves Gala

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton – March 29



Supporters of the Owls made waves at the school's annual black-tie-optional event that raised more than \$500,000 for scholarships and support for veterans and first-generation students. 'The Making Waves Gala was a tremendous success,' FAU President John Kelly said. 'I would like to thank our gala host committee and more than 60 sponsors for their support, as well as our volunteers and more than 700 guests.' **ABOVE:** Jerry and Terry Fedele, Dick and Barbara Schmidt, and host committee members Howard and Beverlee Schnellenberger. **Photo provided**

### American Girl Fashion Show

Boca Raton Marriott at Boca Center – April 12



More than 100 girls modeled historical and modern fashions at the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County's event. The two-hour show was attended by 900-plus guests who helped raise funds for youth-education programs. **LEFT:** Maya DiMisa, Caroline Calder, Sophia Dickenson, Harper Williams and Olivia Muir, with sponsor Dr. Saadia Mohammed. **Photo provided**

# Community Calendar

Note: Please find Tots & Teens calendar on page AT14. Events are current as of 4/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

## MAY 3

**Saturday - 5/3 - Boca Raton GreenMarket** at Royal Palm Place Southwest Parking Lot, intersection of South Federal Highway and South Mizner Boulevard. Saturdays until 5/10. 299-8684. 8 am-1 pm. Free. 368-6875.

**5/3 - Delray GreenMarket** at Old School Square Park, NE 2nd Ave., one block north of Atlantic Ave. Outdoor venue offers fresh local produce, baked goods, gourmet food items, plants, live music and children's activities. Saturdays until 5/10. 9 am - 2 pm. 276-7511.

**5/3 - Human Powered Delray** at The Delray Beach Public Library, 200 W. Atlantic Ave. Public meeting about making Delray more pedestrian and bicycle-friendly. 9:30 am. Free. 314-1330.

**5/3 - Kentucky Derby Special and Wagering** at Palm Beach Kennel Club, 1111 N. Congress, West Palm Beach. Hat contest, live music, trackside BBQ, kids events, greyhound adoptions and simulcast wagering. 9:30 am/doors open, 6:24 pm/post time. Free admittance. Restaurants require reservations. 683-222, Ext. 126.

**5/3 - Preparatory School of Music Recital** at the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall in the de Hoernle International Center, Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. 10 am. Free. 237-9000 or www.lynn.edu/tickets.

**5/3 - 16th Annual Cinco de Mayo Festival** - Presented by the Hispanic-Latino Cultural Alliance, at the Delray Beach Center for the Arts/Outdoor Pavillion, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with live music, dancing, traditional food, games, costume contest and Chihuahua race. 11 am-10 pm. \$10; children under 10 free. 276-3396 or www.delrayarts.org.

**5/3 - Mazes Exhibit Opening** at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach. Exhibit leads guests on an adventure through a series of interactive brain-teasers, 3-D puzzles and full body games. Runs through 10/14. Grand opening hosts Food Truck Fusion, live music, and family activities from 5-8 pm. \$10/adults, \$7/ages 3-12. 832-1988 or www.sfsccenter.org.

**5/3-4 - 32nd Annual Sunfest Music and Arts Festival** continues along Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach. Top musical acts including Daughtry, Alice in Chains, Ellie Goulding and more; BB&T Juried Fine Art & Craft Show; Captain Morgan's Floating Oasis; Youth Park; fireworks. Sat. 12-11 pm; Sun. 12-9 pm. 1-day ticket Adult \$30-39/Youth\* \$8-10; 2-day ticket Adult \$46-56/Youth\* \$15-17; Kids\* under 5 free 659-3567 or www.sunfest.org.

**5/3-4 - Return to Broadway!** - Presented by Showtime Performing Arts Theatre at The Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. A musical revue featuring the "Showstoppers Performance

Troupe" performing selections from the favorite Broadway musical revivals of *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*, *Oklahoma!*, *Sweeney Todd*, *Pippin*, *Godspell* and *Sweet Charity*. Rated G. 2 pm. \$15/adults, \$10/age 11 & under. 347-3948.

**5/3-4 - Dance Fest** at Olympic Heights Performing Arts Theater, 20101 Lyons Road, Boca Raton. Presented by Boca Ballet Theatre with guest artists from Louisville Ballet. 5/3: 8 pm, 5/4: 2 pm. \$35/adult, \$25/senior & child. 995-0709 or www.bocaballet.org.

## MAY 4-10

**Sunday - 5/4 - Sunday Breakfast** is 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.

**5/4 - Community Picnic** sponsored by Unity of Delray Beach at Lake Ida Park, 2929 Lake Ida Road, Delray Beach. Grilled hamburgers, veggie burgers, hotdogs, side dishes, soft drinks, water included. Bring dessert to share and enter Best Dessert Contest. Bounce house, volleyball, face painting, playground. 11 am-3 pm. \$10/person; \$20/couple or family. 276-5796.

**5/4 - 3rd Annual Pottery Painting Tea Party for Two** at Art-Sea Living, 1628 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Two people share in painting a unique teapot; with teapot ready for pickup in time for Mother's Day. 2-4 pm. \$40 for two, includes the teapot, paint, firing and snack. 737-2600.

**5/4 - Imagination Israel** - Live demonstrations of high-tech innovations moderated by Jonathan Medved at Lynn University's World Performing Arts Center, 3601 Military Trail, Boca Raton. An opportunity to observe the 66th anniversary of the state of Israel by celebrating the contributions to the high-tech revolution with an insider's view of some of its cutting edge innovations. 4 pm. Admission is free and limited to adults and students in grade 6 or higher. RSVP: 852-6022.

**5/4 - Snow White** - Presented by Wellington Ballet Theatre at Delray Beach Center for the Arts, 51 N. Swinton Ave. \$18-30. 276-3396 or www.delrayarts.org.

**5/4 - Engraved In Your Heart: Finding Personal Meaning in the Ten Commandments** - Presented as part of the Rosh Chodesh Society Course at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave. 7-8:30 pm. \$20/class. 417-7797.

**Monday - 5/5 - Spring/Summer Terms: Art, Photography and Writing Classes** begin at Delray Beach Center for the Arts/School of Creative Arts, Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Art, photography and writing classes. Day and evening classes for all levels and a variety of children's classes for ages 6 and up. Runs through 8/23. For times and prices: 243-7922, Ext. 478.

**5/5 - Rachelle Kaufman Exhibit** at Friends Art Gallery, Spanish River Library & Community

# Municipal Meetings

**5/5 - Ocean Ridge** - First Monday at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N. Ocean Blvd., 6 pm. Agenda: www.oceanridgeflorida.com.

**5/6 - Highland Beach** - First Tuesday at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S. Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda: www.ci.highland-beach.fl.us.

**5/6 & 5/20 - Delray Beach** - first & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda: www.mydelraybeach.com.

**5/9 - Gulf Stream** - Second Friday at the Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Road. 9 am. Agenda: www.gulf-stream.org.

**5/12 - Lantana** - Second Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Circle. 7 pm. Agenda: www.lantana.org.

**5/13 & 5/28 - Boca Raton** - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W. Palmetto Park Road. 6 pm. Agenda: www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us.

**5/22 - Briny Breezes** - Fourth Thursday at Briny Breezes Town Hall, 4802 N. Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Agenda: www.townofbrinybreezes-fl.com.

**5/27 - Manalapan** - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S. Ocean Blvd. 9:30 am. Agenda: www.manalapan.org.

**5/27 - South Palm Beach** - Fourth Tuesday at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S. Ocean Blvd. 7:15 pm. Agenda: www.southpalmbeach.com.

Center, 1501 Spanish River Blvd., Boca Raton. Paintings depict the magnificent beauty of the earth in flat, bright colors of acrylic paints. Library hours. Free. 393-7852.

**5/5 - Watercolour Painting Workshop** for adults at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Instructor provides a class lesson and lecture with emphasis on composition and drawing, then a painting demo. The remainder of the class time is individual instruction and a class critique. Held again 5/12 & 19. 10 am-1 pm. \$33/residents, \$38/non-residents. 243-7350 or www.mydelraybeach.com.

**5/5 - Mah-Jongg** at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Held every Monday. Intermediate: 1-4 pm; Advanced: 12:30-3:30 pm. Free. 278-5455.

**5/5 - War Veterans Memorabilia Museum First Time Display & Lecture Program** - Presented by the IBM South Florida Quarter Century Club and Alumni Association at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Cpl. Burt Richards, founder of the Veterans Speakers Forum, brings his collection of military artifacts. Including full military uniforms, pictures from theatres of war, including news articles from 1940, chevrons, unit patches, U.S., German and Japanese medals. Agenda includes stories and the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance. 1:30 pm. Free admission and parking. 734-7263.

**5/5 - Dr. Robert Watson Mondays: 1814: The Bicentennial of the Year that Changed America and No One Remembers It** - Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Held again 5/12 & 5/19. 2-3:30 pm. \$50. 266-9490 or www.delraylibrary.org.

**5/5 - U.S. Coast Guard Auxillary 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 - 5/6 - Socrates Café** at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Philosophical

discussions of themes selected by the members. Held every Tuesday. 10:30 am. Free. 278-5455.

**5/6 - Ikenobo Flower Arrangement** at The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. Learn the basic principles and style of the Ikenobo Ikebana School; create fresh flower arrangements each week which may be taken home to enjoy. 4-week session, Tuesdays 1-3 pm. \$70 (museum members \$60; advance ticket purchase required). \$60 flower fee. 495-0233.

**5/6 - Socrates Cafe** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Philosophical discussions of themes selected by the members. Held every Tuesday. 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7852.

**5/6 - The Joy of Plein Art Painting** - Presented by Ralph Papa at the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave., Lake Worth. 3 pm. \$10. 471-2901.

**5/6 - Life of John James Audubon** - Presented by Bob Hall, Audubon Centennial Edition Publisher speaks at monthly meeting and lecture of the Audubon Society of the Everglades at FAU Pine Jog Environmental Education Center, 6301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Refreshments. 7:30 pm. Free and open to the public. 627-7829.

**5/6 - Student Recital: Asako Furuoya (obeo)** at Armarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall at Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000.

**Wednesday - 5/7 - Lawn Bowling** at Veteran's Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Ages 18 and up. Every Wednesday and Friday. 9-11 am. \$40 Residents yearly; \$45 Non-residents yearly. 243-7350 or www.mydelraybeach.com.

**5/7 - Shuffleboard/Disc Knockout** at Veteran's Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. A fun game involving skill and strategy enjoyed by all ages and abilities. Ages 18 and up. Every Wednesday and Friday. 9-11 am. \$15. Residents yearly; \$20 non-residents yearly. 243-7350.

**5/7 - Scrabble** - 10:15 am every Wednesday at the Highland Beach Library, 3618 S. Ocean Blvd. Free. 278-5455.

**5/7 - Seashell Design Class** at Art-Sea Living, 1628 South Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. 10:30 am. \$65+. 737-2600.

**5/7 - Suicide Bereavement by Amanda Weiss, MA** - Presented as part of the *First Wednesdays Mental Health Lecture Series* at the Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. 11 am-noon. Free. 483-5300.

**5/7 - The Madri Gals Concert** at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave., Choral group led by founder Irene Soskin in concert of madrigal repertoire. 2 pm. Free. 266-9490 or www.delraylibrary.org.

**5/7 - Moving Forward: A Discussion and Support Group for Widows and Widowers** at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. For widowed seniors. 1-2:30 pm. \$5 per session. 483-5300.

**5/7 - Robert Gibbs** - Presented as part of the *City of Delray Beach Town Hall Lecture Series* at The Crest Theatre, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Hosted by Mayor Cary Glickstein, featuring conversation with urban planning consultant Robert Gibbs, who will discuss "Downtown Retailing and Merchandising for the 21st Century City." 6-8 pm. Free. 772-221-4060.

**5/7 - Short Cuts 4: Nine Ten-Minute Plays** at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. 8 pm. \$20 at the door. 586-6410.

**Thursday - 5/8 - Club Plaza Opening: Ribbon Cutting Ceremony** at Plaza Theatre, 250 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors to officiate opening of multi-use cabaret space. 8 am-5:30 pm. 588-1820.

**5/8 - Library Quilters** at the Boynton Beach City Library Program Room, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Anyone who loves to sew can exchange tips and techniques on the art of quilting. Every Thursday. 9-11:20 am. 742-6390.

**5/8 - Green Market @ FAU** - Thursdays at the FAU Stadium Plaza, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. A variety of local vendors, including FAU alumni-owned businesses, selling items such as fresh produce, prepared foods, artisan crafts and jewelry, organic products and entertainment from students and other local artists. 10 am-2 pm. Free parking. 297-0197.

**5/8 - Acrylics Art Class** at Veteran's Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Nellie Blitzstein teaches basic acrylic painting techniques to beginners and is available for instruction to advanced painters as well. Call for list of supplies. Ages 18 and up. Every Thursday. 12-2 pm. \$55 residents; \$60 non-residents, or \$10/class. 243-7350.

**5/8 - Spring Cleaning: Ready, Set - Shred** at MacLendon Wealth Management, 710 NE 3rd Ave., Delray Beach. An opportunity to shred all of your old documents and storage devices for free. Refreshments. 4-6 pm. Free. 293-3520.

**5/8 - FAU Potters' Guild Spring Show and Sale** at the Ritter Art Gallery, FAU, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 10 am-5 pm. Opening reception 5-8 pm. Exhibit runs 5/9-10. Free. 297-2595 or 297-3870 or www.events.fau.edu.

**5/8 - Business & Professionals Networking Happy Hour** - The Business and Professional



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Division of the Jewish Federation meets at 6 pm at Asia Restaurant, 7600 W. Camino Real, Boca Raton. Tickets: \$25 (includes cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. 852-3128.

**5/8 - Palm Beach Watercolor Society General Meeting: Marilyn Axley Demo** at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Held the 2nd Thursday of the month. 6:30 pm. \$2/suggested donation. 416-9600 or www.palmbeachwatermedia.org.

**5/8 - Writers' Corner Workshop** at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Published authors provide free manuscript critiquing to writers who bring examples of their work. All levels of writers welcome. Second Thursday of each month. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**5/8 - Free Open Readings** at Delray Center for the Arts/School of Creative Arts, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Aspiring writers and poets share their works in a literary gathering. All levels welcome. Free. 6:30-8:30 pm. 243-7922.

**5/8 - Virginia Zeani, Legendary Prima Donna: Celebrating the Golden Age of Opera** at the Society of the Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Mme. Zeani will be in attendance for the tribute and champagne reception, giving members and guests the rare opportunity to interact with one of the greatest singing actresses of the 20th century. Limited seating. 7:30 pm. \$60. 655-7226.

**5/8-10 - Broadway's Second Bananas: Club Plaza Cabaret** - Presented at The Plaza Theatre, 262 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Held again 5/15-17. Th.-Sat.: 8 pm. \$30-\$40. 588-1820 or www.theplazatheatre.net.

**5/8-10 - FAU Potters' Guild Spring Show and Sale** at FAU Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts & Letters, Ritter Art Gallery, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Th. 5-8 pm, Fri & Sat., 10 am-5 pm. Free. 279-2966 or www.fau.edu.

**5/8-11 - Ain't Misbehavin'** at The Wick Theatre, 7901 N. Federal Hwy., Boca Raton. W-Sun. through 6/1. W-Th. & Sat.-Sun.: 2 pm; Th.-Sat.: 7:30 pm. \$58. 995-2333.

**Friday - 5/9 - TEDxBocaRaton Conference** at Florida Atlantic University, University Theatre, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 8 am-6 pm. \$100 general admission, includes all meals and beverages and a seat in the main auditorium; \$30 students, includes all meals and beverages and seating in the simulcast lounge (limited availability). www.tedxboacaraton.com.

**5/9 - Leadercast: "Beyond You"** at Palm Beach State College Boca Raton Campus, 3000 Saint Lucie Ave. Broadcast live from Atlanta, a diverse group of internationally-acclaimed authors, leadership experts and practitioners share insights that help leaders empower others at work, at home and in the community to make choices that matter. 8:30 am-4:30 pm. Tickets much be purchased in advance:

\$75/general or \$65/students and non-profit organizations. Lunch, refreshments, journal and parking included. 243-7127.

**5/9 - Through Transition to Transformation** at Duncan Conference Center, 15820 S Military Trail, Delray Beach. Learn expert strategies to shift from overwhelmed to empowered and create the life you deserve. \$147 includes lunch. 8:45 am-4 pm. 929-1195.

**5/9 - Chess Club** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. Join other chess enthusiasts. All levels welcome. Ages 18 and up. Every Friday. 12-4 pm. \$20/residents; \$35/non-residents. 243-7350.

**5/9 - Hula and Tahitian Dance** at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. 4-5 pm. Fridays. Ages 7 to adult. \$10/class or 6 Classes for \$55. 368-6875 or www.cmboca.org.

**5/9 - Sushi & Stroll Summer Walk Series** at The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. 5:30-8:30 pm. \$8 adults, \$6 children (4-10), children 3 and under free. \$2 for taiko drum performance (optional). 495-0233.

**5/9 - Old School BeerFest** at Delray Beach Center For The Arts at Old School Square Pavilion, 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Beer tasting with 50 craft brews, international beers and ciders; live music with Pocket Change and Jay Blues Band; VIP ticket holders receive a commemorative tasting mug and have exclusive sampling at all beer and wine stations from 6-7:30 pm. 7:30-10:30 pm. Proceeds benefit the community programs at Delray Center for the Arts. \$30-\$50/advance, \$40-\$60/ at the gate. 243-7922, Ext. 1.

**5/9 - Spotlight on Young Musicians** at the Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Dreams turn into reality for hundreds of talented student musicians. 7 pm. \$10/advance, \$12/door. 832-7469 or www.kravis.org.

**5/9 - Student Recital: Ricardo Pozenatto (Collaborative Piano)** at Armarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall at Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000.

**5/9 - Eyes to the Skies** with the professional-grade 16-inch Meade LX Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. 8:30 pm. Free. 347-3912.

**5/9-10 - Jeff Harnar** at The Colony Hotel's Royal Room Cabaret, 144 Hammon Ave., Palm Beach. 8:30 pm. \$50 music charge + \$20/ person minimum for food and beverage. 659-8100 or www.thecolonypalmbeach.com.

**5/9-11 - Dangerous Liaisons** - Presented by Curtain Call Playhouse at the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Rated R. Runs through 5/18. Th.-Sat.: 8 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 2 pm. \$10-\$18. 347-3900.

**5/9-11 - God of Carnage: A Dramady** by

**Yasmina Reza** at Stage Left Theatre, 145 SE 2nd Ave., Boynton Beach. Held again 5/16-17. F&Sat.: 8:05 pm; Sun.: 2:30 pm. Opening night: \$20; Regular shows: \$18. 301-5404.

**5/9-18 - Nevermore a Musical** - Presented by Evening Star Productions at Sol Theatre, 3333 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. A dark, mysterious, musical journey into the heart and soul of Edgar Allen Poe. Contains mature themes; children under 13 discouraged. Fri & Sat 7 pm; Sat & Sun 2 pm. \$18. Students \$10. 447-8829.

**Saturday - 5/10 - 6th Annual Palm Beach County Ocean Rescue Spring Ocean Mile Swim** - Presented by The Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Department's Aquatic Division at R.G. Kreusler Park, 2695 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. 7 am. Event limited to first 300 participants. \$10 pre-registration (closes 5/8); \$15 race day (if space available). 963-6725.

**5/10 - Women for Women 5k/10k Race** through historic old Lake Worth, begins at Lake Worth Beach & Casino Complex, 10 Ocean Ave. Proceeds support Girls on the Run and Palms West Community Foundation. Women only. 7 am. \$20-\$35. Registration closes 5/7. www.womenforwomenrun.com.

**5/10 - Community Yard Sale Rain Day** at the Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Everyone is invited to be a shopper or a vendor. Day includes music, games, sand art and food trucks. \$25/vendor registration. Free admittance to sale. 368-6875.

**5/10 - 6th Annual SCORE Business Conference** at Lynn University, 3601 Military Trail, Boca Raton. Learn how to grow your business with help from the experts. Special surprise keynote speaker TBA. 8 am-3:30 pm. Free. Build a Website Workshop \$25/ deposit required and refunded upon workshop completion. 981-5180.

**5/10 - 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. Last tour of the season. 10 am-noon. \$20. Reservations: 279-8883.

**5/10 - Second Saturday Sidewalk Sale** in Downtown Lake Worth. Free. 10 am-4 pm. 533-5272 or www.lakeworth.org/events/.

**5/10 - Decoupage Class** at Art-Sea Living, 1628 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. 10:30 am. \$55+. 737-2600 or www.art-sealiving.com.

**5/10 - International Migratory Bird Day: Why Birds Matter** at The Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Learn the many ways in which birds matter to the earth, to ecosystems and humans. 11 am-5:30 pm. Zoo admission/membership rates apply. 547-9453.

**5/10 - 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. 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.

**5/10 - Youth Orchestra of Palm Beach County 20 Year Anniversary Celebration** at Mizner Park Amphitheatre, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Strings, symphony and philharmonic to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the YOPBC. 5 pm. Free. 281-8600 or www.yopbc.org.

**5/10 - Laser Concerts** at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail N., West Palm Beach. Enjoy musical classics from such legends as Michael Jackson, Pink Floyd, Bob Marley and more while lasers, stars and other special effects have guests dancing in their seats. Held every second Saturday of the month. 6:30pm; 7:30 pm; 8:30 pm. \$10 Non-members; \$8 Members. 832-1988.

**5/10 - Havdalah Service** - Presented by Temple Adath Or (TAO) at Duncan Conference Center, 15820 Military Trail, Delray Beach. The Havdalah Service marks the end of Shabbat. 7:30 pm. 354-888-1408 or www.TAOcenter.net.

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**Sunday - 5/11 - Mother's Day**  
**5/11 - Mother's Day Brunch** at Atlantic Grille at The Seagate Hotel, 1000 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Mom's receive complimentary mimosa or glass of champagne and a special gift from the spa. 9 am-2:30 pm. 665-4900.

**5/11 - Mother's Day Brunch Cruise** leaves from 801 E Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Cruise aboard the Lady Atlantic & Lady Delray for a 2-hour Mother's Day brunch buffet. 9:30 am boarding, 10 am-12 pm cruise. \$48/person; \$38 children 12 and younger. 243-0686.

**5/11 - Mother's Day Lunch Cruise** leaves from 801 E Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. Sightseeing cruise for a 2-hour Mother's Day luncheon buffet. 1:15 pm boarding, 1:30-3:45 pm cruise. \$65/person; \$55 children 12 and younger. 243-0686.

**Monday - 5/12 - Coaching the Mature Driver** at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach. Safety Council course designed for age 55 and over. Florida approved for insurance discounts. 9 am-4 pm. \$12. 845-8233.

**5/12 - Great Books: The Lifted Veil** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Participate in interesting discussions after reading selections from the Great Books Conversation. Group meets the second and fourth Mondays of each month. 10-11:45 am. Free. 742-6380 or www.boyntonlibrary.org.

**5/12 - Elements Art Exhibit: The Elements Exhibition Conservation Exchange** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. An interactive conversation with the artists, conservation organization leaders and volunteers while studying the "elements, fire, water, earth," exhibition artwork. All artwork is for sale. 20% of sales benefits Friends of the Library and city of Boynton Beach Art in Public Places. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**Tuesday - 5/13 - Guided Tour of the Historic Boca Raton Resort & Club** - Explore the world famous resort's history with a 1.5-hour walking tour at the Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Presented by the Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum. Not recommended for children under 12. Wear comfortable shoes. 2-3:30 pm. \$10/BRHS members, \$15/non-members, \$11 valet fee per car. Reservations: 395-6766, Ext. 101.

**5/13 - PAC's 30th Annual Seminar for Professionals** at Woodfield Country Club, 3650 Club Place, Boca Raton. Hosted by the Professional Advisory Committee of the Jacobson Jewish Community Foundation of South Palm Beach County. Speaker is Richard A. Oshins, AEP discussing "Thinking Outside the Box: Why Conventional Thinking Might Not Always Be Best For Your Client." PAC membership not required. 5 pm. \$50. RSVP: 852.3109 or www.jewishboca.org/pacseminar.

**5/13 - Wine Seminar** at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. Wine expert and NPR radio personality Mark Spivak teaches a seminar on The Wines of Argentina. Tastings and hors d'oeuvres included. 6-8 pm. \$50/person. 279-7790.

**5/13 - Calle 54** directed by **Fernando Trueba** - Presented as part of the *Foreign Film Series* for adults by the Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. 6:30-9 pm. Free. 393-7968 or www.bocalibrary.org.

**5/13 - Barbara Schmidt Book Launch** - "The Practice", a new book by Barbara Schmidt, debuts at the Libby and Harry Dodson Auditorium in the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 7 pm. Free. Includes lecture and book signing. Registration: 297-2337.

**5/13 - Middle School Orchestra Concert** at Bernstein Family Commons Room, Pine Crest School, 2700 St. Andrews Blvd., Boca Raton. Middle school chorus and drama students musical. 7 pm. Free. 852-2800, Ext. 2851.

**5/13 - Carol White: Sitting Pretty** - Short story discussion at Coral Lakes Social Club, 12547 Imperial Isle Drive, Boynton Beach. For times and additional information contact Carol at polowhite@aol.com or www.carolwhitefiction.com.

**5/13 - "From a Woman's Perspective" Book Group** at The Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. "Madame Bovary" by Gustave Flaubert discussion. 10 am. Free. 266-9490.

**Wednesday - 5/14 - Knowledge & Nibbles** at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St., West Palm Beach. Meet the director and actors of Palm Beach Dramaworks' next production, *Tryst*. Buffet lunch. 11:30 am-1 pm. \$25/guild members; \$30/non-members. 514-4042 ext. 2.

**5/14 - Silver Science Days** at the South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail N., West Palm Beach. Every second Wednesday of each month guests age 62 and over experience the museum, learn from guest speakers, view a planetarium show and enjoy refreshments for only \$7. 2-5 pm. 832-1988.

**5/14 - Zonta Club of Boca Raton** monthly meeting at Delray Sands (formerly 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 work, donations and scholarships, meets monthly year round on the second Wednesday of the month for dinner. 6 pm. \$30. 482-1013.

**5/14 - Alva Johnston's The Legendary Mizners** - Presented by architectural historian Fred Eckel as part of the Town Hall Talks Lecture Series at the Boca Raton Historical Society, Old Town Hall, 71 N. Federal Hwy. 7 pm. \$5. Reservations: 395-6766, Ext. 101.

**5/14 - TED Talk with Dr. Amir Amedi** - Hosted by Congregation B'nai Israel/American Friends of Hebrew University, at Congregation B'nai Israel Cohen/Friedkin Sanctuary, 2200 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. Dr. Amedi shares his findings on the connections between sounds and vision. 7:30 pm. Suggested donation \$18, benefits Dr. Amedi's lab at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and The Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired of the Palm Beaches. 241-8118.

**5/14-28 - An Artistic Discovery: District 22 Congressional Student Art Exhibition** at the Boca Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Presents work of students from the 22nd Congressional District of Florida who have submitted their artwork to the office of Rep. Lois Frankel, which is juried and exhibited; the student whose artwork is selected "Best in Show" travels to Washington, D.C., and has his/her artwork displayed in the Nation's Capital building for one year. 10 am-5 pm Tue-Fri; 10 am-9 pm Wed; 12:00-5:00 pm Sat & Sun. Children under 12 Free; Adults \$14; Seniors (65+) \$12; Students (w/ID) \$6. 382-2500.

**Thursday - 5/15 - A Tribute to Our Troops and Veterans with Colonel Arthur DeRuve** at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. All are welcome to attend this special event, in uniform if you like, to honor all veterans that have proudly served their country and to remember those soldiers currently serving. 2 pm. Free. 266-9490.

**5/15 - Music on the Rocks - Free Concert: Riverdown** at Ocean Avenue Amphitheater, 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach. Happy Hour cocktails and food available. Free. 6-8 pm. 737-3256, Ext. 204, or www.boyntonbeachcra.com.

**5/15 - Artists Alley Open Studios** in the Pineapple Grove Arts District between NE 3rd and 4th Sts., east of NE 3rd Ave. and west of the railroad tracks in Delray Beach. All of the Studios and Galleries are open every third Thursday each month. www.artistsalleydelray.org.

**5/15 - Light Up the Night: On the Ave.** - Presented by the Delray Beach Marketing Cooperative along the 100 Block of Pineapple Grove Way. 300 LED balloons, ground lights, 3-D light wall, entertainment, photography exhibit, face painting, sidewalk chalk art, lifesize chess, and canvas art. 6-10 pm. Free. 279-1380.

**5/15 - Film Series: Handsome Devil, The Films of Alain Delon: L'ECLSE** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library, 400 NW 2 Ave. A film series featuring Alain Delon's work. Adults. 7-8:30 pm. 544-8591 or www.bocalibrary.org.

**5/15 - The South Florida Science Center and Aquarium presents The CSI Effect: Forensic Science, Not Made For TV** at O'Shea's Irish Pub, 531 Clematis St., West Palm Beach. Presented by Dr. Cecilia Crouse, Crime Laboratory Director, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. 7:30 pm. Free. 832-1988.

**5/15-18 - In the Heights, by Will Aronson and Daniel Mate** at Arts Garage, 180 NE First Street, Delray Beach. Broadway's Tony Award-winning Best Musical about chasing your dreams and finding your true home. 7:30 pm

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**Friday - 5/16 - Endangered Species Day** at the Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Learn about the importance of protecting endangered species and everyday actions they can take to help protect them. 11 am-5:30 pm. All ages. Zoo admission/membership rates apply. 547-9453.

**5/16 - 2014 Annual Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament** at Gleneagles Country Club, 7667 Victory Lane. 11 am-6 pm. \$165/player, \$650/foursome. 279-0907 or www.delraybeach.com.

**5/16 - Clinics Can Help (CCH) Inaugural Golf Tournament** at Atlantis Country Club, 190 Atlantis Blvd., Lake Worth. Benefits the Clinics Can Help Lending Closet Program which takes donated medical equipment and supplies and lends them to those in need throughout Palm Beach County. 11:30 am-5 pm. \$125/player of \$500/foursome. 640-2995.

**5/16 - Glass Metal Stone Cooperative Gallery 5th Anniversary** at 15 S. J St., Lake Worth. Butterflies are handed out to the first 100 visitors. Champagne and cake served. 6 pm. 588-8344.

**5/16 - My Son, Pinocchio** at Stacy Auditorium, Pine Crest School, 2700 St. Andrews Blvd., Boca Raton. Middle school musical is a contemporary magical mix of heartwarming fairytale and action-packed adventure. 7 pm. Free. 852-2800, Ext. 2851.

**5/16 - Taste of Boynton** at Indian Spring Country Club, 11501 El Clair Ranch Road, Boynton Beach. An evening filled with old Hollywood glamour, fabulous guests, delicious cuisine from area restaurants and wine from around the world. \$40. 6:30 pm. 927-7331.

**5/16-17 & 23-24 - Faith Prince** at The Colony Hotel's Royal Room Cabaret at 144 Hammon Ave., Palm Beach. Tony Award winner moves effortlessly between theatre, live performance, television, and movies. 6:30 pm. \$70 music charge + \$20/person minimum for food and beverage. 659-8100.

**5/16-18 - Delray Beach Athletic Club Weekend** includes: 2nd Annual "Vino Las Vegas" at Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square Historic Gymnasium (5/16: 7 pm-10:30 pm), 51 N Swinton Ave. Casino games, Texas Hold 'Em poker, finger foods, wine tasting and craft beer.; Family Fitness Fun Day at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Delray Beach. (5/17: 1 am-1 pm) Friendly fitness competitions, raffle with prizes. 557-8220; "Just for Kicks" Inaugural Delray Beach Corporate 5v5 Tournament at Seacrest Soccer Complex and Hilltopper Field, 2505 Seacrest Blvd. Delray Beach. (5/18: 3 pm) Eight local companies field teams and compete for championship. Corporate Entrance Fee: \$1,000. Contact: steve@delrayac.com. For more information: 954-557-8220. Reservations and tickets at www.delrayac.com.

**5/16-6/8 - Tryst by Karoline Leach** - Presented by Palm Beach Dramaworks, at Don and Ann Brown Theatre, 201 Clematis St., West Palm Beach. W-Sun through 6/8. W-Sat: 8 pm; Th, Sat & Sun: 2 pm; Sun 5/25 & 6/1: 7 pm. Preview (5/14 & 15) \$52; Opening Night (5/16) \$75; Regular shows \$60. 514-4042.

**Saturday - 5/17 - 2nd Annual Firefighter Eric Patrie 5k Run/Walk** at Anchor Park, 540 S. Ocean Ave., Delray Beach. Proceeds benefit the family of Delray Beach Firefighter Eric Patrie. 7 am. \$25; Registration closes 5/15. \$30 race day. Free kids' fun run 8:15 am. email patrie5k@hotmail.com or www.delrayfirebenevolent.org/ericpatrie.html.

**5/17 - Save the Tiger 5K** - Presented by Sagcor at The Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Run to help save the Malayan Tigers. Race registration includes Zoo admission for 5/17 and three ½ price discount coupons for friends and family to see you cross the finish line and enjoy a day at the Zoo. 7:30-10:30 am. Students 17 & under \$20 (\$25 race day); Adults 18 & older \$35 (\$40 race day). 547-9453 or www.palmbeachzoo.org.

**5/17 - Hillsboro Lighthouse Tour** - Meet at the Sands Harbor Resort and Marina, North side, 125 N. Riverside Drive, Pompano Beach. Visitors should park in the Pompano Beach City Parking (fee required) across from the Sands Harbor Hotel & Marina. Transportation to and from the Lighthouse is only by tour boat. The first boat departs at approximately 9 am. The last boat leaves the Sands Harbor Hotel at 2:30 pm, and the last boat from the Lighthouse will return to the Sands Harbor Hotel at approximately 4 pm. Visitors must have flat shoes with rubber soles and closed toes. No sandals, flip-flops, or shoes with heels are allowed inside the Lighthouse. Children must be accompanied by an adult and must be a minimum of 48" tall to climb the tower. No pets allowed. 9 am-2:30 pm. \$15 transportation fee. 954-942-2102.

**5/17 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Delray Beach & Boynton Beach** - Conducted by the Museum of Lifestyle &

## Memorial Day Events

**Monday - 5/26 - Memorial Day Commemorative Ceremony** at the Boca Raton Cemetery, 449 SW 4th Ave. Featuring veterans groups, city officials, music by Ft. Lauderdale Highlanders and Boca Raton Community High School Band, drills by Boca Raton Community High School NJROTC, and Boca Raton Police and Fire Guards. Volunteers provided by Boca Raton Kiwanis. 9 am. Free. 393-7995 or http://www.ci.boca-raton.fl.us/bocacal.shtm.

**5/26 - Memorial Day Observance** at Veteran's Park, 9400 W. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton. Presented by The Veterans Coalition of South Florida. Procession of colors, guest speakers and patriotic music. Free. 9:30 am. 963-6755 or www.pbcparcs.com.

**5/26 - Memorial Day Ceremony** at South Florida National Cemetery, 6501 S. State Road 7, Lake Worth. Remember and honor those who lost their lives in service to the country during the Palm Beach County Veterans Committee's seventh-annual commemorations. Outdoor event. Bring your own chair. Offsite parking with shuttle service. Free. 10 am. 686-7262, 649-6489 or www.pbcveteranscommittee.org.

**5/26 - 9th Annual Forgotten Soldiers Outreach Memorial Day Service "A Day to Remember"** - Hosted by Palm Beach Memorial at 3691 Seacrest Blvd., Lantana. 11:50 am. 585-6444 or www.palmbeachmemorial.com.

**5/26 - Memorial Day Concert** at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. The Indian River Pops & Robert Sharon Chorale along with the New Gardens Band perform. Full concert band features patriotic music under the direction of Owen Seward. Free. 7-9 pm. 393-7995 or www.myboca.us/events/.

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**5/17 - Bear Awareness Day** at The Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Visit Lewis & Clarke, the North American black bears at 12:30 p.m. for the Black Bear Keeper Talk & Training Session. More "bear" fun will also be available! 11 am-5:30 pm. Zoo admission/membership rates apply. 547-9453.

**5/17 - Brews & BBQ Fest** at the American German Club of the Palm Beaches, 5111 Lantana Road, Lake Worth. Craft beer, ribs & chicken, live music, carnival rides. BBQ cook-off competition. Gates open at noon. \$7. 967-6464.

**5/17 - Demonstration of Sado: The Way of Tea** at The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. Observe Japanese *sado* along with a sip of green tea and a sweet. 12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm, and 3 pm. \$5 with paid admission. 495-0233.

**5/17 - Elaine Viets** speaks and signs her book, *Catnapped!*, at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. 6 pm. Free. 279-7790 or www.murderonthebeach.com.

**5/17 - Beyond the Pale: Barbara Pym** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library, 400 NW 2 Ave. A discussion of English novelist Barbara Pym. Adults. 7-8:30 pm. 544-8591.

**5/17 - Video Games Live with Orchestra and Choir** at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Concert features music from the most popular video games of all time with the excitement of a rock concert and the technology and interactivity of a video game. 8 pm. \$20 and up. 832-7469 or www.kravis.org.

### MAY 18-24

**Sunday - 5/18 - Downtown Open Market** at Monument Piazza, Royal Palm Place, 308 S. Federal Hwy., Boca Raton. Last of the season. Features food, art galleries, jewelers and a variety of boutiques. 10 am-4 pm. Free. www.downtownopenmarket.com.

**5/18 - Lag B'Omer Jewish Unity Festival** - Presented by Chabad of East Boca at Mizner Park Amphitheatre, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Family event featuring rides, entertainment and food. 11 am-4 pm. Free. 417-7797.

**5/18 - The Colony's Bridal Affair** at The Colony Hotel, 155 Hammon Ave., Palm Beach. Features wedding experts, bridal shops, formal wear, floral and cake designers, make-up artists, invitations, disc jockeys, limousine services, photographers and more. Door prizes and complimentary refreshments and valet. 2-5 pm. Free/RSVP by 5/8 to robin@thecolonypalmbeach.com, \$10/door. 655-5430.

**5/18 - Art Films: Larry Rivers: Public and Private** at Boca Raton Museum of Art in Mizner Park, 501 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 2:30-4pm. Free with admission to museum. Repeats 5/21 and 5/24. 601-9851 or www.bocamuseum.org.

**5/18 - Concert: The Pulse Ensemble** - Presented as part of Music At St. Paul's series at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. An exciting new clarinet, violin/viola and piano trio from Miami in their Music at St. Paul's debut. 3 pm. \$20/preferred seating, \$15/requested donation, \$5/students. 278-6003 or www.stpaulsdelray.org.

**5/18 - Nancy J. Cohen** speaks and signs her book, *Hanging by a Hair*, at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. 5 pm. Free. 279-7790.

**5/18 - Alyssa Maxwell** speaks and signs her book, *Murder at the Breakers*, at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. 5 pm. Free. 279-7790.

12, 14-19, 21-22, 25-26 & 28-29. Th.-Sat.: 7:30 pm; W, Sat.&Sun.: 2 pm. \$35. 588-1820.

**Friday - 5/23 - The House Keeper**, by Morna Regan at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Part of the Acting Irish International Theatre Festival. A woman at the end of her tether is faced with homelessness when she loses her job and the bank threatens to repossess her home. 2 pm. \$20. 450-6357.

**5/23 - Jeffery Deaver** speaks and signs his book, *The Skin Collector*, at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790.

**5/23 - Eldar Djangirov Trio** - Presented by Marc Freeman at The Crest Theatre at Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Internationally acclaimed virtuoso jazz pianist Eldar Djangirov appears with his long-time bandmates Armando Gola (on bass) and Afonso Ludwig (on drums), both well known to jazz audiences. 8 pm. \$40. 243-7922 or www.delrayarts.org.

**5/23 - Stones in His Pocket**, by Marie Jones at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Part of the Acting Irish International Theatre Festival. Jake and Charlie are thirty-somethings who meet when working as extras on a big American movie being shot in Ireland. 8 pm. \$20. 450-6357.

**5/23 - Sci-Fi Cinema** featuring *Back to the Future* at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail N., West Palm Beach. Guests are invited to enjoy an outdoor movie experience on a colossal screen and are encouraged to bring blankets and chairs. 6-10 pm. \$10 for adults; \$7 for children ages 3-12. Admission includes full access to Science Center exhibits. Popcorn and refreshments available for purchase. 832-1988.

**5/23-25 - Grey Gardens** - Presented at Outre Theatre Company, Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Held again 5/30-6/1, 6/6-8. F&Sat.: 8 pm; Sun.: 2 pm. \$30/adults, \$25/seniors, \$20/students. 954-300-2149 or www.outretheatrecompany.com.

**5/23-27 - Everyday Rapture** - Presented by the Boca Raton Theatre Guild Inc. at the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. A musical, with songs made famous by artists such as Judy Garland, The Band, Harry Hillson, and Roberta Flack. A tale of a woman's travels from confining hometown traditions to her rise to stardom on Broadway. Rated R. F-Sat.: 8 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 2 pm. \$28. 347-3900 or www.willowtheatre.org.

**5/23 & 30 - Safari Nights: The Zoo Comes Alive at Night!** at the Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Each night features a different family-friendly theme and includes entertainment. Come dressed to match the nightly themes. 5:30-9 pm. \$5 member child; \$9 member adult; \$9.95 non-member child; \$15.95 non-member adult; toddlers (age 0-2) free. 547-9453.

**Saturday - 5/24 - Conrad Pickel Celebration** at the Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Event includes a bus tour, presentations and exhibition focused on renowned stained glass artist, Conrad Pickel. Hosted by Boynton Beach Historical Society, City of Boynton Beach Historical Preservation and Art in Public Places. 8 am-10 am: guided bus tour, 10-10:45 am: Presentation celebrating the stained glass artists' life and vision, 10:45-11:30 am: Artists' son presents his father's career and his art, 11:30 am-noon: Stained glass demonstration, Noon-1 pm: Exhibition and reception. Free. 742-6757.

**5/24 - Tho' It Were Ten Thousand Miles, A Love Story**, by William H.A. Williams at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Part of the Acting Irish International Theatre Festival. This play brings together Seamus, an aging Irish academic (complete with family banshee), and Fiona, a young Scottish-American folk singer. 2 pm. \$20. 450-6357.

**5/24 - Wong Kar-wai Festival: The Grandmaster** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library Community Room All, 400 NW 2nd Ave. An epic action feature inspired by the life and times of the legendary kung-fu master. Adults. 7-8:30 pm. 544-8591 or www.bocalibrary.org.

**5/24 - Those Halcyon Days**, by Deirdre Kinahan at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Part of the Acting Irish International Theatre Festival. Seán sits alone, abandoned to his memories of a life in the theatre, when in storms Patricia, a feisty woman with a zest for life and an eye for a handsome man. 8 pm. \$20. 450-6357.

**5/24-25 - 17th Annual Downtown Delray Beach Craft Festival** at the Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W. Atlantic Ave. Outdoor juried event features full spectrum of craft media. Includes Green Market. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 561-746-6615 or www.artfestival.com.

**5/24-25 - Doubt**, a Pulitzer Prize-winning play by John Patrick Stanley, is performed at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St., Delray Beach. Runs through 6/8. (5/29-6/1, 6/5-8) Th.-Sat.: 8 pm; Sat. & Sun.: 2 pm. \$30. 272-1281, Ext. 4 or www.delraybeachplayhouse.com.

### MAY 25-31

**Monday - 5/26 - Memorial Day Tuesday - 5/27 - Celebrate! Dorothea Lange** at Boca Raton Museum of Art in Mizner Park, 501 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Join public highlight tours at 11 am and 2 pm and learn of the artist's accomplishments and conclude with a celebratory birthday mini-cupcake. Free with museum admission. 601-9851.

**Thursday - 5/29 - Three Daughters** is performed by Words... Alive! as part of the *Books on Stage* Reading series at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. 2 pm. \$25. 272-1281.

**5/29 - 3rd Annual Pairings Food + Wine Event** - Presented by the WPB Downtown Development Authority in downtown West Palm Beach (various locations). Diners receive samples of popular menu items at each participating restaurant with a portion of the proceeds benefiting Families First of Palm Beach County. 5:30-9 pm. \$25 advance; \$30 day of event. 822-2222 or www.wpbgo.com.

**5/29 - Haitian American Heritage Celebration** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Celebrate aspects of Haitian culture as teen volunteers present song, dance, art and drama. All ages. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**5/29 - DocNights at Willow: In The Footsteps of Willie Sutton** - Presented as part of the DocMiami International Film Festival at the Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Watch international films and meet special guest presenters. Films not yet rated. All children must be accompanied by an adult. 7 pm. Admission: \$5. 347-3900.

**5/29 - Downtown Library Post Modern META Book Club: Iris Murdoch's Loose Baggy Monsters** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Discussion of Iris Murdoch's *Good Apprentice, The Nice and The Good, and A Fairly Honourable Retreat*. Adults. 7-8 pm. 544-8591 or www.bocalibrary.org.

**Friday - 5/30 - T.G.I. Shabbat** at Chabad of East Boca, 120 NE 1st Ave., Boca Raton. Monthly Friday night Shabbat dinner replete with Challah, gefilte fish, chicken soup, and all the other traditional foods. 7:30 pm. \$25/adults, \$15/children ages 3-12. 417-7797.

**5/30-31 & 6/6-7 - Mary Wilson** at The Colony Hotel's Royal Room Cabaret, 144 Hammon Ave., Palm Beach. Co-founder of The Supremes, Mary Wilson is a musical legend. 6:30 pm. \$80 music charge + \$20/person minimum for food and beverage. 659-8100.

**Saturday - 5/31 - Meet the Author/ Deborah Bernstein** at Barnes & Noble, 1400 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Meet Deborah Bernstein, author of children's book *Stylish Stella's Magic Crown*. 11 am. Free. 750-2134.

### JUNE 1-7

**Sunday - 6/1 - Pottery Classes** at Cloud House Pottery, Artists Alley, 453 NE 4 St., Delray Beach. One-on-one beginning, intermediate, advanced instruction on the potter's wheel; up to 3 people per 2.5-hour class. Learn to wedge and center clay, pull a cylinder, add handles, lids and spouts to finish pieces. Runs through 6/31. \$40 including materials. 962-9222.

**Monday - 6/2-4 - Make Someone Happy: The Musicals of Betty Comden and Adolph Green** at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Held again 6/9-11. All dates: 2 & 8 pm. \$30. 272-1281, Ext. 4.

**6/2-6 - American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor Course** at the John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. Participants must pass pre-course skills session on first day. Must attend all meeting dates and complete all assignments, in addition to passing the final written exam with a score of 80% or better to successfully complete the course. 10 am-4 pm. \$250 (\$100 payable at www.redcross.org; \$150 payable to the City of Boynton Beach on the first day or www.boynton-beach.org).

**Tuesday - 6/3 - Celebrate! Raoul Dufy** at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Join tours at 11 am and 2 pm and earn of the artist's accomplishments and conclude with a celebratory birthday mini-cupcake. Free with museum admission. 601-9851.

**Wednesday - 6/4 - Divorce by Rhiannon Matzko, MS** - Presented as part of the *First Wednesdays Mental Health Lecture Series* at the Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. 11 am-noon. Free. 483-5300.

**Friday - 6/6 - Boca Chamber 44th Annual Golf Classic** at Via Mizner Golf & Country Club, 6200 Boca del Mar Drive. 7:00 am-2:30 pm. \$200/player, \$800/foursome. 395-4433, Ext. 233, or www.bocachamber.com.

**Saturday - 6/7 - Relay for Life of Downtown Delray** at Old School Square Park, 95 NE 1st Ave. Relay For Life movement features community and campus events that offer an inspiring opportunity to honor cancer survivors, promote how individuals can reduce their cancer risk, and raise money to help end cancer. To register your team: www.RelayForLife.org/downtowndelrayfl

Tots & Teens

# Delray Beach hosts mom-and-son challenge event

By Shelley Gilken

On Mother's Day, breakfast in bed would be a nice treat for Mom. Perhaps a bouquet of flowers, a beautiful card or, hey, why not throw cheese curls at her head?

That's right. Cheese curls. The city of Delray Beach Parks and Recreation Department is hosting its fourth annual Moms and Sons Challenge on May 10, featuring about a dozen tasks for moms and sons.

Participants work together doing stunts in a race against other teams in downtown Delray Beach. While the obstacles planned for this event are top secret, last year's event included flying a kite for a minute, knocking down cones with a fire hose — and a cheese curl task.

"That one was the most popular," said Danielle Beardsley, marketing/special events coordinator for Delray Beach Parks and Recreation.

Here's how it worked: Each mom donned a shower cap and goggles. The son then covered the shower cap in shaving cream. He tossed cheese curls at his mom's head until 10 stuck, thus completing the challenge.

An official at the station confirmed they completed the task and they moved on to the next location in hopes of being the first to finish.

"Teams of moms and sons travel around downtown on foot. We give them a list of locations they go to," Beardsley said.

Each obstacle is determined by a parks department committee, and they are different every year.

"I want to say it's silly stuff. It's not what you'd think of with mud-run obstacles," Beardsley said. "They're not climbing rock walls or running through mud. But they're physical. ... No eating challenge. We won't do that to them."



Sons and moms compete with a fire hose during last year's Moms and Sons Challenge. Photo provided

Beardsley said the reaction to the event the past three years has been overwhelmingly positive.

"It gives a chance for moms and sons to work as a team and grow closer," Beardsley said. "We even have adult sons doing (the challenge) with their moms, and they have a blast."

The event is capped at 60 teams with up to three sons per mom. The teams are sorted

by the son's age and there is a staggered start, with the first wave going at 9:15 a.m. The average time to finish all the tasks is about two hours. All participants get a T-shirt and medal, while winners in each age group get a trophy.

The idea for the special Mother's Day event came out of the desire to do something that mirrors Daddy-Daughter date night, which is a popular event

**If You Go**

**What:** Fourth annual Amazing Mom and Son Challenge

**When:** May 10

8:30 am: Check-in begins

9:15 am: 5-6-years old

9:30 am: 7-9 and 10-13 years

9:45 am: 14-17 and 18+ years

Lunch and prizes following completion of the race.

**Cost:** \$12 per adult (18 and up); \$7 per child (17 and younger)

**info:** Registration form available online at <http://mydelraybeach.com/parks-and-recreation>. Organizers are seeking volunteers, and will award community service hours.

**Contact:** Danielle Beardsley, (561) 243-7277 or [beardsleyd@mydelraybeach.com](mailto:beardsleyd@mydelraybeach.com).

to be held next month closer to Father's Day.

Mother-Son date night didn't catch on, and Beardsley decided to put feelers out on Facebook, seeing if anyone had an idea for moms and sons. Someone suggested a scaled-down event based on the TV show *Amazing Race*.

"It took off from there," Beardsley said. ★

Tots & Teens

Note: Events are current as of 4/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MAY 3

**Saturday - 5/3 - Little Wonders** - Hikes, crafts for and stories introduce your novice naturalist to a new animal each month. 10-11 am at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. \$5 for members, \$8 for non-members. Ages 3&4 with an adult; No siblings. 544-8605 or [www.gumbolimbo.org](http://www.gumbolimbo.org).  
**5/3 - Young Kings and Queens: Chess Class** for ages 6-12 at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community

Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. All that's needed is a little patience and concentration to learn how to become an effective player. Saturdays through 5/31. 10 am-noon. \$25/residents, \$31/non-residents. Registration: 742-6550.

**5/3 - Mommy and Me Yoga** at the Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford. Blvd. Playful exercise and bonding time with your little one. 10 am. \$10/per family. 368-6875.

**5/3 - Gymnastics** for ages 4-16 at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd. Classes designed for introductory skill development on the vault, bars, beams and floor. Saturdays through 5/31. Age 4-7: 10-11 am; age 8-16: 11 am-noon. \$55/residents, \$69/

non-residents. Registration: 742-6550.

**5/3 - Junie B. Jones** at the Duncan Theatre, Palm Beach State College, 4200 Congress Ave., Lake Worth. Part of the *Saturday Family Fun Series*. In this musical, follow Junie B. Jones on her adventures meeting new friends, getting to the First Grade at last, and helping out wherever she can. 11 am. \$10. 868-3309.

**5/3 - Musikgarten for Babies** at the Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford. Blvd. 11 am. Newborns to 15 mos with parent or caregiver, siblings welcome. \$10 per family. 368-6875 or [www.cmboca.org](http://www.cmboca.org).

**5/3 - Indoor Aquarium Feedings** - Learn about sea creatures during a daily feeding presentation. Children under 18 must be

accompanied by an adult. Meet in the Nature Center at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Free. 2:30 pm 544-8605 or [www.gumbolimbo.org](http://www.gumbolimbo.org).

MAY 4-10

**Sunday - 5/4 - ARTful Adventure Sundays** - Program focuses on family fun for all ages to learn, create, and enjoy the arts. At Boca Raton Museum of Art in Mizner Park, 501 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 2-3 pm. Free with museum admission. 601-9851.

**Monday - 5/5 - Spring/Summer Terms: Art, Photography and Writing Classes** begin at Delray Beach Center for the Arts/School of Creative Arts, Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Art, photography and writing classes. Day and evening classes for all levels and a variety of children's classes for ages 6 and up. Runs through 8/23. For times and prices: 243-7922, ext. 478.

**5/5 - Outdoor Sea Tank Feedings** - Learn about the fascinating behaviors of sharks, stingrays, and other marine life during these daily feeding presentations. All ages. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at the outdoor tanks. Monday - Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. (Mangrove and Nearshore Reef Tanks); Monday - Saturdays at 12:30 p.m. (Tropical Coral Reef and Shipwreck Tanks); Sundays at 1:30 p.m. (All tanks). Gumbo Limbo Nature Center 1801 N Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Free. 544-8605.

**5/5 - May the Fifth Be With You: Star Wars Day** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Practice lightsaber movements,

make origami space vehicles and pose for a picture in our Jedi photo booth. Wear your Star Wars costume. All ages. 4-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6380 or [www.boyntonlibrary.org](http://www.boyntonlibrary.org).

**5/5 - Musical Theater & Drama Class** for ages 6-11 at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Students sing, act and dance to popular Broadway songs and scripts. Theater games to overcome shyness and improve public speaking are played along with improvisation and team building activities. Parents are asked to wait outside the classroom during class, however, some time at the end of each session will be given for observance. Held Mondays through 5/19. 4:45-5:40 pm. \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents. 393-7807.

**Tuesday - 5/6 - Baby Storytime** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Listen to stories and rhymes and sing songs that promote learning and development. Held again 5/13, 5/20, 5/27. Ages Birth-24 months. 9:45-10:30 am. Free. 742-6380.

**5/6 - Lil' Sluggers Baseball** for ages 2-5 at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Kids are introduced to proper throwing, catching, hitting and running skills in a fun and exciting environment. Low student/coach ratios for lots of individual attention and instruction. T&Th. through 5/29. Age 2-3: 10-10:45 am; ages 4-5: 11-11:45 am. \$48/residents, \$60/non-residents. Registration: 742-6550.

**5/6 - Daily Shark Feedings** at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S. Ocean Blvd., Delray Beach. Learn fun facts about the oceans' top predators. Tuesday thru Saturday, 10:30 am and



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Sunday 1:30 pm. \$4 per-person (3 years of age and above); \$25 to participate in feeding (only one person per day). 274-7263.

**5/6 - Interactive Story: A Story 'N More** at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach. Children's books come to life through interactive performance, singing, movement and props. Tuesdays. Two sessions: 11:15 am & 2 pm. Free with paid museum admission. 742-6782 or www.schoolhousemuseum.org.

**5/6 - Group Swim Lessons** at the John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. For ages 3 and older. Young children must be potty trained. T & Th through 5/29. Level I, II & III classes: 4:30 & 5 pm. Cost per session is \$40/resident, \$50/non-residents. 742-6645.

**5/6 - 10 and Under Tennis: Junior Development Clinics** for ages 4-12 at the Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Four-week session held Tuesdays. Age 4: 4:30-5pm; age 5-6: 5-5:30 pm; age 7-8: 5:30-6:15pm; age 9-12: 6:15-7:15 pm. For ages 4-6, \$25/residents, \$32/non-residents; for ages 7-12, \$35/residents, \$44/non-residents. Registration: 742-6550.

**5/6 - Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs (PG)** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library Community Room West, 400 NW 2 Ave. Movie and pizza. Ages 9-12. 5:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852 or www.bocalibrary.org.

**Wednesday - 5/7 - Family Storytime** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Listen to stories, sing songs and learn fingerplays. Held again 5/14, 5/21, 5/28. Ages Birth-24 months. 10-10:45 am. Free. 742-6380.

**5/7 - Amazing Art** at Schoolhouse Children's Museum, 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach. New and exciting projects are offered to show off your child's creativity. Ages 2-5. 11:30 am-12 pm and 3-3:30 pm. Members \$2.50; Non-Members \$3.50 with paid admission. Every Wednesday. Registration: 742-6780.

**5/7 - Tub Time** at Schoolhouse Children's Museum, 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach. Hands-on sensory-based class engages your child's sense of touch. Ages 2-5. Tuesdays. 3:30 pm. Free with paid admission. Space is limited; Registration required: 742-6780.

**5/7 - Group Swim Lessons** at the John Denson Pool, 225 N.W. 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. For ages 3 and older. Young children must be potty trained. W & F through 5/30. Level I, II & III classes: 4:30 & 5 pm. Cost per session is \$40/resident, \$50/non-residents. 742-6645.

**5/7 - Teen Gaming** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Play board and video games using a Wii, PD3 or Xbox 360. Held again 5/14, 5/21, 5/28. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6380 or www.boyntonlibrary.org.

**Thursday - 5/8 - Drop-In Story Time** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library Community Room West, 400 NW 2 Ave. Children (all ages). Held every Thursday and Saturday. 10-10:30a. Free. 393-7852 or www.bocalibrary.org.

**5/8 - Playdough Fun Day** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Make shapes, letters or whatever you want with Playdough and imagination. Ages 3-5. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380 or www.boyntonlibrary.org.

**5/8 - Hawaii Madness** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Celebrate Asian Pacific Heritage Month with a photo booth featuring traditional dress from Japan, Vietnam and Polynesia. Check out new manga books, play trivia and enjoy snacks such as boba (bubble) tea and candy sushi. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**5/8 - Tween Book Club** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library Learning Center, 400 NW 2 Ave. *Who Could That Be at This Hour?* by Lemony Snicket. Ages 9-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free book with required registration. 393-7852.

**Friday - 5/9 - Tot Time** at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 2-5. Crafts, snacks, and indoor play stations. Drop in anytime during the program. 10 am-noon. \$5/child. 347-3900 or www.sugarsandpark.org.

**Saturday - 5/10 - Group Swim Lessons** at the John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. Ages 3 and older. Young children must be potty trained. Sat. through 5/31. Level I, II & III classes: 10:30 & 11:15 am. Cost per session is \$40/resident, \$50/non-residents. 742-6645.

**5/10 - Pawsitive Reading Program with Bootsie the Therapy Dog** at the Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Children who may need extra help in reading and interpersonal communication can read to Bootsie in a comfortable, non-judgmental environment. 2 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0197.

**MAY 11-17**

**Sunday - 5/11- Mother's Day**  
**5/11 - Mother's Day Craft** at The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. Honor your Mother by making a special card for her. 12-3 pm. Free with paid admission. 495-0233.

**Monday - 5/12 - Uke Can Too! Open Play Day** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S.

**Dolphin great on campus**  
 Gulf Stream School, Gulf Stream – April 10



Former Miami Dolphins wide receiver Nat Moore cheers on fourth-grader John Mahady during an after-school football clinic for about 30 boys and girls. The J.D. Davis family arranged for the special event where the students took part in passing and running drills. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

Seacrest Blvd. Practice on one of the Library's 6 ukuleles. Learn new strumming patterns or practice chord progressions. First come, first served. Grades 2-12. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**Tuesday - 5/13 - Haitian and Asian Pacific Heritage Month Craft** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Make fashionable jewelry that depicts iconic symbols from the cultures of Asia, the Pacific and Haiti. Grades 6-12. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**5/13 - Flag Football** for ages 6-11 at The Carolyn Sims Center, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. Kids enjoy practices and games in an inclusive environment where everyone plays and learns how to throw, catch, kick and play defense. Coaches teach fundamentals and ensure that everyone has a full experience. T&Th. through 6/26. Ages 6-7: 6-7 pm; ages 8-11: 7-8 pm. \$30/residents, \$38/non-residents. Registration: 742-6550.

**5/13 - Teen Book Club** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library Learning Center, 400 NW 2 Ave.

*The Fifth Wave* by Rick Yancey. Ages 13-17. 6:30-8 pm. Free book with required registration. 393-7852 or www.bocalibrary.org.

**5/13-14 - Elementary Mathematics and Science Fair** at Expo Center West at the South Florida Fair Grounds, 9060 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach. K-5th grade students showcase their critical thinking and scientific problem-solving abilities with other students and the general public. 5/13: 9 am-7 pm; 5/14: 9 am-noon. Free. 432-6386.

**5/13-14 - After School Science Series: Olfactory Observations** at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Kids spend an hour exploring and experimenting together, trying something new every month. Tues.: Ages 6-9 (with parent); Wed.: Ages 10-12. Both days 4-5 pm. \$10/residents; \$12.50/non-residents. 347-3912.

**Thursday - 5/15 - Kid Activity Lab** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Play board and video games using a Wii,

PS3 or Xbox360; practice ukuleles, or make wearable art with rainbow looms. Held again 5/29. Grades K-5. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**Friday - 5/16 - Story and Play with Miss Mij** at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. For ages 18 mo.-4 yrs. Caregivers and children learn and play together, using key components of repetition, rhythm and rhyme to enhance their child's pre-literacy skills and imagination. Ages 18 mo.-2 yrs.: 10-10:45 am; 3-4 yrs.: 11:15 am-noon. \$5/drop in (includes one carousel token per paid child). 347-3900.

**5/16 - Mommy, Mother Nature and Me: Turtle Time** at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. Ages 2-5 learn about local species of turtles and learn about nature through stories, live animals, activities and a turtle-themed craft. 10:30 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760.

**5/16 - 6th Annual Southeast Region Saunders Scholars Competition** at FAU College of Business, DeSantis Pavilion, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Thirty Young Entrepreneurs Academy students nationally will compete. Hundreds of business and educational leaders, students and parents gather to hear America's top young entrepreneurs aged 11-18 pitch their business plans. 3:30 pm. Free. 585-272-3535 or www.yeausa.org.

**5/16 - Children's Special: Greg Phillips - He's Funbelievable!** at the Downtown Boca Raton Library Community Room All, 400 NW 2 Ave. Children (all ages) must be accompanied by adult. Free Tickets available ½ hour prior to show. 3:30 pm. 393-7852.

**5/16 - Friday Night at the Museum** at the Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Ages 7-12 wear their comfy clothes as they get a chance to hang out in the Explorium after hours. Pizza is served and participants watch the movie *Meet The Croods* and do a fun experiment. 6-9:30 pm. \$20/residents, \$25/non-residents. 347-3912.

**5/16 - Parents Night Out** at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach. Drop your child off for a fun night of science! Event includes a hands-on science experiment, a science-related craft, exploration of the Science Center, pizza dinner and a full-dome planetarium show. 6-10 pm. \$25 per child (each additional child is \$10). 832-2026 or www.sfscenter.org.

**Saturday - 5/17 - 2 CU Create! Draw It Out!** at the Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S. Olive Ave., West Palm Beach. For young artists, ages 10-14. Guided by professional artists, students experiment as they create art-inspired works in the Museum galleries. Three-session class held again 1/18 & 25. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$90/members, \$110/non-members, plus a non-refundable \$30/pre-registration fee per series. 832-5196.

**5/17 - Young Artwork Open House** at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. Guests meet 2-8 year old artists and discuss their inspirations. All ages. 1-2 pm. Free. 629-8760.

**MAY 18-24**

**Sunday - 5/18 - Weekend Movie Madness: Rango (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.

**Monday - 5/19 - Haitian Heritage Craft** at

Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Celebrate Haitian Heritage Month by making a wearable, beaded flag craft. Grades 2-6. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**Tuesday - 5/20 - Kindermusik with Ms. Deborah** at Veteran's Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. A music and movement program for infants, toddlers, preschoolers, and big kids. Ages 3-18 months (10-10-30 am); 18 months-3 years (11-11:30 am); 3-5 years (12-12:30 pm). 6-week sessions run through 7/1. T&Sat. \$96 Residents; \$108 Non-residents. 243-7350.

**Thursday - 5/22 - Learn With Legos** at 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.

**5/22 - Teen Book Discussion: The Watchmen** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Join the discussion on Alan Moore's classic. Snacks provided. Register at the Youth Services Desk. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 742-6380 or www.boyntonlibrary.org.

**Saturday - 5/24 - Snakes 101** at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Road, Boca Raton. An eco-explorers program. Ages 6 and up. 1 pm. \$4/participant. Reservations: 629-8760.

**MAY 25-31**

**Tuesday - 5/27 - Candy Sushi** at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S. Seacrest Blvd. Celebrate Asian Heritage Month by making sushi, a traditional Japanese dish with candy and enjoy eating real Japanese candy. Grades 2-6. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380.

**Wednesday - 5/28 - Gentle Growers** at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Designed to meet the social needs of the young child while providing loving support for parents. 10-11:30 am. \$15 per family (includes snack). 368-6875.

**Friday - 5/30 - Spy Science Night** at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail North, West Palm Beach. Learn about forensic science by dusting for prints, exploring microscopic evidence, and write your own secret message with invisible ink. Guests of all ages enjoy extended hours of exploration. Free laser concert and miniature golf are included. 6-9 pm. \$12.50 for adults; \$9 for children; under 3 yrs free. 832-1988.

**5/30 - Kindermusik Summer Adventures** at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Developmentally based music programs. Ages 0 months-3 years. Fridays. Runs through 7/11. 10-10:45 am Ages 0-18 months; 11-11:45 am Ages 18 months-3 years. \$96 Residents; \$120 Non-Residents. 742-6650 or www.boynton-beach.org.

**Saturday - 5/31 - I Love Art** at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach. Exciting and different approach to art for kids with a "go green" theme. Saturdays. 10:30 am-12 pm. Ages 4-10. Runs through 6/21. \$36 Residents; \$45 Non-residents. 742-6650.

**JUNE 1-7**

**Friday - 6/4 - Ballet Butterflies 1 & 2** at Veteran's Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. Class 1: Pre-ballet class exposes the 2-3 year olds to ballet music, positions and movement. Ages 2-3. Class 2: Pre-ballet class exposes the 3-1/2 to 4-1/2 year olds to ballet music, positions and movement. Wednesdays. Runs through 7/9. \$78 Residents; \$83 Non-residents. 243-7350.

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# Just say, Spa!

It's Mom's day, so why not make her feel special?

By Jan Norris

Forget brunch. What Mom really wants is an "ah" day, de-stressing and relaxing on her own. A day at a spa is one "time out" Mom will appreciate.

Local hotels have come up with packages to treat moms like queens, with pampering programs that include waterfall massages, reflexology to rejuvenate, exotic floral baths and more — served with Champagne, or even drinks on the beach.

Even those soon-to-be mothers can get in on special massages designed just for them.

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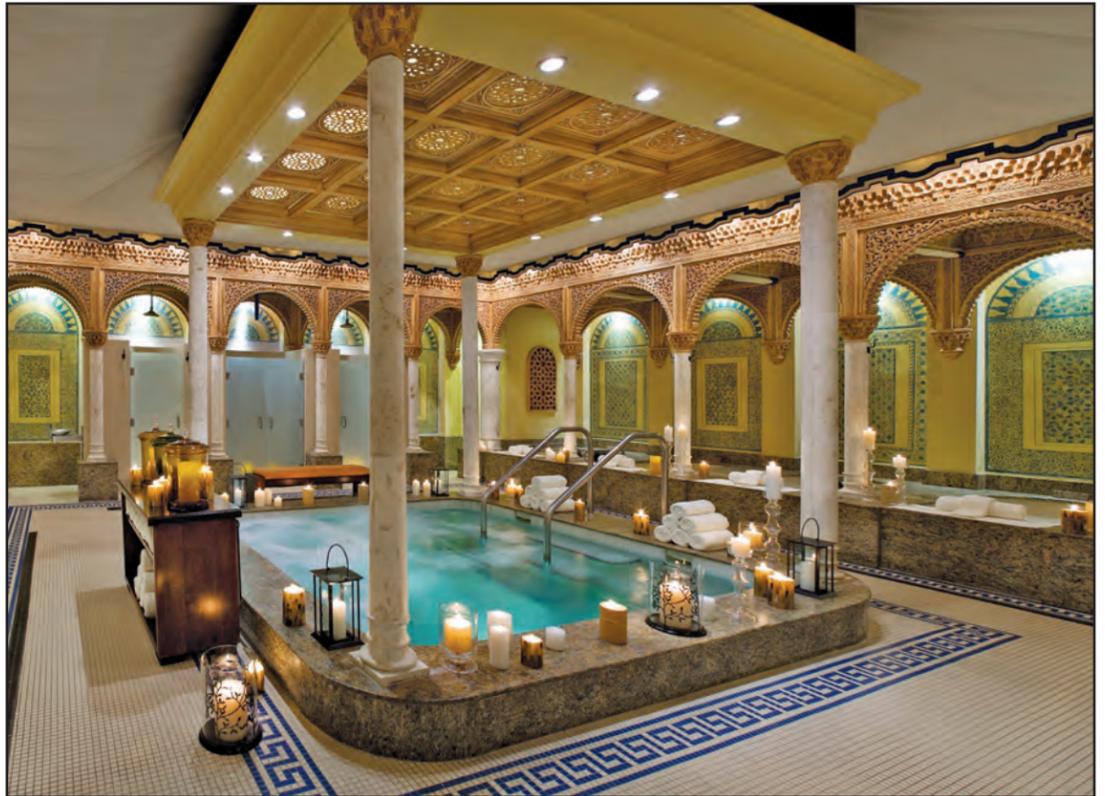
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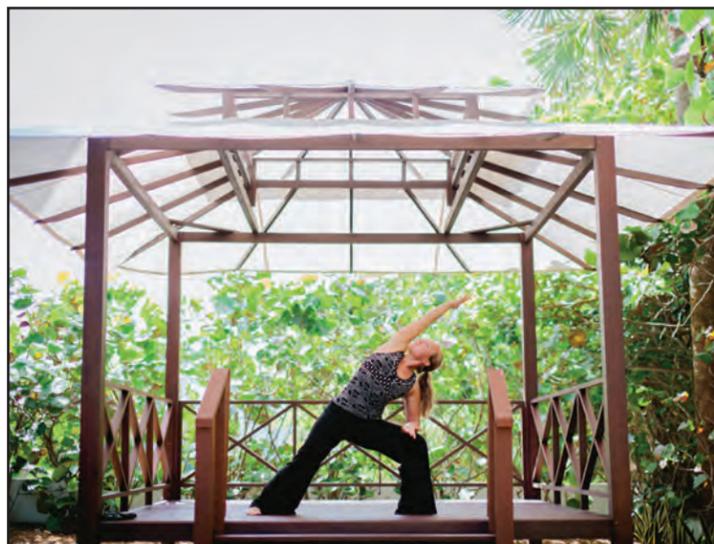
N Spa at the Delray Beach Marriott



The spa at the Boca Raton Resort & Club. Photos provided



The mani-pedi stations at Seagate Spa, Delray Beach



The Omphoy Resort & Spa in Palm Beach



Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach

**SPA**

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These spas are rated among the top 100 in the county by *Condé Nast* travelers.

While all the spas have extensive treatment menus available year-round, special Mother's Day (May 11) packages are available this month, with some including a special room rate.

Treatments at **Eau Spa** in Eau Palm Beach draw from global roots for relaxation. The "Make-It-Up-to-Mom Hammam" service is a detox for the body. She will be submerged into a heated float bed, then wrapped in a rhassoul clay cocoon. Orange quince mist cools her down; then comes the massage with amber oil tangerine fig butter crème.

"The Queen Mother" treats Mom like a royal, and includes a hand-drawn bath of exotic florals, Oriental teas and precious oils where an attendant hand bathes her and polishes the skin. A soft buff is followed by a massage with butter and silk.

These are 90-minute treatments for \$295.

A "Better Than Flowers" package at **Seagate Spa** in the Seagate Hotel includes a jasmine rose milk bath mani-pedi, a frangipani body polish and 50-minute lavender oil massage, plus a glass of Champagne. It's \$280 for this deal.

New at Seagate is the Sodashi skincare holistic skin treatments, including a thermal infusing facial (80 minutes is \$250), a green tea salt therapy exfoliation (50 minutes for \$150), a chakra-balancing treatment (80 minutes for \$185) and a hair and scalp mud treatment (25 minutes for \$60).

The Skin Authority skin care

line, a pioneer in anti-aging and natural, organic ingredients, is used at the **N Spa** at the Delray Beach Marriott. A special "Rose Spa Day" features head-to-toe pampering and relaxation for moms.

Choose from a 50-minute aromatherapy rose massage (\$112), an 80-minute anti-aging rose facial — a signature treatment at N Spa — for \$184, or the rose mani-pedi, a two-hour treatment for \$104. Bundle all the rose treatments for \$400 and save \$100.

Special "Spoil Yourself" Spa packages for a deluxe room, and a choice of a Swedish massage or essential classic facial start at \$189 online.

At the award-winning **Spa Palazzo** in the Boca Raton Resort & Club, moms who stay at the hotel get a complimentary ritual bath with the purchase of any 50-minute spa service.

The gardens, elaborate mosaics and cypress woodwork at this spa have earned the spa top honors among *Condé Nast* travelers.

The ritual bath starts with a trip through the steam room, the inhalation room and sauna, followed by the ritual soak, a Swiss shower, a waterfall massage and a dip in the Jacuzzi.

Signature packages include a Renew and Detox three-hour package. With it, moms get an O2 facial, a marine algae wrap, a 50-minute signature massage and a Natura Blisse spa gift.

The Spa Staycation package includes a luxury room, a Lomi-Juma massage that encompasses massage, exfoliation and a treatment wrap.

Rates at the resort start at \$249 a night.

Moms and mothers-to-be can be pampered at the spa — then have lunch and a day at

**Coastal Hotel Spas**

**Eau Spa at the Eau Palm Beach**, 100 Ocean Blvd., Manalapan; 533-6000; [www.eaupalmbeach.com](http://www.eaupalmbeach.com)

**Seagate Spa at the Seagate Hotel & Spa**, 1000 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach; 655-4950; [www.theseatgatehotel.com](http://www.theseatgatehotel.com)

**N Spa at the Marriott Delray Beach**, 10 N. Ocean Blvd., Delray Beach; 278-8111; [www.marriott.com](http://www.marriott.com)

**Spa Palazzo at the Boca Raton Resort & Club**, 501 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton; 447-3000; [www.bocaresort.com](http://www.bocaresort.com)

**Spa at the Four Seasons Palm Beach**, 2800 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach; 533-3715; [www.fourseasons.com/palmbeach/spa/](http://www.fourseasons.com/palmbeach/spa/)

**Babor Spa at The Omphoy**, 2842 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach; 540-6440; [www.omphoyspa.com](http://www.omphoyspa.com)

of pregnancy a special de-stressing massage. Others get an Ocean Bliss massage with blended organic essential oils.

There is a pregnancy massage and a fitness class with a deep-cleaning facial, mani and pedi at The Omphoy's **Babor Spa**. The Mothers-to-Be Dream Package is \$296.50.

The "We Love You, Mom" deal includes the same without the massage for \$180.50. A glass of wine is included in the happy hour package of classic manicure and pedicure — served up 2-6 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, for \$59.50.

For a whole day event, choose A Day She Deserves package: a deep cleansing facial, Swedish massage, classic mani and pedi, and a fitness class. It's \$249.50.

For all spa treatments, reservations are required. Expect a service charge to be added at many of the spas; ask in advance. Many can be booked online with special deals available using online codes. Visit the spa websites to find these. ★

the beach at the **Four Seasons** in Palm Beach.

Their Day Spa & Beach Retreat package includes a 50-minute spa treatment, lunch at the beachfront or poolside

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## Health & Harmony

# Hypnotherapy can be a route to inner motives

**W**hy do we continue unhealthy habits knowing full well we're paying a price? Why does our own "will power" so often fail us, even to the point of self-loathing?

I'd been wrestling with that question recently in connection with my out-of-control caffeine habit when I met a psychologist whose business card listed, among other services, hypnotherapy.

Wow. My mind leapt back to an old movie. A Freudish-looking doctor suspends a pocket watch in front of a patient's eyes, swinging it like a pendulum, and intoning, "You are getting veeeeeery sleepy. You will soon fall asleep, and when you awake, you will remember nothing about the next 10 minutes ..."

Could hypnotherapy be the help I needed? Could it help me break my self-destructive coffee-and-cola habit once and for all?

"It's not like the hypnotism you've seen in the movies or on the nightclub stage," explained the psychologist, Annette Annechild of Delray Beach. "Hypnotherapy is a combination of meditation, visualization and therapeutic techniques. It's a way in, to deal with yourself."

Sign me up.

A few weeks later I am sitting in Annechild's office learning more about the topic.

Hypnotherapy was brought to the U.S. in the 1940s by dentists, to help patients endure pain in the pre-Novocain days. Practitioners like American psychiatrist Milton H. Erickson (1901-1980) advanced the field, pioneering various clinical techniques. Today, almost every professional sports team has a hypnotherapist who can help players improve their mental focus a la Tiger Woods.

"We need to learn how



Hypnotherapist Annette Annechild with *Coastal Star* columnist Paula Detwiller. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

to control the mind," says Annechild, "because the mind lies."

It certainly does. It seduces me into believing I need that café latte to be alert and productive. It pulls me toward the Coke machine with sweet, bubbly promises of happiness. It tells me not to worry about the upset stomach, the pounding heart, the subsequent blood sugar crash, or the fuzzy brain and irritability that show up as the buzz wears off.

Annechild says hypnotherapy helps us reach the unconscious mind, or intuition, which never lies. Getting into a deeply relaxed state opens us up to our unconscious mind and allows us to work with it, she says.

And so we begin. I recline in her leather chair, close my eyes, and focus my attention on

slow, deep breaths according to Annechild's softly spoken instructions. Inhale. Exhale.

"Now imagine a warm white light coming in through your feet ... relaxing the feet ... and now the light comes up into the ankles, fills the calves, the knees, and now the thighs ..."

I feel the warm light flowing up through my body and out the top of my head — the power of suggestion at work. Once I'm limp as a rag doll and glowing from the inside out, Annechild tells me to drift down a staircase into my subconscious mind.

There's a hallway at the bottom with a room at the end, a special room just for me, filled with healing properties. There's a special chair in the room, and if I sit in it, all attachments I might have to anything not good for my body will begin to

drain from the soles of my feet.

"Just let it all go now, completely," she whispers.

"You're totally safe, totally protected, and anchored now in that true self that's always peaceful, always does the right thing, drinks the right things, eats the right things."

She instructs me to "pull up a chair for the child, or whatever part of us really likes soda and coffee and caffeine," even though the adult knows it's not good. "Imagine her ... and tell her to give you any information about that part of yourself that breaks the rules and has the caffeine."

Suddenly I see myself at 11 years old, eating a meal in a restaurant with my family. I'm having my favorite: cheeseburger, fries and a Coke. The mood at the table is tense. Family members are not talking

to one another. I comfort myself with a sweet, cold, fizzy gulp.

"And you can imagine comforting her, the way a wise parent would comfort a child, and letting her know that the caffeine has to go. It's just not good for her."

Another scene pops into my mind. Now I'm 19, cramming for a final exam in college, doctoring up some stale dormitory coffee with cream and sugar so I can get stay up longer to study.

Eventually Annechild brings me back up the staircase. She asks me to slowly open my eyes as she counts to 10.

I tell her about seeing the 11-year-old and the college student. She says those memories, long forgotten, are caffeine triggers in my unconscious mind. She encourages me to take home the audio recording we've made of our session for further self-discovery.

"Hypnotherapy gets to the root of things a lot quicker than other therapies, and with better results," Annechild says. "People have an experience. And it changes things."

As I pack up to leave, I realize it's a good idea to love, rather than loathe, my caffeine-dependent inner children. But I'm kicking her out of the driver's seat. From now on, I'm taking the wheel.

*Note: Hypnotherapy prices vary; a 50-minute session in Annechild's office costs \$250. She also offers pro bono services to those with financial hardships.*



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# Health Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 4/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

## MAY 3

**Saturday - 5/3 - Yoga** at Sanborn Square. 72 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. 9 am. Held again 5/10, 5/17 and 5/24. Free. 367-7040.

**5/3 - Cardio Kettlebell Class** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. A challenging, but doable workout. Ages 14 and up. Every Saturday. 9:30-10:30 am. 8 classes: \$60 residents; \$65 non-residents. 243-7350.

**5/3 - Capoeira Fitness** at Sanborn Square. 72 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. Ages 12 and up. 10:30 am. Held again 5/10, 5/17 and 5/24. Free. 367-7040.

**5/3 - Zumba** at South Beach Pavilion at Palmetto Park Road and A1A. 10:30 am. Held again 5/10, 5/17 and 5/24. Free. -367-7040.

## MAY 4-10

**Monday - 5/5 - Jazzercise** at the Boynton Civic Center, 128 E. Ocean Ave. Combine cardio, strength, and stretching moves for a total body workout. All ages and levels welcome. M-Sat. 9-10 am. \$38 per month. 742-6240.

**5/5 - Yoga with Rassika Sabine Bourgi** at the Society of the Four Arts, Philip Hulitar Sculpture Garden, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Held every M-W-F through 5/30. 9-10 am. \$15 per session. 805-8562.

**5/5 - Tai Chi for Beginners** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. Learn natural ways to relieve tension, stress and pain. All ages. Every Monday. 10-11 am. Per class: \$15/residents; \$20/non-residents. 243-7350.

**5/5 - Tuck Jazzie Jam Aerobics** at Hester Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Bring a towel and workout mat. M & W, 7-8 pm. \$3 at the door. 742-6550.

**Tuesday - 5/6 - Aqua Fitness** at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12 Ave., Boynton Beach. Low-impact water exercises in a heated and handicap accessible swimming pool. T-F 10-10:45 am; Sat. 9:45-10:30 am. \$3 per day. 742-6645.

**5/6 - Zumba Gold** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. A fitness program designed to improve the quality of life for the active older adult. Wear work out/ comfortable clothes and tennis shoes. Ages 14 and up. Tuesdays 3-4 pm; Thursdays 8:45-9:45 am; Fridays 9:30-10:30 am. Per class: \$5/residents; \$6/non-residents. 243-7350.

**5/6 - Boot Camp in Your Neighborhood!** at Hester Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Invigorating, fun, interactive, designed for all fitness levels including runners, walkers, and even mothers with infants in a stroller. T & Th. 6-7 pm. \$10 per class. 742-6550.

**Wednesday - 5/7 - Yoga** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. Postures work with your body to strengthen muscles that will support and help elongate your spine for improved postural alignment and balance. Ages 18 and up. Wednesday and Friday. 9-10:30 am. Per class: \$10/residents; \$15/non-residents; 6th class free. 243-7350.

**5/7 - Belly Dancing** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. Improve flexibility of the torso, burn fat, improve circulation, increase joint flexibility and reduces stress. Adults. Wednesdays. 1-2 pm. \$5: residents; \$6: non-residents. 243-7350.

**5/7 - Modern Line Dance** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. Workout includes easy-to-follow low-impact movement and upper-body strength designed to energize. Ages 18 and up. Wednesdays, 2:30-3:30 pm. Per class: \$4/residents; \$5/non-residents. 243-7350.

**5/7 - Digestive Cancer Awareness and What You Can Do About It** - Presented by Matthew D'Alessio, M.D., Surgical Oncologist, as part of the *Ask the Physician Lecture Series* at Bethesda Hospital East, Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273.

**5/7 - Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD): What's New in Treatment and Medicine** - Lunch and Learn presented by Dr. Jacintha Caulfield and Nicole Ganzer, at Mental Health Association of Palm Beach County, 909 Fern St., West Palm Beach. 12-2 pm. Members \$25; Non-members \$30. Includes lunch. 832-3755.

**5/7 - Family and Friends CPR Basics** at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Road. Basics of infant, child, and adult CPR and instruction on what to do if an infant, child

or adult chokes. Held again 5/21 & 31. 6-8 pm. \$25 per class. Space is limited. 955-4468 or www.brrh.com.

**Thursday - 5/8 - Mammogram Party** at JFK Breast Institute, 5301 S. Congress Ave., Lake Worth. Presented by the Breast Institute at JFK Medical Center. Female physicians will be on hand to discuss breast health and answer questions. 4:30-7:30 pm. Free. 965-7300 or www.jfkmc.com.

**Friday - 5/9 - Breastfeeding Support Group** - For breastfeeding moms and babies of all ages. Board Certified Lactation Consultants/RN's facilitate. 1-3 pm at the Dawson Theatre, Boca Raton Regional Hospital, 800 Meadows Road. Free. 955-5415 or www.brrh.com/calendar.

**Saturday - 5/10 - Qigong** at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1 St., Delray Beach. Class held outside. Please wear comfortable workout clothing. Ages 14 and up. Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 am. Pre class: \$5/residents; \$6/ non-residents. 243-7350.

## MAY 11-17

**Tuesday - 5/13 - (HSAED) Heartsaver (Automated External Defibrillator)** at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Road. Adult, child, and infant one-person CPR, as well as the use of the Automated External Defibrillator. 8:30-11:30 am. \$30 per class. Space is limited. 955-4468.

**Friday - 5/16 - Tae Kwan Do** at Sims Center, 225 NW 12 Ave., Boynton Beach. Everyone can learn the mental and physical skills of self defense. Fridays 4-6:45 pm (Beginner) and 6:45-7:30 pm (Intermediate). Runs through 6/20. Ages 5 and up. \$60 Resident; \$75 Non-resident. 742-6640 or www.boynton-beach.org.

**Saturday - 5/17 - Medical Health and Wellness Fair** - Presented by The Greater South Florida Chamber of Commerce at Mizner Park Amphitheatre, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 10 am-5 pm. Local exhibitors from the health and wellness community on site. Free. www.greatersouthflorida.com.

**5/17 - Infant Safety Prenatal Class** at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, Parent Education Resource Center, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Learn infant CPR for infants from birth to one year old and how

you can assist in an emergency. 1 pm. \$25/ couple. Registration: 369-2229.

## MAY 25-31

**Tuesday - 5/27 - Leg Aches and Pains: Addressing Vein and Vascular Issues**

- Presented by George Daniel, M.D., Interventional Cardiology, Bethesda Hospital East, at the West Boynton Branch Library, 9451 S. Jog Road, Boynton Beach. 2 pm. Free. 734-5556.

**5/27-7/3 - Zumba with a Gospel Flavor!** at Sims Center, 225 NW 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. Join other adults for a joyful workout experience for the body, mind and spirit; interval training with fast and slow rhythms and resistance exercises are combined to help you tone and sculpt your body while burning fat. T & Th. 7-8 pm. \$60 resident; \$75 non-resident. 742-6640.

**Thursday - 5/29 - OrthoSensor: The Latest in Knee Replacement** - Presented by Elvis Grandic, M.D., orthopedic surgeon, as part of the *Ask the Physician Lecture Series* at Bethesda Hospital East, Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273.

## JUNE 1-7

**Monday - 6/2 - Childbirth Education Prenatal Class** at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, Parent Education Center, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Provides an overview of the signs of labor, breathing techniques and more. Bring two pillows and a blanket. Wear comfortable stretchy clothes; no dresses or skirts. Held again 6/9, 16 & 23. 6:30 pm. \$75/couple. Registration: 369-2229.

**Wednesday - 6/4 - What You Need to Know About Peripheral Artery Disease** - Presented by Gustavo Cardenas, M.D., Interventional Cardiology, as part of the *Ask the Physician Lecture Series* at Bethesda Hospital East, Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273.

**Thursday - 6/5 - Surgical Weight Reduction Symposium** - Presented by Miguel A. Lopez-Viego, M.D., at Bethesda Hospital East, Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. Held the first Thursday of each month. 6:30 pm. Free. 737-7733 ext. 84688.

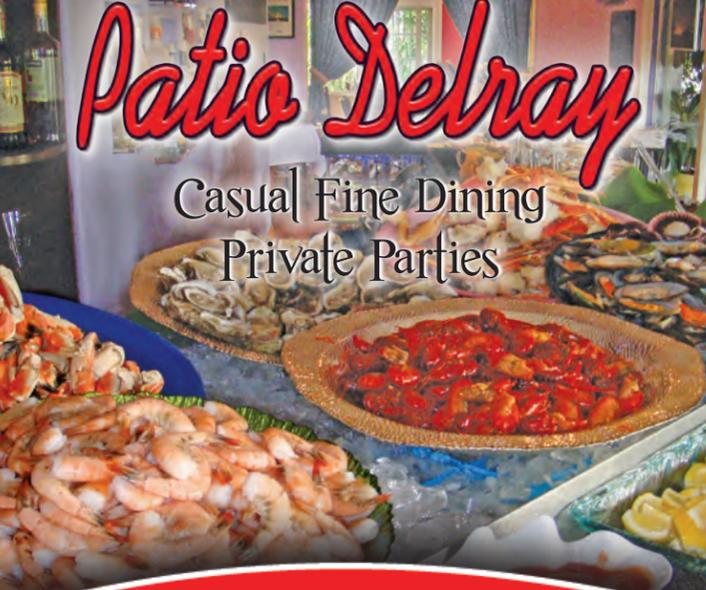


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Finding Faith

# Easter gift for Christ Fellowship: A new place to call home

With a last-minute flurry of construction, **Christ Fellowship** opened in time for Easter at its new South County location in the **Boynton Beach Mall**.

The megachurch based in Palm Beach Gardens also opened a new satellite church in New York City to hear founding pastor **Tom Mullins** lead Easter worship.

Christ Fellowship purchased a vacant **Dillard's** department store here for \$4.6 million in 2012.

Todd Mullins, the current lead pastor, says the familiar location is ideal for a church: "We're hoping they will stay and shop in the mall and go eat in the food court."

Part of the 127,000-square-foot department store's second floor was removed to create a sanctuary with a capacity for 1,500 people.

The Boynton location starts with two Sunday services and envisions four on weekends in the future for a total of 6,000 people at worship.

About 1,000 South County residents have been attending Christ Fellowship services at **Boynton Beach High School** this past year, waiting for the permanent mall location to open.

Another large South County congregation, the **Journey Church**, wasn't able to finish construction for Easter at its new location on South Federal Highway in Boynton.

About 1,400 have been attending services at **Park Vista High School**. Church leaders hope to open this month.

More than 700 children and parents celebrated the first-year anniversary of **PJ**



Members of Christ Fellowship Church, above, are led in prayer by the worship team, left, on April 13. It was the first service at their new permanent location, in the former Dillard's department store in the Boynton Beach Mall.

Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

**Library**, each donating a pair of pajamas to enjoy the April 6 fun at a park.

PJ Library enrolled more than 1,100 South County families this past year with children ages 6 months to 8 years old to receive Jewish children's books and music in

their mailboxes each month.

About 2,800 children, parents and grandparents in Boca Raton, Delray Beach and Highland Beach also enjoyed 25 programs ranging from PJ Library story time to puppet shows at synagogues.

"This extraordinary

program is enriching the lives of Jewish children and bringing our Jewish community together in such a meaningful way," library chair **Ilene Wohlgenuth** said.

PJ stands for pajamas. So children were asked to donate pajamas to Jewish Family Services for those in need. The April 6 anniversary party at **South County Regional Park** featured a petting zoo.

PJ Library is supported financially by individuals and foundations. The **Jewish Women's Foundation of South Palm Beach County** again chose PJ Library as one of nine charities to receive \$170,000 in grants at its Granting Wishes Reception on March 24.

People of faith are raising awareness about human trafficking in very different ways.

The mountain-climbing initiative led by **Debbie Dingle** at **Advent Lutheran Church** in



Dingle

Boca Raton is best known locally for getting the word out.

Now the women of **Temple Beth El** are using chocolate to help

the public understand the plight of slavery today.

The Advent Lutheran ladies hosted an April 11 wine-tasting fundraiser to support Dingle, pastor's wife **Susan Hagen** and seven other women from the congregation who will climb seven Colorado mountains this summer.

The nine women are training by running in hiking boots at the beach. "The deep sand simulates what's like to have altitude," Dingle explained.

Her climbers raise money for **Operation Mobilization**, a worldwide Christian ministry to rescue women from prostitution and exploitation.

Dingle has raised awareness for the rescue effort by climbing **Mount Kilimanjaro** in 2012 and **Mount Everest** last year.

The ladies at Temple Beth El took a somewhat less physical approach when they hosted the first Jewish Women's Chocolate Passover Seder last month.

The Jewish ladies chose chocolate when they learned while studying human trafficking that 1.8 million children are slaves in cocoa

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Music by Live Hymnal during the Unplugged services at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church has brought national attention to their nontraditional approach to worship. **Photo provided**

production in Africa.

Chocolate eggs, cookies and cheesecake were served to encourage 200 women at the Chocolate Seder to open their hearts for the growing cause among Christians and Jews.

**Unplugged at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church** has received national recognition for its success in attracting unchurched young adults into a traditional church.



Tobias

The 11:45 a.m. Sunday worship features old hymns such as *Love Divine* and *Be Thou My Vision*

rearranged by composer **Charles Milling** and performed by his band **Live Hymnal**.

The national Episcopal Church gave the Boynton Beach congregation a \$20,000 grant last month, declaring that its contemporary worship service is a "fresh expression" that other Episcopalian churches should duplicate.

"Unplugged is a new way to do liturgy and worship

to attract a population that might not otherwise be interested in walking through our doors," the Rev. **Wendy Tobias** said.

Tobias attended St. Joseph's School and served 12 years as its chaplain before she was ordained.

She delivers a sermon, serves communion and blends nicely with the Live Hymnal band, which has recorded seven albums since Milling assembled his favorite South Florida musicians in 2005.

"Unplugged is for those who want to get away from the stiff and traditional," Tobias said.

**Jennifer Gomez**, 27, is typical of the young adults attracted to the relaxed worship service with uplifting music. "It's a great opportunity to get new people interested in church," she said.

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## Secret Gardens

### Water a calming centerpiece at Fountains Center

Office complexes in South Florida are generally tall buildings set in a field of parking spaces. So I was pleasantly surprised to discover the garden-like Fountains Center in Boca Raton.

The landscaping at this 15-acre property was upgraded in 2012 when Zvi Schwarzman of TJAC Development bought it. "Back then the place was pretty run down," says a spokesperson for the firm.

Now as you turn into the sweeping paver drive, the center island is filled with towering royal palms and medjool date palms. Along the edges of the street are the large orange and green leaves of a sea grape and the shimmering green foliage of silver buttonwoods.

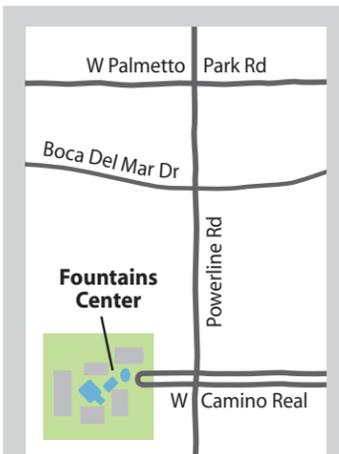
Park your car and head for the central courtyard that's created by low-rise buildings surrounding it.

None of them is over four stories, so the space feels nicely defined but open. And each building is architecturally different to add interest. Two have mirrored finishes on their windows, creating what looks like a mural by reflecting the blue sky, white clouds, palm trees and colorful plants.

Think cheerful red ti plants, fire bushes with orange blooms that attract butterflies, purple and salmon bougainvillea and pink and yellow hibiscus.

Even more color comes from blue plumbagos; newly planted red, white and lipstick pentas; the lime green foliage and lavender flowers of Durante; and the greens, reds and yellows of crotons and coleus.

And, for something a little different, check out the screw pine that looks like a silvery



#### If You Go

Fountains Center, 7600 W. Camino Real, Boca Raton (just west of where Powerline Road meets West Camino Real). Restaurants at the center include The Butcher Block Grill (butcherblockgrill.com); Asia (kosher, boca-asia.com); and Mozart Café (kosher, mozartcafebocaraton.com).

fan palm with Christmas ornaments hanging from it. Those fruits that resemble pine cones will turn from orange to red as they mature.

But the focal point of this courtyard is the water feature. It's made up of three large pools filled with pristine blue water. You can cross over them on walking bridges.

Water tumbling down eight royal blue tile steps fills the air with a gentle sound. And jets in the center of each pool send the water skyward.

It's Mark Torchetti of Gold Coast Property Maintenance who helped bring these gardens back to life by replacing mulch with peachy rock in the plant beds and exchanging tall hedges that blocked views with more



**ABOVE:** As advertised, the Fountains Center in Boca Raton boasts a spectacular water feature with waterfalls, fountains and wooden bridges.

**LEFT:** The green and red leaves of a coleus add color and character to the commercial center's gardens. **Photos by Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

restaurant that has been in the center for about six months. In fact about 90 percent of the steakhouse's customers choose to sit outside.

It's no wonder: If you spend a little time here before an appointment or visit one of the restaurants for a meal or even just a drink, the garden view is a real attraction.

"This is a nice place to be outdoors," Vacante says.

Deborah S. Hartz-Seeley is a certified master gardener who can be reached at debhartz@att.net when she's not in her garden.



manageable and colorful varieties such as trinette and green island ficus.

During the day, there's shade from two royal poincianas, a Florida slash pine and plenty of palms. At night, a gentle breeze blows through to sooth and cool visitors.

That's when in-ground spotlights as well as overhead fixtures illuminate the park-like setting.

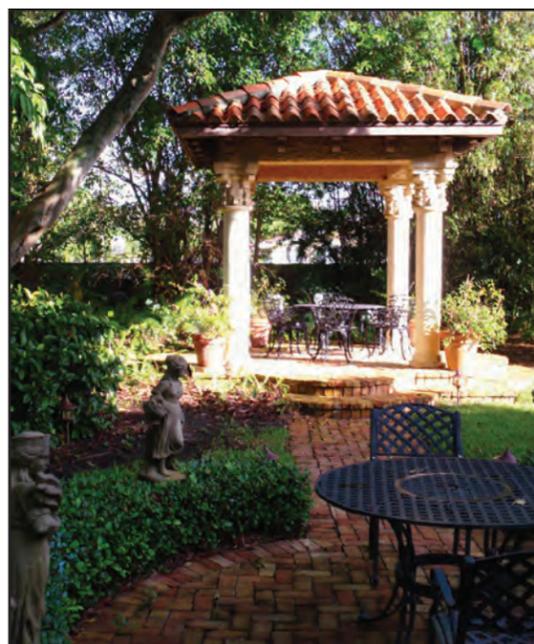
The trunks of some of the palms are wrapped with white

string lights that add their own sparkle.

Visitors can sit on concrete benches that surround eight mosaic-topped tables. Or they can take a seat on the top of the low stucco wall that wraps around the plants and palms.

If you prefer, there's outdoor seating at the restaurants that sit on the ground floor of the complex and border the pools.

"Having this courtyard here is a big plus," says John Vacante, a bartender at the Butcher Block Grill, a



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**ABOVE:** Laura Simon of the Delray Beach Downtown Development Authority holds a box of ladybugs at the green market. **LEFT:** Anna Gumley (center) and friends reach for ladybugs. **Photos by Colin Lorne**

## Gardening Calendar

**Saturday - 5/10 - World Bonsai Day** at The Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Road, Delray Beach. Enjoy the newly renovated bonsai exhibition, observe bonsai demonstrations and purchase bonsai. 10 am-5 pm. Free with paid admission. 495-0233 or www.morikami.org.

**5/10 - 2nd Annual Mizner Park Orchid Show** - Presented by the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society at the gazebo at Mizner Park, 327 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Event showcases displays and varieties of orchids and arrangements starting at \$50. Noon-5 pm. Free/admission. 362-0606 or www.miznerpark.com.

**5/10-11 - 2014 Connoisseurs Garden Tour** - Sponsored by Mounts Botanical Garden. A Mother's Day weekend tradition, the tour showcases some of the finest gardens in Palm Beach County to enjoy at your own pace over the two days of the event. 8 gardens from Boca Raton to Jupiter. Sat: 9 am-1 pm, Sun: 11 am-4 pm. \$20 members, \$25 non-members, children under 12 free. 233-1750 or www.mounts.org. **Wednesday - 5/14 - Delray Beach Orchid Society** meets at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Monthly meetings held the 2nd Wednesday of the month. 7:30 pm. Free. 412-6752 or www.delraybeachorchidsociety.com.



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Paws Up for Pets

# Frisky feral felines the focus of rescue league's cat-control campaign

Just about the time snowbirds flock back to their northern states and just before hurricane season blows in, Palm Beach County braces for the annual "kitten season."

Kittens? What could be so challenging about these fluffy, mewling, four-legged acrobats? Plenty.

Recently, I spent time with Heidi Nielsen, assistant director of the Peggy Adams Rescue League in West Palm Beach.

You may need to sit down as I share these staggering statistics and cat facts:

- A female feline can produce three litters a year and can go into heat while nursing kittens.

In 2013, Peggy Adams and the county animal control took in 13,827 homeless felines, many of them kittens.

- Orphaned kittens younger than 4 weeks can't eat or eliminate on their own and require 24/7 bottle feeding and bathroom assistance.

- Kittens as young as 4 months old — that's 16 weeks and a mere 120 days of living — can be sexually reproductive. That is the human equivalent of a preteen becoming pregnant.

"We are ready for kitten season that lasts between now and the early fall," declares a determined Nielsen. "We know that we need to focus our efforts on spaying and neutering feral cats and loosely owned outdoor cats. We have been hard at work at developing kitten season guides — similar



Finn and Huck are 4-week-old domestic shorthair kittens in the foster program at Peggy Adams Rescue League. Kitten season runs through the end of August. **Libby Volgyes/The Coastal Star**

to those hurricane preparedness guides — and a lot of kitten care information is now available on our website" (www.peggyadams.org).

In 2010, the league created its feral cat program and least year, sterilized more than 4,000 felines living in feral colonies. The league has qualified for grants in order to offer discounted spay and neuter surgeries and team up with local trap-neuter-release volunteer groups to address cat overpopulation issues. They also have a supply of traps with spring-loaded doors available for rent for \$75 for two weeks

(you get \$65 back when you return the trap) or for purchase at \$75 apiece.

"Cats keep on breeding, and we have a lot of work to do to control the feline reproductive cycle," says Nielsen. "We haven't turned the corner yet, but in some areas of the county that we've targeted, there are not as many kittens being born, so we know our efforts are working."

And they need our help. Here are some do's and don'ts to heed if you do discover a litter of kittens outdoors:

- Do stop and observe before approaching the litter. The mother cat may be nearby or

returning soon after hunting for food. "Most discoveries of newborn kittens do not call for human assistance, and in fact, no intervention is the best thing," says Nielsen. "In the first weeks of their lives, kittens need their mother's care and antibodies from her milk. In this instance, mother knows best, and keeping the mother and kittens together ensures the kittens' best chance for survival until they are weaned."

- Don't immediately assume a young solo kitten is motherless. "A mother cat will instinctively move her nest of kittens," says Nielsen. "If you see a single, young kitten, he may be the first in the group moved to the new location or the last of the litter to be moved from the old location."

- Do fortify the mother cat. "Provide food and water to the mother, but be sure to place the food and water far enough away from the nest so you do not disturb the mother and kittens, or draw predators," adds

### How you can help

Discover ways you can help the Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League take care of kittens and other companion animals by visiting [www.peggyadams.org](http://www.peggyadams.org). The league welcomes people of all ages, including children and teenagers looking to earn community service hours.

Nielsen.

- Do contact the Peggy Adams league or area shelters/animal control for guidance on how to bring in the mother cat and her kittens (once they are weaned) safely to be spayed and neutered, assessed and, possibly, placed in foster homes or put up for adoption.

- Do consider becoming a foster parent to kittens or puppies to help them become healthy and socialized. And, if you have the time and interest, consider learning how to bottle feed pre-weaned orphaned kittens.

"By following these simple measures, you can increase the survival rate of kittens and allow local animal shelters to use their resources to further assist the current shelter population with the critical care they need and help place adoptable animals in homes," Nielsen says.

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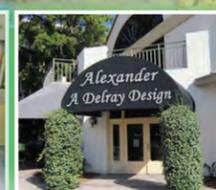
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On the Water

Coast Guard events aim to minimize bad boating habits

Seasoned boaters often notice dangerous situations when they see passing boats in Palm Beach County.

Boats overloaded with partiers lumber along, their captains distracted by the festivities on board.

Some boat operators don't carry enough life jackets of the correct size for everyone on board — a mistake that will end a day of fun when law-enforcement officers force them to tie up at the nearest public dock.

Parents let children dangle their legs over the bows of boats, not realizing their loved ones could be severely injured or killed by propellers if they slipped under the railing while the boat is moving forward.

Some captains run their boats way too close to red-and-white dive flags — either because they're not paying attention or because they're not aware that the state's dive-flag law requires them to stay 300 feet away from dive flags in open water.

The consequences of sloppy boating can be serious. Three people died in Palm Beach County boating accidents last year. An additional 20 were injured. The 56 reported boating accidents in the county last year caused \$927,650 in property damage, according to the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission.

With the coming of warmer weather in May, the Coast Guard and other on-the-water law enforcement agencies will remind boaters about good boating habits during National Safe Boating Week, which is May 17-23.

The Coast Guard Station Lake Worth Inlet in Riviera Beach, which handles boating rescues and emergencies from St. Lucie Inlet in Stuart south to James A. Rutherford Park in



**ABOVE:** John Gatti, commanding officer of the Coast Guard Station Lake Worth Inlet, says simple steps can help boaters avoid many of the problems that require Coast Guard intervention. The station in Riviera Beach will hold an open house May 17 as part of National Safe Boating Week. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

**LEFT:** Dave Deckard shows off the 16-inch hogfish he caught with a live crab for bait from the Lady K drift boat off of Boynton Inlet. **Photo by Bruce Cyr/Lady K**

Boca Raton, will hold an open house May 17 at the station in Riviera Beach to kick off National Safe Boating Week and the busy summer boating season.

John Gatti, commanding officer of the Coast Guard

Station Lake Worth Inlet, said boaters can avoid common problems on the water by thinking ahead and taking simple precautions.

Good boating habits include:

- Wearing a comfortable life jacket (such as a suspender-type

inflatable jacket) at all times on the water. Gatti recalled the case of a boat found running with nobody on board in the ocean off Jupiter. The lone operator, who was not wearing a life jacket, had slipped and fallen into the water.

"We responded and found the boat," Gatti said. "Some other fishermen just happened to find the guy. He was super lucky."

- Making sure there are enough life jackets of the correct size in an accessible location for every person on board. Citations are common when young children don't wear life jackets. State law requires children younger than 6 to wear Coast Guard-approved life jackets at all times on boats 26 feet or smaller when the boat is moving.

"I hate to see kids not wearing life jackets," Gatti said. "If something happens, [wearing a life jacket] is going to keep them alive."

- Having the correct safety gear — including distress flares, a fire extinguisher, a whistle or horn, and a throwable floating cushion or life ring.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary offers free boat examinations to help boaters make sure they have the correct safety equipment. To schedule a free vessel exam, call the Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 54 in Boynton Beach at 818-7905.

- Designating a boat driver when people on the boat will be drinking alcohol. The designated driver should be a competent boat operator.

Worth noting: A BUI (boating under the influence) conviction in Florida can enhance penalties for a subsequent DUI.

- Getting basic boating education. Florida law requires anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1988, to complete an approved boating education course before operating a boat with 10 horsepower or more. Young skippers must carry a photo ID and the Florida boating safety education identification card while operating the boat.

The Coast Guard Auxiliary and the Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron offer short basic boating courses. Online courses include this one: [www.floridaboatingcourse.com](http://www.floridaboatingcourse.com).

- Filing a written float plan that describes where you are leaving from, about where you are heading, the type of boat you're in and, most important, when you are due back on land. Even a text message or an email to a friend or relative will work. Float plans give the Coast Guard a big head start in their search-and-rescue efforts if you don't show up at the dock or boat ramp on time.

- Buying a satellite beacon. If you plan to spend a lot of time fishing or cruising on the Atlantic Ocean, consider investing in an EPIRB or a floating personal locator beacon. If you are adrift at sea, an activated emergency beacon will tell rescuers who you are and where to find you.

"If you're going to spend any time offshore, I would consider the investment in an EPIRB to be minimal," Gatti said.

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**National Safe Boating Week events:**

- The Coast Guard Station Lake Worth Inlet will hold an open house May 17 at the station in Riviera Beach. The free open house is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 3300 Lake Shore Drive. (Take U.S. 1 about 600 feet north of Blue Heron Boulevard. Turn right on Riviera Drive and drive a block east to the Coast Guard station.) The open house will include boating safety displays, a rescue demonstration by the Naval Cadets and a display of the Coast Guard's go-fast pursuit boat.
- The Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 54 will hold a boating safety day from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. May 10 at the Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park boat ramps (east side of Federal Highway south of Gateway Boulevard in Boynton Beach). Free vessel equipment



The Boca Raton-based fishing team Keri-n-On shows the 29.8-pound bull dolphin and the 41.8-pound kingfish they caught April 19 during the Boynton Beach Firefighters Fishing Tournament based at Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park. The dolphin, caught by team member Stephen Simmons, was the third-heaviest dolphin of the tournament. From left are Simmons, boat captain Jason Naumann, Luke Naumann and Tommy Tyson. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

examinations and boat-handling tips will be offered.

- A basic boating safety class by the Coast Guard Auxiliary is scheduled for 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 24 at the building next to the boat ramps in Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park in Boynton Beach. The fee is \$36. Call Bruce Parmett at 818-7905.
- The Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 54 will show boating

safety equipment and conduct free vessel safety examinations from noon to 4 p.m. May 23 at West Marine, 2275 S. Federal Highway, Delray Beach. Call 266-8489.

**Fishing Club meeting:** D.O.A. Fishing Lures founder Mark Nichols will be the featured speaker at the May 27 meeting of the Boynton Beach

Fishing Club. The meeting, free and open to the public, is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in the building next to the boat ramps at Harvey E. Oyer Park in Boynton Beach. For details, call 707-5660.

**Unusual catch:** Dave Deckard caught a 16-inch hogfish — a fish that doesn't typically fall for baited hooks — while fishing on the Lady K drift boat in 65 feet off Boynton Inlet. The key: A live crab for bait. Deckard was fishing for cobia by working the crab near the bottom with an ounce of weight, a 5/0 circle hook and 30-pound-test fluorocarbon leader when the hogfish took the bait, said Lady K Capt. Bruce Cyr.

**Tip of the Month:** Fish for dolphin (mahi mahi). The beautiful pelagic fish is a favorite among ocean anglers, and May is considered the best month to find dolphin in the Gulf Stream waters off Palm Beach County.

Dolphin grow fast, fight hard and taste great. Dolphin fish also have colors such as

turquoise that "light up" in the blue ocean water when they're excited.

Dolphin are often caught by trolling ballyhoo or lures near weed lines, floating debris and other structure that shelters bait fish on the surface. Pay attention to wind direction. Easterly winds are considered best for dolphin.

Try running the boat until you find a spot such as a weed patch or floating log that might hold dolphin, then pitch out live baits such as pilchards — or dead ballyhoo or sardines — to catch them. Cut chunks of dead bait can be used to attract the dolphin. Minimum size for dolphin: 20 inches to the tail fork. Daily bag limit: 10 per person. Boat limit: 60.



Willie Howard is a freelance writer and licensed boat captain. Reach him at [tiowillie@bellsouth.net](mailto:tiowillie@bellsouth.net).

**Outdoor Calendar**

Note: Events are current as of 4/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

**MAY 3-10**

**Saturday - 5/3 - Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup** at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N. Ocean Blvd., Ocean Ridge. Meet at the pavilion in the lower parking lot. 8-10:15 am. Free. [www.sandsifters.us](http://www.sandsifters.us).

**Tuesday - 5/6 - Hammock Trails** at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Explore this rare remnant of coastal hardwood hammock, and get a glimpse of the past. All ages. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at the boardwalk entrance. Held Tuesdays & Wednesdays. 10-11:30 am. Free. 544-8605 or [www.gumbolimbo.org](http://www.gumbolimbo.org).

**Saturday - 5/10 - Seining the Lagoon** - Wading in the Intracoastal Waterway just behind Gumbo Limbo, catch (and release) fish, shrimp, crabs and more. Closed toed shoes required (old sneakers or water shoes; no sandals). Bring a change of clothes and towel. Ages 10-adult; children under 18 must sign up and participate with an adult. Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Held again 5/13. 1:30-3 pm. Member \$5; Non-member \$8. 544-8605.

**MAY 11-24**

**Thursday - 5/15 - Beach Treasures** - Meet at the Center to learn about shells and sea life; caravan to Red Reef Beach Park, for beachcombing with the experts. All ages; children under 18 must sign-up and participate with an adult. Meet at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. 3-4:30 pm. Member \$5; Non-member \$8. 544-8605.

**MAY 25-31**

**Saturday - 5/31 - U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 54 Safe Boating Class** at Harvey Oyer Park, 2010 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Program provides instruction to boaters at all levels; will satisfy Florida Department of Natural Resources Boating Operation Requirements. 8 am. \$36 includes materials. Reservations: 736-8821.

**5/31 - 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.

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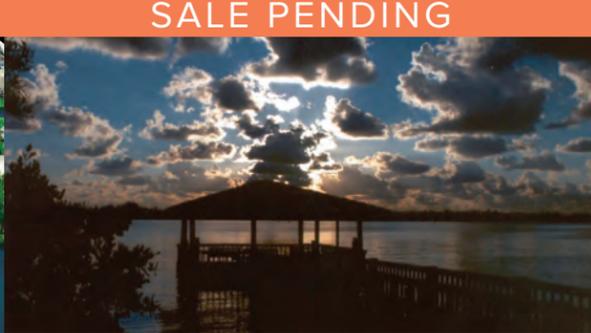
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The master bedroom balcony and the Florida room overlook the swimming pool at this Ocean Ridge home.



The living room has vaulted ceilings and cypress paneling, as well as a fireplace.

## Coastal comfort in Ocean Ridge

This warm and inviting beachside Bermuda-style home was designed by renowned Palm Beach architect Belford Shoumate.

Originally built in 1955, it has been home to just three owners over its 59-year history.

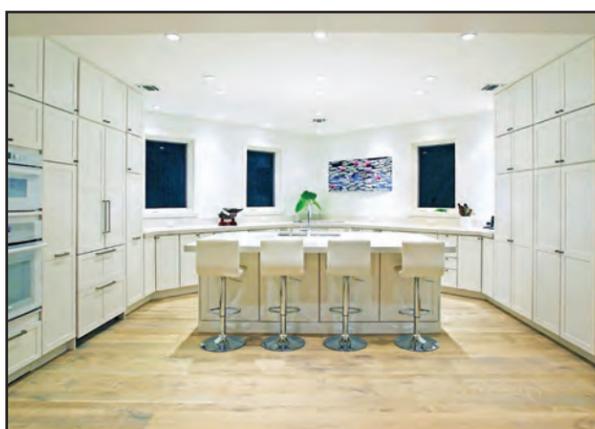
A careful renovation has allowed the three-bedroom, three-bath home to retain its charm and character while adding modern amenities and updated design.

The corner lot is walled and gated with a large, lush, tropically landscaped garden and sparkling pool surrounded by natural sea stone pavers.

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ABOVE: A Florida room helps bring the outdoors in. LEFT: The gourmet kitchen has a large center island, custom cabinets and top-of-the-line appliances.



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