

Boca Raton

Golfers walk away from resort course, lamenting condition

By Tao Woolfe

A massive kapok tree dominates the walking path behind the Boca Raton Resort and Club. Its raised gray roots, covered with thorns, stretch toward the walkway like a dragon in the sun.

Longtime golfers and members of the club say the golf course and the tree have much in common — they are beautiful and old, but if you look closely, you won't want to play on them.

The tree's spikes are a natural defense mechanism, but the run-down state of the club's fairways and greens is simply a case of neglect, golfers say. Many of the club members have quit and others are hanging on, hoping new owners

will buy the seaside resort and restore the golf course to championship status.

The resort, a historic landmark built by Addison Mizner in 1926, has been for sale for more than two years. Rumors swirled this summer about an imminent sale, but current owner Blackstone Group and administrator Hilton Worldwide will not comment on the sale.

Meanwhile, the 18-hole course has deteriorated. The greens, which were smooth, flat and fast, have not been maintained, the players say. The greens' grass is as tall as shag carpet, making play sluggish. The ponds and waterways sometimes smell like rotting

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Dying grass and tall grass make the greens hard to play. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

Boca Raton

Chabad members ready to move in

By Margie Plunkett

David and Amara Kaiyalethe are building a home in the Boca Villas neighborhood, attracted by the developing city and increasing opportunities to walk places downtown. One destination of prime interest: the Chabad of East Boca Raton, which recently won approval for a new synagogue and Israel museum at 770 E. Palmetto Park Road.

"We wanted to live somewhere within walking distance to the new synagogue," said David Kaiyalethe, whose home will be about three-quarters of a mile from the Chabad. "On the major holidays we try to keep the traditions. It's very important on those holidays for us to be able to walk."

The family is one of many that Rabbi Ruvi New expects will locate here now that the Chabad's permanent home has been determined. "I already know people who have put down payments on [planned] condos.

"We're hopeful and optimistic," he said. "When

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Erika fizzles

ABOVE: Surfers prepare to take on the remnants of Tropical Storm Erika along the beach at Palmetto Park Road in Boca Raton. Strong winds and choppy surf attracted surfers and onlookers to the beaches.

RIGHT: There was little sand left for beach walkers in front of the Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa on Aug. 31.

Photos by Tim Stepien and Willie Howard/The Coastal Star



Along the Coast

Heroin use on the rise

Delray steps up push for solutions

By Thomas R. Collins

The heroin addict is unconscious, teetering between life and death.

A paramedic swoops in and gives a shot of medication that — almost literally — brings the person back from the dead.

The reaction from the user? Not amazement, not gratitude. And definitely not relief. Instead, there's anger and contempt. What a powerful high he had going — the addict often says, according to Delray Beach Fire-Rescue Chief Danielle Connor — but the paramedic stole it from him.

Such is the twisted world of a heroin addict — an increasingly common figure in the landscape of drug use in the Delray Beach and southern Palm Beach County area.

In an uptick over a 24-hour period on Aug. 28 and Aug. 29, there were three overdose deaths in Delray Beach that police believe were due to heroin.

The rise in heroin use has

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Editor's Note

Erika a useful practice run in storm season

Water jugs frozen. Check.
Cash from the ATM. Check.

Gas for the generator. Check.

We were prepared for Tropical Storm (or maybe Hurricane) Erika. Then after days of blowing (and raining) through the Caribbean, she hit the mountains of Hispaniola and Cuba, and "poof" she was gone.

We heaved a sigh of relief. Then got back to work.

This time no evacuations were required and the lights stayed on.

But it's early September and there are swirls of wind and waves lining up off the coast of Africa and headed in this general direction. Will they make it here? It's far too early to tell, but if any one of them does, we have many of our preparations already completed. Phew.

Although Erika fizzled, I'm sure our local first responders don't regret the advance preparations the storm

demand. They will now be able to more quickly act should a new storm threaten. That's a good thing for all of us.

So this storm was not a waste of time. It was a healthy reminder that each hurricane season we need to take stock and make plans. Each storm threat is different and basic plans should stay flexible enough to morph into what is required to keep us safe regardless of predicted wind speed or tidal surge.

It was good to knock the cobwebs off the shutters and stow away the lawn furniture. It won't hurt a thing to leave things secured for a few more weeks. Then, when this hurricane season is finally past, we'll be ready to hose everything off and put it back in place all tidy and clean — and then get back to living in paradise.



We'll be ready for that as well.

— Mary Kate Leming,
Editor

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Coastal Stars

Couple finds job of giving an enjoyable one

By Rich Pollack

Over the years, Barbara and Irving Gutin have funded millions of dollars' worth of projects in South Florida and previously in New Hampshire.

They were a major driving force behind bringing robotic surgery to Boca Raton Regional Hospital and helped finance the hospital's first stroke center.

Their financial support extends throughout the community to organizations such as Family Promise of South Palm Beach County, which was able to establish a mentoring program thanks to a \$150,000 grant.

But the contribution that may best illustrate the Gutins' philosophy of philanthropy could be the donation of a ping-pong table their visiting grandchildren no longer used to a center serving homeless families struggling to get back on their feet.

"Philanthropy doesn't have to be about a lot of money," Irving Gutin said. "It just has to be something where you can see the impact."

The Gutins share their philosophy of philanthropy with many others in South Florida, including Henrietta, Countess de Hoernle, and this month they will serve as honorary chairs of the countess' 103rd Birthday Philanthropic Concert, "A Knight in Budapest."

Hosted by the Order of St. John of Jerusalem Knights Hospitaller, the Sept. 19 concert at Lynn University's Wold Performing Arts Center is both a benefit and a tribute.

Among the charities supported by the order are: The American Association of Caregiving Youth, Boca Helping Hands, Estella's Brilliant Bus, Family Promise of South Palm Beach County, Gulfstream Goodwill Industries, HomeSafe and the Spirit of Giving Network.

"The countess has been an outstanding member of this community," Irving Gutin said. "She has been a symbol and a reminder for all of us to do good."

Gutin said that all organizations benefiting from the concert, which will feature the Lynn University Philharmonia under the direction of Dr. Jon Robertson, are ones he believes are making a positive difference in South Florida.

"These organizations are all having a real impact on our community," he said. "It's going to be a great evening."

A former senior vice president of mergers and acquisitions at Tyco



Irving and Barbara Gutin at their home in Royal Palm Yacht and Country Club. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

If You Go

Countess' 103rd Birthday Philanthropic Concert, 'A Knight in Budapest.'

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International, Irving Gutin understands the importance of due diligence and applies the skills he developed in the corporate world to his family foundation's philanthropic giving.

"Giving is a tough job," he said. "It's a very difficult task to understand where your funds are going and to make sure they're having the impact that you were promised."

Their philosophy of philanthropy, the Gutins say, was developed while they were living in a small New Hampshire community, where charitable giving had a strong impact on the area.

"We continue to follow that concept of giving today," Irving Gutin says.

Perhaps the contribution the Gutins made that has had the greatest impact is the donation of \$4 million used to purchase two da Vinci robotic surgical systems.

Those systems, Irving Gutin says, have been part of a dedicated effort to make Boca Raton Regional Hospital a world-class facility where patients can find the state-of-the-art technology.

For the Gutins, support of the community goes beyond just giving money. Both Irving, 83, and Barbara, 73, also serve on several committees and boards.

Barbara Gutin serves on the advisory council of the Lynn Women's Health and Wellness Institute at Boca Raton Regional Hospital while her husband is a member of the hospital's board of trustees and chairman of the finance committee. Both also serve on the community advisory board of Family Promise of South Palm Beach County.

While finding the right organizations to support can be a job unto itself, Irving Gutin says he and Barbara don't mind the work.

"I enjoyed what I did for 30 years with Tyco and we have enjoyed the last 12 years donating money to worthy causes in our community," he said. ★

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Boca Raton

Gumbo Limbo emergency declared to speed tank repairs

By Steve Plunkett

The pipes that bring saltwater from the ocean to Gumbo Limbo Nature Center's fish viewing tanks need \$2 million of repairs — and fast.

"Those poor fish — you just want to breathe for them. You want to give CPR because they're having such a hard time," said Susan Vogelgesang, chairwoman of the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District Board.

The board declared an emergency Aug. 17 to speed up the process of having repairs made. The declaration let the district immediately hire consultant Applied Technology & Management to design and build whatever

is needed to fix the seawater lines. ATM already had studied the lines for the city.

Arthur Koski, the district's interim executive director, said the consultant would begin with a temporary repair. Designing, getting permits and constructing a permanent solution will take two years, he said.

Koski said air is leaking into the system, but ATM is not sure whether the leak is in the pump house, east of State Road A1A, or in the lines under the highway. There are also issues with the intake lines out in the ocean, he said.

Without the emergency declaration, the district would have had to put the repairs out to bid, adding months to the project.

"It's obvious that something needs to be done," Koski said.

The city owns Red Reef Park, which includes the nature center. The district pays for all operating expenses and maintenance. It also funds most capital projects.

Gumbo Limbo's saltwater tanks, which opened in 2012, were built with \$2.2 million from the district. Not long after, officials realized something was wrong with the pumps and pipes that bring in

saltwater from the Atlantic.

Koski said he first heard of the trouble at a meeting in March 2014. "We knew the problem existed way back then," he said.

The district started to have a consultant look at the plumbing system, then the city said it could do the work in-house. Earlier this year the city decided to pass responsibility back to the district.

Beach and Park District Commissioner Earl Starkoff said he and his colleagues should monitor both the repairs and their budget to make sure they have enough money.

"We don't know if the \$2 million we've got budgeted for it is too much, too little or just right," Starkoff said.

But Commissioner Robert Rollins said it was more important to focus first on making the fixes. "Let's just keep the pedal to the metal and keep this thing moving forward so we don't have a catastrophe," he said.

Judy Gire of the Friends of Gumbo Limbo thanked commissioners for taking the emergency action. "We hope that this approval will be sufficient to move the project ahead quickly," she said. ★



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Highland Beach

Residents could reap benefit of rare tax rate reduction

By Rich Pollack

Thanks to significant increases in overall property values and several hundred thousand dollars' worth of cuts to the town's proposed 2015-2016 budget, Highland Beach residents are likely to see their municipal tax rate drop for the first time since 2011.

Town commissioners have discussed the possibility of cutting the operating tax rate from \$3.95 per \$1,000 of assessed value to \$3.70 or less per \$1,000. The overall tax rate, including debt service, would drop from \$4.95 to \$4.35 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

The reduction in the municipal tax rate to what is known as the rollback rate — the rate that will generate the same amount of property taxes that the city took in the previous year — will mean some residents could see the actual amount they pay in taxes to the town decrease, depending on their property's assessed value.

"We're able to provide a tax-rate cut to our residents without reducing the overall quality of service we provide," said Commissioner Lou Stern. "Because of the property value increase, we're able to reduce our tax rate and still maintain proper reserves."

Total assessed value of property in Highland Beach increased from \$1.9 billion to just over \$2 billion this year.

Commissioners are continuing to make budget cuts, which could drop the tax rate even lower. The final decision will be made later this month.

"I want to make it clear there's no way we're raising our taxes," Stern said. "Taxes are going down."

The town currently has an \$11.37 million budget and town officials had originally proposed a budget that would increase in the upcoming fiscal year to \$11.55 million.

Commissioners, however, have trimmed several hundred thousand dollars from the budget, which if approved in its proposed form would stand at just over \$11 million.

Among the items taken out of the budget were two major capital improvements that have been placed on hold: license plate recognition scanners for the Police Department and enclosures for two terraces at the library.

A purchase of scanners, with a cost of about \$68,000, was placed on hold due to a Florida Department of Transportation ruling that prohibits cameras on state rights of way. The terrace project, with a \$150,000 estimated price tag, was delayed while town officials gather data to determine if the terraces are wanted by residents or are needed.

Commissioners cut another

\$100,000 that had been earmarked for repairs to the town's sidewalk, by tentatively agreeing to do those repairs this fiscal year using funds in the current budget to cover the cost.

Personnel issues were the subject of a lengthy discussion during a budget workshop last month, with commissioners debating salary increases for town employees.

In a cost-cutting move, the commission eliminated a maintenance position at the town's library and removed \$127,000 from the budget by doing away with a systems analyst position. A full-time library assistant position, with a cost of \$67,000, was added to replace the analyst position.

During discussions of pay increases, commissioners shied away from giving employees

5 percent raises that have been standard in recent years. Instead, they agreed to 3 percent raises at the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Vice Mayor Bill Weitz expressed concern over salaries paid for certain positions and questioned whether the town could continue to provide pay increases for them. "Are there certain jobs in town deserving of the level of pay they receive?" he asked. "I don't think so."

Commissioners agreed to a 3 percent increase for employees but also expressed interest in rewarding employees who perform well. "I would like to see some kind of merit program for someone who can save the town money," Commissioner Carl Feldman said.

The public hearings will be held Sept. 10 and 24. ★

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Gulf Stream

A settlement proposal stirs in Gulf Stream

By Dan Moffett

Ed Slominski says he learned a good bit about conflict resolution while running successful businesses in the Northeast.

Where better now to use that knowledge than his adopted hometown of Gulf Stream, where there has been so much conflict and not a hint of resolution in recent years?

Slominski has been working behind the scenes this summer to broker a settlement deal between the town and its two harshest critics, Martin O'Boyle and Chris O'Hare. The idea is to get everyone to the bargaining table, drop the lawsuits and countersuits, and end the costly hostilities.

"There's so much ego here between the parties," Slominski says. "Both sides are damaging Gulf Stream's brand and the community by their actions."

A growing number of Gulf Stream residents, Slominski believes, have become weary of the court fights that have drained the town's budget. Town commissioners have set aside \$1 million for the next fiscal year to cover the legal expenses from dozens of lawsuits pending with O'Boyle and O'Hare.

"You've got wealthy people who've decided you can spend money just because you're right," Slominski says. "A lot of privileged people got their dander up. That has to stop."

He finds some fault and some merit on all sides: Town officials have been guilty of selective enforcement of some rules, Slominski says, but

O'Boyle and O'Hare have gone too far in their attacks, many of which have been public and personal. The more than 1,500 requests for public records O'Boyle and O'Hare have made to town officials haven't helped either.

The town's lawyers, however, overreached in their response, Slominski says, when they filed a RICO lawsuit against the two men this year — a suit that a federal judge threw out in June. In the wake of that dismissal, Slominski has been pitching resolution to all who will listen.

He has floated a plan for settlement negotiations to Mayor Scott Morgan and O'Boyle and O'Hare.

Slominski's idea is to have all parties contribute to a fund as a show of good faith — perhaps hundreds of thousands of dollars each — money that would go to charitable causes. That would help repair damage done to Gulf Stream's brand, he says.

The more difficult work would begin then with all sides coming to the table and agreeing to resolve their issues and drop their lawsuits.

Reaction to Slominski's proposal has been muted. Morgan has referred settlement talks to the town's lawyers and publicly expressed skepticism about the level of good intentions on the other side.

Gulf Stream, the mayor says, thought it had resolved all issues with O'Boyle two years ago when it settled a court case over his home renovation plans. But then his lawsuits resumed shortly after.

Jonathan O'Boyle, Martin's son and a lawyer affiliated with the O'Boyle Law Firm, says the family is open to negotiation.

"I have heard about settlement only in the form of getting both sides to talk (something that has been utterly impossible and still may be — let's see)," Jonathan O'Boyle said in an email to *The Coastal Star*. "Ed [Slominski] has identified this situation as a runaway train and wants the commission to talk to the litigants, something that Morgan has publicly averred he would not do as leader of the town. If this trend is not reversed, then neither will the trend in rising taxes."

Slominski, a technology entrepreneur who moved to the Place Au Soleil neighborhood from Boston 10 years ago, has no illusions about the road ahead. But he says the alternative is possible bankruptcy for the town. If settlement efforts fail, Slominski says, he intends to go to the Palm Beach County Office of Inspector General and ask for intervention from higher powers. ★



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South Palm Beach

Town asking condo owners for access to beaches

By Dan Moffett

South Palm Beach is appealing to oceanfront condominium owners to allow the town easement access to the beaches during emergencies and renourishment projects.

Town officials say they have no way of getting vehicles to the beach without the cooperation of private property owners. Public access from Lake Worth is too far north to be feasible and public access from Lantana may not be granted because the town has liability concerns about potential damage.

"Lantana is very protective about their seawall," Mayor Bonnie Fischer said. "I don't blame them. They don't want other people's heavy equipment going through. We need an easement in this town."

Fischer said South Palm Beach had looked at barging in machinery and vehicles by sea but the costs are too high.

Without easements from

the condos, the town can't go forward with the beach restoration projects it hopes to take on in the coming years. Council members are telling residents that if they want their eroding beaches repaired, they're going to have to make way for some heavy-duty equipment.

Fischer and the council on Aug. 25 approved a letter Town Attorney Brad Briggs wrote that will go out to condominium associations along the beachfront. Briggs' letter makes three requests of the homeowner groups:

- Allow public service and rescue vehicles "the beach access necessary to aid persons facing serious and imminent injury."

- Allow staging and necessary vehicles "so that they may enter onto the beach for repair and maintenance of the many seawalls ... which serve to protect so many of the town's residences from the ocean's

destructive forces."

- And "perhaps most importantly, allow such vehicles as are necessary for beach restoration activities to deliver, grade and restore sand to the eroded beach areas."

Council members say they want to reassure condo owners that the request for easements does not mean that the town wants to create access for the public. The easements are for the town's official use only.

Vice Mayor Joseph Flagello, who is also president of the Palmsea Condominium board of directors, says his association will also need reassurance that the town is fully insured and

will cover potential property damage vehicles might cause. "That's the question I'm going to be hearing," Flagello said.

How serious is the town's request? Very serious.

Biggs told the council that if negotiation with the condominium owners doesn't work, then the town might have to consider claiming the easements by eminent domain.

Officials say that's a last resort that they hope will not be necessary.

In other business:

The council approved hiring Colin Baenziger & Associates to run background checks and screen prospective candidates

for the vacant town manager's job.

Former Boynton Beach Town Manager Kurt Bressner, who is advising the council on filling the position, recommended the headhunting firm over another company the town used last year in hiring Jim Pascale, who abruptly resigned in June.

Colin Baenziger will charge \$900 for each candidate it screens, and the council hopes to have identified six finalists to choose from before the tourist season begins and the interviewing and hiring completed before the end of the year. ★

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Delray Beach

City getting public input for dog beach proposal

By Rich Pollack

If Delray Beach were to create a dog beach, what's to stop dogs from digging up sea turtle nests?

What would the city do if a dog owner failed to clean up after his or her pet?

And what could be done to make sure that others on the beach without dogs don't find themselves face to face with a growling German shepherd?

All of these questions surfaced last month during a meeting hosted by Delray Beach's Parks and Recreation Director Suzanne Davis, who is continuing to seek feedback from residents before bringing recommendations regarding a dog beach to the Delray Beach

City Commission.

"We want to be sure we look at all the reasons people are for a dog beach and all the reasons people are against it," Davis said.

The meeting, the second of three designed to seek input from the community, gave people with concerns about the impact of a dog beach the chance to raise questions and at the same time it allowed those in favor of the idea to make suggestions that would address some of the issues.

Davis told residents that after gathering information from other communities with successful dog beaches, listening to residents and studying the results of an online survey, her department

would make a series of proposals to City Manager Donald Cooper, who could then bring them to the City Commission.

She said her department is exploring one alternative for a separated dog beach at either or both recreation areas at the north and south ends of the public beach.

Currently, city ordinances prohibit dogs on the city's public beach.

Many of the questions raised at the Delray Beach meeting were similar to those raised more than a year and a half ago before Boca Raton opened its dog beach.

Since then, Boca Raton has found few of the issues have surfaced.

"It's going extremely well," said Boca Raton Parks and Recreation Director Mickey Gomez. "There are times when there will be 60 dogs out there and there are people who go just to watch the dogs play."

Gomez said the city has issued more than 1,200 dog beach permits, most of those going to city residents who pay \$30 as opposed to non-residents who pay more.

Park rangers at either end of the dog beach, situated between lifeguard towers 18 and 20, check to make sure people have permits to use the dog beach, which is only open Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings and evenings.

He said the city has found that most dog owners clean up

after their pets but added that the city has a maintenance crew follow up after the dog beach closes.

"If we've had five incidents of crews having to clean up after dogs that would be a lot," Gomez said.

Before opening the dog beach, Boca Raton checked with turtle experts at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center who said that raccoons and other animals were more likely than dogs to disturb turtle nests. Gomez said there hasn't been a problem with dogs on the beach disturbing turtle nests.

In Delray Beach, Davis said she is planning to host one more meeting before coming up with recommendations to present to city leaders. ★

CRA picks firm to analyze tax values

By Jane Smith

This time, the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency commissioners were unanimous at their late August meeting in awarding a \$59,000 contract to analyze taxable values in each of its eight subareas.

The contract went to the low bidder, Munilytics Inc. of Davie. The firm also had the shortest estimated completion

time — two months — when it was selected in July.

The analysis will be done in three parts. Part A will include: Establish a base year value of each subarea when the CRA was formed in 1985, establish current year value, project values for each subarea for the next 30 years, interview all city and CRA commissioners and each of their respective managers or directors, interview the CRA

bond counsel, interview the CRA legal counsel, provide recommendations for the CRA to assist the city with other expenditures and present report and findings to the CRA board and to the City Commission.

Part B covers comparative analysis of CRAs in other Palm Beach and Broward county cities, including date started, annual budget, expected sunset date and taxable value.

Part C calls for an

economic analysis of the CRA contribution to the Delray Beach economy from CRA investments, demographic data, property values, jobs created and other similar items.

The other bidders also were from Broward County: PMG Associates of Deerfield Beach and RMA Associates of Pompano Beach.

In July, the CRA commissioners were deadlocked 3-3 because Cathy Balestriere was absent. Finally CRA then-commissioner and now chairman Reggie Cox made a motion to hire Munilytics. It passed 4-2, with Paul Zacks and Joseph Bernadel voting no. They both preferred PMG, recommended by CRA staff.

Balestriere also was absent for the August vote.

In other action at the Aug. 27 meeting, the board asked staff to increase 2015-16 budget amounts for the Spady Museum to the \$67,357 requested and

for the Delray Beach Historical Society to the \$52,000 requested. The other nonprofits would receive the amounts that staff had recommended.

The board approved by a 6-0 vote to spend \$21,370 to hire Kimley-Horn and Associates to do a study of parking demand and use in its downtown core, generally between Swinton Avenue and the Intracoastal Waterway. The firm was the lowest of four bidders.

The board also agreed to reimburse the city up to \$400,000 during the next financial year to operate the downtown trolley. The city had a \$100,000 state transportation grant that is expiring, which accounts for the increased request. Finance Director Lori Hayward said the expenses for the current year were only \$112,000 so far, not nearly the \$300,000 budgeted. ★

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Briny Breezes

Molina stepping down from Briny Council

By Dan Moffett

After serving 20 months as alderman, Barbara Molina has resigned her seat on the Briny Breezes Town Council, citing personal reasons.

"Unfortunately, I don't have the time," Molina said. "It's been a pleasure working with this group. It's truly a great group and I'm happy and proud to have been a part of it."

Molina, who has resided in Briny full-time since 2013 when she left a teaching job with the U.S. military in Germany, also served as the town's clerk pro tem.

The council unanimously confirmed Alderman Bobby

Jurovaty at the Aug. 27 meeting to fill the clerk vacancy. In June, the council filled its open deputy clerk's position by hiring Steve Cooper.

"I'd like to say on behalf of the Town Council that we owe you our appreciation for stepping up and filling the position of town clerk pro tem when a volunteer was needed," Council President Sue Thaler told Molina. "You've juggled a lot of balls in the air with all the commitments you have in your life right now."

Council members are looking for candidates to serve out the rest of Molina's two-year term, which expires in March. ★

HEROIN

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put drug-abuse-prevention specialists and drug-treatment professionals to a new test. As regulation of pain pill prescriptions has found success and made those drugs harder to get and more expensive, many of those addicted to oxycodone and other pain medications have turned to heroin.

It's an obvious choice, really — it's cheaper, more accessible and more potent.

Professionals are trying to attack this latest scourge of drug abuse: Narcotic-reversing medications, new laws, and a slew of brainstorming action teams and task forces are coming out of the toolbox.

"We have definitely in recent years seen an increase in heroin use in our community," Connor said. "It's truly epidemic levels in our community."

Delray Beach police went public with a spike in the city's heroin use in June, after a huge uptick in heroin overdoses was seen in May. There were 17 in the city that month, compared to nine for the entire calendar year up till then. There were four deaths from heroin.

"When we started seeing that uptick in that month, we decided to attack it head on," Police Chief Jeffrey Goldman said. The public was asked not to clean up overdose scenes, so that evidence would be more available to police. All crime scenes where the August deaths happened were cleaned up before evidence could be gathered, so police weren't able to test the substances to see if they were laced with anything, such as the powerful opiate fentanyl, to make them more powerful.

Sgt. Nicole Guerriero sought to reassure those who clean up crimes scenes out of fear of police, saying state law doesn't allow prosecution of those who phone in an overdose emergency, or the prosecution of the person overdosing, lest a potentially life-saving call not be made.

Since the May uptick, more confidential informants have been used, Goldman said. He said the police have not seen a corresponding rise in people and property crimes — such as assaults or burglaries — as a result of the heroin spike.

In May, there were 70 calls to Delray fire-rescue for a bad reaction to a drug, for an overdose or for a death, Connor said. Before that, Delray hadn't had more than 26 in a single month in 2015. In June, there were 70 calls again.

In July, the number of calls dropped to 39. Connor said it wasn't known how many of those involved heroin, but it



Packets of heroin and cash were seized during a recent arrest. Photo provided by the Delray Beach Police

stands to reason that heroin drove the spike.

In September 2013, a similar rash of drug calls was seen when "a bad batch of something" hit the streets, Connor said.

"I don't ever remember — and I've been here 22 years — getting these types of numbers at any time," she said.

Of 394 drug-related calls to Delray Fire-Rescue from August of last year to July of this year, paramedics have injected drug users with Narcan 192 times — almost exactly half the time. Narcan, the brand name for naloxone, almost immediately reverses the effects of opiates. So when paramedics use it, addicts are out cold one minute, often on the brink of death, and alert — and faced with their grim reality — the next.

New laws affecting reversal drug, referrals

A change in Florida law that took effect in July now allows caretakers and other nonmedical personnel to administer Narcan — it can be done with virtually no training. Delray police, often on the scene before paramedics, are working out the logistics of carrying it, including how to store it in the police cars.

The drug gives addicts a new lease on life, but, usually, they don't see it that way — they just want their high back, Connor said. High users, upon seeing paramedics in emergency rooms, sometimes beg them not to inject them with Narcan, Connor said.

Another legislative move, which also took effect in July, creates a voluntary certification program for sober homes, where addicts recently out of rehabilitation programs live to get further support as they continue their recovery. Law enforcement and treatment professionals frequently refer to "the good and the bad" sober homes, distinguishing between those that are run properly, with recovery the real goal, and those that exist only to work the system and make a profit.

Starting in July 2016, rehabilitation centers will be allowed to refer patients to certified sober homes, which is when experts expect the real change to begin taking hold.

Sober homes are highly concentrated in southern Palm Beach County, particularly in Delray Beach. The Fix, an addiction and recovery website, lists the city as one of the country's Top 10 destinations for sober living, along with metropolises New York, Los Angeles, Boston and San Francisco. The 5,000 people going to 300 12-step programs a week, and its eclectic therapy settings, give it "the sobriety footprint of a much bigger city," the site says.

Unrelieved pain a path to addiction

Suzanne Spencer, executive director of the Delray Drug Task Force, said the sequence of events leading to heroin addiction in the Delray area, and elsewhere, can be gradual and insidious. An accident causes pain. People take pain medication the proper way. Legislation hits and suddenly they have trouble finding a doctor willing to give them a prescription. They turn to heroin. "No one wakes up and says, 'I think I'm going to have an addiction,'" Spencer says. Anyone can be just a car accident away from becoming a heroin addict, the saying goes.

Spencer has assembled a "heroin response team" to try to draw up new solutions. The team is looking at potentially modeling something after the Montana Meth Project, a savvy, hard-hitting media blitz that has capitalized on social media.

But there are realities to be dealt with: Team members don't want to tackle heroin and somehow lead addicts to other addictions. Plus, medical advancements in the treatment of HIV, while welcomed, have taken away what was formerly a natural deterrent: The fear of AIDS got some people to think twice before injecting themselves.

"There are some who feel that HIV is no longer a death sentence," Spencer said.

Indeed, HIV and hepatitis C infections are generally on the rise, possibly reflecting this reshaped view, said Terri Neil, communications specialist with the Comprehensive AIDS program. Addicts know about the advancements in HIV treatment just like everyone else, Neil said.

"The last thing they care about is getting HIV," she said. "All they care about is getting their next fix."

Success in treatment is quite possible

Paul Cassidy — chief operating officer at Access Recovery Solutions, which offers methadone treatment and medication-assistance treatment approaches — said that Delray Beach has been seen as underserved by methadone treatment for opiate addictions since 2010. His company finally opened a center several months ago.

The treatment challenges for pill addicts and heroin addicts is largely the same, he said. Everyone seems to be at risk; Access Recovery's clients are 18 to 71 and an even split between men and women, Cassidy said.

Treatment can work, though. About 63 percent of patients are unemployed when they first arrive; in two months, that's down to about 28 percent, he said.

"In a relatively short period of time, people have rejoined the workforce and are doing something," he said.

Joe Bryan, executive director of the 12-step, abstinence-based Beachcomber rehabilitation center near Briny Breezes, said that the makeup of the person, not necessarily the drug, dictates his or her recovery success. For instance, those in positions of privilege, who aren't used to being told no, might have a more difficult time getting and staying sober, he said.

Compared to pain-pill addicts, heroin users — because of the extra stigma linked to heroin — might be a little quicker to lose their support structure of family and friends, a factor so important to someone's recovery odds, he said.

"There are many successes," Bryan said. "I don't know if more than not, but enough to keep working at it."

Cassidy's assessment of the future of the drug battle, here and nationally, was tempered — he's "not that optimistic" the problem will go away.

"We don't spend nearly enough to reduce the demand," he said. "But that's basically retooling as a country how we've handle the drug problem for 50 years." ★

Delray Beach

City seeks dismissal of Crossing developers' lawsuit

By Jane Smith

Attorneys for Delray Beach responded to an Atlantic Crossing lawsuit with a motion to dismiss on Aug. 18.

The developers sued the city in June claiming the city has not issued a site-plan certification that was approved in November 2013 and affirmed by a previous City Commission in January 2014.

In the city's August motion, Delray Beach contends that the developers' claims "are an untimely and improper collateral attack on a City Commission approved development order" that can be challenged only through a

special petition filed within 30 days of the order.

The motion also points out that the lawsuit should be dismissed for failure to state a cause of action because the development order was not attached or made part of the lawsuit.

The city also says it should be dismissed because the developers have not submitted a recorded plat for the project.

The proposed \$200 million development sits on 9.2 acres of East Atlantic Avenue in the city's downtown. The project, developed by a partnership between Ohio-based Edwards Companies and local resident Carl DeSantis, will contain 356

luxury condos and apartments plus 80,000 square feet of restaurants and shops and 79,000 square feet of office space.

"We look forward to the court's resolution, as we are confident that the city's motion to dismiss will not be successful," said Don DeVere, vice president of mixed use for the Edwards Companies.

"The reality is that this \$200 million project — with its hundreds of jobs and millions of dollars in tax revenues — has been stonewalled every step of the way. According to the city, we can't get the approved site plan certified without first getting plat approval. Yet the

city has repeatedly refused to put us on the schedule to finalize the plat."

He also said, "With regard to the city's desire for an east-west road, the first step is to get our site plan certified. Then, if the city can assure a timely approval process, we remain open to modifying the plan."

The Delray Beach City Attorney scheduled a closed "shade meeting" with city commissioners on Sept. 3 to discuss settlement options.

In other action on Atlantic Crossing, city commissioners held a special meeting at 4 p.m. Aug. 26 to approve having their city manager send a "request for reconveyance" that would ask

for the two alleys given to the project on Feb. 24, 2009 under a previous development order.

The deadline was buried in an Aug. 21 letter to the city's Planning and Zoning Director about the delay in plat approval sent by Atlantic Crossing's planner. The letter claimed the project was ready for plat approval since Nov. 20, 2013, when its latest site plan was approved.

The Aug. 26 commission meeting lasted under 10 minutes because the city needed to respond by 4:30 p.m. that day to meet the five-day limit for such a request. The motion passed 4-0 with Commissioner Jordana Jarjura absent. ★

TURTLES

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April to determine whether sand dredged from offshore, which is darker and hotter, and mined inland sand, which is paler and cooler, have an effect on turtle gender. Temperature-monitoring devices buried in the sand will remain until October.

All of the sand used on South County beach renourishment projects has been dredged sand except for a dune project in Delray Beach.

"There was mined sand put on the beach in South Palm Beach for many years, but our last project there was in 2010 and that sand has been eroded," said Leanne Welch, shoreline program supervisor for ERM.

Most reptiles including alligators, crocodiles, turtles and lizards lay eggs that depend on temperature for gender determination.

But turtle sex determination is the opposite of lizards and crocodiles, Welch said. "Warmer temperatures produce more female turtles, but more male lizards and crocodiles."

On a recent August morning, Martin scooped out big handfuls of sand at the Boynton Beach Oceanfront Park beach, reached down 18 inches, and pulled out a monitor that logs the temperature of the beach sand every 15 minutes.

She dug deeper and retrieved another monitor 27 inches deep, the depth on the beach that green turtles and leatherbacks bury their eggs. Loggerheads lay their eggs at 18 inches.



Six monitors were placed on Oceanfront Park beach, and 30 at the other two beaches. Martin checks each monitor once a month and records the data with the help of Lory Gort, a biology student intern from Palm Beach Atlantic University. Oceanfront Park has had the hottest sand so far, in the range

of 92 to 93 degrees, she said. She noticed that nesting turtles on a North County beach with replacement sand from an inland mine were taking a couple of days longer to hatch than at other county beaches. She also discovered that the sand was cooler than the original sand dredged from

ABOVE: Kelly Martin, an environmentalist with Palm Beach County Environmental Resources Management, digs for a temperature-monitoring device buried more than two feet underground. **LEFT:** ERM intern Lory Gort downloads data from a monitor for later transfer into ERM's temperature database. **Photos by Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

offshore.

"The temperature may not be a big deal," Martin said, "but we need to know that we're not altering the sex ratio a whole lot."

County environmentalists are also analyzing sand composition and other factors, such as climate change, which may be making the beaches hotter. Cooler inland sand may be an inadvertent benefit.

"There are so many variables we have to consider," Martin said. The county will bring in a statistician and the staff will spend six months to a year to

analyze the data.

The project is being paid for with a \$14,000 grant from sea turtle license plates.

So far this turtle season, the numbers of nests have been excellent, she said.

"Loggerheads have been numerous with some beaches getting record numbers," Martin said. "Green turtles are having a phenomenal year with numbers exploding in the last two years."

The high numbers are likely due to conservation efforts put in effect two decades ago, she said. ★

Delray Beach

New arts administrator promises to expand audience

The arts administrator credited with doubling ticket sales and developing a \$5 million endowment at the Pennsylvania nonprofit he led for a decade has been named chief executive officer of the Delray Beach Center for the

Arts. Rob Steele, former executive director of the Williamsport Community Arts Center in the north-central Pennsylvania city of Williamsport, is taking over the top job at the Delray Beach center from longtime CEO Joe

Gillie, who retires Sept. 30. "Joe Gillie has been the champion in establishing the Delray Beach Center for the Arts as a premier arts institution in South Florida," Steele said in a statement. "My goal is to honor, preserve and

extend the rich traditions he has established." Steele was chosen from about 100 applicants for the post, said Bill Branning, chairman of the board at the Delray Beach center, and stood out as the right person for the job, "with

the right skills, talent, experience and energy." A former restaurateur and vice president of



Steele

a Michigan bank, Steele was executive director of the civic auditorium in Tecumseh, Mich., before going to Williamsport. At the 2,100-seat Community Arts Center there, Steele focused on community outreach as well as finances, increasing the number of collaborative partners to more than 200 from just 10.

"Community outreach and coordinating broad-based collaborations with local organizations has become one of the hallmarks of my career," Steele said, and pledged to "reach into every corner of the market" served by the Delray center to expand audiences and develop partnerships.

The Delray Beach Center for the Arts is celebrating its 25th anniversary. It has its roots in the mid-1980s, when two historic school buildings dating to 1913 and 1925 were renovated and became the nucleus of the center's Old School Square campus.

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Ocean Ridge

Town chooses six finalists for manager's job

By Dan Moffett

Ocean Ridge town commissioners have narrowed their search for a new town manager to six candidates, and the list includes several familiar names from Palm Beach County and two former officials from Fernandina Beach.

The commission has scheduled a special public meeting for 9 a.m. on Sept. 8 to interview each finalist for 30 minutes. In all, 29 people applied to replace Ken Schenck, 76, who has held the job since 2006 and is retiring later this year. Commissioners agreed on a base salary of \$95,000 for the position.

Here are the finalists:
Michael Czymbor, 51,

ranked highest in a straw poll of commissioners with five of them putting him on their short list for the interview session. Czymbor served as city manager of Palatka for 2½ years, until city commissioners dismissed him in February after disputes over policy. Czymbor was city manager of Fernandina Beach from 2006 to 2012 and previously served as city administrator in Milan, Mich., and DeWitt, Mich. He holds a master's degree in public administration from Bowling Green State University.

Mark Kutney, 61, finished tied for second in the straw poll with four votes. Kutney was town manager of Loxahatchee Groves from 2011 to 2014 and deputy city manager of Belle

Glade for four years beginning in 2007. He was a finalist for the South Palm Beach town manager's job last year.

Jamie Titcomb, 62, also received four votes in the straw poll. He was village manager in North Palm Beach for seven months in 2011, until the Town Council dismissed him. Titcomb was interim town manager in Lake Park in 2012 and served as executive director of the Palm Beach County League of Cities from 1999 to 2011. He was a two-term Boynton Beach city commissioner beginning in 1996.

David Harden, 72, was the Delray Beach city manager for 22 years until retiring in 2012. A Navy veteran with 48 years in public service, Harden was city

manager of Winter Park from 1977 to 1989, and currently does municipal consulting work. He received three votes in the straw poll.

Violet (Lee) Leffingwell, 72, who has been town manager and water plant director in Mangonia Park since 2006 received two votes. Leffingwell served as town manager of Glen Ridge for six years beginning in 2000, and also was the town's building inspector.

Joseph Gerrity, 62, succeeded Czymbor as city manager in Fernandina Beach in 2012 until resigning this year. Gerrity was mayor of Fernandina from 2002 to 2004 and before that a coordinator for the Suwannee County Commission. He also received two votes. ★

Former chief hired by Boynton

Chris Yannuzzi, 59, who was forced out of office as Ocean Ridge police chief in January, rejoined the Boynton Beach Police Department in August.

Yannuzzi rose to the rank of lieutenant in Boynton and worked for the department for 25 years before coming to Ocean Ridge in 2006.

He will be taking over the city's reserve officer program, according to Chief Jeffrey Katz, who cited Yannuzzi's experience in community policing and developing young officers as reasons for his hiring.

TRIVIA

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For his teammate, Georgina Leathers of Delray Beach, trivia's the most trivial part of the evening.

"It's just a great way to get together with friends," she explains. "A great night out on a Wednesday."

They're certainly not here for the winnings. First place gets you a \$20 gift certificate, second place \$10, on down through free appetizers and desserts, all the way to a ninth-place keychain.

"We've won a lot of desserts and appetizers," Luckey says, "and then some of the cheap stuff —Koozies and T-shirts."

Finally, about 7:20, a young man in an Endless Summer shirt arrives, lugging a folding table, gym bag and miniature sound system.

Steve has entered the building.

"I got into hosting trivia because I was so bad at it," he says, unfolding the table. "I wasn't contributing anything to the team."

Now Steve Steckroth is one of a dozen Trivia Masters at Think & Drink Trivia, a company that hosts weekly games at 25 sites, including Jack's Grumpy Grouper in Lantana and the Dixie Grill & Bar in West Palm Beach.

"I make all the questions up, but don't confuse that with knowing all the answers," he confides. "I think of the question and then I Google the answer."

On a good night, Two Georges can get as many as 21 teams, Steve says. Tonight's a good night.

"But having a bigger team isn't necessarily an advantage," he explains. "When you have two people who are certain they know the capital of Kansas, who are you going to go with?"

Is it Topeka?

"I think." The Trivia Master frowns. "I don't know."

(It's Topeka.)

The rules are simple. Steve asks a question, then blasts a song for 3½ minutes while the players parade up to his table



TOP: A team of doctors from JFK Medical Center discusses the answer to a question posed during Think and Drink Trivia at Two Georges. **RIGHT:** Trivia Master Steve Steckroth provides the questions. **Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

and drop their answers in a bucket. Wagers are two, four or six points.

Four questions and one bonus question to a round, four rounds a night, 20 questions to the game.

No cellphones, please.

"We'll be out of here right at 9:30," Steve promises.

First question: *The highest scoring baseball game ever played was on Aug. 25, 1922, when the Cubs beat the Phillies by 3 runs. What was the total points, plus or minus 3 runs?*

The music blasts, the answers arrive, Steve announces a 30-second warning, and the music stops.

(The Cubs scored 26 and the Phillies 23. Total points, 49.)

And so it goes.

Some of the questions are easy.

Who was Bob Denver?

(The actor who played Gilligan.)

And some are tough.

With more than 1,500 species of animals, what city is home to the largest zoo in the world?

(The Berlin Zoo, opened in 1944.)

Halfway through, Steve pulls out the 20-point countdown. The



first clue is worth 20 points, the second clue 18 points, on down.

Now, for 20 points: *I am a famous American who was born in 1928 and died in 2011.*

No one rises to drop a guess in the bucket.

For 18 points: *I was convicted of second-degree murder in 1989.*

Frowns all around.

For 12 points: Even knowing that Al Pacino played him in the movie doesn't spark a rush to the bucket.

Finally, *My nickname was Dr. Death.*

(Oh! It's Jack Kevorkian, the assisted suicide guy.)

Round 3 begins with Wingmen & the Hotwings and the Conquistadors tied for first place.

"They win 90 percent of the time," Steve says.

Team Sunshine has 50 points.

"Sometimes we pull it out in the end," Bob Luckey says, bravely.

Three U.S. state capitals have only five letters. Name them.

(Boise, Idaho; Dover, Delaware; and Salem, Oregon.)

Down at the end of the bar, Donald Trump's Toupee maintains an air of detached self-confidence.

"We're formerly 'Trump/Palin 2015,'" says Stephen Erdo of Boca Raton, a Syracuse law student home for the summer.

Erdo has a quick definition of trivia. "Trivia is knowledge that should be common but isn't," he says.

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GOLF

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"It's really unfortunate," says Michael Wohl, a longtime member who quit recently to join a club on the west side of town. "It's a great group of members and I still have friends there, but life is short and part of South Florida living is having a great course to play."

Wohl says he finds it ironic that the ads for the resort still tout the championship golf course as a reason the resort enjoys a top-destination ranking.

"Immerse yourself in the rich history and tradition of one of the finest golf resorts in Florida," the resort's website says. "Dating back to the times when PGA professionals Sam Snead and Tommy Amour held positions on staff, this exclusive golf resort has always sought to offer a unique, exclusive and exceptional year-round golf experience."

"It's a flat-out lie," Wohl says. "Boca's municipal course is 10 times better."

Neither Blackstone Group nor Waldorf Astoria/Hilton Hotels group, which runs the resort, would discuss the players' specific complaints on the phone. A spokeswoman for Hilton, however, did send an email addressing the resort's general policy on golf course maintenance.

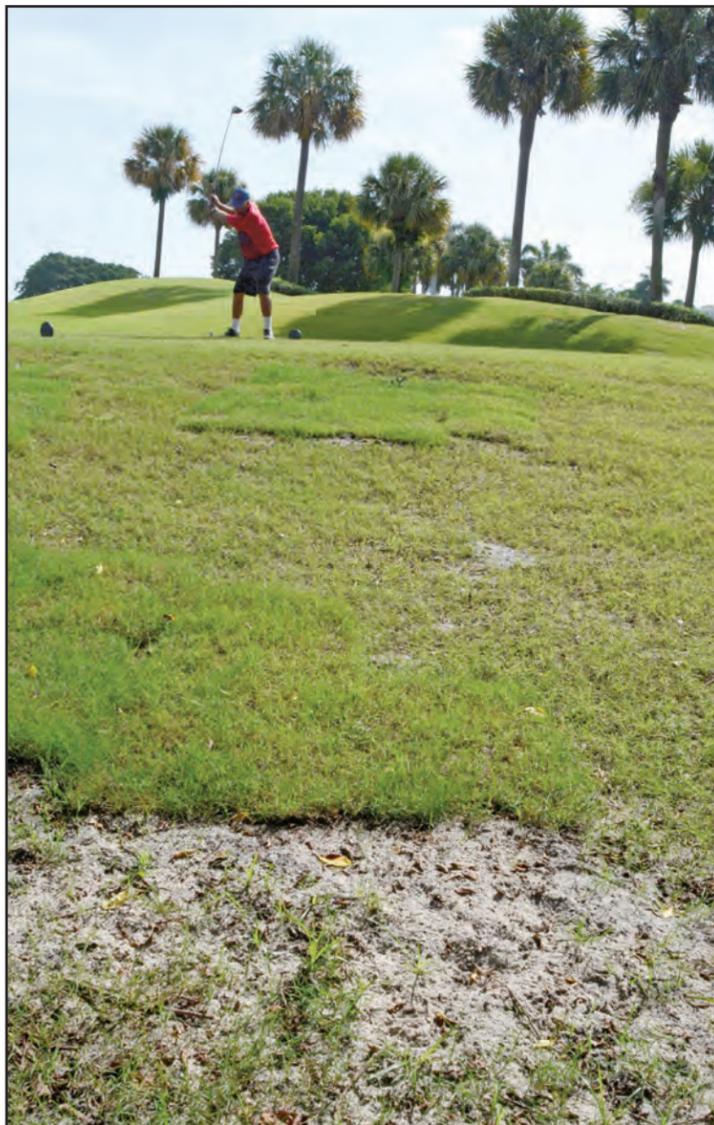
"The maintenance and conditions of our golf courses and our hotel is of the utmost importance and is always a focal point of our operations in order to continue to provide our guests and members with an exceptional experience at Boca Raton Resort," wrote Lisa Cole, southeast director of corporate communications for Hilton Worldwide.

"Regular maintenance of our golf course is done on a daily basis, 365 days of the year, by our well trained staff including a superintendent who is a standing member of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America, to ensure the optimal playing conditions," Cole said.

"In fact, the resort course received a fleet of new equipment one month ago and has increased its annual maintenance budget including a committed investment in the seasonal over-seeding of the course to occur in November."

Jimmy Gascoigne, head golf pro at the resort, said he had no comment on whether course refurbishment is planned and referred questions to Cole.

But players say the hotel



During a round in early August many issues were observed on the course. **TOP:** Soggy spots like this one frequently are a sign of cracked water pipes in the sprinkler system. **LEFT:** At least three holes had limited amounts of recently laid sod in problem places in the rough. **RIGHT:** Long brown strips like this one appeared on a green that had been scalped by a mower.

Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

management makes only minimal improvements and seems indifferent to their requests for a real restoration of the course. This is particularly galling to those who paid \$50,000 to join the club and about \$12,000 a year to keep up their membership, members say.

"It's a deliberate attitude of not caring and willful neglect," says Sandeep Sharma, who recently resigned from the club. "They will

say the golf course does not get enough use to justify the expense, but that doesn't make sense. If you don't have a good course, you won't get the guests you need to maintain the rest of the resort."

Players say they are especially steamed that the owners have spent millions sprucing up the hotel itself, the spa, the gardens and the restaurant while allowing the fairways to languish.

While the sale price of the

resort has not been disclosed, Blackstone has spent more than \$200 million renovating the beach club and rooms in the landmark pink Cloisters tower. Blackstone purchased the Boca Resort and two other well-known Fort Lauderdale hotels from investor H. Wayne Huizenga in 2004 for \$1.25 billion, according to published reports.

Sharma and Wohl say they were embarrassed to bring friends to the course. They did

not want their friends to smell the stinky waterways or see weed-choked grass and bald patches. Both men, however, said they would rejoin the club if the golf course is improved.

"It's like having a pet and not taking care of it," Sharma says. "If you have a pet, basic grooming and maintenance are necessities. That's really all we were asking — basic maintenance and grooming, not a re-do of the whole course." ★



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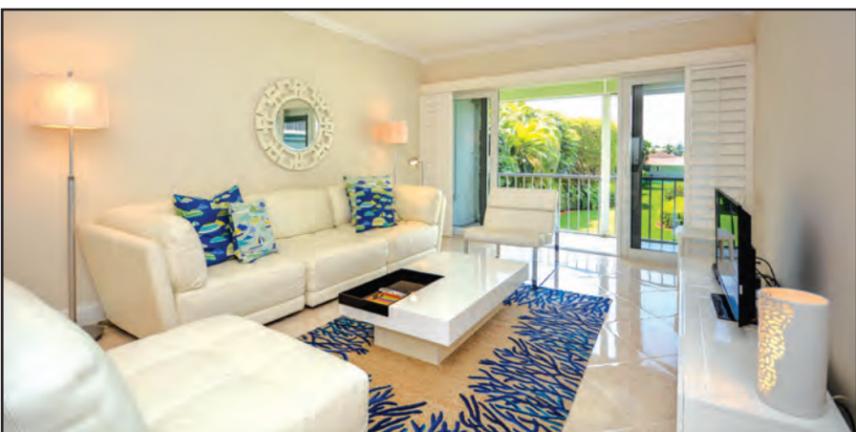
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Boca Raton

Proposed tax rate dips slightly from previous year

By Sallie James

Boca Raton would add four code enforcement officers, four firefighter/paramedics and five new police officers under a proposed 2015-2016 municipal budget that holds the line on property taxes and adds two new programs and new personnel for city beautification.

The good news for taxpayers is that the city property tax rate would be slightly down from a year ago under the proposed \$625 million 2015-2016 budget. The budget includes 34 new full-time positions and an unchanged fire assessment fee.

According to City Manager Leif Ahnell, 2015-2016 city property values have increased 7.62 percent over a year ago, making a tax hike unnecessary.

"We are able to hold the tax rate where we are because of the increase in property values," said City Council member Mike Mullaugh. "We are restoring

positions we had eliminated in 2008 and 2009 during the recession."

Calling Boca Raton a "financially sound" municipality with "world-class" services, Ahnell explained during an August budget workshop that the proposed tax rate for \$1,000 of assessed value is \$3.68, a slight decrease from the current rate of \$3.71 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

For homeowners, that means the owner of a \$300,000 single-family home will pay \$1,103.97 in municipal property taxes, or 1 percent less than a year ago, if the budget is approved. The city's proposed fire rescue assessment fee is slated to remain steady at the current rate of \$85.

In addition to municipal property taxes, tax bills include sums paid to the Palm Beach County School Board, the South Florida Water Management District, park districts and other

entities.

The 2015-2016 proposed budget includes a \$142 million general fund budget, which provides money for police, fire and street services, and a \$372 million operating budget.

The city budget also includes the Economic Development Fund, Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund, Sanitation Fund, Right of Way Beautification Fund, Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District Fund, Cemetery and Mausoleum Fund and the Golf Course Enterprise Fund.

Residents will have a chance to weigh in on proposed expenditures during two public hearings: The first is at 6 p.m. on Sept. 10 and the second is at 6 p.m. on Sept. 17. Both are at Boca Raton City Hall, at 201 W. Palmetto Park Road.

"I think the city is being very well-run," said City Council member Jeremy Rodgers. "Our city manager has kept the city

quite lean. They are basically manning up for the approved projects that are already on the table."

The police and fire budgets for the coming fiscal year reflect contract changes that will provide more than \$93 million in combined pension obligation savings over the next 30 years.

Mayor Susan Haynie has called the contracts the "most meaningful pension reform" that has occurred in the history of the city.

Boca Raton police will receive annual 2 percent raises for the next three years under a three-year contract that also requires police personnel to contribute more to their pension plan.

Firefighters will also receive annual 2 percent raises for the next three years. The Boca Raton/International Association of Firefighters Local 1560 also agreed to changes in the pension plan that should make the plan

actuarially sound.

The proposed budget includes five new police officers, partially funded by the Community Redevelopment Agency, and four new entry-level firefighter/paramedics.

Other additions of note:

- Office of the city manager: a development services manager to direct internal operations for the city.

- Water and Sewer Fund: one new safety, security and training officer.

- Beautification Fund: one new maintenance supervisor, 15 new groundskeepers.

- Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District: one full-time science educator, one senior aquarist, and several other part-time positions converted to full-time positions.

- Two new programs: rental registration and vines and exotics removal.

Each program includes three new employees. ★

Environment

County studies sand temperature, turtle gender

By Cheryl Blackerby

Is replacement sand on beaches affecting sea turtle gender?

That's a question county environmentalists will try to answer in a study of three county beaches — Boynton Beach Oceanfront Park, Jupiter Beach, which has three types of replacement sand, and Singer Island.

The temperature of beach sand affects the sex of sea turtle eggs. Sand 84 degrees or higher is more likely to produce females and below 84 degrees is more likely to produce males.

Since temperatures of replacement sand vary depending on where the sand came from, county

environmentalists are worried that renourishment projects may be altering the delicate balance of gender determination.

"South Florida nests produce mostly female turtles," said Kelly Martin, an environmentalist with Palm Beach County Environmental Resources Management. "That's good but there's a fine line."

The project was started in April to determine whether sand dredged from offshore, which is darker and hotter, and mined inland sand, which is paler and cooler, have an effect on turtle gender. Temperature-monitoring devices buried in the sand will remain until October.

All of the sand used on South County beach renourishment projects has been dredged sand except for a dune project in Delray Beach.

"There was mined sand put on the beach in South Palm Beach for many years, but our last project there was in 2010 and that sand has been eroded," said Leanne Welch, shoreline program supervisor for ERM.

Most reptiles including alligators, crocodiles, turtles and lizards lay eggs that depend on temperature for gender determination.

But turtle sex determination is the opposite of lizards and crocodiles, Welch said. "Warmer temperatures produce more female turtles,

but more male lizards and crocodiles."

On a recent August morning, Martin scooped out big handfuls of sand at the Boynton Beach Oceanfront Park beach, reached down 18 inches, and pulled out a monitor that logs the temperature of the beach sand every 15 minutes.

She dug deeper and retrieved another monitor 27 inches deep, the depth on the beach that green turtles and leatherbacks bury their eggs. Loggerheads lay their eggs at 18 inches.

Six monitors were placed on Oceanfront Park beach, and 30 at the other two beaches. Martin checks each monitor once a month and records

the data with the help of Lory Gort, a biology student intern from Palm Beach Atlantic University.

Oceanfront Park has had the hottest sand so far, in the range of 92 to 93 degrees, she said.

She noticed that nesting turtles on a North County beach with replacement sand from an inland mine were taking a couple of days longer to hatch than at other county beaches. She also discovered that the sand was cooler than the original sand dredged from offshore.

"The temperature may not be a big deal," Martin said, "but we need to know that we're not altering the sex ratio a whole lot."

County environmentalists are also analyzing sand composition and other factors, such as climate change, which may be making the beaches hotter. Cooler inland sand may be an inadvertent benefit.

"There are so many variables we have to consider," Martin said. The county will bring in a statistician and the staff will spend six months to a year to analyze the data.

The project is being paid for with a \$14,000 grant from sea turtle license plates.

So far this turtle season, the numbers of nests have been excellent, she said.

"Loggerheads have been numerous with some beaches getting record numbers," Martin said. "Green turtles are having a phenomenal year with numbers exploding in the last two years."

The high numbers are likely due to conservation efforts put in effect two decades ago, she said. ★

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Ocean Ridge

Town chooses six finalists for manager's job

By Dan Moffett

Ocean Ridge town commissioners have narrowed their search for a new town manager to six candidates, and the list includes several familiar names from Palm Beach County and two former officials from Fernandina Beach.

The commission has scheduled a special public meeting for 9 a.m. on Sept. 8 to interview each finalist for 30 minutes. In all, 29 people applied to replace Ken Schenck, 76, who has held the job since 2006 and is retiring later this year. Commissioners agreed on a base salary of \$95,000 for the position.

Here are the finalists:
Michael Czymbor, 51,

ranked highest in a straw poll of commissioners with five of them putting him on their short list for the interview session. Czymbor served as city manager of Palatka for 2½ years, until city commissioners dismissed him in February after disputes over policy. Czymbor was city manager of Fernandina Beach from 2006 to 2012 and previously served as city administrator in Milan, Mich., and DeWitt, Mich. He holds a master's degree in public administration from Bowling Green State University.

Mark Kutney, 61, finished tied for second in the straw poll with four votes. Kutney was town manager of Loxahatchee Groves from 2011 to 2014 and deputy city manager of Belle

Glade for four years beginning in 2007. He was a finalist for the South Palm Beach town manager's job last year.

Jamie Titcomb, 62, also received four votes in the straw poll. He was village manager in North Palm Beach for seven months in 2011, until the Town Council dismissed him. Titcomb was interim town manager in Lake Park in 2012 and served as executive director of the Palm Beach County League of Cities from 1999 to 2011. He was a two-term Boynton Beach city commissioner beginning in 1996.

David Harden, 72, was the Delray Beach city manager for 22 years until retiring in 2012. A Navy veteran with 48 years in public service, Harden was city

manager of Winter Park from 1977 to 1989, and currently does municipal consulting work. He received three votes in the straw poll.

Violet (Lee) Leffingwell, 72, who has been town manager and water plant director in Mangonia Park since 2006 received two votes. Leffingwell served as town manager of Glen Ridge for six years beginning in 2000, and also was the town's building inspector.

Joseph Gerrity, 62, succeeded Czymbor as city manager in Fernandina Beach in 2012 until resigning this year. Gerrity was mayor of Fernandina from 2002 to 2004 and before that a coordinator for the Suwannee County Commission. He also received two votes. ★

Former chief hired by Boynton

Chris Yannuzzi, 59, who was forced out of office as Ocean Ridge police chief in January, rejoined the Boynton Beach Police Department in August.

Yannuzzi rose to the rank of lieutenant in Boynton and worked for the department for 25 years before coming to Ocean Ridge in 2006.

He will be taking over the city's reserve officer program, according to Chief Jeffrey Katz, who cited Yannuzzi's experience in community policing and developing young officers as reasons for his hiring.

TRIVIA

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For his teammate, Georgina Leathers of Delray Beach, trivia's the most trivial part of the evening.

"It's just a great way to get together with friends," she explains. "A great night out on a Wednesday."

They're certainly not here for the winnings. First place gets you a \$20 gift certificate, second place \$10, on down through free appetizers and desserts, all the way to a ninth-place keychain.

"We've won a lot of desserts and appetizers," Luckey says, "and then some of the cheap stuff —Koozies and T-shirts."

Finally, about 7:20, a young man in an Endless Summer shirt arrives, lugging a folding table, gym bag and miniature sound system.

Steve has entered the building.

"I got into hosting trivia because I was so bad at it," he says, unfolding the table. "I wasn't contributing anything to the team."

Now Steve Steckroth is one of a dozen Trivia Masters at Think & Drink Trivia, a company that hosts weekly games at 25 sites, including Jack's Grumpy Grouper in Lantana and the Dixie Grill & Bar in West Palm Beach.

"I make all the questions up, but don't confuse that with knowing all the answers," he confides. "I think of the question and then I Google the answer."

On a good night, Two Georges can get as many as 21 teams, Steve says. Tonight's a good night.

"But having a bigger team isn't necessarily an advantage," he explains. "When you have two people who are certain they know the capital of Kansas, who are you going to go with?"

Is it Topeka?

"I think." The Trivia Master frowns. "I don't know."

(It's Topeka.)

The rules are simple. Steve asks a question, then blasts a song for 3½ minutes while the players parade up to his table



TOP: A team of doctors from JFK Medical Center discusses the answer to a question posed during Think and Drink Trivia at Two Georges. **RIGHT:** Trivia Master Steve Steckroth provides the questions. **Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

and drop their answers in a bucket. Wagers are two, four or six points.

Four questions and one bonus question to a round, four rounds a night, 20 questions to the game.

No cellphones, please.

"We'll be out of here right at 9:30," Steve promises.

First question: *The highest scoring baseball game ever played was on Aug. 25, 1922, when the Cubs beat the Phillies by 3 runs. What was the total points, plus or minus 3 runs?*

The music blasts, the answers arrive, Steve announces a 30-second warning, and the music stops.

(The Cubs scored 26 and the Phillies 23. Total points, 49.)

And so it goes.

Some of the questions are easy.

Who was Bob Denver?

(The actor who played Gilligan.)

And some are tough.

With more than 1,500 species of animals, what city is home to the largest zoo in the world?

(The Berlin Zoo, opened in 1944.)

Halfway through, Steve pulls out the 20-point countdown. The



first clue is worth 20 points, the second clue 18 points, on down.

Now, for 20 points: *I am a famous American who was born in 1928 and died in 2011.*

No one rises to drop a guess in the bucket.

For 18 points: *I was convicted of second-degree murder in 1989.* Frowns all around.

For 12 points: Even knowing that Al Pacino played him in the movie doesn't spark a rush to the bucket.

Finally, *My nickname was Dr. Death.*

(Oh! It's Jack Kevorkian, the assisted suicide guy.)

Round 3 begins with Wingmen & the Hotwings and the Conquistadors tied for first place.

"They win 90 percent of the time," Steve says.

Team Sunshine has 50 points. "Sometimes we pull it out in the end," Bob Luckey says, bravely.

Three U.S. state capitals have only five letters. Name them.

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Boca Raton

Docks not likely at new Houston's waterfront restaurant

By Steve Plunkett

The proposed Houston's restaurant at the old Wildflower site will have a breathtaking view of the Intracoastal Waterway, but it won't have docks, the developer says.

And a fence will block access on the waterfront walkway to the boat launch area at adjacent Silver Palm Park, said Glenn Viers, vice president of the Hillstone Restaurant Group, which the city chose to build the eatery.

Viers told a crowded Sept. 1 meeting of the Federation of Boca Raton Homeowner Associations that his company was simply reacting to the concerns of boaters who want to protect Silver Palm Park from restaurant traffic.

"Really, the only way that we felt that

we could effectively deal with that was to put a fence up," he said.

The restaurant will not have docks because the Intracoastal's right of way comes too close to shore and the waterway's bed is filled with sensitive plant life.

"We've looked into it, and we'll continue to look into it, but the indications are that it's infeasible," Viers said.

Neither proposal went over big with the audience.

"You really need to get the city to work with you, the county, whoever it is, to get the ... dockage. That is important," resident Craig Ehrnst said. "And No. 2, the whole idea of a fence that's underneath there in Silver Palm Park, I understand the logic and the

development of how it got there, but it defeats the mobile, pedestrian-friendly city we are. And that would just be a tragedy."

The restaurant, originally projected to open in December, will not be ready for business until sometime in 2017, Viers said. The one-story structure will be 7,000 square feet, smaller than the 7,800-square-foot Houston's the company operates off Glades Road west of Interstate 95.

Viers said the new Houston's would have 30 tables inside, an undetermined number outside and 11 more parking spaces than the code-required 120. The entrance will be on Northeast Fifth Avenue, and the restaurant, he said, will offer "some of the best views available of the Intracoastal in South Florida."

Houston's will rent the land from the city for \$500,000 a year plus 5 percent of any gross above \$10 million. Boca Raton bought the 2.3-acre parcel at the northwest base of the Palmetto Park Road bridge in 2009 for \$7.5 million.

Any issues with traffic are the responsibility of the city, Viers said, as is changing the zoning for the parcel.

Viers also said the restaurant, at the former site of the raucous Wildflower restaurant and bar, would be vigilant about keeping noise down.

"We're committed to being a good neighbor," he said.

The city's marine advisory board, its planning and zoning board and the City Council are scheduled to discuss the restaurant this month. ★

New logo adopted to tell airport's story

By Rich Pollack

During meetings with residents concerned that a new U.S. Customs Station at the Boca Raton Airport would generate more noise, airport leaders realized they could be doing a better job of telling the airport's story.

"That was the catalyst that made us realize we needed to share the value and history of the airport with our community," said Cheryl Budd, a member of the Boca Raton Airport Authority who is heading up a committee focused on building awareness. "We learned that we needed to be better engaged and have better communication with our various publics."

The first sign of the airport authority's efforts to raise its visibility in the community is a new logo, which received final approval at the authority's meeting last month.

"We now have a top-notch logo," Airport Authority member and Boca Raton Vice Mayor Robert Weinroth said.

Created by Green Advertising, the logo uses a font developed specifically for the authority and is designed to highlight the forward-looking perspective of the airport.

"The A in the logo is designed so it actually looks like the trajectory of an airplane taking off," Budd said.

The logo uses green to symbolize land and blue to symbolize water and can be adapted to include the word "international" once the



customs station is built.

A fresher looking logo reflects the recent changes taking place at the Airport Authority, Budd said, including a new executive director, a new administrative building, plans for a customs office and a new commitment to community engagement.

The Airport Authority's marketing committee will work with Green Advertising on a multifaceted awareness campaign that will include educational and public relations components, Budd said.

"The branding complements the airport's mission to be a world-class general aviation airport that is a vital element of the area's economic development initiative," said Clara Bennett, the airport's executive director.

The campaign, which includes an annual contract with Green Advertising for \$68,000, will focus on the value the airport brings to the community and its economic impact.

"The goal is to strengthen relationships with the community," she said. "It's also about building trust." ★

Highland Beach

Leaders to check out library management company

By Rich Pollack

With their library in transition following the departure of its longtime director, Highland Beach town leaders hope to find out more about a private company that manages libraries for communities across the country.

During a Florida League of Cities conference in Orlando last month, several Highland Beach commissioners met briefly with a representative of Library Systems and Services Inc., which manages about 80 libraries nationwide.

Vice Mayor Bill Weitz and Commissioner Lou Stern told other members of the commission that they would be in favor of inviting LSSI to visit Highland Beach so they could find out more about what the company offers. "We know very little about this company but when we have options, we should look at all the data," Weitz said. "Right now we're just in the data

collection mode."

Tim Buckley, a spokesman for LSSI, said the Maryland-based company was founded by experienced librarians in 1997 to help government agencies operate their libraries efficiently and effectively.

"They saw there was a better way of doing it," Buckley said.

Because LSSI operates several libraries, Buckley said, the firm can save money on books, software and other expenses through economies of scale. He added that the firm also has experienced library managers who can use their knowledge to help libraries best meet the needs of their residents.

While LSSI runs the day-to-day operation of the libraries it manages, Buckley said key decisions continue to be made at the local government level.

He said that any discussions with Highland Beach officials would also be an opportunity for LSSI to determine if working with the town would make sense for the company.

"It needs to be the right fit," he said.

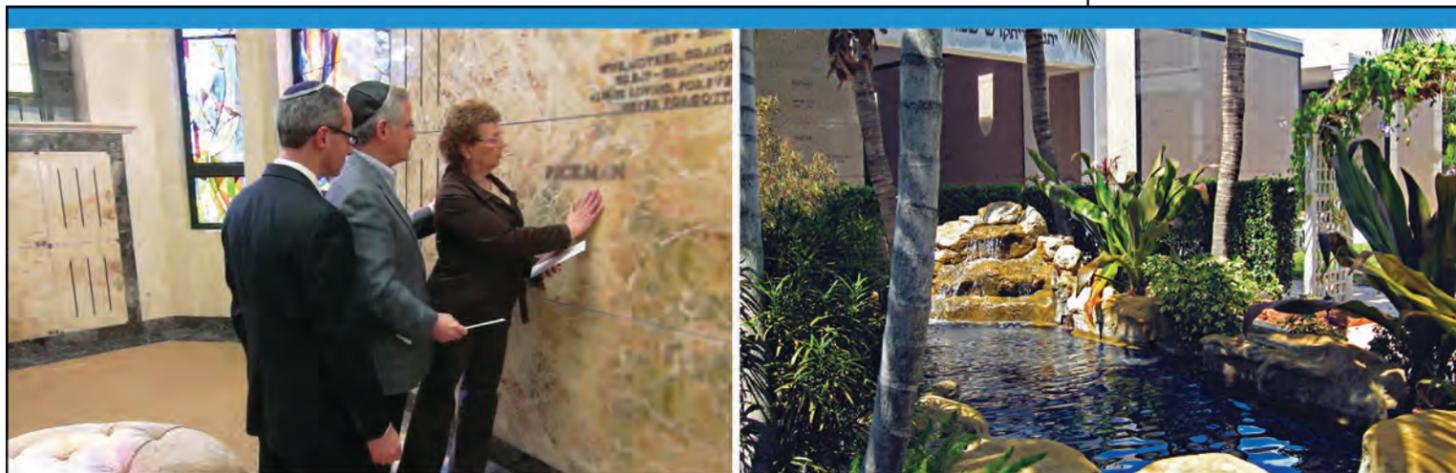
Weitz said that should the town see potential in partnering with LSSI, he would then seek input from library users and other residents.

Both Weitz and Stern said they're pleased with the job interim Library Director Suzi Hayes is doing.

Since taking over the position in June, Hayes has instituted a new electronic cataloging system for new books and is preparing a survey to determine what programs and services residents would like to see at the library.

Hayes, along with Town Manager Beverly Brown and Town Attorney Glen Torcivia, also is working on crafting a policy to address outside vendors who offer classes at the library.

Vendors offering programs, such as yoga classes, had been paid directly by class members. The town is looking into liability issues and into the possibility of a more structured system. ★



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Boca Raton



The 24-unit, nine-story luxury condo will be built at 327 E. Royal Palm Road. Rendering provided

Royal Palm condos sail through approval

By Mary Hladky

While two recent downtown Boca Raton development projects garnered impassioned opposition, the 24-unit 327 Royal Palm condominium has sailed to quick city approval and the developer expects to break ground later this year.

The City Council, sitting as Community Redevelopment Agency commissioners, approved the nine-story project in a 5-0 vote on Aug. 10 after only one city resident spoke against it, citing traffic concerns.

The luxury condos at 327 E. Royal Palm Road are priced at \$1.6 million to \$2.9 million and will average about 3,500 square feet.

The uncomplicated city blessing comes in the wake of controversy over the proposed Sol-A-Mar luxury condo on nine acres along Southeast Mizner Boulevard that would have four 13-story and three four-story buildings, and the Chabad of East Boca's 18,000-square-foot synagogue on East Palmetto Park Road.

In both cases, the buildings would exceed the city's height limits in the downtown area. But 327 Royal Palm's height — just under 117 feet including architectural elements — falls within what the city allows and its relatively small number of units does not stir complaints about density.

"We are trying to play by the rules," said Ignacio Diaz, general manager of developer Group P6. "We were not seeking anything unusual."

Diaz was so confident that the project would win approval that he began selling pre-construction units in January, with the provision that buyers would get their 10 percent down payment back if the city did not give the OK. Half of the units are pre-sold.



"We were pretty confident we would get through the process. I didn't feel uncomfortable doing that," Diaz said, adding that he didn't want to miss out on the winter season.

The buyers, he said, are "entirely local," generally empty nesters with large homes in the area who want to downsize and live in an urban environment.

Diaz's father and other family members are developers in Venezuela. One of their current projects, expected to be completed next year, is Parque Industrial del Este, a 2.15 million-square-foot industrial park in Caracas.

But Group P6 is not interested in Miami-Dade County and its large Venezuelan population. Land prices there are too high, Diaz said.

Instead, the company is focusing on eastern Broward and Palm Beach counties. Outside Boca Raton, it is developing two high-end townhouse projects in Fort Lauderdale and two condos in Deerfield Beach.

"The price of land is more reasonable, demand is there and we are not relying on assumptions of foreign buyers," he said. "We liked the fact we can offer luxury to a local market." ★

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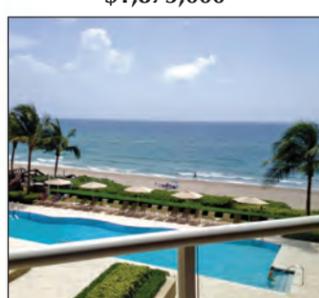
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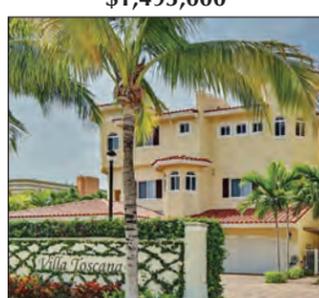
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Delray Beach

DDA in need of new executive director

By Jane Smith

The Downtown Development Authority board members will discuss how to search for a new executive director at their Sept. 14 meeting.

The Delray Beach board voted 4-3 to not renew Marjorie Ferrer's contract as executive director at a specially called meeting on Aug. 13. If the vote had not been taken by Aug. 17, her contract would have renewed automatically on Oct. 1.

She wanted another year to oversee the organization and



Ferrer

Ferrer staying one more year. The other two were Seabron Smith and Albert Richwagen.

Just three days prior, the board was deadlocked on that vote taken after Smith left the meeting. Bonnie Beer sided with

was planning to retire in 2016, said new Board Chairman Mark Denkler. He was one of the three who voted for

Denkler and Richwagen.

At the Aug. 11 City Commission meeting, the DDA executive team did not fare well. Ferrer, executive director since 1993, and Associate Director Laura Simon gave a presentation on how the DDA helps attract people to downtown stores and restaurants while creating an attractive place to work and visit. But they did not mention the organization's budget as the mayor had requested.

Mayor Cary Glickstein took issue with that omission.

"Last year you showed up without any budget," he said. "This year your presentation made no mention of your budget and you are a taxing authority."

He pointed out the DDA spends 40 percent of its revenues on general and administrative expenses, which includes salaries, benefits and office space. He considers that percentage "bloated."

He also reviewed the minutes of the board meetings and found them "devoid of any critical analysis towards its executive team, which represents close to 40 percent of its budget. It's as if the executive team is running the board, not the board leading the staff."

Ferrer said the DDA salaries are 30 percent of the budget, lower than the Delray Beach

Marketing Cooperative's 36 or 37 percent.

"It's not a taxing authority, part of that is lost in this conversation," the mayor said. "I'm not going to belabor it, but I made my point."

Few board members were left when more than three hours later the city commissioners discussed the results of the DDA survey. Most respondents gave positive views to the DDA.

Vice Mayor Shelly Petrolia, who requested the survey of DDA property owners and renters, said she noticed a split in the responses between those who were very satisfied with the DDA and those who were less satisfied or didn't respond. She also said parking was mentioned as the main area where property owners want to see the DDA spend its money.

During the next budget year, the DDA will be involved in a pilot program for employee parking at the South County Courthouse garage.

At the DDA meeting on Aug. 10, board member Ryan Boylston raised the succession issue because Simon said she had a job offer. When Simon was hired in 2010, she was told that Ferrer would be retiring in three years, Simon said.

"We can't keep floating along," Boylston said. "We have to notify Marjorie that we won't

be renewing her contract in October. We have to do that 45 days before that date."

Because of the tied vote, the board members scheduled a special meeting for Aug. 13 after asking new board attorney Max Lohman about how much notice they had to give. He said 24 hours.

Denkler agreed to talk with Ferrer and Simon prior to the vote.

At the Aug. 13 meeting, some board members took issue with the mayor's comments about the staff being in charge and not the board. The six members who were on the board last year agreed that the commission presentation did not address the financials as the mayor had asked. Lohman reminded them that they had "segued from the agenda item."

Board members and Ferrer each will bring their own ideas for the transition to the Sept. 14 meeting. They may send those ideas via email to the organization's administrative assistant, who will forward them to Denkler, but Lohman warned them against emailing each other. That would be violating the Sunshine Law.

After the vote to not renew Ferrer's contract, Denkler said, "We have some soul-searching to do on what is best for our organization." ★

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CHABAD

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we start construction, it will encourage people to invest here. This is a win-win for us and the city.”

The Chabad, which has long outgrown its current location at 120 NE First Ave., is part of the largest Jewish religious organization in the world, with more than 4,000 locations, according to New. Chabad itself is a Hebrew acronym that stands for “Wisdom. Understanding. Knowledge.”

The Chabad is orthodox, following laws and customs that can be as visible as beards, black hats and separation by gender. Many of the 75 families that are members walk to services each Saturday, said New.

But the Chabad is welcoming, New said, and its membership is a mix — not all are orthodox.

“It’s driven by a vision that seeks to give every Jew an opportunity to connect to Judaism,” he said. “Chabad is nonjudgmental and it’s a big tent, inclusive of every type of Jew. What distinguishes Chabad from typical orthodox, is people who attend the Chabad don’t have to fit into a particular mold — reform or conservative.”

Founded in the 18th century by Rabbi Schneur Zalman and based in Lubavitch, Russia, for more than 100 years, Chabad is part of the Chassidic movement and is now based in New York’s Brooklyn borough.

The religion puts “more of a spotlight on a deeper intellectual connection to Judaism” and emphasizes each person’s connection to God, said New, who started the East Boca group in his living room 15 years ago.

“Chabads are really startups. The rabbi is like a spiritual entrepreneur,” New said, pointing out they’re not hired by boards. They start up the venture and raise funds for it themselves.

New is embarking on fundraising campaigns for the \$10 million construction of the new facilities, engaging



ABOVE: Amara (l-r), Ari and David Kaiyalethe pose in the ground floor of the new home they are building in Boca Raton to be within walking distance of Chabad of East Boca Raton. **LEFT:** Rabbi Ruvi New poses with workers who were installing a sign honoring the Chabad and museum’s new location at 770 E. Palmetto Park Road. The location is on the former site of La Vieille Maison restaurant. **Photos by Tim Stepien and Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

in parlor meetings, individual solicitations and events like a planned January gala.

The range of services Chabad offers worldwide depends on the needs of the community, from social welfare to humanitarian, schools, camps and programs for young adults, said New.

The Chabad’s outreach here includes local businesses, assisted living facilities and large-scale programs like the annual Hanukkah concert in Mizner Park.

Part of the Kaiyalethe’s attraction to the Chabad was motivated by their 17-month-old son, Ari. “We wanted to

give a positive exposure to good, moral, ethical people as we teach our son about the world,” David Kaiyalethe said.

The Kaiyalethe, neither of whom is orthodox, moved from Minneapolis and were introduced to the Boca Villas neighborhood by Amara’s parents. In Boca, they also found the Chabad.

“We went to services and met Rabbi New and the people,” Kaiyalethe said. “They were great. Chabad is very inclusive.”

People at services wear a range of attire, including some in orthodox dress. “You’ll see a bunch of guys in slacks and

dress shirts, some in shorts and some in jeans,” Kaiyalethe said. “If a woman wants to cover her hair with a wig or scarf, she does. If she doesn’t, she doesn’t. I can show up any way I want and everyone’s OK with it.”

The name of the Chassidic movement comes from the word *chesed*, which means loving kindness, Kaiyalethe explained. “This focus on loving kindness shapes the way you interact with the world. That’s why ... anyone can come where they are in their journey. Without pressure.” ★

Beach-park district contemplates Brooklyn museum’s rare request

The Brooklyn Children’s Museum is taking fundraising to a new level — asking fellow museums for donations.

It recently asked the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District, which operates the Children’s Science Explorium at Sugar Sand Park, to waive repayment of a \$5,000 security deposit the district paid for an exhibit in 2008.

Interim Executive Director Arthur Koski said the Brooklyn museum now has “some financial inability” to give the money back.

“Do they have other exhibits that we could trade?” Commissioner Dennis Frisch asked.

Koski said he would investigate. —Steve Plunkett

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Along the Shore

Redistricting shift may expand Deutch's clout to coastal communities

By Dan Moffett

A special legislative session failed to resolve the state's redistricting problems last month, but it might have



Deutch

provided some clarity for coastal communities about their representation in Congress going forward.

While lawmakers could not agree on a new map for congressional districts statewide, they did agree on what Palm Beach and Broward counties should look like. That could be good news — or at

least a measure of relief — for Democratic U.S. Reps. Lois Frankel and Ted Deutch.

Currently, Deutch's District 21 and Frankel's District 22 lie mostly in Palm Beach County and run parallel to each other, running north and south. Frankel's district is to the east and Deutch's to the west.

Under new proposed boundaries that most legislators supported, Deutch's district would be stacked atop Frankel's. His constituents would all be in Palm Beach County, while Frankel's would include Boca Raton south of the C-15 canal, and be mostly in Broward County.

But, nothing about this is set in redistricting stone.

Because the Legislature

couldn't agree on how to redraw several districts in central and western Florida, the 12-day session came to an acrimonious end without approval of a new statewide map. The lawmakers' failure means a circuit court judge will have to redraw the 27 congressional districts.

Frankel and Deutch so far have voiced no complaints about the proposed changes to their districts and have pledged to support each other going forward.

"We both believe in the concept of fair districts and that congressional districts should be drawn to serve the people, not for the pleasure of elected officials," they said in a joint statement. "We have both proudly worked as a team and

with other members of our delegation, serving the residents of Palm Beach and Broward counties over many years. We both fully intend to run for re-election and we look forward to serving in Congress together as long as our constituents give us this honor. We are friends, have great respect for one another and both of us are fully committed to not running against each other."

Leon County Circuit Court Judge Terry Lewis has scheduled hearings for Sept. 24-28 and hopes to make a recommendation for a new congressional map to the state Supreme Court by mid-October. In July, the high court ruled that Florida's districts don't meet constitutional requirements that

prohibit political lines that favor incumbents or parties, and the justices ordered the Legislature to redraw the districts within 100 days.

"The court said that there was gerrymandering and that Republicans had drawn districts based on politics," said state Sen. Jeff Clemens, D-Lake Worth. "But I can't be too hard on the Republicans. When Democrats ran the Legislature, they did the same thing."

Clemens said he's hopeful that lawmakers will do better in October when they hold a special session to reconfigure the state's Senate districts, including perhaps his own.

"One way or another," he said, "we're going to have to get these districts redrawn." ★

Boynton Beach

Buyer plans tapas eatery for historic cottage

By Jane Smith

Ocean Ridge Commissioner Richard Lucibella wants to buy the Little House in Boynton Beach and turn it into a tapas eatery.

He and a partner, Barbara Ceuleers, put \$335,000 into an escrow account for the historic home and plan to rent it to Lisa Mercado, whom he has known for 30 years. Mercado owns The Living Room restaurant on Congress Avenue in Boynton Beach.

"It's not so much a business investment as it is a community investment," he said.

In the backup material provided to the city Community Redevelopment Agency, which owns the historic home also called the Ruth Jones Cottage, he wrote a letter to the CRA. He explained his interest as, "a clear understanding of the importance of this property



The Little House may reopen as a tapas restaurant.

to serve as a 'seed' anchor in rejuvenating this area of Ocean Avenue and a demonstrated respect for the value of our historic buildings."

In short, they want to participate in the revitalization of Ocean Avenue, "not just for the neighborhood, but as a Palm Beach destination location," according to the backup material.

The CRA has been burned before by two restaurateurs on that property: one who couldn't make a go of a restaurant at that location, and the other who was undercapitalized but had a persuasive personality.

That's why the CRA insisted on verifiable financial information this time.

But Lucibella and Ceuleers didn't want "to reveal details

of our personal wealth in a venue that becomes public information."

Instead they paid in cash and provided contacts and phone numbers for SunTrust Bank's Private Wealth Management Group to ensure both had enough money to cover the purchase price and the cost of operating a small business.

Lucibella hired Russ Bornstein, senior vice president of CBRE, to represent him before the CRA on Aug. 11. Mercado also was there to explain her restaurant concept for the Little House. She would use the Living Room as a commissary with most of the prep work taking place there for the finger foods she would serve at the Little House. She also would serve wine and beer.

In addition, she would feature a nightly special that would be prepared at the Living Room and heated at the Little House.

Lucibella has supported Mercado in the past by lending money to secure a liquor license for the Red Lion Restaurant in Boynton Beach and with a small loan when she was starting the Living Room. He said both loans were repaid.

Bruce Kaplan of Local Development Co. wanted both the Little House, at 480 Ocean Ave., and the Oscar Magnuson House, at 211 Ocean Ave.

But the CRA board didn't want to sell both to the same developer as it had agreed to do earlier this year. The board members offered him the Oscar Magnuson House for \$255,000, its appraised value, plus another \$200,000 grant for build-out.

The house would have to be rezoned into a commercial use property. Tom Carney, former Delray Beach mayor and Delray Beach CRA member, represented Kaplan to the board. Carney called Kaplan's failure to return in April "a confusion. ... But he was committed to this and we're back."

Kaplan also apologized to the CRA board members for the "missed communication. I didn't realize we were still in the running. I thought that the contract had been awarded to someone else."

He plans to turn the home into an upscale Italian restaurant. Kaplan's company made a 10 percent deposit on the house.

The CRA rehired Tom Prakas in July as its restaurant broker for these two properties. He will receive 5 percent of the purchase price.

Both properties have a 10-year reverter agreement that says in the first 10 years, if the house doesn't become a restaurant or turns into an unapproved CRA use, that the CRA has the first option to buy the house at market value. ★



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Obituary

John Bitove Sr.

By Steven J. Smith

By all accounts, John Bitove Sr. led an exceedingly rich and productive life, but according to his son, John Jr., he will be most remembered for his optimism.

"He saw opportunity in everything," Bitove Jr. said. "When someone would say a situation was hopeless, he'd convince them why it was not. If someone would say they couldn't help with a given project, he'd tell them what they could do. That's why he took up so many community efforts. When people came to him for help, he'd take it upon himself to find a way to help them."

Bitove Sr., who had a home in Boca Raton, died on July 30 in Toronto at age 87.

He was born on March 19, 1928, to Macedonian immigrants in Toronto, where he grew up. He dropped out of school in the eighth grade to work in his father's butcher shop.

Using his intelligence, positive attitude and work ethic, Bitove went on to obtain the catering rights to Toronto's SkyDome (now known as the Rogers Centre) and Toronto's Pearson Airport. He later merged existing companies into Bitove Corp., which grew to become one of the largest dining and catering companies in Canada.

His business achievements, paired with his commitment to giving back to his community, prompted the Canadian government to make Bitove a member of the Order of Canada in 1989.

"It's the Canadian equivalent to the Presidential Medal of Freedom," Bitove Jr. said. "It's

the highest honor a civilian can get in Canada. Aside from his business achievements, he had done lots of community work, like building an old-age home for Canadians of Macedonian descent.

"He also started ProAction Cops and Kids, which has gone on to raise millions of dollars funding police-run youth athletic programs across the country to keep kids from troubled areas on the field instead of on the street."

Bitove married Dotsa Lazoff, an American-Macedonian, in 1949. The couple spent 67 years together and had five children — Vonna, Nick, Tom, John Jr. and Jordan — and 16 grandchildren, to whom he was devoted.

He never forgot Macedonia and its people, however, and in 1991 Bitove led an international campaign to have the country recognized as an independent state. For that, he received the September 8th Medal of Honor, the highest merit from the president of the Republic of Macedonia.

"Sept. 8, 1991, was the date Macedonia became an independent country," Bitove Jr. said. "My father had been involved in coordinating with the U.S. government, the Canadian government and the British government in achieving this, without having any bullets fired."

Family was most important to his father, he added. Bitove built family compounds in Canada's lake country and Boca Raton.

"He loved watching the grandchildren and he loved to golf," Bitove Jr. said. "My parents bought a home in Boca Raton in 1957, when he was in his 20s. Every winter they would go back for extended periods. They were members of Royal Palm Yacht and Country

Club in Boca and would stay in Florida from Thanksgiving to Easter. Golfing, family and charity work was what he did the last 59 years of his life. He loved the relaxed attitude of the people in Florida, the variety of the restaurants and the shopping. It was their second home."

When Dotsa acquired Alzheimer's disease, Bitove was inspired by the work of the Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center in Boca Raton to found the Dotsa Bitove Wellness Academy in Toronto.

"He preached to everyone about the importance of a facility like this, that keeps families together and keeps patients home as opposed to the old-school mentality, which is just parking them in a home until they wither away," Bitove Jr. said.

Bitove Sr. died peacefully, his son said. "It was just old age," he said. "His mind was fine, but his body was breaking down with infections. Over the last seven or eight months it just wore him down."

Bitove Jr. added that his father was a constant wellspring of positive energy.

"He was always a person who cheered you up and got you focused on what had to be done," he said. "He had a tremendous can-do spirit. It's something I miss now in my life, but will always remember him by, in terms of how to keep going. And so will many other people."

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations go to the Dotsa Bitove Wellness Academy, ProAction Cops and Kids and Canadian Macedonian Place Foundation — all organizations founded by John Bitove Sr.



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Boynton Beach

Road and sea wall repair to go for bid

By Jane Smith

The Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency should pay to fix the north road in the Boynton Harbor Marina and rebuild the 400-foot sea wall while creating a park near it because the two projects are related, its executive director said at the agency's budget workshop in early August.

To make her point, Vivian Brooks showed CRA board members pictures of the road buckling. "The sea wall

deterioration is causing the road to sink," she explained. "It's a health and safety issue."

She wanted to add \$740,122 for the road and sea wall repair while the marina open space park is created. The \$834,030 budgeted for the park will roll over into the next financial year.

"This is ongoing maintenance that comes with owning a marina," she told the board members. The sea wall was built in 2001-2002, according to the engineering evaluation.

She plans to put the project out for bid early next year and have the work done in the summer. Marina tenants, including boat owners and the Two Goats restaurant, have already lived through construction disrupting their business at the marina. Brooks didn't want to disrupt activity during the height of the season.

The board members agreed. The CRA board will meet Sept. 8 to review and approve the budget. ★

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Briny Breezes



Travel trailers and the simple sedans that towed them used to line Ruth Mary Drive in Briny Breezes.

Volunteers pull images of faded past into current focus

By Ron Hayes

In January 2014, when Lu McInnes retired after 22 years as Briny Breezes' unpaid, untiring librarian, Donna Clarke took on the job brimming with enthusiasm.

She would be a new broom. Winnow out the unused books. Build up the DVD collection. She would clean. She would paint. She did.

"Everything looked pretty," she says.

"And then we looked down at those scrapbooks on the bottom shelf and thought, those are really ugly."

Thirty-five dime-store scrapbooks with cardboard covers. Faded scrapbooks filled with fading photos.

"When I pulled them off the shelf, some bugs came out."

And nearly a century of memories, precious but poorly preserved.

The "Briny Breezes Photo Album Restoration Project" was born.

"We want to tell the story of Briny Breezes so somebody could sit down and say, 'Oh, so this is how it happened,'" Clarke says.

Joan Nichols, president of the town's History Club, became a consultant. Janet DeVries of the Boynton Beach Historical Society dropped by to offer advice about preservation.

In February, the annual bazaar committee donated \$1,000 from this year's earnings.

Clarke bought a stack of expensive, archive-quality binders, and now, every Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. the project's nine unpaid, untiring volunteers meet to preserve, protect and defend the long history of the little trailer park that became a town.

They call themselves the Library Ladies.

On a recent afternoon, they worked quietly — Kathy Gross and Susan Atlee, Brenda Dooley and Sandy Dietzel — carefully peeling old snapshots from fuzzy black pages and transferring them to new binders.

"Here we've got something about putting in a disposal system in 1969," Dooley said, pondering a faded color snapshot. "I have no idea what that is, but it's kind of interesting."

"Our Disposal System," the caption reads. "December 1969."



ABOVE: (l-r) Susan Atlee, Ann Carmody, Donna Clarke and Sandy Dietzel work to rescue fading photos. **MIDDLE:** In 1976, Bob and Mary Susdoft donned formal wear for a portrait. **RIGHT:** Fay Jordan's lawn mower landed on a power pole after 1964's Hurricane Isbell. **BELOW:** 1941 family portrait. Jerry Lower /The Coastal Star and Briny Historic Archives



A photo to be saved, not disposed of, and Dooley transferred it to the new binder, attached without glue.

"We're putting everything in so it can be taken out without destroying the photographs," Clarke explained.

Everything begins with a 1926 photograph of "the mansion," the Mediterranean Revival home Ward B. Miller built shortly after he bought 43 acres of oceanfront property back in 1919.

"And the most recent entry will probably be photographs from David David's wedding," Clarke predicted.

On May 23, 2015, David David, the son of Hugh David, Briny's mayor for 36 years, married his longtime partner,

Edith Behm, in the Briny clubhouse, just north of the spot where Miller's mansion once stood.

In between, the Library Ladies are archiving hundreds of snapshots, newspaper clippings and Briny minutiae.

Here's a 1937 photograph of the future town, back when it was still Ward Miller's strawberry farm.

Here's a 1958 article from *The Miami Herald* detailing an offer for Briny's 500 families to buy the park from Miller's son, Paul. Selling price, \$1.5 million.

And here's a joyous "Proclamation" inviting all residents to attend a ceremonial burning of the \$350,000 mortgage on March 21, 1961.

"I enjoy this so much," said

Dietzel. "I'm not into tracking my own family through the ages, but I think it's nice we're doing this for future generations."

Some of what they find is mundane. Fading snapshots of long-gone Brinyites smiling for a Kodak at social events back in the 1950s and '60s. The men sport garish jackets, the women in white gloves and fur stoles.

And some of what they find is momentous.

An entire binder will house photos and memories from the 1964 hurricane season, when two storms and a freak tornado tore the park apart.

First came Cleo, on Aug. 27, and then Isbell.

Residents were battering down for that second storm

about 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 14, when a tornado roared through the park, leaving trailers toppled and rubble behind.

In October, Phyllis Boykin recounted the drama in *The Briny Bugle*:

"Les and Fay Jordan were hauling down their awning. All of a sudden without warning Fay was picked up by the impetuous, rampant wind and dropped several feet away. Les grabbed her, threw her to the ground and fell on top of her, holding her immovable."

"Les looked up while holding Fay and saw huge pieces of trailer flying over his head."

The Library Ladies are cataloging the photos that capture that destruction, including one of the Jordans' lawn mower hanging atop a power pole.

"I've never been through a hurricane," said Gross, pondering that lawn mower, "so these are kind of scary."

Nearby, Atlee spoke up.

"My grandparents bought here in 1958," she said, "so my mother visited here when she was pregnant with me. I was coming to Briny before I was born. It's important to preserve this."

And so, for four or five hours every Friday afternoon, the Library Ladies gather to do that.

So far, they've gone through 11 of those 35 fading and bug-infested scrapbooks from the days of colorful sports coats, white gloves and furs.

"We've made peace with the fact that we may not be done this summer," Clarke said. ★

Delray Beach



Bridge tender Charlie Holbrook chats with Hengameh Omid, a visitor from Iran (center), and her friend Monika Damico of Delray Beach as they crossed the Atlantic Avenue Bridge on a recent afternoon. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

Fascinated with machinery, retiree geared up for bridge job

By Lona O'Connor

A couple of years ago, on a trip to New York, Charlie Holbrook and his wife, Theresa, visited the Museum of Modern Art. He stopped to watch a grainy black-and-white filmstrip of hundred-year-old trains, steam-operated machinery and bridges opening and closing.

"Theresa went and looked at other stuff, but I sat there for a half an hour, mesmerized," said Holbrook.

The Gaithersburg, Md., couple moved to Delray Beach last year, a lifelong dream of



Holbrook

Holbrook, who had never forgotten when his family visited Miami Beach for his sixth birthday.

Though born and raised in the Washington, D.C., area, he longed for a subtropical climate. On a walk last winter, he spotted a small "help wanted" sign on the Atlantic Avenue Bridge over the Intracoastal Waterway. The sign sought part-time bridge tenders.

"Retirees and seniors welcome to apply," it said.

It was the perfect post-retirement job for the man fascinated by machinery.

A real estate agent who drove a mail truck at night, Holbrook was not bothered by the overnight shift he was first assigned to. Soon after, however, he moved to his current 2-10 p.m. slot. Below his compact office is a complex system of gears and counterweights that grind into action when he pushes a button.

After training sessions



A plaque honoring the construction of the 63-year-old Atlantic Avenue Bridge.

and working alongside an experienced bridge tender, Holbrook was ready for his first solo shift.

That, of course, had to be the day the bridge would not open.

"They tell you in training, 'Don't panic, just relax,'" said Holbrook. He called the bridge mechanics and radioed the sailboat captain waiting below for the bridge to open. They were able to fix the bridge in about 20 minutes.

To impatient boaters, cyclists, pedestrians and drivers, it may seem as if the bridge takes at least 20 minutes every time. To them, the bridge tender is a demigod, all-powerful, choosing arbitrarily to delay their progress to the beach or to work.

In fact, as Holbrook is quick to point out, the whole open-close cycle takes only six minutes, occurs only twice an hour, and then only if there are boats waiting. If the delay is any longer than that, it would be because a large number of boats has lined up to pass under the open bridge. That could be as many as 10 or so during the busy winter months, often including the Lady Atlantic and Lady Delray cruise boats.

Though small, the bridge tender's working quarters suffice to his needs, with air conditioning, a bathroom, microwave and refrigerator,

and an incomparable view of the Intracoastal Waterway.

In the summer, when boat traffic diminishes, he can listen to boaters and the other bridge tenders on the radio channel and keep bridge records up-to-date.

Once in a while, though, there are magical moments. He recalls his first glimpse of a massive dark shape lumbering north.

It was dark, about 9:30 p.m., when Holbrook got his first breathtaking nighttime view of a tug barge, the workhorse of the Intracoastal Waterway and the Atlantic coastline.

Looking south toward the Linton Avenue bridge, Holbrook could see the lights that outlined the dark shape of the enormous barge slowly heading his way. He could hear the captain saying on the radio, "We require an opening," as if any bridge tender would say no to a floating behemoth that was 75 yards long, 40 feet wide and transporting a 30-foot-long piece of piping so large a man could stand up fully inside it.

"It's eerie to see it coming," said Holbrook. Even with the bridge raised, a barge that size has about eight feet of clearance on either side as it goes under.

Though the bridge tender's job includes plenty of solitude, it's not necessarily lonely. Even though he has security cameras on his control panel, Holbrook must also emerge from his office and check the bridge for pedestrians before he raises the span. After just a few months on the job, he has now become a familiar figure to those who cross the bridge regularly.

"People wave and honk, I see friends of mine. I watch the waterway, the paddleboards going up and down. And it's a thrill to see that bridge go up, every time." ★

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Lake Worth

Casino plans get 2nd airing, in more controlled setting

By Jane Smith

The aroma of fried chicken wafted through the casino ballroom as Lake Worth residents checked in to a “courteous conversation” about future plans for the Lake Worth Casino complex.

A partner in the historic Sundry House in Delray Beach who also co-owns the historic Gulfstream Hotel in downtown Lake Worth paid for the spread. Fresh fruits, crudité and dip, slices of wrap sandwiches, cheeses and bottled water were served during the Aug. 24 dinner hours. String music played on the sound system while the residents were processed. Three Palm Beach Sheriff’s Office deputies stood guard.

Residents had to submit questions in advance and show their driver licenses before they could enter the ballroom. Then they received wrist bands. Nearly 200 residents were seated by 5:20 p.m. Renting the ballroom cost at least \$168, which also includes the tables and 200 chairs.

“We are here to listen,” said Steve Michael, a principal of Hudson Holdings, sponsor of the event. “We do have a large vested interest in the Gulfstream Hotel, but we are not here to present our project but to let the community talk.”

Michael told the residents that the code issues the company had in Lake Worth were cleared up, which was verified by city staff. To quell questions about the Gulfstream Hotel, which was purchased in May 2014 but remains closed, he said Hudson Holdings submitted preliminary plans that day. The city has a rezoning application asking for permission to tie the Gulfstream and six other parcels together.

About half of the residents there said they wanted improvements at the beach complex. Their ideas included: Build a new, deeper swimming pool without a wall so that when

you are at the pool you can view the ocean; remove the parking from atop the complex and build a parking garage below that has green touches; and create a shuttle service from the downtown.

The civil discourse of that session contrasted with the one held July 30 when Hudson Holdings and Anderson & Carr first presented their plans to an overflow crowd at a City Commission meeting.

Hudson Holdings proposed a 22,000-square-foot addition that would include a mix of retail and restaurants on the first floor, 7,000-square-foot ballroom on the second floor, a new public pool and pool deck, covered valet drop-off and a two-story parking garage on the lower level.

Paul Snitkin, of Anderson & Carr’s West Palm Beach office, said his client wanted to create a high-end Mediterranean restaurant in the unfinished space, take over the banquet hall and sell soups and sandwiches at the top of the stairs. The romantic restaurant would feature a “public table” section where people could sit together and with Lake Worth memorabilia on the walls.

The meeting was so divisive that the mayor took a break from the dais and even the level headed City Manager Michael Bornstein said he was disappointed in his 3½ years in Lake Worth that he described as a “city that lacks trust.”

On Aug. 25, city commissioners held a budget workshop. No one mentioned the plans for the beach complex.

Commissioners reached a consensus to hire more lifeguards to staff the beach additional hours, add two part-time custodians, make the parking technician full-time, add \$100,000 to its annual renewal and replacement fund, create a two-tier system for parking with summer and winter rates, and lengthen the utility bond repayment to 14 years. ★

Lantana

Water Tower developers highlight jobs, tax revenue ... and tower lights

By Mary Thurwachter

The Lantana Town Council will get its first look at the site plan for Water Tower Commons, the 73-acre development planned for the former A.G. Holley tuberculosis hospital, on Sept. 28. But the Greater Lantana Chamber of Commerce got a peek at plans during a July 31 gathering at Pearl’s Next Generation Restaurant.

Planner Ken Tuma of Urban Design Kilday Studios said that the old water tower on Lantana Road will be the centerpiece of the development and the tower will be bathed in blue LED lights.

The 127-foot tower “may not be the coolest thing during the day,” he said, but “at night it will be amazing.”

Some elements of interest include a traffic light at the proposed entrance on Lantana Road, a 40,000-square-foot grocery store on the northwest corner of the project, a waterfall-like structure on the main street and lots of landscaping, including four to six trellises with bougainvillea.

A proposed gas station would require a special exception from the town’s code.

Developers said Water Tower Commons would create an



The old water tower would be lighted at night at the redeveloped A.G. Holley site in Lantana. **Rendering provided**

estimated 700 retail jobs and bring the town about \$1 million a year in property taxes.

Residential units will likely include apartments, condos and town homes. Stores and offices are also part of the mix.

Tuma and the site plan came before the town’s Plan Review Committee on Aug. 18. Although no recommendations for approval were given, town staff did provide comments since the plan still lacked the meshing of commercial and residential that town officials have sought since developers Southeast Legacy Investments introduced plans at the beginning of the year.

Headed by Kenco Communities’ Ken Endelson, Southeast Legacy coupled with Wexford Capital to pay

\$15.6 million to the state for the land a year ago.

The tuberculosis hospital, owned by the state, closed in 2012.

According to a memo to Tuma from David Thatcher, Lantana’s development services director, “on several occasions, the town has recommended that the applicants reconsider the overall design concept of the entire development to ensure integration of the residential and commercial activities as contemplated by the town’s comprehensive plan.”

Thatcher said the proposed development should closely follow building regulations in the code rather than request many deviations. ★

Willie Howard contributed to this report.

Town lot to be used by restaurant employees

By Mary Thurwachter

With bustling restaurants and shops along Lantana’s Ocean Avenue, parking has long been a problem. But a new lease agreement between Mario’s Ocean Avenue restaurant and the town for employee parking on a little-used town-owned lot on Third Street will give some relief.

Restaurant owner Henry Olmino will pay the town \$3,750 a year for exclusive use of the lot for his employees. The lot, next to Benny’s Seafood restaurant and west (across Dixie Highway and the railroad tracks) from Mario’s, will not be used for customer valet parking.

The money will be used to help defray the town’s cost to repave the lot, a \$29,440 expenditure agreed on last December. For a while, the town planned to use old parking meters from the beach on the lot, but neighbors complained and the idea of leasing the lot by one or more of the restaurants was brought up by council member Tom Deringer.

Mayor Dave Stewart said he thought the lease was too low, but voted with other council members to approve the deal. Lantana Chamber of Commerce President Dave Arm told the council leasing the lot is “a terrific idea.”

In other action during

August, the Town Council:

- Approved an extension of a lease agreement between the town and the Chamber for the property at 212 Iris Ave. for \$1.
- Reappointed Arthur Brooks as a regular member of the Planning Commission and Edward Shropshire and C. Lyn Tate as alternates.
- Approved a \$5,000-a-month agreement with Ballard Partners Inc. for lobbyist services. The lobbyists helped the town secure \$1 million from the state last year toward moving and rebuilding ball fields from prime space on the A.G. Holley property. The developers agreed to pay another \$2.5 million for the project. ★

Delray Beach

New rules on moving historic structures

By Jane Smith

Delray Beach city commissioners took these unanimous actions on Aug. 18 before voting on the iPic theater:

- Approved the second reading of the historic structure move ordinance. Changes from the first reading include added criteria and submittal requirements for moving structures within a historic district or onto an individually designated property; added criteria for a historic structure

move into a historic district or onto an individually designated property; and added language to allow staff to approve those requests administratively, provided they meet all zoning requirements, are not seeking relief of any kind and are not proposing alterations to the structure.

- Approved hiring Chicago Bridge & Iron Inc. for \$78,843 to monitor the second year after beach replenishment, according to state of Florida permit requirements. The company will

gather data onshore and offshore to help assess the performance of the beach replenishment and plan future projects.

- Approved, as part of the consent agenda, adding three firms to help ease building permit crunch during peak times. The firms received three-year contracts with two one-year renewals. These firms were the lowest bidders: M.T. Causley, CAP Government Inc. and GFA International. ★

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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Candace Tamposi

Candace Tamposi, principal of Sacred Heart School in Lake Worth, knew she was going to be a principal when she was in high school.

"My grandmother and her sister and brother were educators," she said. "And my mother was an educator. I just followed in their footsteps."

Tamposi hails from Nashua, N.H., and now lives in Ocean Ridge. She began her career teaching kindergarten and third grade in Sun Valley, Idaho. She moved to Crystal River in 1981 with her family and took up a career in real estate development from 1981 to 1992. She returned to education after receiving her master's in educational leadership from Nova Southeastern University. Her first principal's position came at St. Ann Catholic School in West Palm Beach in 1992. She moved to Sacred Heart School in 2001, where she became principal two years later.

Sacred Heart's student population is around 250 and accommodates grades pre-K to eight. It has a benefactor-funded Montessori Academy.

"Grades one through eight are co-ed," Tamposi said. "The school has been here since 1944. The parish was founded by the Jesuits 100 years ago. Sacred Heart has set the bar very high in terms of technology. We're an older school, but we're completely renovated, top to bottom. And with that, we want to give the children a leading edge by using state-of-the-art technology from the ground up."

Most of the school's textbooks are electronic, she said, yet it retains the essence of "a true Catholic school blended education," combining the latest in technology with the hands-on care of a traditional school.

"We have everything from a recording studio that includes the technology needed to write and record music with live instruments, to a TV station, to iPads in all grades," Tamposi said. "This year we're going to build a basketball, sports and music pavilion. We break ground on that in September."

One might think a school such as this would enroll only financially privileged students.

Not so, Tamposi said.

"Many of our children are low income and can get in through various scholarships," she said. "And we have a whole program for children with learning differences. We look at Lake Worth and the community and have created a very special environment and a very inclusive environment. We also have a program for gifted children. Our graduates go to some of the area's very best high schools ... then on to the best colleges, studying to be attorneys, engineers, doctors. We look at Sacred Heart as the school of the future."

— Steven J. Smith



Candace Tamposi, principal at Sacred Heart School in Lake Worth, surrounded by students. Previously, she was development director at Rosarian Academy, then principal at St. Ann Catholic School in West Palm Beach. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

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

A. I grew up in Nashua, N.H., and went to Mount St. Mary's Seminary, then on to the University of New Hampshire. My Catholic education had a huge impact on my goals, and it was always my dream to be a school principal.

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

A. I was in real estate development for a while, but education is my home. Sacred Heart School almost failed six years ago, when the economy fell. We were close to closing our doors and were given only six weeks to turn things around. My pastor, Joseph Papes, and I made an appeal to the community and redesigned our vision for the school to be inclusive of children with learning differences and to allow children from low income and multicultural environments to come to a good school. We partnered with the state of Florida to step up McCabe Scholarships and we renovated our classrooms and started our campaign to build our

new pavilion. It was the largest commitment I ever made and we turned the school around.

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

A. I used to live on the island of Palm Beach. I was so impressed driving down the coast along A1A and saw this little tiny community where you could get a beautiful home on the water that you could never afford in Palm Beach.

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

A. I live a block from the beach. It's a pristine, beautiful community, with no commercial development. It's a spectacular, best-kept secret. And I've watched it grow. I've enjoyed raising my children here, and my husband and I recently moved into the Yacht Club, which we love.

Q. Did you ever get called to the principal's office when you were in school? And what did you learn from it?

A. I was a hellion in school. I went to an all-girl Catholic school. My biggest offense was I didn't like to wear my skirts

the line — or else!

Q. What book are you reading now?

A. I just started *The Girl on the Train*, by Paula Hawkins. I hope it's good! My daughter, who lives in Los Angeles, and I are reading it at the same time. I recently finished *The Goldfinch*, by Donna Tartt, which I couldn't put down.

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

A. I love all kinds of music. My daughter, Ali Tamposi, is a songwriter. She co-wrote *What Doesn't Kill You (Stronger)* for Kelly Clarkson and got a Grammy nomination for that. So I've been a huge fan of music forever. Everything from Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young to rap to contemporary to jazz to symphonic. Even marching bands!

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

A. "Education is the most powerful weapon you can use to change the world." — Nelson Mandela

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

A. When I first came to St. Ann, I met a woman named Sister Carolyn Dowd, who is now celebrating 55 years of teaching and recently celebrated her 78th birthday. She's still working with me. We've worked together for 25 years. She keeps me in check and doesn't let me get away with murder! She makes sure I stay focused and on track.

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

A. How about Meryl Streep? I think she can do anything.

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Boca club gymnast among best in nation

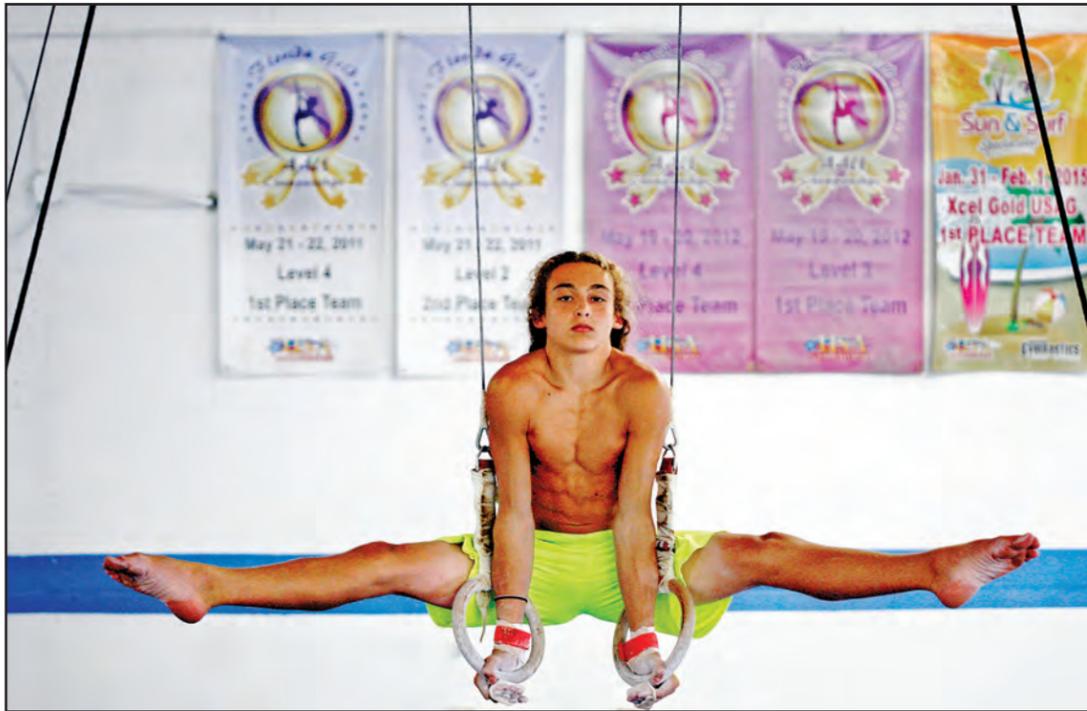
By Steve Pike

The lean frame, tan and flowing blond hair give Crew Bold the ideal South Florida “surfer boy” look. Indeed, the 14-year-old Delray Beach resident does spend some time on the long boards, short boards and boogie boards on the area’s beaches. But if you want to find him, you’d best look inside — at the Boca Twisters practice facility on Northwest Boca Raton Boulevard, where Bold is developing into one of the nation’s top junior gymnasts.

This past May, Bold, a freshman at Boca Raton High School, used a second-place finish on the rings and fifth-place finish in the floor exercise to tie for sixth place all-around among Level 9 13-year olds at the Junior Olympics National Championships in Daytona Beach. For Bold, that success was just another step — or perhaps vault — in an already seven-year career that started with flips in his front yard.

“My parents didn’t want me getting hurt, so they put me in gymnastics when I was 7,” said Bold, who has two older brothers and a younger sister. “I ended up being pretty good at it.”

So good, in fact, that the



Crew Bold, 14, practices at Twisters Gymnastics in Boca Raton. He placed sixth all-around in his group in May at the Junior Olympics nationals. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

sport basically has taken over his life outside of school. Bold, who is 5-feet-4 and weighs 118 pounds, spends the better part of five hours a night, five days per week working on his six routines — rings, floor exercise, pommel horse, high bar, vault and parallel bars.

“I think I’m very good at the high bar, but I’m an all-around gymnast,” Bold said.

He’s also a leader in the Boca

Twisters gym, a reflection of his talent, dedication and maturity — on and off the mats.

“I was a gymnast and people told me I was mature for my age,” said Shane Cummings, a coach at Boca Twisters who has judged many of Bold’s state competitions. “With Crew, it’s the same thing. He’s always kind of been a leader of the group, even if he wasn’t the oldest.

He doesn’t fool around in practice. He has his goals — he wants to be in the Olympics. He wants to be great and he knows what it takes and he knows he has to work hard. He definitely shows that in practice.”

From a judge’s perspective, Cummings said, Bold is toward the top tier of gymnasts his age in the country.

“The skills (routines) that he does are difficult for kids his

age,” he said. “You normally see them for kids who have more body strength and with kids whose bodies are more developed.”

Bold’s movements and confidence in the gym show that he likely could be an outstanding athlete in any sport — he played soccer in his younger days and did flips after each time he scored a goal — but gymnastics is the sport that calls his soul.

While many boys his age look up to the likes of NBA stars LeBron James and Dwyane Wade, Bold’s heroes include U.S. Gymnastics team members Jake Dalton and Danell Leyva, the latter of whom lives in Homestead.

“I think I’d be good at other sports, but gymnastics has taken over my life,” Bold said. “I don’t really have any interest to do other things. When I was 9 or 10 years old, people told me I was a freak of nature.”

Most kids that age would take the remark as an insult, but to Bold, it was — and remains — a badge of honor.

“It’s something you have to be born with,” he said.

“Gymnastics is a crazy experience. It takes a lot of training and focus. I guess I was born to be an athlete and chose to be a gymnast.” ★

St. Joe’s swimmer lapping up personal bests

By Steve Pike

Maya Kirie gently pressed her head on the left shoulder of her mother, Joanna Malin.

“She’s exhausted,” Malin said Aug. 22 after watching her daughter swim for two hours in the East Coast Aquatic Club’s swim-athon at the Lake Worth community pool.

But if you know anything about Maya Kirie, a 12-year-old resident of the county pocket,

you know she wouldn’t want it any other way.

A sixth-grader at St. Joseph’s Episcopal School in Boynton Beach, Kirie has sped up the charts of the ECAC since she joined the club this past May after spending 2½ years at boarding school in her mother’s native England. So much so that she posted five personal-best times this past July at the Florida Gold Coast Junior Olympics in Plantation

and has emerged as one of the ECAC’s most promising young swimmers.

“Since she’s been back she’s really gotten into swimming like crazy,” said Malin, who achieved a personal best of her own Aug. 21 when she became a naturalized U.S. citizen.

Kirie, by the way, raised more than \$1,800 in the swim-athon. ECAC head coach John Steen Kjaerulff said the club expected to raise between \$13,000 and \$15,000 overall, which goes to support its equipment and activities, which includes an invitational meet this November in the Dominican Republic. The final tally won’t be known until after Sept. 4.

“I couldn’t imagine not swimming,” said Kirie, who practices two hours per day, six days per week primarily at Aqua Crest pool in Delray Beach under the tutelage of coach Barbara Bertram. “It’s very important to me.”

Kirie’s power in the water belies her 5-foot-1, 105-pound frame, which makes her ideal for swimming the “long” course, 50-meter and longer races versus the shorter 25-yard races.

“I prefer long course,” Kirie said. “It’s just different and you don’t have as many flip-turns. But I like the short course, too. After the long course, you realize how short the pool really is.”



Maya Kirie, 12, takes a break at Aqua Crest pool in Delray Beach. She swims for the East Coast Aquatic Club.

Kirie is one of 160 competitive swimmers for ECAC, which Kjaerulff founded two years ago. Like Kirie, it hasn’t taken much time for the club to make its mark. The club’s girls and boys teams each finished second at the FGC Junior Olympics — good enough for a combined second-place overall finish.

Kjaerulff, a native of the Canary Islands, was a member of three state championship swim teams at Spanish River High School in Boca Raton and was an All-America at Florida Atlantic University, so there is no doubt he knows swimming

and swimming talent. But he admits that Kirie took him a bit by surprise.

“When Joanna brought Maya for tryout, I could see she could definitely swim,” Kjaerulff said. “I was hesitant but thought she could pick up quickly. Little did I know it was quicker than I thought it would be.”

“She can swim pretty much anything and everything. She has a very smooth stroke but is very raw because she is new to competitive swimming. There is huge room for improvement, but she is improving daily.” ★

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Business Spotlight

French bakery produces palette of pastries worthy of display

By Jane Smith

At Jan Loïc Autret's French bakery in Delray Beach, the baker displays pastries, breads and sandwiches as works of art. He elevates his croissants in baskets. He wants the customers to see the various colors of the pastries that indicate they are handmade.

Presentation matters, he insists. His breads and pastries need to look as good as they taste.

"People love food in Delray," he said, when asked why he wanted to sell at the city's GreenMarket.

"I set up my booth so that the customer sees what I see," he said. It is why he takes time with his displays, a skill he honed while working at the Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach.

One Saturday morning at the market, he looked out to see 60 people in line and started to cry. To him, that line validated his bakery business.

Autret even created his own hairstyle with shaved sides and a curlicue on the top that he calls "Loïc Style." He wants people to focus on him and not the scars from an accident in Cambodia when he was 20 and in the French Army. About 15 years ago, his hair stylist began highlighting the curlicue.

More than 10 years ago, Autret switched careers. He



LEFT: Jan Loïc Autret at his Delray Beach bakery.

ABOVE: A delicate French peach tart on an almond cream bed, finished with lightly toasted almonds and a sprinkle of powdered sugar. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

was a paratrooper in the French Army when he fell in love with an American woman who lived in Florida. He studied French baking and pastry making at the Ecole de Gregoire Ferrandi, the French school of the culinary arts, before moving to Florida and marrying the woman of his dreams.

His bakery, opened in March, sits south of Plastridge Insurance and straddles Northeast Fifth and Sixth avenues with parking on each side.

He and his business partner,

Christian Backenstrass, have 10 employees and sell variations of croissants including Belgian chocolate and almond cream along with French fruit tarts, baguettes, specialty breads — including Kalamata olive loaves — and sandwiches on baguettes.

Through a glass wall, Autret can be seen putting on the finishing touches on his "52 Shades of Loïc" with exploding dark chocolate inside and topped with white chocolate drops that melt on the hot cookie.

"Dark chocolate is an

aphrodisiac," he said.

The bakery has a selection of high-top tables for in-store dining and an array of outside tables for al fresco eating when the weather cooperates.

Coffee and teas are also served. Its Marie-Antoinette Tea is brewed using a French press. Autret said water is heated to a near-boil and a French press is used to show the black Ceylon tea leaves, apple pieces and rose petals floating, as if "in an aquarium."

Backenstrass said he met Autret at the GreenMarket

and their kids attend Spanish River Christian School in Boca Raton. He knew Autret was an authentic French baker after tasting his croissants. ★

Loïc Autret French Bakery, 814 NE Sixth Ave., Delray Beach, www.loicautretbakery.com, 266-3516; also at the Delray Summer GreenMarket, eastern part of the Tennis Center parking lot, 201 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach, through September. During winter months, Loïc Autret has booths at the Delray Beach and Boca Raton green markets.

Revised iPic plan gets yes vote from Delray commission

By Jane Smith

City commissioners smoothed the way for the iPic luxury movie theater to open in downtown Delray Beach when a majority voted for it in August.

The proposed iPic project had changed somewhat since July when the city's seven-man Planning and Zoning Board voted unanimously against the increased height and 5-2 against a movie theater at that location, between Southeast Fourth and Fifth avenues along Atlantic Avenue, and against an alley abandonment included in the plans.

The changes:

- Moved the valet circulation to within the project, instead of onto the side streets that connect with Atlantic Avenue;
- Offered to create a living wall, measuring 30 feet high by 70 feet wide, to soften the street level view of the theater building on Southeast Fifth Avenue, known as southbound Federal Highway;
- Increased the open space to 3,550 feet.

About 12:30 a.m. in the wee hours of Aug. 19, the commission voted 3-2 to reverse the P&Z board's recommendation. The chamber still held half of its audience, even though the commission had to vote at 11 p.m. and then again at midnight to extend the



The east view of the proposed iPic theater complex. The area at lower left is where a 'living wall' has been proposed to soften the street level view of the building. Rendering provided

meeting.

iPic chief Hamid Hashemi attended the meeting where his company used a mobile screen to show a movie clip and renderings of the proposed project.

The \$53 million project combines eight movie auditoriums with 529 seats on the ground floor, 42,900 square feet of office space in two levels, 7,500 square feet of retail along Southeast Fourth Avenue and a three-level parking garage.

Mayor Cary Glickstein voted for the conditional uses — allowing a theater in the downtown and increasing its height to nearly 60 feet — and for abandoning the north-south alley that was part of the original requests sought by the city's Community Redevelopment Agency.

"If not iPic then what? Under both our old and new land development regulations the property could be developed

to a size and intensity larger than what iPic proposed," he explained a few days after the meeting. "Most citizens wanted exactly what was being proposed — a downtown movie theater and office space for jobs."

He also liked that the movie theater would give residents something to do that didn't involve a restaurant, boutique or bar. He said changing the land price now — or other changes to the CRA's request that some consider flawed — would present "significant reputational risk to a city, or any organization, for changing the rules or moving the goalposts."

After midnight, when trying to explain his vote, he said, "I wish my dad was still around. He was such a great resource on what has happened in other places." Successful cities adapt and capitalize on the opportunities presented, he said.

The project's land use attorney, Bonnie Miskel, gave

commissioners a 10-page memorandum of law just before they began their discussion.

A few days after the vote Glickstein said that "Ms. Miskel's memorandum was relevant, but was largely codified in the staff analysis that supported the application based on an accurate application of our imperfect rules."

He also wanted to see the project's size decreased. He asked the iPic developer "to let some air out of the tires for us," but he did not give specifics.

In addition, he made a requirement that the design can't be changed once the project goes out for bid; he wants to see the building keep its stainless steel skin that was proposed.

For public parking spaces, the mayor wants to see a net-net so that the project would offer the same number of public spaces that will be lost. He directed the city's planning

director to determine that count before the project has its site plan review.

Commissioner Mitch Katz, who voted to allow a movie theater downtown but against the height increase and alley abandonment, asked whether residents could have access to the roof space so that they could go up there and have a picnic to watch the sunset. The iPic team readily agreed.

Katz asked whether the city can secure the majority of the property taxes generated by the finished project, instead of having the bulk of it go to the CRA.

The mayor said, "I've asked the city attorney to look into lowering the portion across the CRA district that goes to the CRA. ... Yes, I fully support that."

Vice Mayor Shelly Petrolia, who cast three votes against the project, filed a complaint on Aug. 21 with the county Inspector General about the alley abandonment vote.

"I wanted to follow the city ordinances, but we did not do that," she said a week after the vote. "I expect that if it comes back that we need to get an outside legal opinion and can be done in time, the commission will take a vote on that."

The iPic project has to go through four more reviews before it can break ground. ★

Business Spotlight

Gulf Stream residents expand business to Boca

Gulf Stream residents **Bernard and Stephanie Molyneux** plan to expand their business, **ACP Home Interiors/Antiques & Country Pine**. Their new 8,000-square-foot store is slated to open Oct. 1 at 850 N. Dixie Highway, Boca Raton.

"I grew up in Boca Raton, and my husband opened his first store in Boca. We are coming full circle," Stephanie Molyneux said. The couple sells European-inspired, coastal-chic furniture as well as industrial-style furniture.

They also have a boutique at 2050 N. Federal Highway, Delray Beach, as well as a warehouse open to the public in Deerfield Beach. "We offer something a little different in each store, so it's exciting to visit each location," she said.

Hate to go grocery shopping? Well, download an app that will arrange **Publix Super Markets** deliveries, and you don't have to go anymore. In mid-August, **Shipt**, a Birmingham, Ala.-based startup, deployed a beta version of its same-day grocery delivery services across South Florida (including Boca Raton, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach, Highland Beach, Lake Worth, Lantana, Manalapan and Ocean Ridge).

Customers can download the app or go to www.shipt.com to sign up for a membership to begin shopping and scheduling deliveries. They can join the app in its beta version for \$49 and get one year free of delivery charges on orders over \$35. Any items sold by Publix can be included in the order.

Shipt, which is not affiliated with or endorsed by Publix, launched a beta test in Tampa early August, and also has rolled out in Birmingham,

Dallas and Nashville.

The Boca Raton **Whole Foods Market's "Donate Your Dime"** program aims to help find a cure for people with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. To participate, bring in your own shopping bag and you'll have a choice of receiving 10 cents back or donating the dime to a selected charity. "Donate Your Dime" chooses a different charity each quarter, and now through Oct. 1, funds will go to the **Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America**.

Sixty-two physicians on the medical staff at **Boca Raton Regional Hospital** were listed as "Top Doctors" by **Castle Connolly Medical Ltd.**, a research firm specializing in providing consumers with information about the nation's best doctors and hospitals. These doctors accounted for more than half of the 116 doctors represented among the 13 hospitals in Palm Beach County. For a list of the doctors, visit www.thecoastalstar.ning.com.

Delray Medical Center broke ground on its new 120,000-square-foot, four-story patient tower and five-level parking garage, slated to open in early 2017. The \$79.4 million expansion will include the addition of 96 private patient rooms, cardiovascular clinic, expanded endoscopy suites and a helipad with direct elevator access to the emergency department.

Bethesda Health now offers the MAKO robotic-assisted Partial Knee Resurfacing System and Total Hip Replacement procedure,



Gulf Stream residents Bernard and Stephanie Molyneux are expanding their ACP Home Interiors/Antiques & Country Pine business on Oct. 1 with a new 8,000-square-foot store at 850 N. Dixie Highway in Boca Raton. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

using the RIO Robotic Arm Interactive Orthopedic System. The RIO system enables accurate alignment and placement of implants. The MAKO treatment is less invasive than traditional total knee surgery, and offers more accurate cup placement and accurate leg length restoration.

Bethesda Health Inc. is a health care organization with two not-for-profit hospitals, **Bethesda Hospital East** in Boynton Beach and **Bethesda Hospital West**.

Some announcements from the **South Florida Regional Transportation Authority: Tri-Rail** now offers a free shuttle to **Palm Beach International Airport** from every train that stops at the West Palm Beach station.

Tri-Rail recently introduced its first bike car, a specially equipped Bombardier trailer car, and currently, nine coach cars are being retrofitted with bike racks so that there will be a bike car available on

every train. Bicycle lockers are available at all stations with the exception of Pompano Beach and Miami.

Two new well-manicured pet-relief areas have been added on the east and west ends of the Palm Beach International Airport terminal outside the baggage claim, and the airport provides complimentary waste bags so owners can pick up after their pets.

For a healthier vacation, **Kimpton's Tideline Ocean Resort & Spa** offers guests opportunities to unwind, rev up and detox at scheduled times throughout the day now through Sept. 24. Its "Morning Boosters" feature complimentary coffee and tea along with Kombucha shots and healthy bites. "Afternoon Iced Tea" in the lobby includes a glass of passion fruit mango tea, garnished with orange Jell-O cubes. Its Kimpton's signature "Wine Hour" in the evening has a mental wellness twist with sangria and a

complimentary evening snack.

Also, hotel guests who mention the Summer of Wellness secret password "farmers market" on the property will score additional complimentary surprises and delights. The resort is at 2842 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. For information, call 540-6440.

Crane's Beach House Boutique Hotel & Luxury Villas will host its Sept. 17 **Thursday Fun-Raiser** for the **Plumosa School of the Arts**. The food will be from **Papa's Tapas**. Open to the public, the event will be held from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the hotel's Tiki Bar. Admission, which comes with one free drink ticket, is \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Crane's is at 82 Gleason St. in Delray Beach.

Heroes Sports Bar & Grill, 224 N. Third St., Lantana, celebrated its grand opening mid-August.

FLAVOR Palm Beach is back for its eighth September, offering foodies the chance to experience dishes from discounted prix fixe menus at more than 50 Palm Beach County restaurants. They will showcase three-course lunches for \$20 and dinners from \$30. The **Palm Beach County Food Bank** will receive a benefit for reservations made through www.FlavorPB.com, and each new UBER rider using the code Flavor2015 will get a free ride and earn the Food Bank \$5. For a full list of participating restaurants and menus, visit www.FlavorPB.com. Reservations are suggested.

The Palm Beach Poetry Festival will host the **Fifth Annual 100K Poets and Musicians for Change** poetry reading at the **Bottega Wine Bar** at 3 p.m. Sept. 26. A global happening, this free event will take place at the same time in more than 800 venues in 115 countries. Poets are invited to



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When it comes to showing the public an awesome time, **Delray Beach** and **Boynton Beach** events take the prize(s). The proof? A total of 13 SUNSational awards from **The Florida Festivals & Events Association** for Delray Beach and four awards for Boynton Beach. The **Delray Beach Marketing Cooperative** received four awards; **Festival Management Group** received six awards; the **Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce** picked up two; and the **Delray Beach Center for the Arts** walked away with one. The **Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency** received 4 SUNSational awards.

The **Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce Business Expo & Member Mixer** will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Sept. 16, at the **Boynton Beach Mall**, 801 N. Congress Ave., Boynton Beach. The Business Expo is free and open to the public.

Also, the chamber will host its annual **Porges Cup Golf Tournament** at **Quail Ridge Country Club** on Oct. 2. Registration and lunch are at 11:30 a.m. followed by shotgun start at 12:45 p.m. A ticket costs \$150 for a single player and \$550 for a foursome. The country club is at 3715 Golf Road, Boynton Beach. For information, call the chamber at 732-9501.

Almost 50 Palm Beach County companies made this year's **Inc. 500|5000 list**. Eight companies made it to the top 500: **Fresh Meal Plan**, **TouchSuite**, **EverBright Media**, **Real Strategic**, **BurgerFi**, **Ronnie Coleman Signature Series**, **Modernizing Medicine** and **MobileHelp**. In the top 5000 are included **Tint World**, **Boca Beauty Academy** and **The Learning Experience**.

Corcoran agents **Randy Ely** and **Nicholas Malinosky** just listed a new oceanfront house at 6125 N. Ocean Blvd., Ocean Ridge, for \$18.95 million.

"This is the first spec house in the estate section of Ocean Ridge where a property for a new development has not been available until now," Ely said. By estate section, he's referring to this property and a half-dozen of its neighbors, each with a single-family home on 400-foot-deep, direct-oceanfront lots.

This house, which is slated to be completed in 14 months, will be built by **Mark Timothy Inc.** (principal **Mark Pulte**),



A rendering of the spec home at 6125 N. Ocean Blvd. in Ocean Ridge, which is on the market for \$18.95 million. **Rendering provided**

designed by **Affinity Architects** with interior designs by **Marc Michaels**.

According to the deed recorded July 7, **6125 North Ocean Boulevard LLC** bought the property from **Sherry Monroe Broadhead**, an individual and trustee, for \$5.5 million. **Mark Timothy Inc.** is listed as the authorized agent for 6125 North Ocean Boulevard LLC.

VRM Companies' St. George at Delray Beach development, on North Federal Highway one block north of George Bush Boulevard in Delray Beach, went to market in late February, and was

sold out by July. Designed by **Richard Jones** and engineered by **Schnars Engineering**, the project comprises 38 two-story Bermuda-style townhouses. Featuring two floor plans, the 2,400-square-foot units have three bedrooms, 2½ bathrooms, two-car garages and loft areas.

The project broke ground a month ago and will be completed in about a year. Prices ranged from the low \$400,000s to \$600,000, with the **Corcoran Group** handling the sales. A big plus: Each unit will have a two-car garage and driveway, said **Corcoran** agent **Cameron Sydenham**.

"Compared to other urban developments where guest

parking is a nightmare, St. George has no parking issues. It's also low density, with only a total of 38 units spread out over three acres."

The majority of the buyers will be local residents, he predicted.

Because of the Florida Clerks' significant budget deficit of \$22.4 million for the current fiscal year ending Sept. 30, **Palm Beach County Clerk's Office's** courtside budget was cut \$2.6 million. To accommodate the shortfall, 41 full-time and 16 part-time positions were cut, and the **Delray Beach** and **Palm Beach Gardens** branch offices will be

closed to the public on Sept. 4 and 18.

Boca Raton resident **Scott Gregory** has been appointed as the director of operations for the **South Florida Wildlife Center**. Gregory most recently



Gregory

served as director of the **Great Bend Zoo** in Great Bend, Kan. Before that, he was the wildlife director at **Calusa Nature Center** and **Planetarium** in Fort Myers.

Waste Management Public Affairs Manager **Teresa Chandler** won the **PRSA Sunshine Radiance Award** in the newsletter category for Waste Management. These awards recognize outstanding strategic public relations programs by Florida practitioners or organizations highlighting campaigns that demonstrate excellence in research, planning, implementation and evaluation.

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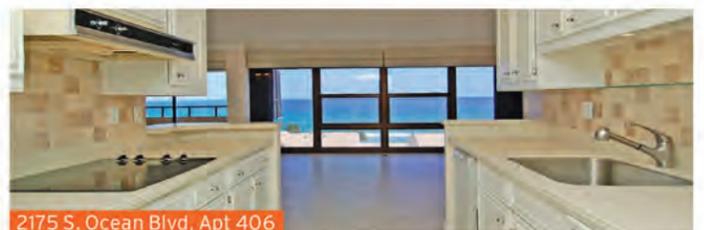
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Traditional latte with organic milk art at The Seed in Boca Raton.

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ABOVE: Patrons gather around tables at The Seed in Boca Raton.

RIGHT: Andres Rodriguez serves customer Doug Marks of Boca Raton on a Sunday morning at Gizzi's Coffee in Delray Beach.



Coffee shops go beyond a cup of joe

By Janis Fontaine

We love our coffee — and our coffee shops, too. A mundane cup of joe at the kitchen table isn't enough to satisfy us anymore. We've become coffee snobs.

So it comes as no surprise that the coffee café business is booming. In a recent study, FindTheHome and FindTheCompany, two technology companies that collect and interpret data, identified cities in the

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Celebrations

Diaper Bank

HCI Books, Deerfield Beach - June 5



The Junior League of Boca Raton celebrated its one millionth diaper donation at the end of the 2014-15 season, surpassing all expectations for the 4-year-old initiative. The accomplishment demonstrates the community's support of the Diaper Bank project while also bringing to light the need for diapers throughout the area. According to the United Way of Palm Beach County, one in three mothers struggles with diaper purchases. 'The impact of the Junior League of Boca Raton continues to be felt in meaningful ways in households throughout our community,' Boca Raton City Councilman Scott Singer said. The Diaper Bank distributes the diapers to 22 nonprofits. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Crystal McMillin, Kirsten Stanley, Christian Blonshine, Meghan Fielder, Andrea Garcia and Margi Cross. **Photo provided**

Jill Zarin's Third Annual Luxury Luncheon

Private residence, Southampton, N.Y. - July 18



When summer hits, Manhattanites and media descend on the ritzy region of Long Island. This year, representatives from the Delray Beach Marketing Cooperative joined the big shots. As a sponsor of the beachfront-estate affair, the cooperative had plenty of opportunities to spread word about the South County city. 'So much positive press will come from this ... not to mention the number of people who are excited to come visit,' Associate Director Stephen Chranthus said. 'When the summer comes to a close, and the spotlight turns away from the glamour of the Hamptons, I got a good feeling this same crowd will be turning south in search of the warm Delray lifestyle.' **ABOVE:** Chranthus, with Jill Zarin. **Photo provided**

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Scholarship winner

The Tavern Room at The Wick, Boca Raton - June 20

Bradley Falcone, a graduate of Atlantic High School and Eagle Scout who will attend Florida State University, won a \$1,000-per-year scholarship for four years from the Highland Beach chapter of UNICO. **Photo provided**



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Philanthropy Calendar

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SEPTEMBER

Thursday - 9/17 - Thursday Fun-Raiser at Crane's Beach House Boutique Hotel & Luxury Villas, 82 Gleason St., Delray Beach. Enjoy live music, a free drink ticket and tasty treats from local restaurants to benefit Plumosa School of the Arts. 6-8:30 pm. \$20-\$25. 278-1700 or edline.net/pages/plumosa_elementary_school.

Saturday - 9/19 - Order of St. John of Jerusalem Knights Hospitaller's benefit concert at Lynn University, 3601 N. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Celebrate Henrietta de Hoernle's 103rd birthday by attending A Knight in Budapest performed by the Lynn University Philharmonia. 6:30 pm. VIP reception, 7:30 pm concert. \$35-\$150. 237-9000 or lynn.edu/tickets.

Thursday - 9/24 - Achievement Centers for Children & Families' Indulgence at Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Indulge in cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and experiences including massages and reflexology, as well as the season's hottest hair and makeup tips. 6-9 pm. \$75-\$100. 266-0003 or delrayindulgence.com.

OCTOBER

Wednesday - 10/7 - Soroptimist International of Boca Raton/Deerfield Beach's Women of Distinction Awards Breakfast at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive. Honor women in the community who are making a difference in the lives of others while raising money for local charities. 8-10:30 am reception. \$60. 859-1883 or soroptimist4women.org.

Thursday - 10/8 - Delray Beach Public Library's Girls, Pearls, Hats & Heels at Seagate Country Club, 3601 Hamlet Drive, Delray Beach. Enjoy complimentary champagne, a silent auction and the latest fashions while recognizing Breast Cancer Awareness Month. 10:30 am-2 pm. \$60. 266-0775 or delraylibrary.org.

Saturday - 10/10 - Neil S. Hirsch Family Boys & Girls Club of Wellington Golf Tournament at Wanderers Club,

1900 Aero Club Drive, Wellington. Tee off to support club children and, afterward, enjoy an awards luncheon and a raffle. 7 am registration, 8:30 am shotgun start. \$700 per foursome. 683-3287 or bgcpcb.org/wellington-golf-tournament.

10/10 - Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse's Race for Hope at Anchor Park, 340 S. Ocean Blvd., Delray Beach. Be one of more than 1,000 runners, walkers, spectators or volunteers at the 16th-annual event aimed at ending abuse. 6:30 am registration, 7:30 a.m. 5K and 10K, 8:30 am Kid's Dash. \$10-\$35. 265-3797, Ext. 109 or avdaonline.org.

Thursday - 10/15 - Thursday Fun-Raiser at Crane's Beach House Boutique Hotel & Luxury Villas, 82 Gleason St., Delray Beach. Enjoy live music, a free drink ticket and tasty treats from local restaurants to benefit Gold Coast Public Relations Council. 6-8:30 pm. \$20-\$25. 278-1700 or goldcoastprcouncil.com.

Saturday - 10/17 - Rotary Club of Downtown Boca Raton Mayor's Ball at Broken Sound Club, 2401 Willow Springs Drive, Boca Raton. Welcome an inaugural black-tie dinner dance benefiting Rotary Club of Downtown Boca Raton. 6:30 pm. \$250. 299-1429 or rotarydowntownbocaraton.org.

10/17 - Boys & Girls Club of Boca Raton's Casino Night at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive. Sit in on the sounds of Frank Sinatra at a themed fundraiser titled "The Best Is Yet To Come." 7-11:30 pm. \$150. 683-3287 or bgcpcb.org.

Sunday - 10/18 - Gold Coast Down Syndrome Buddy Walk at John Prince Park, 2700 Sixth Ave. S., Lake Worth. Come out for a family-fun event featuring a one-mile walk, free breakfast, children's activities, live entertainment and raffle prizes. 8 am-noon. Free. 752-3383 or gcdso.donordrive.com/bw2015.

Saturday - 10/24 - Delray Beach Public Library's Food, Glorious Food: Healthy, Local & Delicious at 100 W. Atlantic Ave. Find out what's hot and what's not on the food scene this season

Indulgence

Delray Beach Center for the Arts at Old School Square



Sept. 24: Women will unite for the fourth annual event benefiting low-income clients helped by Achievement Centers for Children & Families Foundation. Guests will enjoy cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and experiences including massages and reflexology, as well as the season's hottest hair and makeup tips. Time is 6 to 9 p.m. Cost is \$75-\$100. Call 266-0003 or visit delrayindulgence.com. **LEFT:** Christine Ruhl, Noreen Payne, Michelle Sasko and Amy Stark Snook. **Photo provided**

at the fifth-annual epicurean event. 10 am-3 pm. \$35. 266-9490 or delraylibrary.org.

NOVEMBER

Sunday - 11/1 - Florida Atlantic University's Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center's Keep Memories Alive: 10 Years of Memories at Town Center at Boca Raton, 6000 Glades Road. Step out at the 10th-annual walk affair organized by Caring Hearts Auxiliary to raise funds for those living with memory disorders. 9 am. Free. 297-4066 or fauf.fau.edu/memories.

Tuesday - 11/3 - Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches' Adopt-A-Family Day at Mildred Hoyt, 265 Sunrise Ave., Palm Beach. Shop at a destination boutique where a percentage of the day's sales will be donated to the nonprofit. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 253-1361, Ext 112 or adoptafamilypb.org.

Friday - 11/6 - Junior League of Boca Raton's Woman Volunteer of the Year Luncheon at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Help celebrate local women and recognize nonprofits throughout Palm Beach County during a Saks Fifth Avenue fashion show by designer Rebecca Taylor. 10:30 am reception, 11:30 am luncheon. \$95-\$250. 620-2553 or jlbr.org.

Wednesday - 11/11 - Bethesda Hospital Foundation's Women of Grace luncheon at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. Celebrate philanthropy and volunteerism by honoring five local

women whose outstanding service has enriched and inspired the community. 10:30 am reception, 11:30 am luncheon. Cost TBA. 732-7733, Ext. 84445 or bethesdahospitalfoundation.org.

Thursday - 11/12 - Community Caring Center of Greater Boynton Beach's Diamonds are Forever at Benvenuto, 1730 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Dress up for a black-and-white gala with a James Bond theme and elegant dining. 6:30 pm. \$100. 364-9501 or cccgbb-org.webs.com.

Friday - Saturday - 11/13-14 - Comprehensive AIDS Program at FoundCare's The SMART Ride from Miami to Key West. Get ready for a 165-mile bicycle journey involving more than 500 participants pedaling to raise awareness and funds for the HIV/AIDS organization. Riders must raise a minimum of \$1,250. 866-696-7701 or thesmartride.org.

Saturday - 11/14 - Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America's Murder at the Menagerie at Palm Beach Zoo & Conservation Society, 1301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Visit with more than 700 animals from all over the world during an exotic adventure of a mayhem and mystery, ending with prizes for those who guess the culprit. 6:30-11 pm. \$135. 218-2929 or murderatthemanagerie.weebly.com.

Sunday - 11/15 - Community Caring Center of Greater Boynton Beach's Cranksgiving at The Backyard, 511 N.E. Fourth St., Boynton Beach. Grab your

bicycle and ride with other volunteers to area grocery stores and purchase nonperishable items that will help fill 250 Thanksgiving baskets for needy families. \$10 registration fee, \$20 minimum in purchases. 8 am registration, 9 a.m. ride 364-9501 or cccgbb-org.webs.com.

Thursday - 11/19 - Best Bite on the Ave at Crane's Beach House Boutique Hotel & Luxury Villas, 82 Gleason St., Delray Beach. Enjoy live music, a free drink ticket and tasty treats from local restaurants to benefit HOW Foundation of South Florida and Project Holiday. 6-8:30 pm. \$20-\$25. 278-1700 or cranes-beachhouse.com/events/fun-raisers.

Friday-Sunday - 11/20-22 - Chris Evert/Raymond James Pro-Celebrity Tennis Classic at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real, and Delray Beach Stadium, 201 W. Atlantic Ave. Watch celebrities including Dennis Miller, Timothy Olyphant, Maeve Quinlan and Alan Thicke participate in a pro-am tournament highlighted by a cocktail reception and charity gala. 11 a.m. Friday-Sunday tennis. \$20-\$90. 7 pm Friday cocktail reception. \$100. 6 p.m. Saturday charity gala. \$750. 394-2400 or chrisevert.org.



To submit your event, contact Amy Woods at flamywoods@bellsouth.net.

Pay it Forward

Colorful new reading space encourages children to put noses in books

By Amy Woods

This summer, Lantana Elementary School opened a new chapter in its history when it cut the ribbon to the Reading Oasis.

More than 1,200 children's books fill newly installed shelving lining freshly painted walls. Beanbags the colors of the Google logo dot the floor. Inspirational posters about the importance of reading decorate the room. Homey throw rugs are scattered about.

"It's just an environment that screams literacy," Principal Janyn Robinson said of the converted resource room adjacent to the school's media center. "It's gorgeous, it's bright, and every time you turn your head, there are books there."

The Reading Oasis features a listening center for children to enjoy books on CD, offers the opportunity for students to take home titles they especially like, and invites fathers and mothers to visit during the school day so they can read with their little ones.



Lantana Elementary School's new Reading Oasis is a public-private partnership between a book publisher and the local Kiwanis Club. **Photo provided**

"The goal is not only to increase the interest in books but also to get our community and our families to come into the school more," Robinson said. "This is a space where we want to see parents."

Plans call for scheduled guest readings by community leaders and

local volunteers who will promote the value of literacy to first- through fifth-graders at the Title I school.

The Reading Oasis was made possible through a public-private partnership between Scholastic, a publisher and seller of educational books, and the Hypoluxo-Lantana Sunrise Kiwanis

Club. Scholastic contributed \$5,000 toward the \$10,000 project, and the club — armed with a \$2,500 grant from Kiwanis International — came up with the rest.

"These Reading Oasis rooms, they're very successful," said Kiwanian Robert Martin, a Boynton Beach veterinarian who donated \$500 toward the cause. "We've seen the difference in academic success that they make."

The club has launched a fundraising campaign to cover its share of the costs, as well as the ongoing expenses of replenishing the book supply.

"There's a huge, huge disparity in the availability of books and reading materials for underprivileged kids," Martin said. "The idea is to bring them to children who otherwise would not ordinarily have them." ★

One hundred percent of donations to the Hypoluxo-Lantana Sunrise Kiwanis Club goes back to the community. To support the Reading Oasis, call Rob Martin at 317-5303 or club Treasurer Sharon Randolph at 832-1175.

Around Town

Can the Bandit raise money for Burt's museum?

Back in the '70s, the Pontiac Trans Am was baaad. And one particular '79 model was the baddest of the baaad. Four hundred cubic-inch V8. "Black and bold" paint. Huge firebird on the hood, its wings surrounding the Shaker intake scoop that delivered air to the monster four-barrel carb. T-tops. Power windows. Even cruise control (a rarity then).

Oil prices were rising through the sunroof and more drivers were pulling into import lots as MPG overruled HP. But Pontiacs still grabbed attention, thanks largely to **Burt Reynolds'** astute performance behind the wheel in his *Smokey and the Bandit* movies. Firebird sales reached a record 211,453 units in '79, more than half of them Trans Ams. List price? Loaded, an astounding 10 grand.

They don't make 'em like that anymore. Pontiacs are history. Oh, sure, restored Trans Ams can be bought ... but few are like this, much less for three bucks. That's the price of a raffle ticket being offered by **The Burt Reynolds Institute for Film & Theatre** (no connection to the old BRITT) and **Mark Breiner** and **Patrick Meehan** of **Dream Giveaways** for a restored '79 Bandit. The car and an accompanying specially made Stetson hat are autographed by Reynolds, as is the log book detailing the car's history, assembly line to present.

Proceeds will go to several causes: **New Beginnings Children's Homes**, the **National Guard Education Foundation**, **Disabled American Veterans** and a

fund to build the new Reynolds Institute and reopen the **Burt Reynolds Museum**. And as a bonus, for \$20 or more, donors will receive double the cash value of tickets. For example, \$30 would produce 20 chances instead of 10. (www.Burt.WintheBandit.com or 877-700-8946)

Enough with lobster, says Gulf Stream resident and Boca Raton developer **Anthony Pugliese**. After owning **The Station House**, famous for its Maine lobster, for nearly 15 years, he's selling. The sprawling one-story restaurant on Lantana Road seats about 270, has room to expand, and according to various real estate sites, takes in about \$2.7 million a year. Asking price \$1.95 million.

Pugliese, 68, says he wants to devote more time to his real estate business.

And don't forget that problem with a little court case. On Aug. 26, Pugliese

and his business manager, **Joseph Reamer**, agreed to a plea bargain for trying to swindle more than \$1 million from **Subway** founder **Fred DeLuca**. They were partners in a failed concept for a 41,000-acre planned community in Central Florida. Pugliese was recently diagnosed with cancer, his attorney said, and did not want to add a lengthy trial to his family's burden. Still, Pugliese could get 18 months in jail and 10 years probation.

How much stock should



Burt Reynolds helped make the Pontiac Trans Am 'the Car' in the '70s. Photo provided

we — in southern Palm Beach County — put in a report that originated in San Francisco? It's like comparing hurricanes to earthquakes, although not quite so dramatic. A financial analysis website with the oh-so-California name **NerdWallet** has released a statistical analysis that claims **Boca Raton** is the best city in Florida to open a restaurant.

Using U.S. Census reports, NerdWallet compared population growth, density, payroll costs and growth in labor and housing costs for 530 U.S. cities with populations of at least 50,000. Boca came in 27th. An earlier NerdWallet study ranked Boca 11th best for starting small businesses, notable for averaging \$1.3 million in revenue per business. Imagine how it would have ranked if IBM were still in town.

Among restaurants, however, second best is even

more of a surprise — the Broward County bedroom community of **Tamarac** (34), then **Sanford** (37) and **Orlando** (38), **Miami Beach** (48), and **Deerfield Beach** (58). **Delray Beach** ranked a lame 316, West Palm Beach 400. The top five: **Cedar Park** and **Mission, Texas**, **Franklin, Tenn.**, **Smyrna, Ga.** and **Round Rock, Texas**.

Folks who've been around Palm Beach for a while are blown away when they step into the island's newest dining hot spot. The building isn't new, but the look sure is, and quite simply, **Meat Market**, at 191 Bradley Place, is hot. Owners **David Tornek** and **Sean Brasel**, who's also the chef, hope to keep it that way.

Gone are the heavy stucco exterior and the low, orange acoustic tile ceilings that characterized a half century of restaurants, some popular,

some not. For 44 years it was Maurice's. That gave way to Lulu's, Janeiro, Club Y and Palm Beach Steak House. All distant memories now thanks to the vaulted ceiling, bubbly light fixtures and rich paneling alternating with glistening metalized tile.

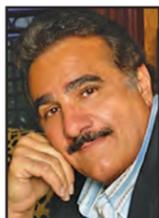
The food isn't bad either, as Brasel and his staff turn out inventive dishes that look and taste great. Perfect example: roasted whole cauliflower.

Following its Miami Beach sibling's lead, **Meat Market** just wrapped its first series of summer wine dinners with a four-course pairing with **Far Niente**. Now on to season No. 2.

James Strine, sous chef at **Cafe Boulud**, has been making a name for himself a little farther south in Delray Beach in the inaugural **Chef vs. Chef** competition at **Max's Harvest**. Sixteen of the area's top chefs began going toque to toque in mid-June, using surprise ingredients and a lot of improvisation to create dinners for a panel of expert judges. The drama has been thick enough to cut with a knife — a chef's knife, of course — as the competition has steamed, fried and grilled toward the Sept. 21 final.

In their quarterfinal, Strine and **Adam Brown** of **The Cooper** in Palm Beach Gardens were challenged to use blue rhino plantains (from **Big John Farm** in Delray), black garlic and Florida lobster. For his second dish, Strine offered beer-battered lobster with dried buttermilk in a black garlic/brown butter emulsion. Why the beer? "Cuz I was drinkin' it!" Strine quipped.

In the first semifinal on Sept. 9 Strine will meet **Victor Meneses** from **El Camino**, just a few doors south of Max's Harvest. **John Thomas** of **Tryst** became the third semifinalist Aug. 26 when he eliminated **Eric Grutka** of **Ian's Tropical Grill** in Stuart. The secret ingredients included lionfish.



Pugliese



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On Sept. 16, he'll face either **Bruce Feingold** of *Dada* or **Chris Miracolo**, former chef at Max's Harvest, now at **S3** in Fort Lauderdale. They'll compete for that final spot on Sept. 23.

For more than a decade, **South Shores Tavern** in Lake Worth was a lively gastropub with a reputation for community involvement. Few knew the space had been on the market for five years, and when the new owners took over in July, they quickly closed it. The buyer has not been identified, aside from the corporate name of **Peters 502-504 Lucerne LLC**, which is linked to a Boca Raton family.

Florida corporate records reveal two other links, the **Vegan Sisters** and **Way Beyond Sushi**, that lead nowhere, and previous restaurant ventures **Kyoto** in Delray and **Suite 225** in Lantana.

Speaking to *The Palm Beach Post*, **Chris Fleming**, a spokesman for Peters 502-504 Lucerne, said the site will remain a restaurant and the new owners are looking for the right tenant, one willing to invest as much as \$200,000 to improve the building, built in 1955.

This name's a keeper: **Screamin' Reels IPA**. Six-packs of the first canned brew from **Saltwater Brewery** in Delray are now available at grocers and other retailers, bars and restaurants. Saltwater already serves the southeast Florida coast from Key West to Sebastian and plans to expand to Mouse country and North Florida soon. Football fans should be elated, too, as cans of Screamin' Reels will be sold at **Sun Life Stadium**. Next in line for the cannery: Sea Cow Milk Stout and Wheat Wave.

Tickets should go fast for this year's **Go Pink Luncheon**, Oct. 21 at the **Boca Raton**



The Free House in Delray Beach, named for modern interpretation of a British tavern/pub that is unhinged — not connected to a specific brewery. Photo provided



Short

Resort & Club. For wildly inventive comic actor **Martin Short**, however, cancer is no laughing

matter. When he was 17, his mother died from breast cancer. Five years ago, ovarian cancer claimed **Nancy Dolman**, his wife of 30 years.

Tickets are \$175 and proceeds support breast cancer programs at the **Christine E. Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute** at **Boca Raton Regional Hospital**. (955-4142)

Acerbic comedian **Dennis Miller**, the right wing's answer



Miller

to **Bill Maher**, is among early commitments to the **26th Chris Evert/Raymond James Pro-Celebrity**

Tennis Classic, set for Nov. 20-22.

Miller, who is making his first appearance, will join Evert veterans singer-songwriter **David Cook**, actors **Alan Thicke** and **Timothy Olyphant**, actress **Maeve Quinlan** and International Tennis Hall of Famer **Pam Shriver**.

The Boca Raton Resort & Club will host pro-am matches and a cocktail reception on Nov. 20 and the annual charity gala the following evening. The celebrity tennis will be played Saturday and Sunday (21-22) at the **Delray Beach Tennis Center**. For ticket info, visit www.chrisevert.org.

Delray's **Atlantic Plaza** is now home to what is claimed to be the largest restaurant on Atlantic Avenue, **Free House**. The name has nothing to do with giveaways but is instead a modern interpretation of a British tavern/pub that is unhinged — not connected to a specific brewery. Thus, at Free

House, a customer can choose from numerous libations, brews and spirits, plus plenty of food, while watching plenty of sports on 22 TV screens.

The brews flowing from its 10 taps will change daily, the selections displayed on a giant chalkboard. In addition to unusual imports, Free House will stress such local craft breweries as Due South, Saltwater and Funky Buddha.

Free House is the latest concept from transplanted Michiganders **Catherine Murray** and daughters **Heather Houston** and **Kristin Dauss**. Heather and Catherine were previously involved with **DIG**, an organic concept that had moved to Atlantic Plaza from western Delray. But when the opportunity arose for Free House, the three jumped at it.

Must be something in the water. **Charlie Boice**, a retired air traffic controller who lives in Palm Beach Gardens, won the 2015 **Ernest Hemingway** lookalike contest in Key West in July.

A persistent fellow, Boice won on his 15th attempt. He joins select company: Of the 36 winners since the contest began in 1980, four have called Palm Beach County home.

Dick Parrish, a Delray Beach liquor salesman was the first, in 1982, and succeeded by **Leo Rost**, an author/playwright (*Dick Deadeye*) from Boynton Beach. Parrish died in 1986, Rost in '87.

A decade passed before **Bill Fountain**, who ran West Palm's Downtown Development Authority from 1989 to 2003, claimed the title in 1995. Upon his retirement, the Fountains moved to Islamorada but recently have moved to his old college town of Baton Rouge. He was the last local

"Papa" until Boice, although **Bob Doughty** (2005) comes close. He delivered the mail in Deerfield Beach.

Lots of activity at the **Norton Museum of Art** this month. But don't worry about all those construction vehicles in the west parking lot, or the activity around the museum's giant banyan tree. It's staying put. But the museum is closing ... for all of three weeks ... to set up the next big exhibits.

Even as work progresses on its giant \$60 million, three-year makeover, the Norton will remain open, presenting on Sept. 26 its first big event of the season, the 10th annual **Mid-Autumn Festival** (or Moon Festival). A salute to its world-class Chinese art collection, the day will be filled with activities, tours and talks, a performance by renowned **Liu Fang**, on pipa and guzheng (lute and zither), plus tea and mooncakes.

Moon Fest guests will be able to enjoy two summer exhibitions given extended runs: *The Summer of '68: Photographing the Black Panthers*, featuring the work of photographer **Ruth-Marion Baruch** and hubby **Pirkle Jones**, will run through Jan. 17; *Going Places: Transportation Design, from the Jean S. and Frederic A. Sharf Collection*, continues through Jan. 3.

Thanks to a reciprocal loan program among the Norton and other museums, two special treats will add punctuation: Vincent Van Gogh's *The Poplars at Saint-Rémy* (Nov. 5-April 17) and Edgar Degas' *Portrait of Mlle. Hortense Valpinçon* (Nov. 5-May 15).



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Dining

Southern-fried delights at Fat Rooster

The Plate: Lucy's Chicken Biscuit Oh My!
The Place: Gary Rack's Fat Rooster, 204 E. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach; 266-3642 or www.thefatrooster.com.

The Price: \$9

The Skinny: After a morning of newspapering, we were starved — nothing like working with the prose of journalism pros to whet an appetite.



We sought out Southern-fried comfort at Fat Rooster, in the former Linda Bean's location, and for the most part, we were satisfied.

We tried an appetizer of the chicken on a biscuit. It was a tender fillet of white-meat chicken battered and fried until crispy on the outside, juicy on the inside.

The biscuit was light and fluffy, and we loved the combination of sweet and heat in the apple pepper jelly. The sides of coleslaw (\$4) and curly fries (\$5) we ordered were nice, if unexceptional.

Also tasty: The blueberry lemonade, a vodka-



Scott Simmons/The Coastal Star

based cocktail that had us hankering for more. Our only nitpick: The waiter told us it was happy hour; what he didn't tell us was that none of the specialty drinks, including the lemonade, was part of the special.

That left a sour taste in our mouths, and we don't think it was the lemons.

— Scott Simmons

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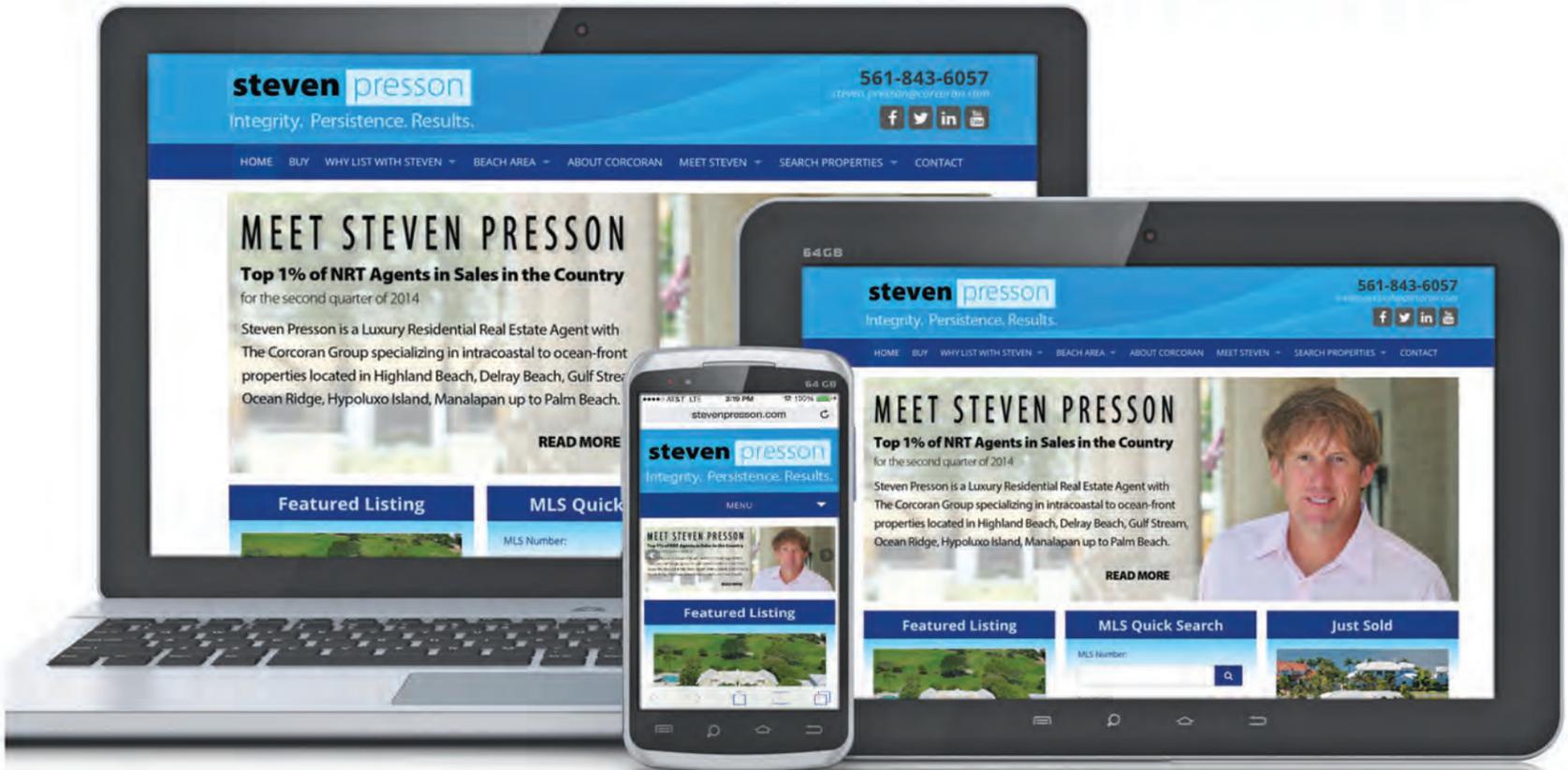
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Theater

Clematis Street to don a second theater company: Naked Stage

By Hap Erstein
ArtsPaper Theater Writer

It has been a rough year for theater companies in Palm Beach County, with the demise of Boca Raton Theatre Guild, Women's Theatre Project, Delray Square Performing Arts and the Plaza Theatre, as well as the move away by Slow Burn Theatre from Boca to the Broward Center.

Suddenly, though, there is some positive news with the announcement that Miami's Naked Stage Theatre Co. is coming north to downtown West Palm Beach, setting down roots on Clematis Street in the city's so-called "arts and entertainment district."

Naked Stage has been in

operation for the past nine years, producing such classic works as *No Exit*, *The Turn of the Screw* and *Miss Julie* with a contemporary twist, plus a few new plays, in the tiny Pelican Theatre on the Barry University campus. The husband and wife team of Katherine and Antonio Amadeo — the company's entire production staff — have done some impressive shows there, while acknowledging that the location is remote and limiting.

"It's in the middle of nowhere, really," Antonio says. "For the audience experience, there's really nowhere to go eat afterwards and all that kind of stuff.

"We knew we didn't want something a lot larger, but



Katherine and Antonio Amadeo are moving from Barry University to West Palm Beach. Photo provided

something that gave us the flexibility to do larger plays and to have more audience members. Really, our biggest

issue was location," he says. "Something that was closer to home" — Boca Raton — "and had a lot more foot traffic.

"Then four or five months ago, we started talking more seriously about it and we actually didn't expect it to happen this quickly," notes Antonio. "We started thinking, 'If we could get our dream location, where would we look?' And obviously Clematis is one of the top, if not the top, areas we wanted to look at. And we happened to find a building."

The building is 522 Clematis St., formerly a garden retail store called Authentic Provence, now in the process of being bought for Naked Stage by supportive investor Michael Paul, who not coincidentally is

Katherine's father.

Although Mayor Jeri Muoio had long been in favor of creating a theater district downtown, the street was zoned for retail and restaurants. That has since been revised, thanks in part to some lobbying by the only other theater on Clematis — Palm Beach Dramaworks.

"Bill (Hayes) and Sue Ellen (Beryl)," Dramaworks' top executives, "have been so wonderful," enthuses Katherine. "They've been really like mentors for us for years now. They've given us advice on pretty much every step of the way. And not only that, they've attended meetings with us, they've written letters for us, they've gone and spoken to

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Music

The song remains the same: Iconic Bamboo Room reopens

By Bill Meredith
ArtsPaper Music Writer

It's only slightly more than 48 hours before the July 31 grand reopening of the Bamboo Room — the historic, if on-and-off, Lake Worth live music venue from 1999 to present-day — but general manager Ben Foster appears calm. At least on the surface.



Foster

"They just hired me," he says, "so it's pressure-packed, but I've opened a lot of venues before. We'll start out with

mostly local talent, but plan to feature jazz and blues in the early evening, partly to suit the history of the room. And we'll book national acts too, another tradition, but that'll take some time. I'd say by November."

Foster helped to open Lafayette's Music Room in Memphis (the chain nightclub now replacing the defunct local B.B. King's in CityPlace). He was hired nearly two months ago after the Bamboo Room held a three-night trial run July 2-4, which persuaded financial businessmen and new investors Ryan Mueller and Blaine Minton to reopen the doors permanently rather than resell the Bamboo Room.

Since there were no promises beforehand, those three nights needed to be successful; but attendance went well beyond expectations, averaging more than 500 patrons per night. Though interim entertainment director Ryan McJury's services



Wonderama plays the Bamboo Room on Aug. 20. Isaac Rodriguez / Entertainment Images

weren't extended, his efforts, from social media updates to handing out fliers at area concerts, greatly aided those results. The upstairs interior was repeatedly so crowded that staff had to route customers around the side of the building, where they could either climb the back stairs to the outdoor patio or stay under the large tent erected in the parking lot. By the time fireworks went off July 4, the decision to officially reopen had practically been made.

"I never could've imagined that we'd have been that busy," says managing partner David Minton, Blaine's father. "I knew people loved the Bamboo Room and wanted it open again, but that really showed how much."

The official re-reopening weekend of July 31-Aug. 1 saw patrons party like it was 1999. As when the venue first opened, local jazz artists were featured (Lina & the Blue Collective), and as more recently, pop/rock acts (Dawn Patrol) played later closing sets. The most noticeable blueprint changes — later hours (closing time is now 2 a.m.) and an emphasis on popular drink specials (\$3 Budweiser 16-ounce cans) — were initially frowned upon, but became more of a staple in the past five years.

"Last weekend was good," Foster said during the first week of August, "if a little slower as the nights went on. But we haven't done a lot of marketing yet, so that's something we

need to put some money into. We also need to book that big national act to make a splash. When we do, that's probably when we'll start charging a cover, along with any groupings of four or five local acts together. We'll start opening Thursday through Sunday in the middle of August, and we plan to make Sundays our regular LGBT night, with either DJs or bands."

That initial, overwhelming, cover-free July 2-4 response made official owners out of Mueller and Minton, whose investment already totals close to \$1 million among the purchase of the Bamboo Room, licensing, and upgrades. The two were already fans and patrons, and their agreement

to keep the same name and general format helped seal the deal with previous owners Russell Hibbard and Karen McKinley.

That husband-and-wife team first opened the Bamboo Room in 1999. Hibbard's horn training came in handy as he played the jug in one of the room's long-standing local monthly house acts, the Banyan Street Jug Band, and his booking of national acts was a treat. The late Bo Diddley toured through, as did another since-deceased blues legend, guitarist Hubert Sumlin, who appeared as a guest with The Codetalkers, a frequent regional act co-led by singing guitarists Bobby Lee Rodgers and Col. Bruce Hampton.

Yet Hibbard's creative booking could certainly extend beyond the blues. Another guest of the Codetalkers' was incendiary guitarist Jimmy Herring, now with jam band fave Widespread Panic. Allman Brothers Band bassist Oteil Burbridge brought in his solo group for a memorable night; roots-rock heroes NRBQ and fusion quartet Garaj Mahal made rousing appearances, and singing pop/funk guitarist Elvin Bishop even had folks dancing at the back bar.

And all of them frequently mentioned how much classier the club was than the dives and juke joints they'd become accustomed to playing. The enigmatic Hampton, best known for founding the Georgia-based funk/fusion band Aquarium Rescue Unit

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(which also featured Herring and Burbridge), lovingly referred to the club as “the Boom Boom Room.”

The second-story venue, located within the historic Paradise Building, hasn’t changed much since opening. There’s still a throwback Greyhound bus ticket window just inside the front doors, a leopard-skin front stairwell, and musical instruments and photos of artists who’ve performed there on the walls. The floors are wood; the ceiling is wooden, open, and very high — all great for acoustics.

A south-end bar and walk-in cooler offer practically any libation possible; chairs dot tables and the east side wall, and the dance floor is usually open and often occupied. Anyone who smokes can do so on the outdoor patio, which has TV screens and speakers so patrons can still see and hear the music. The stage is spacious, and the club features a house PA system, mics and stands, drum kit, amplifiers, monitors, and a Hammond organ.

“To my knowledge, it’s all the same equipment as before, including the Soundcraft mixing board,” says lead sound engineer Matt Ball.

New owners Mueller and Minton both live in Delray Beach, where Mueller’s RJM Real Estate business is based. Minton works nearby in Boca Raton as a wealth adviser and portfolio management director under the Morgan Stanley umbrella.

Both now seem like kids in the candy store at the club, expressing how wowed they were by the community’s response to the temporary July reopening, and talking about a new official website (www.bambooroommusic.com) to augment their Facebook site (facebook.com/



Rob Arenth plays a solo show at the Bamboo Room on Aug. 20. **Isaac Rodriguez / Entertainment Images**

TheBambooRoomLW). Minton even mentions possibly luring Parliament/Funkadelic leader George Clinton to the Bamboo Room; expanding the outdoor patio, and utilizing the back parking lot to include a second stage.

Unlike most venues, local performers have been pleasantly surprised over the years to find that the Bamboo Room staff offered to assist in bringing any necessary equipment up the stairs or onto the elevator, and brought buckets of bottled waters in ice, and towels, to them on stage.

For most locals, receiving that kind of respect was likely the closest they’d ever get to feeling like a national act, yet it was both memorable and priceless. Indeed, newer upscale nightclubs from Boca Raton (the Funky Biscuit) to Jupiter (Double Roads Tavern) might never have existed in their current forms without this original blueprint.

When the economy sagged

in 2008, Hibbard and McKinley closed the Bamboo Room, which stayed dark until 2011. The original, well-attended reopening party that year featured Broward County-based blues act David Shelley & Bluestone, led by the namesake singer, guitarist and percussionist who died last month at age 57 after a long cancer battle.

Hibbard, also an avid auto racer, had decided to turn the booking reins over to managers Donald Becker and Craig Young. For the next three years, there was still a roots music foundation, interspersed with jam bands like venerable area Grateful Dead offshoot Crazy Fingers, tribute acts to icons from The Beatles and Eagles to Elton John and U2, and ’70s rock stars like singer/guitarist Pat Travers, who released a 2013 CD/DVD set called *Live at the Bamboo Room*.

Hibbard, though, was probably better suited to being a hands-on owner than an



The Bamboo Room first opened in 1999. **Photo by Bill Meredith**

IF YOU GO

Bamboo Room, 25 S. J St., Lake Worth (585-2583; bambooroommusic.com)

Thursday headliners play 8-11 p.m.; opening acts, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Friday and Saturday headliners play 10 p.m.-1 a.m.; opening acts, 6:30-9:30 p.m. Nights with three or more acts run from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

absentee one. He and McKinley turned out the lights again in 2014, leading to the sale nearly a year later this April.

Previous owners and managers had avoided trying to serve food out of the Bamboo Room’s small kitchen, stressing the venue as a listening room. The current regime hopes to split the difference through a light sandwich-based menu, and has already found ways around any culinary shortcomings.

“I’m hoping to be able to prepare and serve 15 to 20 different items by Oct. 1,” Foster said. “For now, we’ve teamed up with the Rhum Shack down the street. People are placing to-go orders; the Rhum Shack brings them over, and that’s working out very well. It helps us and helps them, since we’re each supporting another local business.”

The room’s second official

weekend after reopening was likewise crowded, if not at capacity, yet still better than usual for a non-seasonal hot August night. On Aug. 8, area keyboardist Tom Regis’ Afro-Cuban band Afinka Funk played spirited early sets, then youthful West Palm Beach rock quintet Raggy Monster blended creative original material with surprising covers — by the likes of The Beatles, Led Zeppelin, Jefferson Airplane and The Doors — written before they were even born.

The following Thursday, the club’s first one open, attracted a sizable, dancing crowd for Palm Beach Gardens pop/funk band The Kinected — yet another sign to expect, in addition to the purposeful jazz and blues, a variety of the unexpected.

To those who view the glass as half-full, each closing — the latest being only July 5-30 — has been of a shorter duration. The “Boom Boom Room” is now in the midst of a couple of months to work out any kinks before the area’s traditional entertainment season starts in October, and has already expanded from being open two nights a week to four.

South Florida in general — and Lake Worth in particular — both hope that the lights go out for only a couple to a few days per week for the foreseeable future.

See Soul Mark and Wonderama on Sept. 5, Steven Vincent and the Jeffery James Gang on Sept. 10, JL Fulks and The Killbillies on Sept. 11, The Psymatics, YARDIJ and Raggy Monster on Sept. 12, Bare Souls and The Holidazed on Sept. 17, Meeting of the Minds and The Helmsmen on Sept. 18, the JC Crossfire Band and Jahzilla on Sept. 19, the 56 Ace Band on Sept. 24, Lina & the Blue Collective and Afinka Funk on Sept. 25, and the Mark Telesca Band, the Copper Tones and Spred the Dub on Sept. 26, all at the Bamboo Room.

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many different people on the City Commission for us on our behalf. So being able to have a location close to them and knowing that we would have their support was a big thing.”

Both companies gravitate toward the classics, but Naked Stage expects to focus on works that can draw younger theatergoers.

“I think initially — at least for the first few years — we’re really looking to cultivate a younger audience, the people who hang out on Clematis,” says Katherine. “We really want to make sure that the first couple of pieces especially would be shows that appeal to that audience.”

That probably will mean opening with a few contemporary plays. “I’d rather not mention titles because we don’t have our first season locked down or anything,” she says. “But we’re looking at

shows coming out of London. At the National, they’re doing a lot of younger, hipper, fresher stuff. I think younger people want to see plays with 20-, 30-year-olds onstage.”

The Amadeos do not expect their audiences at Barry University to follow them to West Palm Beach, but they never previously had a subscription base there anyway. “Realistically, we know the South Florida audience doesn’t really travel over two counties,” says Antonio. “So it’s going to be exciting to see what we develop in West Palm Beach as far as audience.”

Previously, Naked Stage would work on a project without a published deadline, opening it when it was ready. “This will be the first time we’ll be able to put together a full season and cultivate a subscription base,” says Katherine. “That will be a huge change for us.”

From observing audiences in West Palm and performing

“We’re really looking to cultivate a younger audience, the people who hang out on Clematis.”

— Katherine Amadeo

in plays at Dramaworks and the now-defunct Florida Stage, the Amadeos feel they are trading up in terms of quality theatergoers in Palm Beach County. “It’s interesting that West Palm Beach has a more sophisticated theater base than Dade County does. Cultivating and holding on to an audience is much harder to do in Dade than it is in West Palm Beach,” Antonio feels. “There seems to be more of a theater culture influence in West Palm Beach than there is in Dade County.”

“So the brothers and sisters and the children of people

who already go to theater in West Palm Beach have a better chance of going to theater than do, say, the Hispanic young people in Dade County that have no experience with theater. It’s harder to pull them in, and then it’s hard to get them to come back, even if they loved the show. That’s not as large an issue in West Palm Beach.”

The Authentic Provence interior will be completely gutted and reconfigured as a theater, so it will be at least a year until Naked Stage opens on Clematis. “Since I’m the set designer at Naked Stage. I put together my ideas for what I think the theater should be, based on the size of the space,” Antonio says. “Then we contacted an architect, Bob Currie, who will be taking those ideas and putting together a legitimate plan for the theater. He has been instrumental in building 13 or 14 performance spaces. He was the architect for the Mizner

Park Amphitheatre, for one of the Burt Reynolds theaters and he consulted when they were doing the Kravis Center.

“We do know we want about 145 to 150 seats,” Antonio says, likening the playing space to what Florida Stage had in Manalapan. “But not quite as three-quarter round.”

Having a second theater on Clematis Street doesn’t really turn it into an arts district, but Antonio thinks more will follow.

“The idea is to now get the mayor and the city commissioners to start searching for theaters and putting out the idea that they want theaters to come here,” he says. “Now that there’s been a code change, they can now start putting efforts and funds towards actually making an arts district. Not just theaters, but we’re talking art galleries and all sorts of things.”

“This is sort of the beginning of what could be. It’s very exciting.”

Review Briefs

Here are excerpts from recent reviews. Visit palmbeachartspaper.com for full reviews.

110 in the Shade (Palm Beach Dramaworks, closed Aug. 30)

The musical team of composer Harvey Schmidt and lyricist Tom Jones hit the jackpot with off-Broadway's *The Fantasticks*. They next adapted N. Richard Nash's *The Rainmaker* on a larger scale, with a full chorus of townfolk, Agnes de Mille choreography and Broadway-scale orchestrations.

The year was 1963, the show was *110 in the Shade*, and lightning did not strike twice for the songwriting team. Although the score was recognized for its countrified lilt, the production remained in the shadow of blockbusters like *Hello, Dolly!* and *Funny Girl*, managing to eke out a run of 330 performances.

Eight years ago, *110 in the Shade* returned to Broadway in a revival that starred the luminous Audra McDonald as the show's blossoming wallflower, Lizzie Curry. Last month, Palm Beach Dramaworks gave it the company's popular staged concert treatment, chiefly to showcase the soaring soprano voice of Jessica Hershberg.

Although director Clive Cholerton's bare-bones production had many elements worth recommending, Hershberg was certainly the main one. She compelled us to care for Lizzie, a plain woman drifting into spinsterhood who falls for Starbuck (Cooper Grodin), a smooth-talking drifter who shows up, claiming to be able to bring rain to her drought-stricken Texas town.

Cholerton really needs a new word for this production format, which over the years has become increasingly staged and memorized. For *110 in the Shade*, Michelle Petrucci added a few nice de Mille-esque dance steps, Howard Breitbart and his four-piece band supplied a flavorful accompaniment and Sean Lawson's grainy projections were a mood and locale-rich substitute for a set.

Dramaworks' summer concerts are not necessarily "theater to think about," but they do strike the heart and give the audience something to hum on the way home. And in Hershberg, the troupe features a performer to marvel at. — *Hap Erstein*

The End of the Tour (opened July 31)

The End of the Tour opens with writer David Lipsky (Jesse Eisenberg) receiving a phone call that, "according to an unconfirmed report, David Wallace is dead."

After that announcement of author Wallace's 2008 suicide, the movie flashes back to 1996 and stays there for the next

100 minutes or so, as Lipsky, a magazine writer who has just published his first novel, talks his editors at *Rolling Stone* into letting him do a profile on Wallace (Jason Segel). The magazine sends Lipsky to Wallace's secluded Middle America home, where he joins the novelist on the last stop of his *Infinite Jest* book tour.

Lipsky interviews Wallace at diners and on couches, and in cars, airplanes and hotels over a whirlwind few days. Along the way, Lipsky discovers a man who is naturally funny and eloquent but also reticent of fame and its attendant allures.

Segel's embodiment is marvelous in its implacability. Devoid of "acting," it's easily the best and most mature performance he's given.

Eisenberg's performance is equally terrific, if inherently more workmanlike. It's filled with the nervous, starry-eyed affectations of a young man possibly out of his depth.



Jesse Eisenberg and Jason Segel in *The End of the Tour*, about the late writer David Foster Wallace. Photo provided

As the tête-à-tête wends through Minnesota, Lipsky tries to discover a narrative shape for his endless hours of interviews, and this too is a battle. He's prone to sound summations of Wallace's psychology, which Wallace promptly shoots down.

The End of the Tour is sure to be the lit geeks' favorite film of the year. Will it appeal to a broad swath of moviegoers, or will it just preach to the converted? It's good enough to deserve the best of both worlds: playing to Wallace's base and

introducing new converts. — *Palm Beach ArtsPaper staff*

Summer Spectacular: Works of American Masters (Boca Ballet Theatre, FAU)

Boca Ballet Theatre wrapped up its 24th season with performances Aug. 1 and 2 that brought a diversity of talent, elegance and comedy to the stage of FAU's University Theatre.

It featured top-notch professional dancers along with the 32 aspiring performers from the United States and Canada who

were finishing up the Ballet Theatre's five-week Summer Intensive Workshop.

The production highlighted the efforts of agile corps de ballet members chosen at auditions in Atlanta, New York City, Salt Lake City and Boca Raton.

Variety was the spice of this show that put the dancers through some entertaining paces. It opened with a production of George Balanchine's *Serenade*.

From the opening entry's emphasis on structure, the show moved through a couple of shorter pieces to the finale, *Con Amore*, a humorous performance that had many in the audience laughing out loud.

One ballerina, Anabel Alpert, 17, of Delray Beach, has just been accepted to the Miami City Ballet School. She was Clara in last year's production of *The Nutcracker* and appeared as the waltz girl in *Serenade*. — *Dale King*



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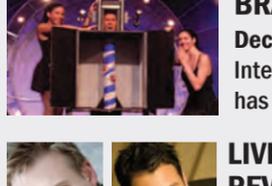


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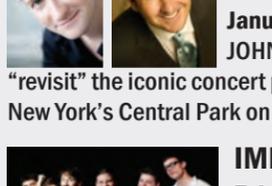
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Art

Delray Beach artists shine in Cultural Council spotlight

By Lucy Lazarony

The Cultural Council of Palm Beach County kicks off its 2015-16 season of art exhibits with *Made in Delray*.

Spotlighting the works of 17 artists living and working in Delray Beach, *Made in Delray* takes over the Cultural Council's main gallery from Sept. 11 through Oct. 31.

"I wanted to illustrate the diversity (of artists in) Delray Beach and I also wanted to find new talent," says Nichole M. Hickey, manager of artist services at the Cultural Council.

"I began in the database of artists at the Cultural Council from Delray Beach and then went from there," Hickey said.

Artists featured in the exhibit include abstract painter Carolyn Barth, woodturning artist Tim Carter, stained glass artist Robert Schmidt, mixed media artist Steve Blackwood, plein-air painters Ralph Papa and Donna Walsh, and sculptors Abbey Funk and Jeff Whyman.

She called the sculptures of Whyman "harmonious."

"I love his glazes and I like the piling of the materials on top of each other," Hickey explains. "It seems so haphazard but it has so much structure to it."

She describes Funk's sculptures as "mythical iconography."

As for Papa's plein-air artwork, Hickey enjoys Papa's use of confetti-shaped colors.

"I like his treatment of the sky," Hickey says. "These little wiggles of delight. He gets all the colors of the sky, all the Florida colors."

Other artists showcasing their work in *Made in Delray* are painters Vincent Cacace,



Ralph Papa's plein-air painting *By the Tracks* was chosen to represent the exhibit on a postcard. Photos provided

IF YOU GO

Made in Delray runs Sept. 11-Oct. 31 at the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave. in Lake Worth.

Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is free.

A member's preview will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Sept. 10. For reservations, call 472-3341 or email dcalabria@palmbeachculture.com.

Amanda Johnson, James Kerr, Pati Maguire, Susan Romaine, Vickie Siegel, Roxene Sloate, Nancy Spielman and Lorrie Turner.

Hickey describes Romaine's art as "photorealistic."

"She's got a Hopper-esque quality to her art," Hickey says. "They're all little studies, the treatment of the light and shadow."

Hickey says the wetland paintings of Roxene Sloate are



Wampum Rising, a sculpture by Abbey Funk.

"so gentle and so romantic."

And she enjoys Siegel's work with photo transfers, using old images of Delray Beach.

"It's very inventive," Hickey says. "I haven't seen anyone doing this before."

Hickey says she will select six to eight pieces from each artist for consideration in the exhibit.

"It's a collaborative process," she says. "I always ask for more art work than I need."

Papa's oil painting *By the Tracks* is featured on postcards promoting *Made in Delray*.

"There are a lot of great artists in Delray and I think it's going to be a wonderful show," Papa says.

"Delray has that special magic, between the concentration of restaurants, the people of Delray and the artists of Delray," the painter said.

He called the 17 artists featured in the show "just a drop in the bucket of what's really there."

Book Review

Disconcertingly, *Watchman* turns a hero into a racist

By Bill Williams
ArtsPaper Book Writer

Go Set a Watchman (Harper, 278 pp., \$27.99) recently became an overnight blockbuster, selling more than 1 million copies in the first week.

Book critics understandably sought to compare the story line in *Watchman* with the theme in Harper Lee's first book, the classic novel *To Kill a Mockingbird*, which was published in 1960 and won a Pulitzer Prize. Some expressed surprise that Atticus Finch, the honorable hero in *Mockingbird*, had turned into an ugly racist in *Watchman*, which is set in the 1950s in the fictional town of Maycomb, Ala.

The pivotal theme in *Go Set a Watchman* involves Finch's daughter, Jean Louise ("Scout" in *Mockingbird*), who is angry and in shock when she returns home from New York City at age 26 to find that her father, uncle, aunt and boyfriend are racists.

Watchman meanders for the first third of the book, but picks up when Jean Louise learns that her father and her boyfriend, Henry Clinton, are active in the racist Maycomb County Citizens' Council. She sneaks into a meeting, where she hears a loudmouth bigot proclaim that "no niggers and no Supreme Court" are going to tell him what to do.

The next day, Jean Louise tells Henry, "I saw you and Atticus in your glory down there at that table with that - that scum - that dreadful man, and I tell you my stomach turned. ... I threw up. ... How in the name of God could you?"

Much of the story focuses on Jean Louise's bafflement as to how she could have grown up without knowing about her family's beliefs regarding race.

Comparing the two books can be confounding because of the order of publication. First, we have the saintly Atticus in *Mockingbird* and then, oops, Atticus becomes a raving racist two decades later.

But *Watchman* was written first and kept under lock and key for more than half a century. It is not clear how or why Harper Lee agreed to allow publication now.

All her life Jean Louise adored her father, who raised

her after her mother died when she was 6. In several drawn-out scenes, Atticus, who is 72 in *Watchman*, defends his views. "Do you want Negroes by the carload," he asks, "in our schools and churches and theaters? Do you want them in our world? ... Do you want your children going to a school that's been dragged down to accommodate Negro children?"

"Honey," he goes on, "you do not seem to understand that the Negroes down here are still in their childhood as a people." Jean Louise reacts with bitter denunciations of her father, calling him "a coward as well as a snob and a tyrant."

The story takes place during a decade in which the U.S. Supreme Court struck down separate-but-equal schools for black students. Opposition to integrated schools was based in part on fear of intermarriage.

Written in the third person, *Watchman* includes frequent flashbacks to Jean Louise's childhood years. In one comical scene, fifth-grade schoolmates convince Jean Louise, then known as "Scout," that she could become pregnant if a boy French-kissed her.

Reminiscent of *Mockingbird*, Atticus agrees to defend a black boy accused of killing a white man in a drunk-driving accident. He takes the case, he says, to keep it out of the hands of "colored lawyers" brought in by the NAACP.

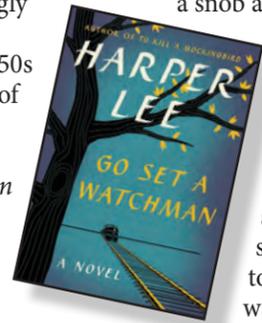
The book's title from a biblical passage involves Jean Louise's longing for a "watchman" to guide her through life's difficulties.

Lee, who is 89, suffered a stroke in 2007 and now lives in a nursing home, partially blind and deaf.

For decades she resisted suggestions that she write another book, although one could argue that she already had written another book — *Watchman*.

Overall, *Watchman* disappoints. Perhaps our expectations were too high. The book is more a curiosity than a great work of literature.

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Arts Calendar

Events are listed through Oct. 2 and were current as of Aug. 27. Please check with the presenting agency for any changes. Ticket prices are single sales.

Art Exhibits

Armory Art Center: Opens Sept. 26: 2+3: *The Artists' Organization: The Human Image*, juried work from members of this professional artists' organization, through Oct. 24. Free admission. 9 am-4:30 pm M-F, 9 am-2 pm Sat. 832-1776 or armoryart.org. A

Boca Raton Museum of Art: Sept. 11-Jan. 10, 2016: *Memories of the Shtetl*, paintings of prewar Jewish life in Russia by Samuel Rothbort; *Veil of Memory: Prologue, the Last Supper*, an installation by Terry Berkowitz commemorating the 1492 expulsion of the Jews from Spain; *Rosie Won the War*, photos by Renata Stih and Frieder Schnock celebrating women in male jobs during World War II; *The Neighbor Next Door*, a multimedia installation by Shimon Attie about Jews being forced into hiding by the Nazis. \$8 adults, \$6 seniors, \$4 students. 10 am-5 pm T/Th/F; 10 am-8 pm first W; 12 pm-5 pm Sat&Sun. 392-2500 or bocamuseum.org.

Cornell Museum of Art and American Culture: Through Oct. 18: *Reimagined*, artwork created from unordinary media by 16 well-known artists. 10 am-4:30 pm T-Sat; 1-4:30 pm Sun. 243-7922 or oldschool.org.

Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens: Through Sept. 13: *Japan's Robot Kingdom*, featuring toys and figurines; *The Morikami Menagerie: Creatures in Japanese Art*, featuring figures from the museum's own collection of fanciful beings from Japanese myth and legend. \$15, \$13 seniors, \$9 children and college students. 10 am-5 pm T-Sun. 495-0233 or morikami.org.

Norton Museum of Art: Closed Sept. 7-25 to prepare new installations for the season. Through Jan. 3, 2016: *Going Places*, 20th-century transportation design, from the collection of Jean and Frederic Sharf. Through Jan 17: *The Summer of '68: Photographing the Black Panthers*; 10 am-5 pm T-Sat (till 9 pm Th), 11 am-5 pm Sun. \$12 adults; \$5 ages 13-21. 832-5196 or norton.org

Society of the Four Arts: Through summer 2016: *Illustrating Words*, poems by Robert Forbes illustrated by Ronald Searle, at the Mary Alice Fortin Children's Art Gallery. \$5. 10 am-5 pm M-Sat; 1-5 pm Sun. 655-7226 or fourarts.org

Books

Friday, Sept. 18
Dirk Wyle: Author of *Yucatan Is Murder* presents a slideshow on Mayan history and culture in the Yucatan, and signs his book, the sixth installment in his Candi and Levis mystery series. 7 pm. Murder on the Beach, Delray Beach. 279-7790 or murderonthebeach.com

Classical Music

Saturday, Sept. 19
Rachel Naomi Kudo: The young American pianist, a Chopin Competition winner in the U.S., heads to Warsaw for the international competition after giving this solo all-Chopin concert in the Piano Lovers series at the Boca Steinway Gallery. 4 pm; \$20 in advance, \$25 day of show. 573-0644 or email BocaConcerts@gmail.com.

Harmony Without Borders: A youth orchestra of players from Mexico, Miami and Italy performs works by Moncayo, Sousa and others. 7 pm, Crest Theatre, Delray Beach. \$25-\$48; \$65 (VIP); 243-7922, ext. 1 or delrayarts.org

Sunday, Sept. 27
Il Furioso: Countertenor Rob Crowe sings with the Baroque music ensemble Il Furioso in a program of Handel, Schütz and Praetorius called "Putting the Devil to Flight." 3 pm, St. Paul's.

\$15-\$20. 276-4541
Thursday, Oct. 1
Eric Van der Veer Varner: The newly appointed bassoon professor at Lynn University gives a solo recital with pianist Lisa Leonard; music by Crusell and Rossini is featured. 7:30 pm, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, Lynn University, Boca Raton. \$20. 237-9000 or events.lynn.edu

Film

Friday, Aug. 14
Phoenix: An Auschwitz survivor, her face disfigured, returns to Berlin to find her husband, who believes her dead. Wanting to claim her family's inheritance, she agrees to help him by pretending to be herself. With Nina Hoss. At Living Room Theatres, Boca Raton. 549-2600 or fau.livingroomtheatres.com

Jazz

Friday, Sept. 18
Lauren Mitchell: The popular Florida-based blues and soul singer brings her band to Delray Beach while it tours the highways and byways of the state. \$25 and up. Arts Garage. 450-6357 or artsgarage.org

Saturday, Sept. 19
Eldar Djangirov: The jazz piano prodigy has recorded four well-received albums. He's here with his trio partners Massimo Biolcati, bass, and Jimmy MacBride, drums. 8 pm. \$25 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. 450-6357 or artsgarage.org

Popular Music

Sunday, Sept. 6
Lady Antebellum: The popular country quintet, on its Wheels Up Tour with guests Hunter Hayes and Sam Hunt, at the newly renamed Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre at the South Florida Fairgrounds. 7 pm. \$30.75-\$60.50. 795-8883 or livenation.com

Tuesday, Sept. 15
Van Halen: The veteran arena rockers, with original vocalist David Lee Roth back at the helm. With the Kenny Wayne Shepherd Band. 7:30 pm., Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre. \$18-\$143. 795-8883 or livenation.com

Saturday, Sept. 19
Luke Bryan: The Georgia-born country singer and songwriter, on his *Kick the Dust Up* Tour. With Dustin Lynch and Randy Houser. 7 pm, Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre. \$25.50-\$65.50. 795-8883 or livenation.com

Sunday, Sept. 20
Blues Traveler: John Popper and his friends' newest album, *Blow Up the Moon*, is a collaboration project with various artists including Plain White T's and Jewel. 7 p.m., Revolution Live, Fort Lauderdale. \$26.50, \$28 day of show. jointherevolution.net

Monday, Sept. 21
Billy Idol: The sneering, fist-pumping pop-punk rocker brings his Kings and Queens of the Underground Tour to the Hard Rock Live at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Hollywood. 8 pm. \$59-\$79. 800-745-3000 or ticketmaster.com

Theater

Saturday, Sept. 26-Sunday, Sept. 27
Kismet: A staged concert version of the George Forrest-Robert Wright musical from 1953 based on the music of Russian composer Alexander Borodin. Starring Jay Stuart. 7:30 pm Saturday, 4 pm Sunday. Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, Boca Raton. \$40. 237-9000 or events.lynn.edu

Opens Thursday, Oct. 1
A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum: Stephen Sondheim's 1962 musical about Pseudolus the slave and his quest for freedom. With Drama Desk winner Ken Jennings. Through Nov. 1. \$65-70. Wick Theatre, Boca Raton. 995-2333 or thewick.org

Music

Multinational youth orchestra to play the Crest

By Greg Stepanich

A youth orchestra concert with roots in a rural Mexican library comes to Delray Beach's Crest Theatre on Sept. 19.

The concert, called "Harmony Without Borders," will feature children from the Imagina Symphonic Orchestra in León, Mexico; 24 children from the Siman Orchestral Foundation in Miami; and 10 children from the Pequeñas Huellas cultural project in Turin, Italy.

They will perform music by Mexican composers Arturo Márquez and José Pablo Moncayo (his well-known *Huapango*), Argentina's Alberto Ginastera, and French Romantic composer Camille Saint-Saëns (the "Bacchanale" from *Samson* and the *Danse Macabre*). And it's hard to give a concert like this without a flag-waving American favorite such as John Philip Sousa's *Barras y Estrellas por Siempre (The Stars and Stripes Forever)*.

It's the first-ever concert sponsored by the Boca Raton-based Imagina Children's Foundation, created in 2010, and which has evolved from the Imagina Children's Library, founded in 1995 by Boca Raton resident and León native Lulis Camarena.

Camarena got the idea for a library in her hometown after living in San Jose, Calif., with her husband and their four sons. Her family benefited in San Jose from a strong library system, she said, and that made her think about the situation back home in the impoverished areas of León.

Starting out of a friend's house, and then moving to spaces in a mall and a university, the León children's library picked up fans steadily before Camarena's foundation was able to get funding to construct a building for the library.

It began to offer arts programs such as piano, guitar and dance lessons, and later established its orchestra, modeled after the Venezuelan

music education program El Sistema.

The Imagina Foundation also added a choir, and over the past six years the young musicians have performed more than 100 concerts.

The Harmony Without Borders project came out of visits by eight Imagina musicians to Pequeñas Huellas in Italy and a teaching sojourn in Mexico by Susan Siman, a Miami-based Venezuelan who has been a teacher with El Sistema for decades, and whose Siman Orchestral Foundation replicates that effort.

Putting together a concert of musicians from three countries for the first time has been a challenge for Imagina, Camarena said, but support has been strong, with donations of airline flights and contributions from South Florida merchants such as Papa's Tapas and Anthony's

IF YOU GO

The **Harmony Without Borders** concert will begin at 7 p.m. Sept. 19 at the Crest Theatre in Delray Beach. Tickets are \$25, \$48 and \$65 (VIP).

The orchestra also will perform an open rehearsal at 2 p.m., which is free.

For more information, visit delrayarts.org or call 243-7922, Ext. 1. To learn more about Imagina, visit www.imaginachildrenfoundation.org.

Coal-Fired Pizza, which are providing free meals, she said.

"Art and entertainment is a really important part of our lives," Camarena said. "It's important for them as performers and us as listeners ... and it does change lives."

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Clockwise: Terry Berkowitz, *Veil of Memory, Prologue: The Last Supper* [detail], 2014. Izhhar Palkin, *You Tell Us What to Do* [detail], 2010. Shimon Attie, *The Neighbor Next Door* [detail], 1995. Samuel Rothbort, *Jewish Windmills* [detail], 1956. Middle: Renata Stih & Frieder Schnock, *Rosie Won the War* [detail], 2015.

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COFFEE

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United States with the most cafes per capita. Palm Beach County contributed four of the top 25 cities, beginning with West Palm Beach at No. 25, Jupiter at No. 23, Delray Beach at No. 7 and Boca Raton at No. 2 with 16.15 cafes per 10,000 people. Fort Lauderdale and Miami also made the list and Miami Beach was at the top.

Two Boca Raton moms tapped into the trend by opening The Seed.

Rachel Eade, 32, and Carly Altier, 31, met through their children's school. When they shared their ambitions over watermelon-jalapeno cocktails, they found they shared a dream: to be business owners.

Eade wanted a gourmet coffee house. Altier wanted an organic juice bar.

"We married the two ideas," Altier said, and founded their business, A Squeeze & Drip Company, a year ago. Four months later, they opened the doors of their specialty coffee shop and juice bar, The Seed, at 199 W. Palmetto Park Road, across the street from Boca Raton City Hall. The women call their store, tucked between a salon and a gym, a "farm-to-cup" experience.

The décor is rustic, with high ceilings and an open floor plan. An eclectic mix of seating options, some intimate, some family-style, can accommodate two people or 20. Altier, a trauma nurse who also has years of restaurant work experience, greets guests.

But about the coffee.

Coffee shrubs produce an edible red or purple fruit called a cherry. Each cherry contains two seeds, called beans because they look like beans. A single coffee shrub will produce about a pound of hand-picked beans, er, seeds. The beans are a pale grayish green before they're roasted to a deep warm brown. Most are organically grown in South or Central America, with Costa Rica and Brazil the most popular sources.

The Seed roasts coffee several times a week through a partnership with Wells Coffee Company, a small Boca Raton business owned by Brandon and Nicole Wells. "We all share a passion for coffee," Eade said.

Wells employee David Imber, 21, roasts beans in a San Franciscan roaster in the front window of the cafe. It takes about 12 minutes to roast coffee. Imber monitors the beans like a conductor in front of a symphony, watching the temperature gauges and listening to the pop and crackles of the beans as they roast. A 6-pound batch of green coffee seeds will yield 5 pounds of roasted beans.

In-house roasting is a great marketing point, but it's not being done to be trendy.

"Coffee is not a trend or a seasonal business," Eade said, "It's part of people's lifestyle."

She is right about that. Coffee consumption has



Barista Cortney Vaughn uses organic milk to make her art on a traditional latte at The Seed coffee shop in Boca Raton. **Taylor Jones/The Coastal Star**

It's beautiful and you can drink it

They say you eat first with your eyes, so do you drink first with your eyes?

Some baristas think so, and they go the extra mile to please your vision before they please your palate by creating "consumable art" using a spoon, toothpick and the foam in your latte. You don't even have to like coffee to appreciate a palm tree or an animal sculpted in the silky foam.

Now it's a competitive event!

The United States Coffee Championships, which take place annually in Long Beach, Calif., feature five competitions over four days.

For true aficionados of the brewed beans, it doesn't get any bigger than the World Latte Art Championship, which drew 36 of the world's top foam artists to Sweden to face challenges including a free-pour of two identical reproductions of the best designs from an earlier contest.

Baristas are judged based on visual attributes, creativity, identical patterns in the pairs, contrast in patterns, and overall performance. In the end, Caleb Cha of Australia took home top honors at this "living gallery of some of the finest consumable art in the world."

The Seed in Boca is planning a latte art challenge for baristas in early fall.

Oceana Coffee, with locations in Tequesta and Stuart, hosts barista throw-downs every month except November and December. Amy and Scott Angelo opened their business in 2009, and also have a roasting house where they roasted more than 25,000 pounds of coffee beans last year. In their contests, the baristas have four minutes to create as many lattes with art as they can. Celebrity judges pick the winners. Call 401-2453 or email amy.angelo@oceanacoffee.com.

— Janis Fontaine

remained pretty static at about two cups per person per day, with men drinking a little bit more than women, since it peaked in the 1940s. Less than 50 percent of people get their coffee at home, and for them, the biggest change in coffee consumption is the popularity of the single-cup "pod" systems.

But for the other half of the people who buy their coffee out, sales are split pretty evenly between large chain coffee sellers (Starbucks and Dunkin' Donuts) at 26 percent and independent coffee shops and small chains at 22 percent, according to Zagat.com.

Good help is hard to find

In Delray Beach, Andres Rodriguez opened Gizzi's in the corner of a strip center on Federal Highway, just south of

Linton Boulevard, 11 years ago. The former cruise ship officer handled food and beverage for Royal Caribbean, but he gave up a life at sea to try to save his marriage. The marriage didn't survive but the coffee shop did.

"I like the idea of coffee shops," he said. He greets every customer like an old friend. With tables and sturdy chairs, plus a few couches and armchairs, Gizzi's is cozy — a place you might run into a friend or a neighbor.

Most of Gizzi's coffee — about 95 percent — is organic, but a few of the flavored brews aren't available as organic.

His biggest challenge is getting and keeping good employees.

"I'm constantly training someone new," Rodriguez said. Many of the employees — like his "right hand," Ashley Kite



Carly Altier (left) and Rachel Eade of The Seed. **Photo provided**

— are students at nearby FAU. He says the students taught him the importance of staying connected with social media. He laughs as he describes two young customers who are sitting at the same table "but they're texting each other!"

The business is constantly changing, he said. Starbucks recently added craft beer and wine to its menu at a few locations (including Orlando) to test the market. It went so well, it plans to add more stores. "People want what they want and you have to be ready to provide it," Rodriguez said.

Customers' questions

That 10-cent cuppa joe you ordered at the local diner in 1965 is a long way from that \$5 cappuccino you got last week. And the coffee snobs are asking: "Were those beans ground this morning?" "Where were they grown?" "On the southern side of the mountain?" "Harvested under a new moon?"

At The Seed, Altier, who grew up in Boca Raton, is never rattled by the questions and she said that she and Eade take their roles as educators seriously. The two recently hosted a coffee class to teach the basics of brewing a perfect cup and the difference between hot and cold brewing.

Much of Altier's focus is on the juice side of the business. She studied nutrition in college and is super-fit. She'll gladly explain the reason you need to come back for a juice fix tomorrow.

One trend on point in the summer heat is ice coffees. Who knew that making iced coffee by pouring hot coffee over ice is so yesterday? Now, a good iced coffee is cold-brewed (sometimes called cold-pressed if a coffee press is used). Coarsely ground beans are steeped overnight in room-temperature water, and then the coffee is strained and chilled. Science supports cold-brewing, Eade said.

Locally baked goods

Sometimes, to give your customers the best product, it's best to bring in a professional. The Seed stocks fresh-baked sweets by local bakers (the coffee crumb cake is a best-seller), and at Gizzi's, Rodriguez gets baked goods, including vegan and gluten-free options, locally as well.

Getting customers in the door at off-peak times is perhaps the biggest challenge. Gizzi's hosts open mic nights and poetry readings. The Seed

Local spots for a cup of joe

Featured coffee houses:

THE SEED, 199 W. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton; 901-2727 or www.theseedboca.com.

GIZZI'S, 2275 S. Federal Hwy., Delray Beach 266-9797; www.gizzidelray.com.

Some other favorite coffee houses (in no particular order):

SAQUELLA CAFE, 410 Via De Palmas, Boca Raton; 338-8840 or www.saquellacafe.com.

More than a café, it's an Italian bistro, espresso bar, European bakery, restaurant and tapas bar. Family owned, it roasts boutique coffees and trains the baristas in European-style preparations.

THE BEAT CUP, 660 Linton Blvd., Suite #110, Delray Beach; 330-4693 or www.thebeatcupcafe.com.

Part art gallery, consignment shop, bookstore, this isn't what you'd call a coffee shop. Now it serves Panther coffee drinks, cold-brewed iced coffee, iced yerba mate tea and lattes.

THE COFFEE DISTRICT, 325 NE Second Ave., #104, Delray Beach; 455-0541 or www.mycoffeedistrict.com.

Coffee District in the Pineapple Grove district of Delray Beach offers bar and table seating to enjoy your choice of hot and cold coffee, espresso and tea drinks, plus panini, salads, soups and gourmet desserts. It also serves more than 100 microbrews.

THE GRIND CAFE, Delray Marketplace, 14859 Lyons Road, #132, Delray Beach 270-2058; www.grindcafedelray.com

It's all about the mug, they say at The Grind Café. No paper cups here. But dozens of varieties of coffees from around the world. You'll find soft couches and comfortable chairs. Homemade desserts and sandwiches, too.

BOND EN SMOLDERS, 1622 S. Federal Hwy., Boynton Beach; 877-2462

This European bakery owned by husband and wife team Ralph Bond and Patricia Smolders, who have owned a bakery in the Netherlands for 15 years, recently opened on the southeast corner of Federal and Woolbright. The menu: coffee from Counter Culture Coffee plus tea, breakfast, pastries, sandwiches, salads and bread.

owners have been rallying local merchants to work together, hosting a Pop Up Collective, "a caravan of local and small shops," one evening in July.

Vendors gathered at the store to show off their wares, meet their neighbors, network and build their businesses. Rodriguez has a standing special: Buy any coffee drink before 8 a.m. and get a free refill that same afternoon between 3 and 6 p.m.

Darin Johnson, a student at FAU who ordered an espresso, said there's no place else in town with coffee like The Seed. Of course it has WiFi, and most of the guests have laptops or tablets open in front of them. Most are young people — under 40 — looking for place to connect in person or online. And most likely to post their feelings on Yelp.

Gizzi's is surrounded by car dealerships and small businesses, but it attracts soccer moms on iPhones, too.

The Seed has hosted a few open mic nights and plans to do more now that school's in session. And if things go as planned, The Seed, like Starbucks, will be adding beer and wine to its menu soon. ★

Community Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/28. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 5

Saturday - 9/5 - 1st Annual Save the Jaguar 5K presented by Sagacor at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Race registration includes free race day zoo admission and half-off coupons for family and friends. Packet pickup 6-7 am; race 7:30-10:30 am. Adult (18 & older)/\$25-\$40; student (17 & younger)/\$20-\$25. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

9/5 - Delray Beach Summer GreenMarket is held each Saturday through 9/26/2015 at the eastern half of the Delray Beach Tennis Center parking lot, 51 N. Swinton Ave. 9 am - noon. 276-7511 or delraycra.org

9/5 - Quilt Sale at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Benefits the library. M-Th 9 am-8:30 pm, Sat 9 am-5 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/5 - Pickleball at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd. Sport combines badminton and tennis. Adults. W 6-8:30 pm; Sat 9 am-noon. \$5 at door; annual passes: \$130/residents, \$165/non-residents. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

9/5 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Sat 10 am. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org

9/5 - Coral Reef Shark Feedings at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Discover what Atlantic Ocean reef fish, nurse sharks, and spiny lobsters eat for breakfast. T-Sat 10:30 am; Sun 1:30 pm, through 8/31. Free with \$4 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

9/5 - What is 3D Printing? at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Hour-long demonstration class introduces 3D printing technology. All ages. Every Sat 10:30-11:30 am through 9/26 & W 9/9 & 16 5-6 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

9/5 - Inventors Society of South Florida at Ligi Tool & Engineering, 2220 SW 15th St, Deerfield Beach. First Sat 1 pm. First meeting free. 213-6581; 954-486-2426; InventorsSociety.net

9/5 - Pickleball at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Adults. Every T/Th/F 9 am-1 pm; Sat 1-3 pm. Monthly pass: \$15/residents, \$20/non-residents; three-month pass: \$40/residents, \$50/non-residents; six-month pass: \$60/residents, \$70/non-residents. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com

9/5 - Pickleball at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults. M-F 9-11:30 am, F 6-8:30 pm, Sat. 1-4 pm. Monthly pass: \$15/residents, \$20/nonresidents; three-month pass: \$40/residents, \$50/nonresidents; six-month pass: \$60/residents, \$70/nonresidents. 499-2020; mydelraybeach.com

9/5 - Alligator Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Gather around the tank for a short talk about the baby alligator while he is being fed. Every W&Sat 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

9/5 - Rock & Roll Roots: Otis Cadillac and the El Dorados at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. \$25-\$35. 8 pm. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

9/5 - Sick Puppies Improv Comedy Show at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. 9-10:30 pm. Held again 9/19, 26 & 10/3. \$15/online, \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com

9/5-30 - Flavor Palm Beach at Palm Beach County restaurants. Benefits Palm Beach County Food Bank. Reservations recommended; see website for participating restaurants. 3-course lunch \$20; dinner \$30-\$35. 315-8803; flavorpb.com

SEPTEMBER 6-12

Sunday - 9/6 - 2nd Annual International Mermaid Day 5K Run meet at Spanish River Athletics Complex, 1000 Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton. Portion of proceeds benefit Girls on the Run, an organization that reflects the spirit, goals, and mission of the mermaid club. 7 am. \$25/includes commemorative medal and bib. info@livelifemakewaves.com

9/6 - Bridge Duplicate at James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Sanctioned A.C.B.L. duplicate bridge game for the experienced player. Light lunch. Partners available for singles. Sessions year round except for special events and

holidays. 12:30-4 pm. \$10/at the door. Reservations or partners: 338-2995; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/6 - Bagels & Burritos; Tale of Two Cultures with Storyteller Carrie Sue Ayvar at Boca Raton Library, 400 NW Boca Raton Blvd. 3 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

Monday - 9/7 - Labor Day 9/7 - Lawn Bowling at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Takes skill and practice. Ages 18 and up. M/W/F 9 am-noon. Annual fee: \$40/residents, \$45/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/7 - Adult Watercolor Painting Workshop at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Class lesson on composition and drawing, painting demo, then individual painting and critique. Ages 18 & up. First M 10 am-1 pm. \$33/residents, \$38/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/7 - Senior Bingo at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults ages 60 & up. M&W 11 am-noon. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

9/7 - Mah-Jongg at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Intermediate and advanced. Every M 12:30-3:30 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/7 - Bridge at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Intermediate and advanced. Every M 1-4 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/7 - Needlework Friendship Group at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Bring yarn and needles and crochet hooks. First M 7-9 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

9/7 - Happy Squares Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All skill levels welcome. Ages 18 & up. Every M 7:30-9:30 pm. \$5. 865-2611; boynton-beach.org

Tuesday - 9/8 - Socrates Cafe at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every T 10-11:30 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/8 - Couples Round Dance at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Learn figures and routines to waltz, swing & foxtrot. Ages 18 & up. Every T 1-2 pm (beginner), 2:30-4:30 pm (advanced). \$6/person. 352-455-5759; boynton-beach.org

9/8 - Boca Raton Noon Toastmasters at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy. Improve public speaking and leadership abilities. Every T 12:15-1:15 pm. Free. 251-4164; toastmastersclub.org

9/8 - Modern Line Dance Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Enhance quality of life through music and dance. Ages 50 and up. Every T 1:30-2:30 pm. Per class: \$5/residents, \$6/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/8 - Socrates Café at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every T 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/8 - Acoustic Music and Art Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Singing, playing, and/or painting. All ages. First T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/8 - Practical Ju Jitsu at James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn to defend yourself from life-threatening situations. Complete curriculum, beginner to advanced. Ages 14 to adult. T 6-7 pm, Sat 9:30-11 am. Six-week session: \$60/resident, \$75/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/8 - The Lowland by Jhumpa Lahiri - part of the Evening Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 6 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

9/8 - Archery Class at Meadows Park Tennis Courts, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. Beginner's program introduces the Olympic sport of archery through skill development and paper target practice. Equipment provided. Every T through 10/13. Ages 8-15: 6-7 pm; Adults: 7:15-8:15 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/8 - Like Father, Like Son (NR) - 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; bocalibrary.org

9/8 - Soul Line Dancing at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd. Every T 7-8:30 pm. \$5/at door. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 9/9 - Senses of Cinema Presents Film for Thought Class at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 18+. Every W 10 am-12:45 pm

Municipal Meetings

9/9 - Boca Raton - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W Palmetto Park Rd. 6 pm. Agenda: ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/10 - Ocean Ridge - First Monday at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N Ocean Blvd. 6 pm. Agenda: oceanridgeflorida.com

9/11 - Gulf Stream - Second Friday at Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Rd. 4 pm. Agenda: gulf-stream.org

9/15 - Delray Beach - First & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda: mydelraybeach.com

9/22 - Manalapan - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S Ocean Blvd. 9:30 am. Agenda: manalapan.org

9/22 - South Palm Beach - Fourth Tuesday at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 6:45 pm. Agenda: southpalmbeach.com

9/24 - Briny Breezes - Fourth Thursday at Briny Breezes Town Hall, 4802 N Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Agenda: townofbrinybreezes-fl.com

9/28 - Lantana - Second & fourth Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Cir. 7 pm. Agenda: lantana.org

10/1 - Highland Beach - First Tuesday at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda: ci.highland-beach.fl.us

through 10/14 (no class 9/23). Individual classes. Per week: \$12/resident, \$15/non-resident; Complete 5-week session: \$50/resident, \$62.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/9 - "Chamber Chat" with Mayor Jerry Taylor at Benvenuto, 1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. 11:30 am-1 pm. \$25-\$30/members; \$30-\$35/non-members. 732-9501; boyntonbeach.org

9/9 - Ginger Martin, President & CEO of American National Bank on the Problem of Human Trafficking at City Fish Market, 7940 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Hosted by Gold Coast Tiger Bay Club. \$35/member and first-time guest; \$50/nonmember. 11:30 am-1 pm. 852-0000; goldcoasttigerbayclub.com

9/9 - Socrates Cafe at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Philosophical discussions facilitated by Claire Drattell and Don Clare. Every W 11:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

9/9 - Sewing Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Group environment project class with teacher on hand for assistance. Come prepared to work on the first day; bring fabric, pattern, scissors, pins, thread, sewing machine. All levels welcome. Every W 11:45 am-1:45 pm through 11/18 (no class 11/11). \$120/resident, \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/9 - Drawing, Painting, Sketching Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. For beginner and intermediate artists. W through 9/30. Noon-2 pm. \$100/residents, \$125/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/9 - Getting to Know Your iPad at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

9/9 - Scrabble at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 1 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/9 - Palmairs: Music from the Great American Songbook at Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Featuring standards, pop and big band swing and jazz. Every W 1:30-3:30 pm. \$2/nonmembers, free/members. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

9/9 - Silver Science Days at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Special afternoon for adults and retirees. Ages 62 & up. Second W 2-5 pm. \$10. 832-1988; sfsiencecenter.org

9/9 - Meet the Artists: "Local Artists Take Flight" at Palm Beach International Airport near Mall on Level 2, 1000 Turnage Blvd, West Palm Beach. Local artists. 5:30-7 pm; awards presentation 6:30 pm. Free. Exhibition runs through 12/9. 233-0235; pbcgov.com/fdo/art/exhibitions/ArtAtAirport

9/9 - Chef vs. Chef at Max's Harvest, 169 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Bracket-style competition benefits Naoma Donnelley Haggin Boys & Girls Club. Food and drink for purchase at happy hour prices. Every W 9:30 pm through 9/23. \$10 donation includes one beer, wine, or cocktail. 381-9970 or maxsharvest.com

Thursday - 9/10 - Quilters meet at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest. Share quilting information and perpetuate quilting as a cultural and artistic form. Sale of quilted items supports the Library. Every Th 9-11:30 am. Free. 742-6886; boyntonlibrary.org

9/10 - Knit 'N Purl at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Twice monthly class; rotating facilitators. Held again 9/24. 10:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

9/10 - Lantana Chamber Economic Development Forum Luncheon at Old Key Lime House, 300 E Ocean Ave, Lantana. Speaker: Keith Wahl, Sr. Planner Emergency

Operations. 11:30 am-1 pm. Attendees buy own lunch. 585-8664; lantanachamber.com

9/10 - Adult Acrylics Art Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Instructor teaches basic techniques to beginners; available for instruction to advanced painters. Call for list of supplies needed. Ages 18 and up. Every Th noon-3 pm. Per class: \$10/residents, \$12/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/10 - Empowerment Zone at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Coaching in resume writing, networking, and interviewing skills. Every M&Th 1-4:30 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

9/10 - Senior Bridge at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Experienced players welcome. Partners not needed. Every Th 1-4 pm. Annual fee: \$15/residents + \$1/game, \$20/nonresidents + \$2/game. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/10 - Snake Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. A short talk about the animal and watch while it is being fed. Every Th 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

9/10 - Concert: Ella Herrera at Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/10 - Made in Delray Exhibition Preview Party at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. 5:30-7:30 pm. Free/Council members; \$20/nonmembers. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com

9/10 - Community Meet & Greet at Catherine Strong Splash Park, 1500 SW 6th St, Delray Beach. Parks and Recreation staff host an open house in Module #2. Staff will discuss current park programs and future activities and events plus host a tour of the new building. Refreshments. 6-7 pm. Free. 243-7194; mydelraybeach.com

9/10 - Steel Drum Cruise at Delray Yacht Cruises, 801 E Atlantic Ave. Steel drum player with the sounds of the Caribbean on Intracoastal cruise. Food and beverage available for purchase. 7-9 pm. Held again 9/24. \$25. 243-0686; delraybeachcruises.com

9/10 - Spectrum Winds at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. A component of the U.S. Air Force Band of the West composed of five world-class musicians. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-7000; lynn.edu

Friday - 9/11 - Grandparent's Day Party at the Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. 9-11 am. and 1-3 pm. \$3/advance, \$5/at the door. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

9/11 - Made in Delray Exhibition Opening at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. T-Sat 10 am-5 pm through 10/31. Free. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com

9/11 - Current Events Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. F 10:30 am-noon. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/11 - Bill Gove Golden Gavel Toastmasters Club at Duffy's Sports Grill, 4746 N Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Every F noon-1 pm. Lunch \$12 or soft drink \$5, cash only. 742-2121; billgovetostmastersclub.com

9/11 - Balkan by the Beach: International Folk Dance at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. No experience or partner needed. Ages 50 & up. Every F 1-3:30 pm. \$5/residents, \$6/nonresidents per class. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/11 - Chess Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Knowledge of the

game necessary. Ages 18 and up. Every F 1-4 pm. Annual fee: \$20/residents, \$25/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/11 - Skunk Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Short talk given about the animal while it is being fed. Every F 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

9/11 - Sushi and Stroll Summer Walk at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Experience the gardens, taiko drumming, a cold drink and sunset. Fushu Daiko drumming performances 6:30 pm, 7:15 & 8pm (first-come, first-served) (\$2 with admission). 5:30-8:30 pm. \$8/adults, \$6/kids, free/members and children 3 and under. 495-0233; morikami.org

9/11 - Eyes to the Skies with professional-grade 16-inch Meade LX Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Informal event held in the parking lot (weather permitting). Children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required. Telescope out for at least one hour after the scheduled start time. Note: Stars must be visible for the telescope to align. 8 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/11-12 - IMBSECU New and Used Car Sale at IMBSECU Delray Beach Branch, 1000 NW 17th Ave. More than 100 new and used cars and trucks. Five dealerships with access to over 10,000 vehicles including Mercedes, BMW, Honda, Mazda, Kia, Nissan, Toyota, Ford, Chevrolet, more. Trade-ins accepted on days of sale. F 9 am-6 pm; Sat 9 am-4 pm. 982-4700 ext. 7701; imbsecu.org

Saturday - 9/12 - Hillsboro Lighthouse Tour - Meet at Sands Harbor Resort and Marina, north side, 125 N Riverside Dr, Pompano Beach. Visitors park in Pompano Beach City Parking (fee required) across from Sands Harbor. Look for HLPs Lighthouse tour table beginning at 8:15 am. Transportation to and from lighthouse is only by tour boat provided by South Florida Diving Headquarters. First boat departs 9 am. Last boat returns 4 pm. USCG regulations require closed-toe flat shoes with rubber soles to climb lighthouse. Children must be accompanied by an adult and a minimum of 48" tall to climb the tower. No pets. 8:15 am-4 pm. \$25 transportation fee. 954-942-2102; hillsborolighthouse.org/tours

9/12 - Florida Authors Academy Writing Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 10 am. Held again 9/19. \$25.. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

9/12 - Ride & Remember Trolley Tour departs from Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 2-hour tour focuses on 5 historic districts. Second Sat 10 am-noon. \$20. Reservations: 279-8883; spadymuseum.com

9/12 - Bag It: Is Your Life Too Plastic? presented by Loxahatchee Group of the Sierra Club at Palm Beach County Library, 14350 Hagen Ranch Rd, Delray Beach. 11 am-1 pm. Free. 968-4166; sierraclub.org/florida/loxahatchee

9/12 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Lake Worth and Lantana conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave. Four-hour tour includes bus and walking tour, food sampling and visits to historical and cultural sites. Narrated by live guide. Second Sat year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required: check website for available dates. \$45/adult & senior citizen, free/children under 18 (max 5 children per family.) 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

9/12 - Yves Saint Laurent directed by Jalil Lespert (R) - Part of the Saturday Film Series for adults at the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. 4-6:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/12 - Brazilian Beat 2015 at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Celebrating Brazilian Independence Day. Live music, street entertainment. 6-11 pm. Free. downtownboca.org/events

SEPTEMBER 13-19

Sunday - 9/13 - Rosh Hashannah 9/13 - Halfway to Delray Beach St. Patrick's Day Parade 5K & 10K at Anchor Park, 340 S Ocean Blvd. To support the 48th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. 7-10 am. \$25/5K; \$30/10K; add \$5 after 9/8. 361-1950; runnersedgeboca.com

9/13 - Grandparents Day at Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Families tour Whitehall with an activity

guide for kids, then enjoy family-friendly activities in the Flagler Kenan Pavilion. Create a family tree and a scrapbook page to commemorate the day, be interviewed by your grandchild, write a postcard to send to your family, have a family photo taken in front of Railcar No. 91. Noon-5 pm. Free with museum admission. \$18/adults, \$10/ages 13-17, \$3/ages 6-12, free/members and children under age 6. 655-2833; flaglERMuseum.us

Monday - 9/14 - Computer Classes at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. Ages 55+. Two-week class: M/W/F 9:40-11:40 am. \$60/residents; \$75 nonresidents. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

9/14 - The Politics of Wilderness and the Practice of the Wild by R. Edward Grumbine - Part of the Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:45 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/14 - Downtown Lake Worth Food Truck Invasion at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Second M 6-10 pm. 844-682-7466; foodtruckinvasion.com

Tuesday - 9/15 - Opera Luncheon at Benvenuto Restaurant, 1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Includes 3-course gourmet meal. Noon. \$35. 364-0600; benvenutorestaurant.com

9/15 - Supervised Bridge with Bill Greenspan and Larry Dusty at Society of The Four Arts Fitz Eugene Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Consolidate learning, increase confidence, improve understanding and expertise of the game. Every T 1:30-3:30 pm through 10/27. \$25/session. 805-8562; fourarts.org

9/15 - Auditions for Once Upon A Mattress at Sol Children Theatre, 3333 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Prepare a monologue from a published play or classic literature and a musical theatre song (bring accompaniment on CD, flash drive or iPod). Rehearsal schedule available upon request. Show runs 12/4-20. Experienced musical theatre performers ages 10 through adult. 6-8 pm by appointment only. Held again 11am-2 pm 9/19. By appointment only. 447-8829; solchildren.org

9/15 - FAU Astronomical Observatory - Public viewing day observations at Florida Atlantic University Science & Engineering Building 4th floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First F & third T 7 pm. Free. 297-STAR; physics.fau.edu/observatory

9/15 - Underground Library: British Aesthetes at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Overlooked books and DVD's of the British aesthetes brought to the fore. For adults. 7-8:30 pm. Free. Registration required. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Wednesday - 9/16 - Lecture: Introduction to eBooks at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

9/16 - 2015 Business Expo & Member Mixer presented by Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce at Carolina Ale House, 365 N Congress Ave. 5:30-7 pm. \$10/non-members. 732-9501; chamber@boyntonbeach.org

9/16 - Community Cabaret at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Calling all singers, dangers, musicians and stand-up comedians; performers must register in advance. 7:30 pm. Held again 11/18. Admission: \$5. 347-3900; willowtheatre.org

9/16-17 - Double Indemnity at The Theatre at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Part of the Radio Theatre Series. Based on the 1944 film noir masterpiece. 7:30 pm. \$20-\$30. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

Thursday - 9/17 - Portrait of Old Floresta at Boca Raton Museum Art School, 801 W Palmetto Park Rd. Plein Air Palm Beach painters paint in the neighborhood around the school. All invited to watch and join in. 9 am-noon. Free. Held again 9/24. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

9/17 - Exhibit Opening Reception: Coronado Art Club paintings & Palm Frond art by Kerry at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Exhibit runs during regular hours: M-Th noon-7 pm; F-Sat.: 10 am-1 pm & 4-6 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/17 - Artists Alley Open Studios in Pineapple Grove Arts District between NE 3rd & 4th Streets, east of 3rd Avenue, west of RR tracks. Free. 6-9 pm. artistsalleydelray.com

9/17 - Wine Down With Art at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Evening of painting and friendship. Bring friends and your own beverage. Canvas, paint and brushes supplied. 6-8

pm. \$20/members, \$25/non-members. Childcare NOT provided. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/17 - Thursday Fun-Raiser for Plumosa School of the Arts at Crane's BeachHouse Hotel & Tiki Bar, 82 Gleason St, Delray Beach. PR and marketing professionals mingle with media and community and/or culture activists. 6-8:30 pm. \$20/advance, \$25/at the door. 278-1700; cranesbeachhouse.com

9/17 - The Great Escape Dinner at Cafe Boulud, 301 Australian Ave, Palm Beach. Four-course pairing dinner with selection of wines from South Africa. 7 pm. \$85 (excluding tax & gratuity), Reservations required: 655-6060; cafeboulud.com/palmbeach

9/17 - Susie Rockett, Oboe & Staci Spring, Bassoon at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Solo and chamber works for double reeds. 7:30 pm. \$20. 237-7000; lynn.edu

Friday - 9/18 - Senior Health Fair at Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. 9 am-noon. Free. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

9/18 - Lecture: Save on Magazine Subscriptions at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11am-noon. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/18 - 2nd Annual Raise Awareness, Raise Your Glass Bartender's Battle at Farmer's Table, 1901 N Military Trail, Boca Raton. Benefits Unicorn Children's Foundation. 6-8 pm. \$25/advance; \$35/at the door. 620-9377; unicornchildrensfoundation.org

9/18 - Evening on the Avenue at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Live music, food vendors, arts and crafts. First & third F 6-10 pm. Free. 588-8344; lakeworth.org

9/18 - Exposure Exhibit Opening Reception at Artisans on the Ave, 630 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Photographic exhibit. Refreshments. 6-9 pm. Free. 762-8162

9/18 - The Naked Truth Exhibit Opening Reception at Clay Glass Metal Stone Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Wine and cheese. 6-10 pm. Exhibit runs through 6/30. Free. 205-9441; flamingoclaystudio.org

9/18 - Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum's Toasts, Tastes & Trolleys at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Tour downtown venues while sampling dinner by the bite and specialty drinks at each location. 6-11 pm. \$125. 395-6766, Ext. 101 or bocahistory.org.

9/18 - West Palm Beach Bus Loop check-in at Off The Hookah (314 N. Clematis St.) or The Wine Scene (501 Fern St., #104). The West Palm Beach Bus Loop connects Clematis Street, CityPlace and Northwood Village. Ride the trolleys and have complimentary drinks from some of the hottest restaurants and bars in the Palm Beach area. Proceeds benefit the Palm Beach County Gator Club Scholarship Fund and the West Palm Beach Downtown Neighborhood Association. Free trolley rides until midnight. 6-11 pm. \$35/at the door; free/designated drivers. 954-574-6000; busloop.org

9/18 - Rodney Carrington at Kravis Center Dryfoos Concert Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-4769; kravis.org

Saturday - 9/19 - The Safe Use of Aerial Drones at Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave, Boynton Beach. Information on aerial photography, how to safely charge and use batteries or fuel, airspace rules and regulations, other safety tips. Ages 14 and up. 10-11 am. \$5. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

9/19 - A Knight in Budapest Concert at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Celebrating the 103rd birthday of Henrietta, Countess de Hoernle. Black tie optional. 6:30 pm VIP reception; 7:30 concert followed by reception. Purchase tickets before 9/14. \$150/VIP; \$50/premier; \$35/general. 2374-9000; lynn.edu.tickets

9/19 - Harmony without Borders at Crest Theatre, 51 N Swinton Ave. Imagina Children's Foundation presents over 60 young musicians from three countries. 7 pm. \$25-\$65. 243-7922; delrayarts.org

9/19 - Funk-Sway in Delray at Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Mini-music fest features DJ Samore and a live band playing R&B, Jazz and Latin. Food from Heart & Soul Kitchen for purchase. Bring lawn chairs and dancing shoes. 7:30-10 pm. \$10. 279-8883; spadmuseum.com

9/19 - Divas on Stage at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Divas through

Beach Cleanup

Boynton Beach Inlet Park – August 15



Twins Mitch and Chris Tobalski of Lantana carry garbage collected during an organized beach cleanup at the Boynton Inlet. The cleanup was hosted through Sea to Shore Alliance and supported by Nomad Surf Shop and Smile-Share the Vibe. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

If you would like to help: The 30th Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup is planned for Sept. 19 at two South County locations: 8-10 a.m. at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S. Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. 243-7277, SandowayHouse@bellsouth.net; and 8-11 a.m. at Spanish River Park, 3001 N. Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. 544-8615, gumbolimbo.org. Both events are free, but reservations are required.

the decades with music from the 40s to the 2000s. Featuring Lupita Hollywood, Melissa St. John, Ricky Rollick and Velvet Lenore. 8 pm. \$15. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

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Sunday - 9/20 - Rawsome Eats: Live Cooking Demonstration and Class at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Instructor: Chef Nina Kauder. 9-11 am. \$30/member; \$50/nonmember. 233-1757; mounts.org

9/20 - Play with the Pros at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Six pros on six courts; all levels. 2-4 pm. \$45/advance; \$50/after 9/14. 368+6848; boynton-beach.org/recreation

9/20 - It Takes Two Variety Duo - Part of the Music Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 3-4 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/20 - Piano Faculty Concert at FAU's University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 3 pm. \$15. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com

9/20 - Music in the Museum: Tim Brumfield at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Improvisations based on the artwork in the museum. 3-4 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

Monday - 9/21 - Story Central: Story Share Lunch Session at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Facilitated by Neil Schulhoff. Bring a bagged lunch. Adults. Noon-1 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/21 - Collecting Today and Florida Souvenirs at Boynton Beach City Library Program Room, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Speaker: Scott Simmons. Hosted by Boynton Beach Historical Society. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 327-4690; boyntonhistory.org

Tuesday - 9/22 - Yom Kippur 9/22 - The Submission by Amy Waldman - Part of the Book Club discussion by the Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10:30am-noon. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Wednesday - 9/23 - Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce Lunch & Learn at 140 NE 1st St. Online lead generation and email marketing presented by Rob Shaner of Adgenics. 11:45 am-1 pm. \$10/members; \$20/nonmembers. 276-0424 x105; delraybeach.com

9/23 - Not Your Grandma's Audubon! at Mounts Botanical Garden Exhibit Hall A, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Speaker: James Currie, Birding Expert & Conservation Advocate. 6-7:30 pm. \$25/

member; \$35/nonmember, 233-1757; mounts.org

9/23 - 3D Printing: Open Design Lab at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Follows the 3D Printing Fundamentals prerequisite class. Participants work on a project of their own design. Studio staff present to provide assistance. Ages 8 to adult. W through 10/14. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

9/23 - Delray Speaks: A Community Conversation at Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 7-8 pm. \$5. 279-8883; spadmuseum.com

Thursday - 9/24 - Coaching the Mature Driver at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. Presented by Safety Council of Palm Beach County. Drivers 55+ may get insurance discount after completion. 9 am-4 pm. \$12. 845-8233; safetycouncilpbc.org

9/24 - Kravis Center Volunteer Orientation at Raymond F. Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Volunteer as usher or tour guide, help with data entry or in the gift shop, education department or administrative offices. 10 am. 651-4294; kravis.org

9/24 - Lecture: Open the Door to 24/7 Library Access at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/24 - From the Depths to the Desktop: The Next Generation of Harbor Branch Ocean Exploration with Dr. James Masterson at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Fall One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door and non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

9/24 - Boca Raton Museum Artists' Guild Gallery Opening and Awards Ceremony at 512 E Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 6-8 pm. Free. 278-7877; bocaguild.com

9/24 - Indulgence at Delray Beach Center for the Arts, 51 N Swinton Ave. Benefits Achievement Centers for Children and Families. Open bar, dinner, valet, complimentary pampering, Elegant Emerald Dance Team performance. 6-9 pm. \$100/VIP; \$75/general admission. 266-0003; achievementcentersfl.org

9/24 - Take Steps for Crohn's & Colitis: West Palm Beach Walk Kickoff at Revolutions, 477 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. 6-8 pm. 218-2929; ccfa.org

Friday - 9/25 - Forces of Nature Night At The Museum at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N,

West Palm Beach. Science crafts, activities, entertainment, exhibits, planetarium shows and a chance to view the night sky. 6-9 pm. \$12/adults, \$10/seniors, \$8/children (3-12), \$6/adult members, free/children members and kids under 3. 832-1988; sfsiencecenter.org

9/25 - 5th Annual Drag Show at FAUs Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$15-\$20/non-FAU students, free/FAU students with valid ID. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

9/25 - Cigar City Beer Dinner & Oktoberfest at Cafe Boulud, 301 Australian Ave, Palm Beach. Beer garden setting with food stations. Check website for time. \$75/single admission; \$65/person w/parties of four or more. Reservations: 655-6060; cafeboulud.com/palmbeach

Saturday - 9/26 - Gigantic Garage Sale: 25th Anniversary at South Florida Fairgrounds Expo Center, 9067 Southern Blvd, West Palm Beach. Portion of proceeds benefits Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. 7 am-1 pm. \$4-\$6; free parking. southfloridafair.com

9/26 - 17th Annual Golf Tournament sponsored by The Kiwanis Club of Hypoluxo-Lantana Sunrise Foundation at Winston Trails Golf Club, 6101 Winston Trails Blvd, Lake Worth. \$100/person (includes greens fees, cart, awards lunch). 585-8664; lynn@lantanaachamber.com

9/26 - 3rd Annual Festi-Fall Arts & Craft Show at Emma Lou Olson Civic Center, 1801 NE 6th St, Pompano Beach. Presented by The Zonta Club of Greater Deerfield Beach. 10 am-3 pm. \$2/admission; free parking. 482-8708

9/26 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Delray Beach & Boynton Beach conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave. Four-hour tour includes bus and walking tour, food sampling, and visits to historical and cultural sites. Narrated by live guide. Year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required: check website for available dates. \$45/adult & senior citizen, Free/children under 18 (max 5 children per family.) 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

9/26 - 10th Annual Mid-Autumn Festival/Moon Festival at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. World-class Chinese art, music performance, workshops, talks, tea and mooncakes. Family fare. Noon-5 pm. Free/Palm Beach County residents; others/download Museum Day Live ticket at smithsonianmag.com/museumday. 832-

5196; norton.org
9/26 - Food Truck Safari at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Explore the zoo, enjoy zookeeper talks, live music, cash bar, and food for purchase. 4:30-9 pm. \$9/member adult (13 yrs+); \$10/nonmember adult; \$6/member child (3-12 yrs); \$7/nonmember child; free/child under 3. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org
9/26 - Florida Wind Symphony: A Sousa Spectacular at FAU's University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$20. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com
9/26-27 - Hispanic Heritage Festival at Palm Beach Atlantic University Persson Hall, 326 Acacia Rd, West Palm Beach. Two concerts in association with the poets of El Alma Hispana. Part of the Claude Rhea Family Concert Series. Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 3 pm. Free. 803-2970; pba.edu

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Sunday - 9/27 - Boca Walk to End Alzheimer's at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 2-mile walk. Registration 7 am; ceremony 8 am; walk 8:30 am. act.alz.org/bocawalk
9/27 - Introduction to Floral Jewelry Making at Mounts Botanical Garden Pavilion, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Instructor: Joseph Ciardullo, Renaissance Gems Design Studio. Basics of lost wax method; every piece cast in sterling silver. 9 am-1 pm. \$95/members; \$105/nonmembers, 233-1757; mounts.org
9/27 - Boca Photo Workshop at Boca Raton Museum of Art School, 801 W Palmetto Park Rd. Workshops and discussions on photography presented by instructors and professional photographers. 11 am-7 pm. Free. Reservations required. 392-2503; artschool@bocamuseum.org
9/27 - The Coral Springs School of Rock at The Funky Biscuit, Royal Palm Place, 303 SE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 1:30 pm. Free. 395-2929; funkybiscuit.com
9/27 - Duelling Divas at FAU's University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 3 pm. \$20. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com
9/27 - Friends of the Uffizi Lectures: Michelangelo and Judaism at Boca Raton Museum of Art Wolgin Gallery, 501 Plaza Real. Presented by Friends of the Uffizi Gallery. Speaker: Emily Fenichel, PhD. 3-4 pm. Free/members; \$12/nonmembers (includes admission). RSVP required: 392-2500; bocamuseum.org
9/27 - Special: Andrew Furman - Part of Friends Speaker Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. FAU Professor and author of *Bitten: My Unexpected Love Affair with Florida*. For adults. 3-4 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org
Monday - 9/28 - Cutover by Jan Zita Grover - Part of the Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:45 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
9/28 - The Aviator's Wife by Melanie Benjamin - Part of the Afternoon Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 1 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
9/28 - Holocaust and Genocide in the Balkans; 1912-1945 - From the Balkan Wars to the End of World War II with Dr. Paul Mojzes at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of four lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. M through 10/19. 1-2:45 pm. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/28 - Race for the White House: A First Look with Dr. Kevin Wagner at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of four lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. M through 10/19. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/28 - And Cinema Created Woman with Shelly Isaacs at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of four lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. M through 10/19. 7-9:30 pm. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
Tuesday - 9/29 - U.S. National Security, Islamism and Globalized Conflicts with Dr. Robert G. Rabil at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. T through 11/17. 10-11:45 am. \$74/advance member; \$110/at

the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/29 - Presidential Perks with Myrna Goldberger at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of four lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. T through 10/20. 1-2:45 pm. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/29 - The Wretched Refuse: America's Immigrant Experience in Print & Film with Ronelle Delmont at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of four lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. T through 10/20. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/29 - Adult Acting Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Introduces students to acting for the stage through scene study and monologue preparation. Designed for beginning/amateur adult actor. Ages 18 & up. T or Th through 12/3. 5-6 pm. \$150/session. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org
Wednesday - 9/30 - Objection! Current, Contentious and Confusing Legal Battles with Irving Labovitz, J.D. at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. W through 12/2. 9-10:45 am. \$74/advance member; \$110/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/30 - Movies as Visual Texts: How Films Inform Us about People, Culture and History with Dr. Burton Atkins at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. W through 12/2. 11:30 am-1:15 pm. \$74/advance member; \$110/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/30 - Art on the Edge: 20th Century Artist as Individual Pioneer with Dr. Terryl Lawrence at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. Every W 2-3:45 pm through 12/2. \$74/advance member; \$110/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/30 - Nine & Wine Kickoff Party for the Conservation Cup presented by South Florida Science Center and Aquarium at Palm Beach Par 3, 2345 S Ocean Blvd, Palm Beach. All-inclusive nine-hole, five-team scramble. Beer, wine, hors d'oeuvres, prizes. 4-8:15 pm. \$60. 370-7738; mhoffman@sfscenter.org
9/30 - Music Americana: The Art of Popular Music with Rod MacDonald at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. W through 12/2. 4:15-6 pm. \$74/advance member; \$110/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/30 - From the PreModern to the Postmodern: The History of Philosophy from Plato to Derrida with Dr. Simon Glynn at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. W through 12/2. 7-8:45 pm. \$74/advance member; \$110/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
9/30 - Bar Brawls at Max's Social House, 116 NE 6th Ave, Delray Beach. Bracket-style competition benefits Richard David Kaan Melanoma Foundation. Full table and bar service available for purchase. Every W 9:30 pm through 12/16. \$10 admission. 501-4332.
9/30/10/1 - Cafe de Cave at Lynn University Schmidt Family Studio, Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Students from Lynn's drama program and Conservatory of Music join faculty and staff to perform a program of songs and instrumental selections in an intimate cafe setting. Seating is limited. W&Th 7:30 pm; W 12:30 pm. \$10. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
Thursday - 10/1 - 42nd Annual Women of Distinction Award Breakfast hosted by Soroptimist International of Boca Raton and Deerfield Beach at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Dr. Annual fundraising event will be honors

women of our community who make a difference in the lives of others. 8-10:30 am. \$60/guest. RSVP required. 859-1883; soroptimist4women.org
10/1 - First Thursday Site Tours at Delray Beach Center for the Arts, 51 N Swinton Ave. Historic school site tour includes Cornell Museum of Art, Crest Theatre, vintage gym. 10 am & 1 pm. \$5/at door. 243-7922; delrayarts.org
10/1 - Paris: Uncovered! with Valerie Sutter at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of four lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. Th through 10/22. 10-11:45 am. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
10/1 - Sumi-e Ink Painting at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Floral 10:30 am-12:00 pm or landscape 1:30-3:30 pm. Th through 10/22. Advance registration required. \$55/member; \$60/nonmember. 495-0233; morikami.org
10/1 - Lunch with Liz at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Media personality & columnist Liz Sterling. 11:30 am. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
10/1 - Intelligent People Behaving Foolishly: The Psychopathology of Every Day Life with Dr. Bert Diamant at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Fall One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door and non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
10/1 - From Courtroom to Celluloid: Famous Trials Made into Films with Dr. Kurt F. Stone at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. Th through 11/19. 7-9 pm. \$74/advance member; \$110/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
Friday - 10/2 - Prime Professionals Group Round Table Breakfast at Regents Park Boca Raton, 6363 Verde Tr. Follows Smart Talk for Women and International Business Alliance formats. Seating limited to first 25 to register. Adults 40+. First F 8:30-10 am. \$25. 395-4433; bocachamber.org
10/2 - Real Psychology: Who Are You and What Can You Become? with Laurence Miller at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of four lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. F through 10/23. 10-11:45 am. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
10/2 - Canasta Class at James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basic techniques: how to count points, keep score, and play of the hand. Couples and singles welcome. Each player required to purchase four decks of cards, two red, two blue, and a canasta tray and bring to the first class. Every F through 10/23. 10 am-noon. \$50/resident; \$63/non-resident. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
10/2 - 2015 Porges Cup Golf Tournament presented by Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce at Quail Ridge Country Club, 3715 Golf Rd, Boynton Beach. Registration & lunch 11:30 am; Shotgun start 12:45 pm; Reception & BBQ 5 pm; Awards ceremony 6 pm. \$150/single; \$550/foursome. 732-9501; chamber@boyntonbeach.org
10/2 - The Joy of Opera: An Introduction to Bel Canto with Giuseppe Albanese at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. First of eight lectures; part of the Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. F through 11/20. 1-2:45 pm. \$74/advance member; \$110/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis
10/2 - First Friday Art Walk at Cornell Museum, 51 N Swinton Ave. Experience current exhibits, enjoy wine and cheese, then make your way to other participating galleries on Atlantic Avenue, in Pineapple Grove and Artists Alley. 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7922; delrayarts.org
10/2 - Free Friday Concert: The Otis Cadillac Band - Part of Free Friday Concerts series at Old School Square pavilion, 51 N Swinton Ave. Gourmet food trucks, cash bar. Bring lawn chairs and blankets; rental chairs available. No pets or outside food/beverages. Weather permitting. 7:30-10:30 pm. Free admission/

donations appreciated. 243-9722; delraycenterforthearts.org
10/2 - An Evening in the Dark: A Ghostly Affair Walking Tour at South Florida Fairgrounds Yesteryear Village, 9067 Southern Blvd, West Palm Beach. All ages. First F 7:45 pm through Dec. \$18. Reservations required. 790-5232; southfloridafair.com/p/yesteryearvillage/256
10/2-4 - Palm Beach Home Show at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. F noon-7 pm; Sat 11 am-7 pm; Sun 11 am-5 pm. Free. 366-3000; palmbeachhomeshow.com
10/2-4 - The Pillars of Society by Henrik Ibsen at Florida Atlantic University Studio One Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Held again 10/9-11. F&Sat 7 pm; Sun & 10/10-11: 2 pm. \$20/single ticket, \$15/FAU Faculty, Staff & Alumni, \$12/all FAU students. Reserve seats : 800-745-3000; fauevents.com
10/2 - Beginner Acoustic Guitar For Adults at James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Students required to bring acoustic guitar. Every F through 11/20 (no class 11/6). 7:30-9 pm. \$80/residents; \$100/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
Saturday - 10/3 - Palm Beach Atlantic University 28th Annual Alumni Golf Tournament at PGA National Resort & Spa, 400 Avenue of Champions, Palm Beach Gardens. Benefits Alumni Association scholarship fund. 7 am. \$275 (includes cart, greens fees, breakfast, lunch, golf shirt). 803-2972; pba.edu
10/3 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Sat 10 am. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org
10/3 - Inventors Society of South Florida at Ligi Tool & Engineering, 2220 SW 15th St, Deerfield Beach. First Sat 1 pm. First meeting free. 213-6581; 954-486-2426; inventorsociety.net
10/3 - Kitsuke Workshop: The Art of Kimono Dressing at Morikami Museum

and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Wear lightweight clothes (leggings or shorts with tank top or T-shirt). Bring yukata, yukata obi (sash), and two koshihimo (at least 2.5 yards x 1 inch of fabric sash). Vintage yukata and obi available for purchase (cash only); prices start at \$15. 1-3 pm. \$35. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org
10/3 - Pickleball at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults. M-F 9-11:30 am, F 6-8:30 pm, Sat. 1-4 pm. Monthly pass: \$15/residents, \$20/nonresidents; three-month pass: \$40/residents, \$50/nonresidents; 6-month pass: \$60/residents, \$70/nonresidents. 499-2020; mydelraybeach.com
10/3 - Delray Beach Bus Loop - Check website for check-in location, Delray Beach. Venues to be announced. Free drink at each venue. Proceeds benefit Delray Center for the Arts. Bus Loop card valid from 6-11 pm. \$20/advance, \$30/at the door (free admission for designated drivers). 954-574-6000; busloop.org
10/3 - FAU Wind Ensemble Concert at FAU University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Music of yesterday, today and tomorrow. 7 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com
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10/3-4 - 21st Annual Downtown Delray Beach Craft Festival at 4th and Atlantic avenues. Over 100 craft booths. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 746-6615; artfestival.com
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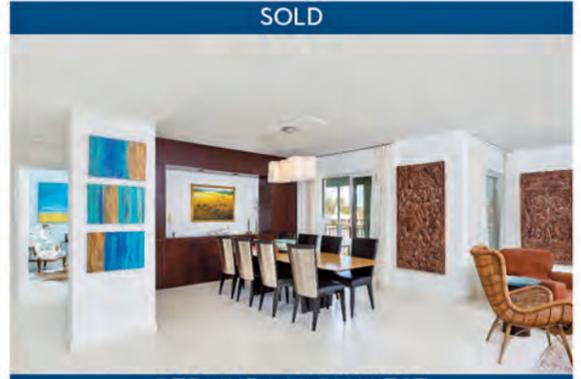
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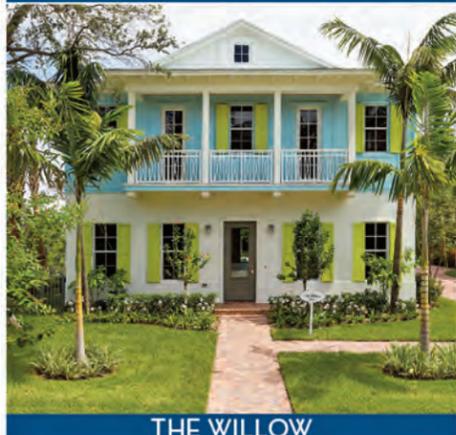


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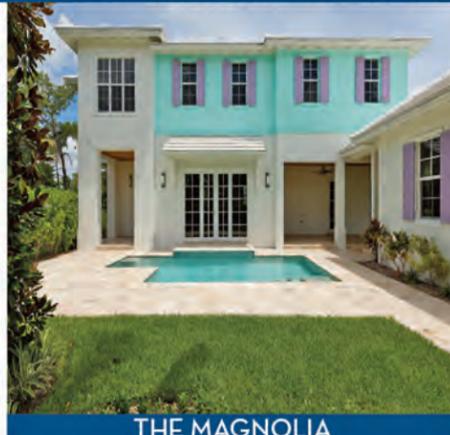
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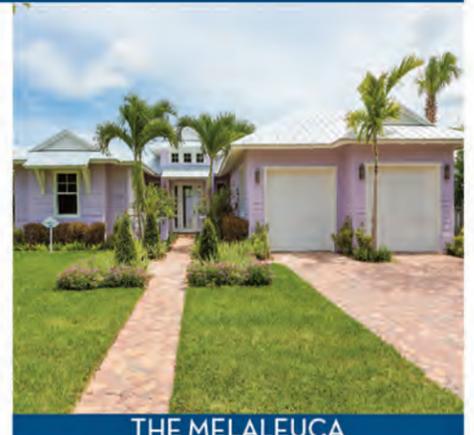
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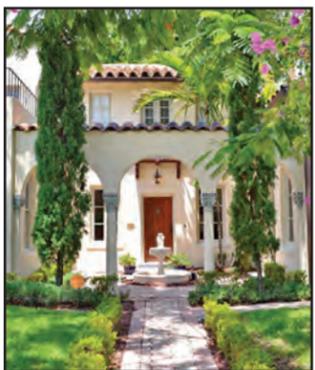
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Health & Harmony

Smooth as silk

Aerial art is a hybrid of dance, sport

By Lona O'Connor

Two young British ice skaters are practicing on aerial silks under Lucy Nguyen's supervision.

Mia Drury, 13, who already spent six months at circus school in Sarasota, is completely at ease.

Her friend Morgan Swales, 16, takes a little while to get the hang of hanging upside down, supported by little else than the end of a long strip of aerial silk fabric wrapped strategically around her foot and leg. But she is soon gliding, too, arms outstretched like a ballerina.

The bright red and yellow silks are used by people practicing aerial dance, a hybrid form of gymnastics and dance, made world-famous by Cirque du Soleil.

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Amanda Pamas, 23, of Delray Beach hangs from silks during a class held by Lucy Nguyen at Sunshine Circus Arts in Delray Beach. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



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Like many of you, I pray that they enjoy long, full lives and when the time is right, I will be able to say goodbye and give them a loving send-off. But often when a pet becomes gravely ill, we feel powerless. We struggle with whether or not to extend expensive medical care or to have the pet euthanized in a veterinary clinic. No matter what decision we make, we find ourselves second-guessing ourselves whether we made the right call at the right time for our four-legged companion.

Fortunately, there is a new ally to help us and our dying pets — pet hospice care. This veterinary medical specialty focuses on two missions: to provide comforting veterinary care for terminally ill or geriatric pets, and to address the emotional needs of pet parents and counsel them on what to expect.

A pair of veterinarians, Dr. Mary Gardner and Dr. Dani McVety, co-founded Lap of Love in 2010. This Florida-based company has grown to provide pet hospice care now in nearly two dozen states.

“The most important message I can tell people who have pets who are old or struggling with a medical condition is to not give up,” says Gardner. “All too often, I see pets for a euthanasia who would have greatly benefited from hospice care. There are many medications we can provide to our pets that can make their final months more



Dr. Mary Gardner, co-founder of Lap of Love, checks the heartbeat of a client's cat. Photo courtesy Lap of Love

enjoyable, most of which are not expensive.”

She adds, “Veterinary hospice provides pets comfort, pain relief, anxiety relief and the love they need during the final stage of their life. Hospice provides owners the tools to manage their pets not only medically and physically, but also emotionally. Most importantly, we help owners plan for the goodbye.”

Melissa Crowe of Boca Raton fell instantly in love the day she adopted an 8-week-old Lhasa Apso pup, Gizmo. When Gizmo was about 9, Crowe was bedridden with two broken legs from a motorcycle accident.

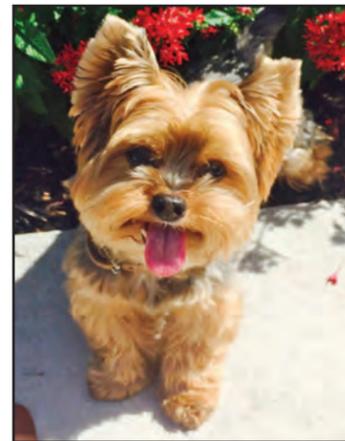
“Gizmo never left my side and when I was in a wheelchair, he rode in my lap,” she recalls. “That dog knew I was in pain

and he was my angel. He knew his job was to be by side.”

Gizmo is now 14 and coping with arthritis and a very limited use of one eye (the other was surgically removed due to a detached retina condition). Crowe knows Gizmo is nearing the end of his life and heard about Lap of Love from a friend who used the pet hospice care services for her 19-year-old cat.

“Pet hospice care, to me, is a better option than just euthanizing in a veterinary clinic,” says Crowe. “This is huge for people who care about their pets. My grandma lived to be 102 and had hospice care. To me, I regard people in the hospice field as angels. They make something so difficult so much better.”

Danielle Angel agrees. This



Gizmo (left) is a 14-year-old Lhasa Apso suffering from arthritis who has only limited use of his remaining eye. Cabo (right) was euthanized in the presence of many friends. Photos courtesy Melissa Crowe and Danielle Angel

Boca Raton resident credits the Lap of Love hospice care for helping her through the recent passing of her Yorkshire terrier named Cabo.

“I went to adopt a Yorkie puppy from a breeder and before I entered her house, I heard cries and found Cabo in her trash can,” recalls Angel. “I confronted the breeder and she told me that that’s what you do with sick puppies. I rescued Cabo and took him immediately to a veterinary clinic. From day 1, we have had an amazing bond.”

According to Angel, Cabo was born with an intestinal malabsorption disorder and saw many specialists during his 11½ years. As his health faded, Angel took her brother’s advice and sought pet hospice care.

“I did not want Cabo to suffer and I wanted to be able to say goodbye to him in my own home where he felt safe,” she says.

Dr. Laura Allison of Lap of Love paid many visits to Cabo and Angel and performed the at-home euthanasia on Cabo, who was surrounded by friends.

“Dr. Laura was so loving and caring and we were able to have enough time for everyone

to pay their respects to Cabo,” says Angel. “I know I saved him from that trash can years ago, but he also saved me and blessed my life with so much love. The care, attention and thoughtfulness I received from Lap of Love and Dr. Laura is immeasurable.”

And so is the power of love unleashed by our pets.

The fee varies, depending on the type of service: in-home hospice, in-home euthanasia or phone consults. It can be \$200 for an in-person consultation /veterinary visit. Call to find what the fees will be for your specific requests/services.

To learn more about Lap of Love’s services, visit www.lapoflove.com.



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

professional speaker and master certified pet first aid instructor. Each week, she hosts the popular *Oh Behave!* show on www.PetLifeRadio.com. Learn more by visiting www.fourleggedlife.com.

Pets Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/28. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 6-12

Wednesday - 9/9 - Dog Obedience Classes at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy., Boca Raton. Every W through 10/14. Must show proof of vaccinations. Two sessions: puppy kindergarten (dogs 10 wks-5 mos

old) 6:30-7:30 pm; beginner dog class 7:30-8:30 pm. \$90/residents, \$112.50/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

Thursday - 9/10 - Canine Obedience Training at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Two groups (puppies and adult dogs), all breeds. Training by certified canine behavior consultant Gail Weinraub. Proof of current vaccinations required; early

registration recommended. Th through 10/15. 6-7 pm puppies; 7:15-8:15p 5 mos & older. \$120/residents; \$130 nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

Saturday - 9/12 - Countdown 2 Zero at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Presented by The Lois Pope LIFE Foundation, Inc; organized by Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League and Palm Beach County Animal Care and

Control. Special Discounts and adoption incentives, special gifts. 10 am-6 pm. Free admission and parking. 472-8873; info@countdown2zero.org

SEPT. 27-OCT.3

9/28 - Dog Obedience Classes at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd, Boca Raton. M through 11/9 (no class 10/12). Beginner: 6-7 pm; Intermediate/Games: 7-8 pm. \$90/residents, \$112.50/

non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

Saturday - 10/3 - Annual Blessing of the Animals at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 10 am. Free. 278-6003; stpaulsdelray.org
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Sierra Lewis, 17, taking a summer break from Idaho, hangs from silks during a class given by Lucy Nguyen at Sunshine Circus Arts in Delray Beach. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

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The silks are affixed to the very high ceiling of the Delray Beach warehouse located just west of I-95 where Nguyen, who says she is over 40, runs Sunshine Circus Arts. The girls shimmy up the silks, high over the thick mat that covers the floor. They seem to float upside down or sideways, adding yoga-like twists and splits that are as beautiful to look at as they are difficult to achieve.

Making aerial dance look effortless takes months of developing strength and flexibility. (Aerial dance is different from aerial yoga, which also uses silks to assist with poses.)

Karen Drury explains that working on aerial silks adds upper-body and core strength, making it excellent cross-training for her daughter, who, with her brother Henry, is already a British champion pairs skater.

It's not necessary to be an elite athlete to benefit from aerial dance. Some people who practice aerial dance, like Carol Datura Riot, 33, have no aspirations to join Cirque du Soleil — and a distaste for heights.

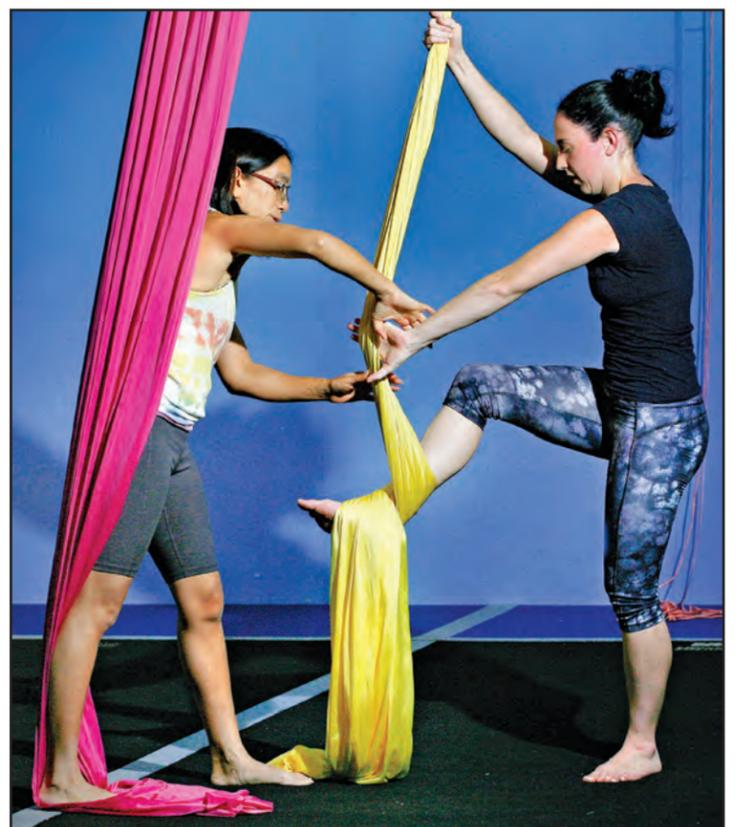
"I did gymnastics in high school, and I have been wanting to do silks," said Riot, of Boynton Beach, who makes costumes and accessories for devotees of superheroes, gothic and anime characters. "It works on every part of your body."

She arranges herself in a full split as handily as the two teens did. After she finishes her silks routine, she discreetly takes several very deep breaths. She is philosophical about working alongside young elite-level athletes.

"You know they're going to outperform you on every level," she says, climbing the silks again.

As for heights, she just doesn't look down. Some take aerial dance to the heights of performance, twirling off bridges and sheer mountain faces.

There is even a job market



Nguyen prepares student Carol Kane, of Boynton Beach, to soar on yellow silk.

for those who are adept at aerial dance, especially if they have gymnastics or other athletic backgrounds.

At Florida State University, Nguyen performed as many as eight shows a week with the FSU circus troupe. She also has worked at the South Florida Fair and has been part of the background entertainment at parties and fundraisers.

"You're being pretty for an hour, you're part of the ambiance," said Nguyen. "There are even people who do aerial bartending, upside down, pouring drinks."

For those not too faint of heart for aerial dance, the physical benefits are many.

"You use your legs, you keep your body strong and tight," said Nguyen, who studied circus arts at FSU and teaches adults, children and families. "It's fun, so you don't realize you're building your strength up. I lift myself, climb, do flips and twists. It's not as mindless as other types of exercise. But it definitely takes a lot of energy. You have to be able to think and do and still breathe."

"You can come in cold, depending on how strong you are and how active you've been," said Nguyen. "I have

some ladies in their 40s and 50s who do it. It can be frustrating and hard. Like anything new, it depends on how you stick to it."

The key is the development of upper-body strength.

"I suggest that people who have never hung by their hands or their legs should start by doing pull-ups at the local park," said Nguyen.

She starts out new students with the silks arranged like a hammock.

"You stand in it, you lean back in it, you feel your body weight in the hammock and get used to the hand grip," said Nguyen. "Then we work on one-leg lifts, straddle, basic rollup, different positions, to feel how challenging it is." ★

For a class schedule, visit www.sunshinecircusarts.com.

Members of Sunshine Circus Arts will perform during the *Carousel Carnival at Pompano Citi Centre, southwest corner of Copans Road at U.S. 1. The carnival runs 6-9 p.m. Sept. 18. For information, call (954) 943-4683.*

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SEPTEMBER 5

Saturday - 9/5 - Saturdays @ Sanborn: Yoga Class at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Registration 8:45 am; class 9 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org
9/5 - Qi Gong at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Ancient Chinese system of exercise and meditation. Improve flexibility, balance, muscle tone, energy and mental well-being. Adults. Every Sat 9 am. Free introductory class. \$40/month. Reservations: 419-5403; facebook.com/WestBocaTaiChi
9/5 - Yoga Class at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton. T/Th/Sat 9:30-11 am; T 6:30-8 pm. 5 classes: \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents; 10 classes: \$110/residents, \$137.50/non-residents; 20 classes: \$200/residents, \$250/non-residents. 477-8727; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
9/5 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park West (Intracoastal side), 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/ get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Classes held on the grass overlooking the Intracoastal. No cash accepted on-site. Every Sat 10-11 am. \$10/class, or 60-day membership (unlimited classes) \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
9/5 - Judo Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Warm-up exercises, instruction, practice and tournament training. W 6:30-8 pm (mixed ages & ranks), 8-9 pm (advanced); Sat 10 am-noon (all groups). Per month: \$21.50/resident, \$27/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
9/5 - GriefShare Support Group at St Vincent Ferrer, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Based on biblical, Christ-centered teaching. Join any time throughout the 13-week session. Every Sat 10 am-noon through 11/7. \$25 cost of materials (scholarships available). 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com
9/5 - Capoeira Fitness at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Ages 12 and up. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org
9/5 - Zumba Class at South Beach Park Pavilion, 400 N State Rd A1A, Boca Raton. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

SEPTEMBER 6-12

Sunday - 9/6 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park East, 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. No cash accepted on-site. Sun/M/W 6:30-7:30 pm. \$10/class, or 60-day membership (unlimited classes) \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
Monday - 9/7 - Circuit Training at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Targets multiple muscle groups to build lean muscles, improve energy and fitness. Modifications available. M/T/Th 8:30-9:20 am. 4 classes: \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents; 8 classes: \$66/residents, \$82.50/non-residents; 16 classes: \$118/residents, \$147.50/non-residents. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com
9/7 - Get Fit Mom's Boot Camp at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Circuit-based workout incorporates cardio exercises, strength training, running drills, agility drills. Modifications available. Doctors' written release required if baby is less than 8 weeks old. First class free. M/T/Th 9:30-10:20 am. 4 classes: \$36/residents, \$45/non-residents; 8 classes: \$66/residents, \$82.50/non-residents; 16 classes: \$118/residents, \$147.50/non-residents. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com
9/7 - Stretch at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. Sign up in advance. Every M&W 10-11 am. \$5/members; \$10/non-members. 243-7360; delraytennis.com
9/7 - Tai Chi for Beginners at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St, Delray Beach. Natural ways to relieve tension, stress, pains. Certified instruction. All ages. Every M 10-11 am. Per class: \$15/residents; \$20/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
9/7 - Chair Massage at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every M 10 am-noon. \$10/10-minute session. Appointments recommended. 278-5455;

highlandbeachlibrary.org
9/7 - Chi Kung & Meditation at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every M 11 am-noon. Per class: \$15/residents, \$16/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
9/7 - Parkinson's Exercise Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Exercises to improve balance, flexibility, muscle strength. M 11:30 am-12:30 pm; W 2-3 pm. First class free. 8 classes: \$32/residents, \$40/non-residents. 16 classes: \$60/residents, \$75/non-residents. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org
9/7 - Silver Sneakers Zumba Sr. Gold Class at Personal Physician Care Community Center, 4800 Linton Blvd Suite F-111, Delray Beach. M&Th 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$5/class; free for members with participating health plans. 808-7743; ppcare.net
9/7 - Joint Journey at Bethesda Heart Hospital Sand Dollar Room, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Learn what to expect before, during, after surgery for total joint replacement. First and third M 2-3 pm. Free. Registration: 737-7733, x84681; bethesdaweb.com
9/7 - Meditation Mondays at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Meditate to enhance overall health, well-being. Every M 5-5:50 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org
9/7 - Zumba Class at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. M&W 6-7 pm. \$5/residents, \$6/nonresidents or \$50/six week session (12 classes). 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com
9/7 - Men's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every M 6:30-8 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/7 - Boca Raton Multiple Myeloma Support Group at James A. Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd. Meet with fellow myeloma patients, their family members and friends. Learn new aspects of treatment and management of myeloma. First M 6:30-8 pm. Free. 901-5938 or 637-4682; myeloma.org
9/7 - Tuck Jazzie Jam Aerobics at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Bring towel and workout mat. M&W 7-8 pm. \$3/at door. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org
Tuesday - 9/8 - Yoga Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Slow, intuitive vinyasa flow class. T&Th 9-10:15 am. \$15/class or \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org
9/8 - Women's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every T 10-11:30 am or 7-8:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/8 - Silver Sneakers Cardio Strength Sr. Gold Class at Personal Physician Care Community Center, 4800 Linton Blvd #F-111, Delray Beach. T&Th 10-11 am. \$5/class; free for members with participating health plans. 808-7743; ppcare.net
9/8 - Yoga at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Bring a yoga mat. T&Th 10:15 am. \$10/session. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org
9/8 - Big & Loud: Parkinson's Disease Exercise Program at Bethesda Heart Hospital 3rd Floor Conference Room, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Held again 9/22. 10:30-11:30 am. Free. 292-4950 or email RLatino@BHInc.org
9/8 - Ageless Grace at Boca Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Exercises for the brain, joint mobility, spinal flexibility, balance done with music, in a chair and bare foot. All fitness level welcome. Every T&Th 11 am-noon through 10/13. Resident \$60 1x/week; \$120 2x/week; nonresident \$75 1x/week; \$150 2x/week. 393-7807; boca-raton.fl.us
9/8 - Zumba Gold Fitness at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Ages 50 and up. T 3-4 pm, Th&F 9:30-10:30 am. 3-4 pm. Per class: \$5/residents, \$6/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
Wednesday - 9/9 - Yoga at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St, Delray Beach. Ages 18 and up. Every W 9-10:30 am. Per class: \$10/residents; \$15/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
9/9 - Al Anon Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 10:30-11:30 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/9 - "The Sandwich Generation" at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. 11 am-noon. Free. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/9 - Belly Dancing at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Low-impact dance class. Ages 14 and up. Every W 1-2 pm. \$10/residents, \$12/non residents per class. 243-7352; mydelraybeach.com
9/9 - Moving Forward for Widows & Widowers: Support and Discussion Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W 1-2:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/9 - Divorced and Separated Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W 6-7:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/9 - Tai Chi Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Moving meditation for focus, concentration, release of stress, attention skills. Every W 6:10-7:10 pm (beginners), 7:10-8:10 pm (intermediate). 8 classes: \$48/residents, \$60/non-residents; 12 classes: \$66/residents, \$82/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
Thursday - 9/10 - Line Dancing at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All ages and levels welcome. Every Th 11 am-noon. \$5/at door. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org
9/10 - Emotional Support Group for Spanish-speaking adults at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every Th 3-4:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5000; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/10 - Yoga Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. M/W/F 9:30-11 am; Th 6:30-8 pm. 5 classes: \$65/residents, \$81.25/non-residents; 10 classes: \$110/residents, \$137.50/non-residents; 20 classes: \$200/residents, \$250/non-residents. 477-8727; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
Friday - 9/11 - Adult Ballroom Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150

Crawford Blvd. Instructor: Lee Fox. Singles and couples welcome. F through 10/23 (no class 10/16). Beginner (Bolero) 6:30-7:30 pm; Intermediate (Swing) 7:45-8:45 pm. Six-week session: \$60/residents, \$75/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
Saturday - 9/12 - Boot Camp For New Dads Class at Bethesda Memorial Hospital Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Join veteran dads (with their babies) in a men-only environment; no question is stupid, no topic off limits. 9 am-noon. \$20/includes class, refreshments and a copy of *Hit the Ground Crawling* by Greg Bishop. 369-2229; publicrelations@BHInc.org
9/12 - Mind, Body & Nutrition at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Concepts of fitness and nutrition with Certified Personal Trainer Diane Bijolle. Every Sat 10-11 am through 10/3. \$86/residents; \$106/nonresidents. 742-6221; Boynton-beach.org

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Wednesday - 9/16 - Family and Friends at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. Learn basics of infant, child and adult CPR, relief of choking, and child and infant one-person CPR. Includes course book and completion certification. Held again 9/26 (9-11 am) & 10/7 (6-8 pm) & 8/29 (9-11 am). 6-8 pm. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brh.com
9/16 - Belly Dance Class at the James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. All ages/abilities welcome. Every W through 10/7. 6:30-7:30 pm. \$65/residents, \$81/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
9/16 - Journey to Fitness first class at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Exercise for 6 weeks at rotating parks led by Certified Personal Trainer Diane Bijolle. W 6:30-7:30 pm or Sat 8:30-9:30 am. Held again 10/28-12/12. \$85/residents; \$106/

nonresidents. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org
Saturday - 9/19 - 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. 11 am-noon. \$50/couple. Payment must be made before class date. 369-2229; publicrelations@BHInc.org
9/19 - Race to the Finish: Childbirth Education Prenatal Class at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Licensed nurse provides an overview of natural labor and delivery process, medical interventions, postpartum and infant discharge care. 1-5 pm. \$50/couple. Payment due before class date. Early registration recommended. 369-2229; publicrelations@bhinc.org

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Thursday - 10/1 - Surgical Weight Reduction Symposium presented by Dr. Miguel A. Lopez-Viego at Bethesda Heart Hospital Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Learn how laparoscopic gastric bypass and lap-band surgery can change lives. First Th 6:30 pm. Free. 737-7733 x84688; publicrelations@BHInc.org
Friday - 10/2 - Coping with Self-Injury at Mental Health Association of Palm Beach County, 2100 45th St, West Palm Beach. For mental health providers and parents. 9-11 am. 832-3755; mhapbc.org
Saturday - 10/3 - Family Yoga at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Breathing exercises, relaxation techniques, yoga, poses for concentration, balance, and flexibility, meditation, lessons in self-acceptance, positive thinking. Open to extended family and caregivers. Every Sat 11 am-noon through 10/24. Fee for 2 people; \$60/resident; \$75/nonresident. \$5/additional person. 393-7807; boca-raton.ci.us



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Finding Faith

Haiti Project participants join in dedicating church they helped build

The South Florida Haiti Project, a nonprofit outreach ministry based in South Florida, joined in the dedication of a newly built Episcopal church in Bondeau, Haiti, on July 12. The new Bon Samaritan Episcopal Church is now the largest Episcopal church in Haiti.

The Rev. Andrew Sherman, president of South Florida Haiti Project and rector of St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Boca Raton, said the need for a church was clear. Services had been held in a classroom large enough for about 75 people. The problem? More than 350 people wanted to attend. Many would stand or sit outside.

At the dedication, the children of Bondeau played music on refurbished instruments they received from SFHP through a United Thanks Offering Grant. The grant money purchased 55 instruments and will pay the salary of a music teacher at the church school for one year.

SFHP was formed in 2010 to advance St. Gregory's work in Haiti. Its partners include



The new Bon Samaritan Episcopal Church in Bondeau, Haiti, is finally large enough for the town. Photo provided

St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Delray Beach, the Chapel of St. Andrew in Boca Raton, St. Andrew's Schools in Boca Raton, the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd in Tequesta, the Episcopal Church of the Advent in Palm City, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Palmetto Bay and many others. For more information, call 212-8104 or 445-5440.

Avenue Church anniversary

The Avenue Church, which meets at 10 a.m. Sundays at the Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW First Ave., Delray Beach, will celebrate its fifth anniversary on Sept. 27 with a special sermon of gratitude followed by a good old-fashioned potluck feast.



Cleveland

Pastor Casey Cleveland said when the church started, it had a core of about nine people. That jumped quickly to 25 within a few weeks, and now the church has more than 115 core members and lots of other congregants who haven't made a commitment yet.

"Our church has a real family feel," Cleveland said by phone. "We're a neighborhood church and we're proud to be

part of Delray Beach. The city has been very welcoming to us."

The church has a varied demographic, Cleveland said. "You can find a CEO, a doctor, a homeless person and teenager sitting together. We meet in a gymnasium and I think that helps people get in the right frame of mind." Cleveland says. People dress casually, in jeans or shorts. "We're an unpolished church for unpolished people," Cleveland said.

The anniversary service and potluck begins at 10 a.m. Sept. 27, at Delray Beach Community Center. If your last name begins with A-H, bring a dessert. I-P bring drinks. Q-Z bring a side dish. The main dish is provided.

For more information, call 927-4000 or email info@theavechurch.com.

Rector search continues

St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Delray Beach continues its search for a rector.

The website offered an update: "Although many members of the rector search committee are out of town for the season and others are frequently traveling, the committee has continued to move forward without delay."

It had been conducting interviews via Skype, but Bishop Coadjutor Peter Eaton cautioned the committee not to "settle for a good enough candidate. St. Paul's is in the enviable position of being able to carry on as long as necessary to find a great rector."

The Rev. David Knight has been serving as the interim

rector since Sept. 1, 2013, and he'll continue to serve until a permanent rector is found.

Michael Armstrong and Kristen Murtaugh, who spoke for the rector search committee, also said, "Please be assured that although we are in the 'quiet phase' of the search process, the search is very active and is proceeding well."

Have questions? Email: rectorsearchstpauls@gmail.com.

Interfaith Café: Atonement

The Interfaith Café will meet from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 17 at the South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach. The Interfaith Cafe promotes interfaith dialogue, awareness, and understanding by uniting people of different faiths in conversation. September's topic is Atonement in Our Faith Traditions.

Coffee, tea and light desserts are served. A donation of \$5 is requested to defray expenses. For information, call Pablo at 901-3467.

Welcome, Kelly Williams

Kelly Williams joined First United Methodist Church of Boca Raton in June as the new associate director of music. Williams' responsibilities will be directing the music ministry on the west campus and working with the pastor in worship planning, directing the choir and playing the organ and piano for the services.

Williams plans to start a children's choir in September with children from both campuses. First United Methodist Church of Boca Raton has campuses at 625 NE Mizner Blvd., and 9087 Glades Road. For information, call 395-1244; www.fumcbocaraton.org

New synagogue

Congregation Beit Kulam will be holding High Holy Days services at The Wick Theatre, 7901 N. Federal Highway in Boca Raton.

Rabbi Joan Cubell, formerly at Temple Beth Shira, will lead. She's the first female to be ordained as Rabbi with

s'micha (rabbinical ordination) from Tifereth Israel Rabbinical Yeshiva in its 60-year history. She is also the first woman to be accepted as a member of the American Council of Rabbis.

As she looked for a venue, Cubell knew she didn't want a high school.

"I didn't want the venue to be too big," she said. "Or too impersonal." Beit Kulam means The House of Everyone and the rabbi wants people to feel comfortable. The Wick Theatre proved a great compromise. "It's gorgeous and intimate. And I believe in supporting local businesses."

Community support and outreach are part of the congregation's core message. "There are a lot of unaffiliated Jewish families in our area and I want to reach out to them."

At the services, you can expect a lot of music. Cubell's team, Cantor Geniene Miller and music and choir director Cantor Jennifer Werby, holds services that "are very participatory, very warm, highly spiritual and very welcoming. Everyone feels like they are part of the family."

Rosh Hashanah services will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 13, and 10 a.m. Sept. 14. Yom Kippur services will be held at 7 p.m. Sept. 22 (Kol Nidre) and 10 a.m. Sept. 23 (with Yizkor).

A Break the Fast meal will be served at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 23. Free children's Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services are also offered.

Tickets are \$125 for members, \$140 for nonmembers, and \$50 for students and children.

Break the Fast meal tickets are \$40-\$50. For tickets and information, call 995-2333.

Janis Fontaine writes about people of faith, their congregations, causes and community events. Contact her at janisfontaine@outlook.com.



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Religion Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/28. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 5

Saturday - 9/5 - Havdalah, Selichot at Temple Sinai, 3475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Service and social hour. 7:30 pm. Call to purchase High Holy Day tickets. 276-6161; templesinaipbc.net

SEPTEMBER 6-12

Sunday - 9/6 - Teen Life at St Vincent Ferrer, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Comprehensive youth ministry program; dinner included. Every Sun 6:45-8:30 pm. Free. 276-6892 x330; stvincentferrer.com

Tuesday - 9/8 - Lectio Divina (Divine Prayer) at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Traditional Benedictine practice of scriptural reading, meditation and prayer. Every T 9-10 am. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

Wednesday - 9/9 - Rector's Bible Study at St Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Every W 6 pm supper (soup and

salad, donation requested); 7 pm Bible study (free). 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

Thursday - 9/10 - Prayer Circle at Trinity Lutheran Church Courtyard, 400 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every Th 8:05 am. 178-1737; trinitydelray.org

Friday - 9/11 - Women's Bible Study Group at St Gregory's Episcopal Church Youth House, 266 NE 2nd St, Boca Raton. Every F 9:15 am. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

SEPTEMBER 13-19

Sunday - 9/13 - Erev Rosh Hashanah Dinner at Temple Sinai, 3475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Sit-down dinner of brisket and chicken plus all that goes with it. 7:30 pm. RSVP by 9/7. \$45/members; \$50/nonmembers; \$27/children ages 5-12. 276-6161 x128; templesinaipbc.net

9/13 - Rosh Hashanah Services for Congregation Beit Kulam at the Wick Theatre, 7901 N. Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Also at 10 am 9/14. Yom Kippur services will be held at 7 pm 9/22: (Kol Nidre) and 10 am. 9/23: A Break the Fast meal will be 7:30 pm 9/23: Free children's Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur services are also offered. Tickets: \$125 for members, \$140 for nonmembers, and \$50

for students and children. Break the Fast meal tickets are \$40-\$50. 995-2333;

Monday - 9/14 - Catholic Grandparents Meeting at Ascension Church, 7250 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. All welcome. Second M 1-2:30 pm. Free. 289-2640; diocesepb.org

Wednesday - 9/16 - Wonderful Wednesdays at First Presbyterian Church, 33 Gleason St, Delray Beach. Theme: "God's Creation." All ages. Every W 5:45 pm dinner; 6:30 pm program. \$7/adult; \$5/child; \$20/max per family. Reservations: 276-6338; firstdelray.com

Friday - 9/18 - Parents of St Gregory's at St Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Potluck dinner, topic discussion (targeted to young parents with children ages 2-13), group feedback, childcare available. Third F 6-8 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

SEPTEMBER 20-26

Wednesday - 9/23 - Break the Fast at Temple Sinai, 3475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Hot and cold buffet right after services. RSVP by 9/16. \$30/members; \$34/nonmembers. 276-6161 x128; templesinaipbc.net

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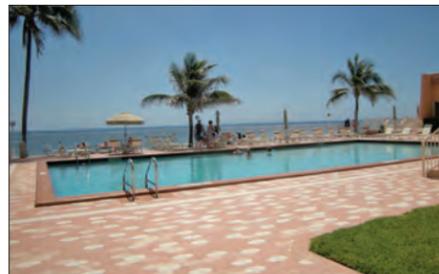
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On the Water



Team Nailed It caught this 71.6-pound wahoo trolling in 300 feet of water north of Boynton Inlet to walk away with the heaviest overall fish prize in this year's Mark Gerretson Memorial Fishing Tournament. The 21st annual Gerretson tournament, on Aug. 8, was based at Deck 84 restaurant in Delray Beach. From left are Nailed It team members Shannon Huner, Eric Schroeder, Steve Bunch and Capt. Ed Rose. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

71.6-pound wahoo wins Gerretson tournament

By Willie Howard

A team of anglers fishing in the Mark Gerretson Memorial Fishing Tournament brought to the scales what is possibly the largest tournament fish of the season so far in Palm Beach County: a 71.6-pound wahoo.

Team Nailed It, led by Ed Rose of Boca Raton, caught the

huge wahoo by trolling a bonito strip rigged behind a purple Ilander lure in 300 feet off the Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa (north of Boynton Inlet).

Team member Steve Bunch of Lantana said they caught the wahoo around 11:30 a.m. and said it was their only bite of the tournament.

The Nailed It team donated

10 percent of their \$8,000 winnings (\$800) back to the Gerretson tournament, which benefits youth causes in the Delray Beach area.

The Hold Please team won the dolphin division with a 24.6-pound mahi mahi caught on a live goggle-eye fished under floating debris in about 900 feet of water south of

Boynton Inlet.

Team Emijess, led by T.J. Andrews of Delray Beach, won the "Mark's Trifecta" prize for catching all three species of fish in the tournament — kingfish, dolphin and wahoo.

The Emijess anglers also caught the heaviest kingfish, 25.8 pounds.

Tucker Sheehan, 11, of

Boynton Beach won the junior angler division with the 10.6-pound kingfish he caught while fishing with his dad, Capt. Chip Sheehan, on Chip's Ahoy.

This year's tournament attracted 42 boats and was based at the Deck 84 restaurant in Delray Beach. ★



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On the Water

Stock ditch bag for offshore emergencies

The disappearance of two boys who ran a 19-foot boat into the ocean off Jupiter in July reminds everyone who operates a boat on the ocean of a simple fact: the need to be prepared to survive and call for help if the boat fails.

Family members said the 14-year-old boys, Austin Stephanos and Perry Cohen, were avid fishermen and experienced boaters. They were last seen at fuel docks near Jupiter Inlet the morning of July 24. The Coast Guard found their capsized boat two days later, drifting off Volusia County.

An extensive search followed, but the teens have not been found.

It's not clear what safety equipment the boys had on their boat. But it's fair to say that if they'd had access to drinking water, life jackets and a satellite beacon when the boat capsized, the boys would have had a far greater chance of being rescued.

How prepared should boaters be to roam the vast Atlantic waters off South Florida? To some degree, it depends on how far they're planning to venture from land and the type of boat they're running.

But generally speaking, boaters headed into the ocean off Palm Beach County — where the Gulf Stream current typically flows north at walking speed — should carry some type of floating emergency kit, best known as a ditch bag, that can be grabbed as quickly as life jackets.

What should a boater's ditch bag contain?

Ted Sensenbrenner, assistant director of boating safety for the BoatUS Foundation for Boating Safety and Clean Water, said boaters should think of three things when assembling an emergency bag: being heard, being seen and being aware (in a clear state of mind).

Here's a list of ditch-bag items suggested by Sensenbrenner based on those three principles:

- A **cellphone** in a waterproof bag.
- A hand-held **VHF radio**, kept charged and ready to use, allows you to reach other boaters in your area (and could enable you to reach the Coast Guard if you were close enough to shore). Every other boater on the water, within range, can hear a mayday distress call if his boat's VHF radio is tuned to Channel 16. A boater who is already on the water might respond well before the Coast Guard begins a search.
- A **satellite beacon**. Personal locator beacons, or PLBs, can be purchased for about \$250. Prices for EPIRBs (emergency position-indicating radio beacons) start at about \$450. Once activated,



The boater's ditch bag, used for near-shore ocean fishing on a 23-foot boat, includes, from left, light sticks, emergency rations, a whistle, drinking water, cord for tethering people together, a hand-held VHF radio, a personal locator beacon, a strobe light and a flashlight. The floating yellow ditch bag also contains sunscreen and a basic first-aid kit. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

the beacon sends a boater's identifying information and location through a network of satellites and ground stations, alerting the U.S. Mission Control Center in Maryland, to begin the rescue process. Satellite beacons must be registered with NOAA and maintained to be effective.

(Note: BoatUS rents EPIRBs and PLBs for those planning boat trips such as a Bahamas crossing. Prices start at \$45 a week. Go to www.Boatus.org and click on "equipment rentals.")

- **Signal devices**, including flares designed for day and nighttime use, strobe lights that can be attached to life jackets, a waterproof flashlight and a signal mirror.

- **Drinking water**, along with food bars and/or sealed emergency rations. A basic first-aid kit and prescription medications needed by those on board also are recommended.

"You can't really come up with a rescue plan unless you've nourished your body and your brain," Sensenbrenner said.

Ditch bags should be clearly labeled and kept in an easy-to-reach place. A well-stocked ditch bag is worthless if it goes down with the boat. Everyone on board should be made aware of the location of life jackets and the ditch bag before getting underway.

For the bag itself, choose a bright color that could be spotted easily from the air if you were adrift in the ocean. Bags designed for boating emergencies are often yellow, trimmed with reflective tape and have pockets for radios,

flashlights, satellite beacons and other emergency gear.

Don't be overwhelmed by the cost and time needed to assemble a ditch bag. A basic emergency boating bag is better than none at all, but Sensenbrenner said a personal locator beacon, or PLB, "should be part of a serious boater's gear."

Capt. Nick Cardella of Boca Raton-based Nick C Fishing Charters said he carries a ditch bag when he's headed offshore to fish for dolphin or swordfish on his 28-foot Bluewater.

"It really is something you should carry on the boat," he said. "Storms come up fast."

For longer trips, such as crossings to the Bahamas, consider a life raft. Life rafts can be rented for those who plan to use them only a few times a year. They inflate automatically and are typically stocked with survival gear.

Capt. Geno Pratt, who operates the 51-foot Geno IV charter boat based at Boynton Harbor Marina, carries an eight-man life raft and an EPIRB that activates automatically on trips to the Bahamas.

"Make sure you have good life jackets and an EPIRB," Pratt said. "That will save you."

Just say 'wahoo!'

David Belzer caught a 42-pound, 1-ounce wahoo July 25 by simply drifting a dead sardine at night on the Living on Island Time drift boat.

Capt. Max Parker said Belzer was drifting the sardine on a pair of 5/0 hooks and about 5 feet of 50-pound-test

monofilament leader, which could have easily been severed by the toothy wahoo.

The Island Time was drifting in 160 feet of water off Delray Beach when the wahoo struck around 9 p.m.

September events

Sept. 1: Snook season opens and remains open through Dec. 14. A Florida saltwater fishing license and a snook permit (unless exempt) are required. Daily bag limit: one snook. To be legal to keep, snook must measure between 28 and 32 inches in total length. Different rules apply to snook taken on the state's west coast and the Florida Keys. Details: www.myfwc.com/fishing/saltwater/recreational.

Sept. 19: X Generation 440 Challenge fishing tournament for kingfish, dolphin and wahoo. Includes \$500 prize for heaviest cobia, mutton or yellowtail snapper and bonito or blackfin tuna. Based at Palm Beach Yacht Center in Hypoluxo. Captain's meeting 5-8 p.m. Sept. 18 at Palm Beach Yacht Center. Entry fee \$250.

Details: 577-0706 or www.xgeneration440.com.

Sept. 19: Volunteers needed for the Coastal Cleanup. Registration begins at 8 a.m. at most locations, including Spanish River Park and South Inlet Park in Boca Raton; the Sandway House Nature Center in Delray Beach; Ocean Inlet Park in Ocean Ridge; and Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park in Boynton Beach. Details: www.keeppbcbeautiful.org.

Sept. 24: CCA/Florida's South Palm Beach County Chapter holds its fifth annual banquet and auction, 6 p.m., Benvenuto restaurant, 1730 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Tickets: \$100 per person. Corporate tables for 10 guests \$1,500. Call Matthew Behm, 644-2788 or email: mbehm@ccaflorida.org.

Sept. 26: Basic boating safety class offered by Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 54, 8 a.m. at the Coast Guard Auxiliary building (next to the boat ramps) at Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, Boynton Beach. Fee \$40. Call Ron Cuneo, 389-1850.



George Culver holds spiny lobsters he bagged while diving during the last day of the mini season July 30 on the Delta's Splash dive boat based at Boynton Harbor Marina. The Two Georges restaurant at the marina is named for Culver's late father and grandfather, who also operated drift fishing boats bearing the same name. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

Tip of the month

Dive for spiny lobster. Boat traffic often dwindles with the opening of school and the sometimes-stormy weather associated with the peak of the hurricane season. Late summer storms can stir the lobsters around, sometimes causing them to line up and walk along the bottom, looking for new places to hide.

A quick recap of the rules: A lobster's head section must measure at least 3 inches to be legal to keep. No egg-bearing lobster may be taken. The daily bag limit is six. A saltwater fishing license and lobster permit are required unless exempt. The season remains open through March 31.

Boats supporting divers or snorkelers should fly a red-and-white dive flag (at least 20 by 24 inches), and divers in the water

should tow a float-mounted dive flag or a float displaying the dive-flag emblem.

Boat operators must stay at least 300 feet away from dive flags/floats in open water and at least 100 feet away in inlets, channels and rivers. Those approaching closer should do so at idle speed.

No boat? Try looking for lobster under rocky ledges or around wrecks accessible from the beach, but don't forget to tow a float-mounted dive flag while you're searching.

Willie Howard is a freelance writer and licensed boat captain. Reach him at tiowillie@bellsouth.net



Outdoors Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/28. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 5

Outdoors - Saturday - 9/5 - Sand Sifters Beach Cleanup at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Meet at the pavilion in the lower parking lot. Bring water, hat, sunscreen. 8-10:15 am. Free. JeffLev02@gmail.com

9/5 - Boardwalk Tours at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Docent-guided tour of wetlands. All ages. W 9 am, 1 & 3 pm; Th 9 am; Sat 9 & 11 am. Free. 966-7000; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

9/5 - Outdoor Marine Aquarium Feedings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Mangrove and nearshore reef aquariums daily M-Sat 10:30 am; tropical coral reef and shipwreck aquariums 12:30 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

SEPTEMBER 6-12

Tuesday - 9/8-9 - A Walk On The Ashley Trail at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd. Boca Raton. Guided walk along a quarter-mile natural trail winds through the butterfly garden, coastal hammock, and mangroves, to a sandy beach by the Intracoastal. All ages; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Every T&W 10-11:30 am. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

Saturday - 9/12 - Naturalist Program: Sensational Snakes at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. All ages. 1 pm. \$3. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

9/12-13 - South Florida Fall Boat Show at South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd, West Palm Beach. In conjunction with the 7th Annual Florida Nautical Flea Market and Seafood Festival. Free parking. 9 am-6 pm. \$10/admission; free/children 12 and under. 954-205-7813;

southfloridafallboatshow.com
SEPTEMBER 13-19

Saturday - 9/19 - 30th Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Hosted by City of Delray Beach and Sandoway House; coordinated by Keep Palm Beach County Beautiful, Inc. 8-10 am. Free. Registration forms: 243-7277; SandowayHouse@bellsouth.net

9/19 - International Coastal Cleanup presented by Gumbo Limbo Nature Center at Spanish River Park, 3001 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Groups and individuals must pre-register; community service hours awarded. All ages, but adults must participate with children under age 18 - no drop-offs. 8-11 am. Free. Reservations required. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

9/19 - Birds & Breakfast at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Coffee, refreshments, plus a one-hour walking tour with a naturalist. Ages 9+. 9 am. \$3. Reservations required: 966-7000; pbcgov.com/parks

SEPTEMBER 20-26

Tuesday - 9/22 - Boynton Beach Fishing Club at Harvey E. Oyer, Jr. Park, 2010 N Federal Hwy. Join other fishermen to discuss hot topics and learn new tricks of the trade. Fourth T 7-9 pm. Free. 703-5638; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 9/23 - Intro to Canoeing at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Learn parts and terms associated with canoeing and basic skills. Ages 8 and up. 10 am. \$10. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

Thursday - 9/24 - Night Stalkers at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Nighttime boardwalk tour with a naturalist looking at nature from the point of view of its nocturnal residents. All ages. 7:30 pm. \$5. Reservations required: 966-7000; pbcgov.

com/parks
Friday - 9/25 - Night Hike at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Walk through the wetlands, call for owls and shine for gators! Bring bug spray and flashlight. All ages. 7 pm. \$5. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

Saturday - 9/26 - Sea Angels Beach Cleanup at Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Last Sat 8-10:30 am. 369-5501; seaangels.org

9/26 - Naturalist Program: Birding 101 at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. All ages. 1 pm. \$3. Reservations required. 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

9/26 - Seining the Lagoon at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Explore grasses and flats of the Intracoastal Waterway behind Gumbo Limbo. Hand-held dip nets and large seine nets allow participants to catch and release a variety of fish, shrimp, crabs and marine life. Wear clothes that can get wet. No flip-flops or sandals. Old Sneakers or watershoes only. Ages 10 to adult, children must be accompanied by an adult. 2:30-4 pm. \$7/ members, \$10/nonmembers. Reservations and pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

SEPT. 27-OCT. 3

Wednesday - 9/30 - Beach Treasures at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Limpets and topsnails are a few of the shells that can be found on Florida's beaches. Learn about seashells and the animals that make them. Caravan to Red Reef Park, 1400 N State Rd A1A, to search for ocean treasures. All ages, children must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-5 pm. \$5/ members, \$8/nonmembers. Reservations and pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Grassy Flats Restoration

Lake Worth Lagoon - Aug. 22



Volunteers plant mangroves on a small island built to improve water quality and habitat as part of the Grassy Flats restoration project. They planted about 450 small mangroves and 4,000 sprigs of Spartina grass. The two Grassy Flats islands are near the Palm Beach Par 3 Golf Course.

Willie Howard/The Coastal Star

Garden Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/28. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 6-12

Tuesday - 9/8 - Gardening Group at St Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Care for the flower beds, columbaria, butterfly garden, trees, hedges. Every T 8:30 am. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

Wednesday - 9/9 - Summer Evening Stroll with the Director at Mounts Botanical Garden, 563 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Walking tour. Meet at garden entrance on Military Tr. 6-7:30 pm. Free/ members; \$10/nonmembers. 233-1757; mounts.org

9/9 - Delray Beach Orchid Society at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Second W 7 pm. Free. 412-6752; delraybeachorchidsociety.com

Thursday - 9/10 - Boca Raton Orchid Society at Safe Schools Institute, 1790 NW Spanish River Blvd. Second Th 7:30 pm. Free. 394-5910; brosonline.org

9/10 - Orchid Society of the Palm Beaches at Mounts Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Second Th 7:30 pm. Free. 491-8033; orchidsocietyofthepalmbeaches.com

9/12-13 - Everything Orchids: A Shady Affair Plant Sale at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Orchid and shade plant growers, artists and craftspeople. Lectures and silent auction of horticultural tabletop arrangements. Sat 9 am-4 pm; Sun 9 am-3 pm. \$10/ nonmembers, Free/members. 233-1757; mounts.org

SEPTEMBER 13-19

Tuesday - 9/15 - Palm Beach County Chapter Florida Native Plant Society Meeting at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. *Ecosystem Field Book* with Steve Bass. Third T 7 pm. Free. 247-3677; palmbeach@fnpschapters.org

SEPTEMBER 20-26

Saturday - 9/26 - Topics in the Tropics: Salvias for the Sub Tropics & More! at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Speaker: Scott Zona, PhD, FIU Conservator & Greenhouse Curator. 9-11:30 am. \$25/members; \$30/nonmembers, 233-1757; mounts.org

SEPT. 27-OCT. 3

Saturday - 10/3 - "Attack Air Potato" Day at Barwick Park, 735 Barwick Rd & Orchard View Park, 4060 Old Germantown Rd, Delray Beach. Help the potato leaf beetles; bring gloves. 9 am-noon. Free. 243-7277; beardslloyd@mydelraybeach.com

Saturday - 10/3 - Designing & Creating the Home Landscape at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Speaker: Laura McLeod, certified landscape professional. Every Sat 9 am-1 pm through 10/17. \$60/members; \$70/nonmembers, 233-1757; mounts.org



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Tots & Teens

Learning 'Do-Re-Mi' helps a child learn ABCs

By Janis Fontaine

The experts at Kindermusik International — which has 5,000 teachers worldwide — say it's never too early to benefit from music education.

Over three decades, Kindermusik educators in the U.S. have taught more than 1.5 million students (some as young as 8 weeks old).

One of the local Kindermusik teachers is Cathy Hazard. She has been working with children for more than 20 years and teaching Kindermusik techniques to kids ages 2 months to 4 years in Boca Raton and Delray Beach for more than 10.

Hazard is a Kindermusik "maestro," the organization's word for a top performer.

Parents are partners in their child's education, and the parents learn as much as the kids do in the beginning.

Mom or Dad, or Grandma or, in some cases, the nanny, take the techniques, the rhythms and rhymes, home with them to practice together — which strengthens the parent-child bond, Hazard said.

Studies proving the relationship between music education and improved verbal and reading abilities, spatio-temporal reasoning, even the ability to raise IQ have been widely performed over the last decade. They came to the same conclusion: Learning music helps students academically.

A study published in December 2014, by Dr. James Hudziak at the University of Vermont College of Medicine, found music education also provides tremendous benefits to children's emotional and behavioral maturation. "What we found was the more a child trained on an instrument,"

Hudziak told *The Washington Post*, "it accelerated cortical organization in attention skill, anxiety management and emotional control."

So, less anxiety, better concentration and fewer mood swings.

Growing up, Hazard, 59, and her family were all musically inclined and loved singing together so much people compared them to the von Trapp family.

Hazard was naturally good at building businesses and she hopped through a few careers before an epiphany 10 years ago.

"I kind of lost my smile climbing the corporate ladder," Hazard said. "I needed to do something different."

She had a friend who had a Gymboree franchise and she needed help. Hazard took over its music program and found she loved it. She liked being silly and playing with babies and coaching stressed moms in connecting with their kids through music. When the company changed hands, Hazard struck out on her own. Kindermusik seemed like a good fit, and it was.

Now Hazard, who lives in Boca Raton, teaches nine 45-minute classes each week at either Sugar Sand Park on Military Trail or Patch Reef Park on Yamato Road. The symbiotic relationship with the parks system helps raise the visibility of both groups. "We have an amicable relationship," Hazard said.

A 12-week session costs from \$204 to \$255, plus a materials fee of \$50 to \$75, so it's not insignificant.

Jennie Kreger of Boca Raton enrolled son Charlie, now 4, in Miss Cathy's class when he was a baby. Now Charlie has moved



Miss Cathy (Cathy Hazard) sings a song about zoo animals at Sugar Sand Park in Boca Raton. At left are Isla Chorzelewski, 2, and her mother, Alison. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

on to preschool and Kreger has been bringing her daughter Annie, now 2, since she was 6 months old. Kreger had seen the positive effects of the program on her niece and nephew and wanted to give her own children the same opportunities.

"It's amazing how quickly they pick up the songs," she said. Annie knows all the words and motions to *I'm a Little Tea Pot*. "Miss Cathy has a way of engaging even infants. She's very encouraging to parents, and she grows the class at each child's pace, to match the child's ability."

"Another thing that was really important to me," Kreger said, "was she was very liberal about makeups. Kids get sick. Things come up. She got that."

Maybe because she was a

mom herself. Hazard raised three kids (they're 40, 37 and 35 now) and has five grandchildren. But she's become a part of many of the families she taught.

"My belief is I am their very first teacher," she said. "It's my duty to make sure they feel loved, respected, nurtured and heard."

She sees her role as a sort of bonus grandmother. "We work on core skills," she said. Things that can be measured or quantified, like colors and letters and body parts.

The best part, Hazard said, is when a mom comes in and says, "You're not going to believe what my kid did!"

"That makes my heart sing," Hazard said. ★

Susan Pavao of Boca Raton also teaches for Kindermusik, but her kids are a little older, from 18 months to 3 years old.

"I average approximately 125-150 students per session and I have three sessions per year and I have been teaching for more than 13 years." She also teaches music in Hebrew school to grades K through 3 as well as private guitar and piano lessons.

"Some of my families are on their third or fourth child with me. I have a lot of repeat families."

Pavao's oldest student is 16 now and he started in music with her at 12 months.

"When children fall in love with music, it's something they have their whole lives," Pavao said. ★

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Tots & Teens Calendar

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SEPTEMBER 5

Saturday - 9/5 - Call for Entries for 4th Annual Shriek Week Scary Film Festival at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Young filmmakers invited to submit a short "scary" film. Grand prize: GoPro Hero 3 Digital Camera. Deadline for entry 9/25. Entry forms online. Ages 6-17. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org/shriek-week-film-festival

9/5 - Self-Defense for Kids at James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Focus on teaching practical and effective self defense. Ages 7-14. Every Sat through 11/14 (no class 11/7). 9:30-11:30 am. \$100/residents, \$125/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/5 - Little Wonders & Big Wonders at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Hike, crafts and stories. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 10/3. 10-11 am (ages 3 & 4); 11:30 am-12:30 pm (ages 5 & 6). \$5/members, \$8/nonmembers. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

9/5 - Kids Cooking Class at Whole Foods, 1400 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 9/26, 10am-noon. \$10/person. 447-0000; wholefoods.com

9/5 - Drop-in Craft at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 3 and up. Sat 10:30-11:30 am. Free with paid museum admission. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/5 - Imagination Playground Open Play Session at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 2-11. Every Sat 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$5. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/5 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 10/24. Levels 1-4 & adult: 11 am, noon, 1 & 2 pm. \$60/resident, \$75/non-residents. 544-8540; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

9/5 - Inspiration Station at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 3 and up. T/Th/Sat 11-11:45 am; W 3:30-4:15 pm. Per session: \$5/family, \$3/members. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/5 - Science Stories at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear your favorite science-inspired stories. Ages 5 and up. Every Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/5 - Special: Family Lego Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. Held again 10/3. 2-3 pm. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/5-6 - 4th Annual South Florida College Dance Fair presented by So Danca at Boca Ballet Theatre, 7630 NW 6th Ave. Meet reps from top dance programs across the country, master classes, networking. High school juniors and seniors. Sat 10 am-7 pm; Sun 10 am-5 pm. \$199. 995-0709; collegedancefair.org

9/5 & 12 - Free Tennis Play Celebrating National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month hosted by USTA at Indian Spring Tennis Club, 11501 El Clair Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach 9/5 noon-1 pm and Caloosa Park, 1300 SW 35th Ave, Boynton Beach 9/12 2-4 pm. Ages 18 and under. Free. Register: youthtennis.com

SEPTEMBER 6-12

Sunday - 9/6 - Science Make & Take: Neck Cooler at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Drop in for a make and take every month. 11:30 am. \$5/project. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Monday - 9/7 - Fencing/Epee Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Kids learn fencing skills, forge new friendships and have a blast. Beginners: M&F 7-8:15 pm, \$90-\$112.50; Intermediate/Advanced: M/W/F 7-10 pm. \$135-\$168.75. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

Tuesday - 9/8 - Tots in Motion at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 1-3. Every T 10-10:30 am. Per session: \$10/family, \$5/members. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/8 - Baby Storytime at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Listen to stories and rhymes, sing songs that promote early literacy and development, meet other babies and parents. Ages birth to 2 years. T 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

9/8 - Toddler Tales at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Stories, songs and puppets teach the love of books to children. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Ages up to 3 years. Every T through 9/29. 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration required. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/8 - Sensational Storytime at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E

Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Children's books come to life through interactive performance, singing, movement, props. Every T 10:30-11:15 am. Free with paid Museum admission. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/8 - Baby Bookworm Story Time at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Ages 1-2. Every T 11 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/8 - Little Hands Big Art at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Everything from murals to clay formation. Ages 3-5. Every T through 8/18. 11:30 am-12:15 pm. \$3/members, \$4/non-members with paid admission (\$5/children & adults; \$4.50/seniors). 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/8 - Children's Ballet Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Standard ballet training as well as learning different variations for a recital to be held on last day of each session. Some dance experience preferred. Attire: black leotard and ballet slippers. Ages 10-15. Every T 3:30-4:30 pm through 10/27. \$120/resident, \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/8 - Small Fry Storytime at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Songs and craft project. Ages 3 and up. Every T 4 pm. Free. Register one week in advance: 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/8 - Imaginarium at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Run a grocery store, work at a post office, become a librarian. Strengthen developmental skills while playing make-believe! Grades K-3. Held again 9/22. 4-5 pm. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org

9/8 - Virtual Zone Orientation for Teen Digital Lab at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Work with Apple computers, iPads, PhotoShop, MangaStudio, GarageBand, more. Must have library card in good standing to attend. Grades 9-12. Held again 9/29. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/8 - Karate/Martial Arts Classes at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. A blend of combat martial arts. Ages 9 to adult. T&Th 6-7 pm. Quarterly fees: \$35/residents; \$45/non-residents plus one-time \$25 uniform fee. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

9/8 - The Maze Runner by James Dashner - Part of Teen Book Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 13-17. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/8-9 - Explorium Science Squad: Chill Out at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Explore and experiment, try something new every month. Ages 5-6 (with parent) T 4-6 pm; ages 7-9 W 4-5 pm. \$10/residents; \$12.50/non-residents. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/8-25 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denon Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Young children must be potty trained. Ages 3 and older. T/Th or W/F Levels I & II: 4:30 & 5 pm; Level III: 4 pm. Sat starts 10:30 am. Eight 30-minute classes: \$40/resident, \$50/nonresidents. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 9/9 - Kindermusik with Miss Cathy at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children learn by singing, playing instruments, dancing. Materials fee paid to the instructor. Available as either a six-week (through 10/28, no class 10/14 & 21) or 12-week (through 12/16, no class 10/14, 21 & 11/25) session. Ages 0-16 mos: 9:30-10:15 am; 15 mos-2.5 yrs: 10:30-11:15 am; 2.5-4 yrs: 11:30-12:15 pm. 12-week session: \$204/resident, \$255/non-resident; Six-week session: \$120/resident, \$150/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/9 - Tot Tumbling/Gymnastics at Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Age-appropriate gymnastics, tot-size equipment. Ages 18 mos-3 years (parents/caretakers participate) 9:30-10:10 am; Ages 3-5 years 10:15-10:55 am. Every W through 10/14. \$60/residents; \$75/nonresidents.

9/9 - Family Storytime at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Stories, songs and fingerplays. Infants-age 5. W 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

9/9 - Gentle Growers at Boca Raton Community Center Annex, 150 Crawford Blvd. Parent and child class includes outside play time, circle time with seasonal songs, fingerplays and movement, an organic snack, inside play time with natural toys, nature inspired crafts, a puppet show. 10-11:30 am. Per week per family: \$12/residents, \$15/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/9 - Tots in Totus at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ballet class for preschoolers. Ages 2-5. Every W 10:30-11:15 am through 10/14. \$35/members; \$47 nonmembers. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/9 - Storytime at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Every W 11-11:15 am. Free with museum admission: \$5/person. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/9 - Musical Theatre Performance Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Audition, sing, act, dance and perform. Classes include singing, acting, dancing, art of performing on stage, script work, costuming. All students have the opportunity to perform on the Lake Worth Playhouse mainstage. Ages 8 & up. Every W 4-6 pm through 12/9, performance on 12/16. \$265/session. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

9/9 - Teen Gaming at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Video games on Wii, Wii U, PS3, PS4 or Xbox 360. Grades 6-12. Every W 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Thursday - 9/10 - Kindermusik with Miss Cathy at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children learn by singing, playing instruments and dancing. Materials fee paid to the instructor. Available as either a six-week (through 10/29) or 12-week (through 12/17) session. Ages 0-16 mos.: 9:30-10:15 am; 15 mos-2.5 yrs.: 10:30-11:15 am; 2.5-4 yrs.: 11:30-12:15 pm. 12-week session: \$204/resident, \$255/non-resident; Six-week session: \$120/resident, \$150/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/10 - Learn with Legos @ Your Library at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Make a truck, spaceship or whatever your imagination conjures up. Ages 3-9. Held again 9/24. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/10 - Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children of all ages. 8 & younger must be accompanied by an adult. Every Th 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/10 - S.T.E.A.M.: The Wonders of Weather at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Kindergarten readiness class. Every Th 10:30-11:15 am through 10/15. \$40/members, \$52/non-members. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/10 - Children's Basics of Sewing & Fashion Design Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. For young fashionistas who want to learn to design and sew their own clothing. Complete 1-2 pieces in a 10-week session. Each session ends with a fashion show showcasing student designs for friends and family. Ages 8 & up. Every Th 11:45 am-1:45 pm through 11/19 (no class 11/12). \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/10 - Children's Special: Tail Waggin Tutor with Nigel at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Elementary school children read to certified therapy dog Nigel. Grades K-5. Every Th 3-4 pm through 9/24. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/10 - Art Infusion: Master's Series at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Explore the work of a different master artist each week and create your own work of art in the style of the master. Ages 6-9. Every Th 3:30-4:15 pm through 10/15. \$40/members; \$52/non-members. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/10 - Children's Ballet Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Standard ballet training and learning different variations for a recital to be held last day of each session. Some dance experience preferred. Attire: black leotard and ballet slippers. Ages 5-9. Every Th 3:30-4:30 pm through 10/29. \$120/resident, \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/10 - Brain Boost Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Strategic games enhance critical thinking skills while strengthening focus and memory. All areas of the curriculum, both academic and social, fostered through play! Games supplied. Grades K-5. Every Th through 10/15. Grades K-2: 3:30-4:30 pm; Grades 3-5: 4:30-5:30 pm. \$120/residents, \$150/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/10 - Knitting Club at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 7 to adult. Every Th 3:30-4:30 pm. Free with museum admission: \$5/person. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/10 - Grandparent's Day Card Making at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Celebrate National Grandparents Day by making a special loved one a card. All ages. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/10 - Youth Soccer Clinic at Seacrest Soccer Complex, 2505 N Seacrest Blvd, Delray Beach. Sponsored by Delray Beach Parks & Recreation Department and Chevy. Instruction provided by soccer.com staff. Boys & girls ages 6-14 (special needs participants all ages welcome). 5:30-8:30 pm. Free. 678-672-1713; soccer.youthsportsclinics.com

9/10 - The Hypnotists by Gordon Korman - Part of the Tween Book Jam at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/10 - The Maze Runner (PG-13) - Part of the Teen Book to Film series at Boca Raton Public

Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 13-17. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/11 - Kindermusik at James A. Rutherford Community Center Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Singing, chants and rhythm, dance movements, instrument and cultures from all over the world. Every F through 12/18. Age 12-24 mos: 9:30-10:15 am; age 16-30 mos: 10:30-11:15 am; age 0-14 mos: 11:30 am-12:15 pm; \$187/residents, \$234/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/11 - Tot Time at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Crafts, snacks, and indoor play stations. Drop in anytime during the program. Ages 2-5. 10 am-noon. \$5/child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/11 - Sensory Art for Tots at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 1-4 with a parent or caregiver. Every F two sessions: 12:30-1:15 pm & 3-3:45 pm. Per session: \$10/family, \$5/members. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/11 - Eyes to the Skies with professional-grade 16-inch Meade LX Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Informal event held in the parking lot (weather permitting). Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Telescope out at least one hour after the scheduled start time. Stars must be visible for the telescope to align. 8 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Saturday - 9/12 - Soccer Shots at Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Age-specific curriculum; equipment provided. Ages 2-3: 9:30-10 am; ages 3-6: 10-10:45 am. \$115/residents; \$130 nonresidents. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

9/12 - Beginning Acting Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Class introduces students for auditions, performance, or life skills (confidence, verbal and nonverbal communication, listening and focusing skills, ability to share ideas creatively, etc). Ages 8 & up. Every Sat 10-11 am. through 12/12. \$195/session. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

9/12 - Nickelodeon Worldwide Day of Play at Barrier Free Park, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Exciting games for the whole family, Nickelodeon characters, live performances by the kid stars from "Shine" Model and Talent, jumbo basketball and beach ball games and Gymnastic Revolution Kid Zone. All ages. 10 am-noon. Free. 742-6569; boynton-beach.org

9/12 - Playground Playdate at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Trail, Boca Raton. Get info about upcoming programs and enjoy free kid's activities. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 347-3900; SugarSandPark.org

9/12 - Piano Classes at Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Bring a keyboard. Ages 6-12. Every Sat through 10/17. Beginner and intermediate 10:30-11:30 am; advanced 11:30 am-1 pm. \$48 residents; \$60 nonresidents.

9/12 - Family Fun: 3-D Card Making at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Kids (and adults!) learn to make a 3-D card. Noon-3 pm. Free with paid admission. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

9/12 - Art-E-Ology: Samuel Rothbort - Watercolor Painting at Boca Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Children learn about a master artist on exhibit and create a masterpiece in the style of the selected artist. Grades 3-5. 1-2:30 pm. \$5/child; free/members. Reservations: 392-2500 x 106; bocamuseum.org

SEPTEMBER 13-18

Sunday - 9/13 - Sunday Movie: Book of Life (PG) at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 11 am; sensory friendly show 2 pm. \$1 admission includes popcorn and a beverage. Ticket box office: 347-3948; sugarsandpark.org

9/13 - Drawing - Part of the ARTful Adventure Sunday series at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Family program features art workshops or live performances and includes an interactive opportunity to learn, create and enjoy the arts. 2-3 pm. Free with museum admission: \$12/adults, \$10/seniors, free/members, students with ID and children 12 & under. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

Monday - 9/14 - Gap Program at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. "Fun-tastic" activities during school holidays and teacher workdays. Grades K-5. Program dates: 9/14 & 23, 10/23, 11/16, 25 & 27, 12/21-24, 28-31, 1/4, 3/18 & 21-25. Registration begins 2 weeks prior to program date for City/Beach & Park District Residents. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. Per child fees: \$37/day resident, \$53/day nonresident. 393-7888; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/14 - Kangaroo Kids Programs at James A. Rutherford Community Center Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Educationally developmental class. Every M through 10/26. Age 15 mos.-2 years 9-9:30 am \$75-\$94; age 2-3 years 10-10:45 am \$90-\$113; age 3-5 years

11-11:45 am \$90-\$113. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/14 - Parents' Morning Out at First Presbyterian Church, 33 Gleason St, Delray Beach. Stories, music, painting, snacks, playground, more. Ages 18 months-3 years. M/W/F 9-11 am. \$10/session. 276-6338 x23; firstdelray.com

9/14 - Early Afternoon Explorers: Harnessing Heat at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S. Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 6-9: 1-2 pm; ages 10-12: 2-3 pm. \$10/residents; \$12.50/non-residents. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/14 - Adventures with Authors at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Explore a popular children's author each week. Children attend independently. Ages 4-6. Every M 3:30-4 pm through 9/28. Registration required. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/14 - Children's Circus Arts Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Explore juggling, plate spinning, acrobatics/tumbling, unicycling, balance board, more. Every M through 10/5. Ages 5-7: 4-5 pm; Ages 8-10: 5-6; Ages 11 & up: 6-7 pm. \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/14 - Pee Wee Hip Hop & Tumble at James A. Rutherford Community Center Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Kids learn dances to upbeat kids songs. Build self confidence, motor skills, coordination and dance rhythm. Cool neon attire and black bottoms can be worn. Ages 3-4. Every M 3:30-4:15 pm through 10/26 (no class 10/12). \$84/residents, \$105/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/14 - Tennis Whizz at Boynton Beach Tennis Center, 3111 S. Congress Ave. Six key elements are combined into every on-court session. Ages 3-4. Parents and grandparents encouraged to play along. Limited class size. Runs through 9/28. M 4-4:30 pm. \$30/residents, \$38/non-residents. 742-6575 or boynton-beach.org

9/14 - Jazz & Hip Hop Dance for age 5-9 at the James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Boys and girls learn dance technique, across the floor combinations and dance routines. New students welcomed throughout the year. Ages 5-9. Every M 4:15-5 pm through 10/26. \$84/residents, \$105/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/14 - Youth Tennis Pathway at Boynton Beach Tennis Center, 3111 S. Congress Ave. Based on USTA Florida Youth Tennis Pathway. M 4:30-5 pm/ages 5-6; 5:00-5:45 pm/ages 7-8; 5:45-6:30 pm/ages 9-10; 6:30-7:30 pm/ages 11-14. Runs through 9/28. \$30-68 depending on age and residency. 742-6575 or boynton-beach.org

9/14 - Musical Theater & Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Children learn theater games, team building activities and dance routines. Attire: black leotard/top with shorts and sneakers. Parents asked to wait outside during class. Ages 5-9. Every M 5-5:45 pm through 10/26. \$84/residents, \$105/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/14 - Tween Tech Time at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Experience the Virtual Zone. Bring favorite books to make book reviews for BookTube. Grades 6-8. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Tuesday - 9/15 - Kangaroo Kids Programs at James A. Rutherford Community Center Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Education development class. Every T through 10/27. Age 2-3 years 10-10:45 am; age 3-5 years 11-11:45 am. \$90/residents, \$113/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/15 - Mother Nature & Me: Butterflies and Other Insects at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Nature topics explored through stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, crafts. Ages 2-5 (w/guardian). 10:30-11:15 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

9/15 - Children's Special: Tail Waggin Tutor with Stella at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Elementary school children read to certified therapy dog Stella. Grades K-5. Every T 3-4 pm through 9/29. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/15 - Kidkinetics at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. New sport each week: soccer, hockey, tennis, basketball, volleyball, golf, hula hoops, obstacle courses, T-ball, more. Every T through 10/27. Ages 3-5: 3:45-4:30 pm; ages 2-4: 4:30-5:15 pm. \$77/resident; \$96.25/non-resident. 954-385-8511; kidkinetics.com

Wednesday - 9/16 - Children's Special: Tail Waggin Tutor with Moose at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Elementary school children read to certified therapy dog Moose. Grades K-5. Every Th 3-4 pm through 9/24. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/16 - Tween Wacky Wednesdays: Home (PG) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd

Ave. Free pizza and drinks. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Thursday - 9/17 - The Penguins (PG) - Part of Half-School Day Family Movie series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. Children 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult. Free snacks. 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/17 - Craft Time at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Ages 4 and up. First & third Th 4 pm. Free. Register one week in advance: 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

9/17 - Ronald McDonald Dewey Scavenger Hunt at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Explore the Dewey Decimal system through a fun scavenger hunt. Complete the scavenger hunt and win a prize. Grades K-5. 5-6 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/17 - The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy by Douglas Adams - Part of the Teen Book Discussion group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 742-6390 or boyntonlibrary.org

9/17 - Make it @ Your Library: Washi Tape Clipboard at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades 6-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. Registration required. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Friday - 9/18 - Fantastic Fridays at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Journey to a different place and time each week. Ages 3-7. First & third F 10:30-11:30 am. \$8/members, \$9/non-members. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/18 - Chess Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Learn the rules and basic strategies of chess. Sponsored by Boca Raton Education Advisory Board. Ages 7 to 17. Every F 4-5:30 pm through 10/9. Free. Registration required. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/18 - Actors Conservatory: Shakespeare's Funniest Characters at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. A course for those who aspire to be professional actors. Conservatory training focus ranges from Shakespeare/stage work to movement to vocal exercises to stage combat and more. Ages 11-18. Every M 5-8 pm through 12/14 (no class 10/12 & 11/23) (no class 10/13). \$475/residents, \$594/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/18 - Friday Nights at the Museum at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. A night out with your parents! Wear comfy clothes and hang out in the Explorium after hours. Pizza, fun experiment and movie *Ice Age: The Meltdown*. Ages 7-12. 6-9:30 pm. \$20/residents, \$25/nonresidents. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/18-19 - Stuffed Animal Sleepover at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Enroll Friday afternoon when you drop off your favorite stuffed animal for a fun sleepover at the library. Saturday morning pick up your stuffed animal and watch a special video presentation of all the fun they had at their sleepover. All ages. F 3:30-5 pm; Sat 11am-12:30 pm. Free. Registration required. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Saturday - 9/19 Gymnastics at Ezell Hester Jr. Community Center, 1901 N. Seacrest Blvd., Boynton Beach. 6-week sessions on Sat. 10 am/ages 4-7; 11 am/ages 8 and older. \$66/residents, \$83/non-residents. 742-6550 or boynton-beach.org

9/19 - Mark Nizer 4D: World Class Comedy and Juggling at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Combination of original comedy, juggling, movement, music and technology. Receive pair of 3D glasses. Juice and cookies and meet & greet after the show. Two shows: 11 am & 2 pm. \$13/adults, \$10/children 12 and under. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

9/19-20 - Science Demonstrations at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear your favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 and up. 3:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/19 - The Wizard of Oz at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Sat through 10/24. 4 pm. \$14.50/adults, \$10.50/child. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

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Sunday - 9/20 - Pajama Jams Story Time with Miss Mij at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Miss Mij uses stories, fingerplays, poems, songs, props and puppets. Ages 18 mo-2 yrs.: 10-10:45 am; 3-4 yrs 11 am-noon. \$5/drop in (includes one carousel token per paid child). 347-3900; SugarSandPark.org

Tuesday - 9/22 - COBRA Minis Basketball at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3-5. T through 11/3, 3:30-4:15 pm. \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. 347-3916; sugarsandpark.org

9/22 - Open Mic Night at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Express your back to school blues with poetry, songs and

freestyle. Bring original work or choose from selection of poetry books. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Wednesday - 9/23 - Bright & Smart Coding & Robotics at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Working in teams, children learn to build and program robots using a special edition of Lego bricks and a specially developed curriculum. Ages 7-12. Bring a brown bag lunch. 8:30 am-3 pm. \$70/residents; \$87.50/non-residents. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/23 - Booktastic Book Club for 7's & 8's at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Foster your child's love of reading by exploring a popular children's author each week. Free copy of the book upon registration. Child attends independently. Registration required. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Thursday - 9/24 - COBRA Minis Review at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3-5. Th. through 11/5. 3:30-4:15 pm. \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. 347-3916; sugarsandpark.org

Friday - 9/25 - Special Super Hero Storytime at Boynton Beach Mall Children's Play Area, 801 N Congress Ave. Pint-sized comic lovers, caped crusaders and Avengers are encouraged to dress-up as their favorite fantastic character and participate in the sharing of tales, treats and themed arts and crafts. Free comic books courtesy of sponsor Tate's Comics. 3 pm. Free. 736-7902; boyntonbeachmall.com

Saturday - 9/26 - Story & Craft Time at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Discover nature through crafts and stories about animals and other nature-related themes. Ages 4-10. 10 am. \$2. Reservations required: 966-7000; pbcgov.com/parks

9/26 - Archery 101 at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. USA Archery certified instructor. Two-hour program starts with indoor demonstration of basics, followed by outdoor target practice. Equipment provided, wear closed-toe shoes, bring sunscreen. Ages 8 & up. 1 pm. \$10/person. Reservations: 966-7000; pbcgov.com/nature

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Sunday - 9/27 - COBRA Minis Review at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3-5. Sun through 11/15. 10-10:45 am. \$80/resident, \$100/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

Monday - 9/28 - Acting 101 at the Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. For the creative child determined to be on stage. Age-appropriate character work. A showcase to celebrate newfound skills after the five weeks of training. Ages 5-10. Every M 3-5 pm through 11/2. \$200/residents, \$250/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

9/28 - Taste of Science at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Did you know there is a fruit that makes sour things taste sweet? Learn about the miracle fruit. Grades 6-12. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Tuesday - 9/29 - Wicked Weather: GEMS Club at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Empower young girls to explore STEM fields. Girls grades 3-8. High school girls can volunteer to be mentors. Last T 5-7 pm. \$5/child. Registration: 370-7710; sfscenter.org/gems

9/29 - Clash of Clans War Room at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Plan Clash of Clans strategies, update bases and share knowledge with other clan members.

Bring your own device or use a library iPad. Grades 5-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Wednesday - 9/30 - Fall Art Day at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Design a special leaf to add to our autumn tree display, celebrate the wonders of fall. Grades K-5. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Thursday - 10/1 - Small World at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Structured play and educational activities. Ages 3-4. M/W/F or M-F 9 am-noon through 10/30. Two sessions: M/W/F, \$64/residents, \$80/non-residents; M-F, \$95/residents, \$119/non-residents. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

10/1 - Hack Shack Tech Club: Kodu Game Lab at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Explore science and technology in a new way; experiment with computer programming, design video games. Grades 5-8. 5-7 pm. \$15/members, \$20/non-members. Limited space, advance registration suggested. 832-2026; sfscenter.org

10/1 - Night at the Museum 3 (PG) - Part of the Teen Hang Out Nights series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 13-17. 6-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

10/1-12/18 - 12th Annual Palm Beach County High School Poetry Contest sponsored by The Palm Beach Poetry Festival. One entry per student; winner notified by 1/1/16. Winner receives \$500; 4 runners-up receive \$25; all winners receive tickets to Coffee House Performance Event + 1-year subscription to *Poets and Writers Literary Journal*. Public and private Palm Beach County high school students grades 9-12. Entries due before midnight 12/1. 868-2063; palmbeachpoetryfestival.org

Friday - 10/2 - Beginner Piano at James A. Rutherford Community Center, Patch Reef Park

2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn to play the piano-keyboard using the Hal Leonard EZ Play Today method. Every F through 11/20 (no class 11/7). Children ages 6 & up: 5-6:30 pm; adults: 6:30-7:30 pm. \$80/residents, \$100/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

10/2 - Parents Night Out: Spooky Science at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Hands-on science experiments, science-related craft, exploration of Science Center and Aquarium, pizza dinner and full-dome planetarium show. Ages 4-12. 6-10 pm. \$30/child; \$15/each additional child. 832-2026; sfscenter.org

Saturday - 10/3 - Story Central: Telling Tales for Tots Workshop at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Storytelling workshop entertains children while teaching parents storytelling skills. Ages 18 mos-3 yrs. 10-11 am. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

10/3 - Art-E-Ology: Richard Anuszkiewicz - Op Art at Boca Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Children learn about a master artist on exhibit and have the opportunity to create a masterpiece in the style of the selected artist. Grades 3-5. 1-2:30 pm. \$5/child; free/members. Reservations required. 392-2500 x 106; bocamuseum.org

10/3 - Realistic Drawing/Painting Instruction Class at James A. Rutherford Community Center Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn basic techniques essential to quality, realistic paintings. Every Sat through 10/24. Adult class: 12:30-2:30 pm, \$65/residents, \$81/non-residents; Children class (ages 7-12): 2:30-4:30 pm, \$40/residents, \$50/non-residents, plus additional materials to be purchased by parents after first class. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us



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The original main house of this property, called Villa Abrigo (House of Comfort), was built in 1926.



Deck offers space for relaxing outdoors.

Elegance and history on Delray's Banker's Row

Regarded as one of Delray Beach's most coveted Mizner-era Mediterranean properties and as a stop on the Historical Society of Palm Beach County's home tour, this two-story four-bedroom, two-bath main house with carriage house is in the heart of the downtown on exclusive Banker's Row.

Behind a Spanish-inspired stucco wall with an iron gate you discover a private tropical oasis. An inviting courtyard entry with original water fountain and three hand-honed pecky cypress doors with classic decorative tile steps leads you into the lovingly restored main house.

The large backyard has a covered lanai, an original coral water fountain, ponytail palms and a 100-year-old banyan tree. The carriage house (one bedroom, one bath) has been transformed into a fully equipped guest house (or income property) with separate courtyard entrance and gated driveway.

The grand living room features vaulted open beam pecky cypress ceilings, original Cuban tile floors, original decorative iron wall sconces, a wood-burning fireplace and a spectacular arched window which floods the room with light. The kitchen has been completely redone with state-of-the-art stainless steel appliances, cook island, gas Viking range, granite counters and new cabinetry while keeping the vintage style. Additionally, a dining nook, pantry and new laundry room have been added.

The main floor offers two spacious bedrooms with oak flooring, one with an office/library possibility, and a marble and travertine bath with French shower. The second-level master bedroom opens onto a romantic terrace overlooking the tropical gardens. A second bedroom features a Juliet balcony and the second bath offers original claw tub and pewter accessories.

\$1,650,000. Leanna Fruinn, Broker, Engel & Volkers Delray Beach, 900 East Atlantic Ave., 561-445-1415. leannafruinn@gmail.com



ABOVE: The living room boasts vaulted ceilings and soaring windows.



LEFT: A separate guest cottage stands adjacent to a century-old banyan tree.

FAR LEFT: An updated kitchen has state-of-the-art appliances, granite counters and custom cabinets.





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