

Along the Coast



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Summoning the past with a concrete cruise along the old road

By Mary Jane Fine

“There’s somethin’ about this Sunday
It’s a most peculiar gray
Strollin’ down the avenue
That’s known as A1A.”
— from Jimmy Buffet’s
Trying to Reason with Hurricane Season

That avenue, that celebrated highway, was begun — one significant portion of it, anyway — the same year the original Palm Beach County Courthouse was built; the same year the Prohibition Party’s Sidney Johnston Catts was elected governor of Florida; the same year the infamous Rice Gang robbed the Bank of Homestead and fled into the Everglades with its purloined \$6,500.

The year was 1916. The highway came to be known as State Road A1A.

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Courtesy of the Historical Society of Palm Beach County



Courtesy of the Boca Raton Historical Society

ABOVE: Australian pines flank A1A in Gulf Stream in 1944.

LEFT: Boca Ratione by the Sea, a 1923 gas station/dance hall/ fish camp on A1A where the Beach Club is today.

Boynton Beach

Commission agrees to save old high school

Developer pledges \$4.5M
City gives itself 90 days to raise \$1.5M share

By Jane Smith

Boynton Beach City Commissioners fell under the spell cast by preservation architect Rick Gonzalez and his plans to restore the historic Boynton Beach High School.

On Feb. 2, they voted to proceed with the \$6 million project provided financing can be worked out in 90 days. The deal calls for the city to invest \$1.5 million.

Jeff Hardin, president of Stuart-based Straticon Construction, committed to investing \$4.5 million. Straticon also will be the general contractor for the restoration.

“I believe in preservation,” Mayor Jerry Taylor said. “I have to be able to look the taxpayer in the eye and say this was a good deal.”

Hardin explained the financial end that called for the development team to investigate tax credits for historic properties and how the deal would have to be structured.

“The building has to be in private hands,” he said.

Their attorneys will look into whether the deal can be a long-term lease with the city receiving the building at the end of 20 years, or possibly have a buyout in 10 years. The city would have to pay

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Delray Beach

Xanax, addiction and death

Family members search for answers after suicide at beachside rehab house

By Nick Madigan

Tod Abrams’ last act, in a life that included a once-thriving career as a Hollywood film executive and fathering a son whom he said he adored, was to tie a pair of bathrobe cords together, loop them around his neck and fix a knot below his left ear. Then he hanged himself from a metal rod in a closet.

“The anguish, anxiety and nightmares were unbearable,” the



Abrams

his addiction to Xanax, a sedative used to treat anxiety, at a \$60,000-a-month residential facility run by Caron

52-year-old Abrams had written in a note to his family. Police found it on a dresser in his room on Aug. 30 last year, after he had been dead for a few hours. It was only a month after he had sought help with

Treatment Centers in an upscale oceanside house in Delray Beach.

“I haven’t slept in 4 days and I’m probably beginning to hallucinate,” his note went on. “The people here were very kind but the program was too rigorous, too difficult. I’m too fatigued to proceed on. I don’t have the strength.”

With his death, Abrams joined the hundreds — perhaps thousands — of people suffering from substance use disorders who in recent years

have succumbed to their disease in Florida. In Palm Beach County alone, at least 377 people died last year from drug overdoses, according to Pamela Cavender, the records custodian for the county’s medical examiner, citing statistics that are still being assembled. The problem, Cavender said, is “out of control.”

While the level of commitment to battling drug abuse varies widely, the See SUICIDE on page 30

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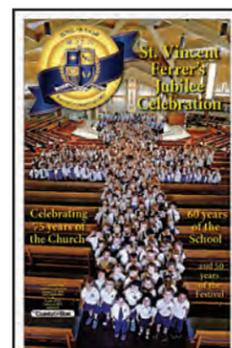


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Behind-the-scenes volunteer a melodious match for Symphonia

By Marie Puleo

Marti Kaplan has found the perfect way to combine her talent for crunching data with her love for classical music.

As a volunteer at the Symphonia chamber orchestra in Boca Raton, she helps internal operations run smoothly by using the skills she garnered during her nearly two-decade advertising career in New York.

"I learned along the way that my talents are in the back room and organization, and dealing with databases and spreadsheets, which is the kind of thing the Symphonia needed when I started with them in 2009," Kaplan said.

After working in market and media research for major ad agencies such as J. Walter Thompson and McCann Erickson and as director of sales research for ABC television, Kaplan retired in 1988 to Boca Raton with her husband, who also worked in advertising. They were both in their 40s.

Kaplan filled her time doing volunteer work for the Florence Fuller Child Development Centers and serving as treasurer of her condo board, which proved to be labor-intensive.

"Eventually my husband said, 'If you're going to work that hard, you might as well go out and get paid for it.' So I did," Kaplan said.

She worked for a Realtor for 10 years, handling contracts, multiple-listing databases and bookkeeping. When she finally retired in 2008, this time officially, she needed something to do.

A former member of the Symphonia board who lived in Kaplan's condo building knew that the Symphonia's executive director, Annabel Russell, needed help, so she put Kaplan and Russell together.

"It just happened to be a very good match. We were very compatible," Kaplan said.

"When I was growing up in Wisconsin, my mother worked almost full time as a volunteer for the Milwaukee Arts Center, so I spent a lot of time in grade school and high school stuffing envelopes or doing whatever was needed. Volunteering at the Symphonia was sort of automatic."

The Symphonia, in its 10th season, aims to keep classical music flourishing in South



Marti Kaplan, a volunteer for the Symphonia, lives at The Carlton condominiums in Boca Raton.

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Florida and features world-renowned guest artists, such as pianist Misha Dichter, who will be performing next month.

Kaplan, 68, is particularly enthusiastic about the Symphonia's "Meet the Orchestra" program, which allows children to interact with musicians at dress rehearsals and learn about different instruments. "It's important that they know there's something out there besides rap and hip-hop," she said.

Volunteering at the Symphonia three or four days a week, Kaplan has been spending most of her time lately working with a new database that will store information about donors, subscribers, single-ticket purchases and seat assignments in one consolidated place, consistently keeping things up-to-date.

"It's the kind of database management that I've done most of my career in one form or another, and that isn't necessarily the expertise of other volunteers," Kaplan said. "It's not glamorous, but it's very satisfying when it works."

And it worked last fall when Kaplan succeeded in putting together a donor list that was included in the programs for the first concert of the season.

"I was practically doing handsprings down the hallway, I was so happy that I got it to Annabel in the form she needed," Kaplan said.

Making life easier for Russell is what it's all about, "so she can do the business end of it that only she can do, so the musicians can come and play their music, and everybody's happy."

"Marti is amazing," said Russell. "She has integrity, is reliable and does her work really, really well. She saves me a lot of time, and I'm very grateful to have her."

Part of why Kaplan volunteers is that she hopes the Symphonia (www.thesymphonia.org) will stay in Boca Raton, so that people don't have to go to Palm Beach or Miami to hear classical music.

"It makes me feel good that I'm doing something for an organization that brings pleasure to people and at the same time keeps my mind going. It gives me a reason to get out of bed in the morning," Kaplan said. ★

Editor's Note

Drug rehab industry should shed more light through veil of privacy

When someone you love takes his own life, it leaves a large aching space packed full of questions. I know, because I lost a brother to suicide. He was 51. This is why when I learned of Tod Abrams' death at the Caron Ocean Drive facility in Delray Beach I thought of his family and all the questions they must have.

I also thought of the neighbors who live near the two facilities in this neighborhood and all the questions they've been asking for several years now about the houses next door.

Through our reporting, I learned a little about Tod Abrams and was struck by how well this handsome and accomplished man would have fit into this coastal Delray Beach neighborhood. I also learned a lot about Xanax and its dangers.

These things made me wonder how many others living along the beach are struggling with mental health issues or addiction.

I hoped that by putting a human face on addiction and the growing number of drug-related deaths in our area, we might all be able to find a few answers to our questions.

I didn't really expect full answers. With addiction treatment and mental illness there is a heavy veil drawn to keep questions out. And with suicide, there are always more questions than answers. But if local media don't try to lift

this veil, who will?

Mental health agencies work diligently to educate the public while struggling to find funding for these efforts. In the meantime, the addiction treatment industry has lagged far behind in opening its doors to help educate the public about what first responders say has become a public health crisis.

I understand why Caron and other treatment facilities work diligently to protect the privacy of their clients. But that doesn't mean they shouldn't be doing educational outreach to the community, and yes, even to their neighbors. Why not hold an occasional open house to let the folks next door see the facilities and learn about treatment methods? Why not work with the city to hold a series of educational programs?

The city of Delray Beach is being proactive about educating its residents about drug addiction. It's time for the drug-rehab industry to step up, pull out the checkbook and pull back the veil to answer questions.

There won't always be answers, of course, but sometimes healing can begin just by being able to ask the questions.



— Mary Kate Leming, Editor

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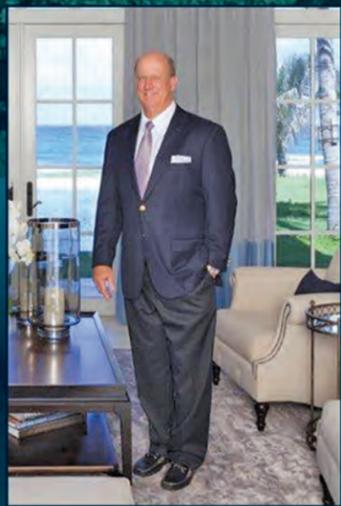
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Letters to the Editor

Addiction treatment facilities should welcome reasonable regulations

Thank you for the article published in January describing the dilemma of regulating addiction treatment services in our state. We applaud the efforts of all concerned.

As our company enters into the arena of addiction treatment for alcohol and other drugs, as well as eating disorders, we welcome the

vigilance of those people who have the best interests of both the patients and the public in mind. The overseeing of services is something that DCF cannot tackle alone, and I am sure they welcome the help.

Other health-care delivery systems have had to be regulated in the past to ensure better care. Hospitals, nursing

homes and assisted-living facilities all require diligence to maintain their level of care. Addiction treatment facilities should not be exempt.

Quality providers of addiction treatment will not resist reasonable regulations. Ones that do need to examine their own motives and methods.

Having operated a facility in Boca Raton for 21 years without incident, I look forward to beginning this new venture with partners in patient care who are concerned about the community and the client.

We plan to open our first program in the spring and welcome requests now to begin community education, provide

speakers, address your group, or answer any questions you may have about treatment. We want to be able to stay in touch with our community and its needs. This is what good neighbors do.

Jacob Frydman
Executive Director,
Sanctuary Recovery Centers

Gulf Stream wastes tax dollars fighting O'Hare and O'Boyle

Picture an ink-drawn political cartoon where a pleading-eyed man rapaciously shovels piles of "taxpayer dollars" into a blazing furnace. The furnace has a fresh sign labeled "Taxpayer Mandate," which lies above an older sign, scratched away and barely legible that reads "Personal Vendetta."

Now picture Mayor Scott Morgan and his personal quest against Christopher O'Hare and my father, Martin O'Boyle; now think of your tax dollars.

This is the present picture for the taxpayers of Gulf Stream, but it does not have to be the future if they tell town officials to "knock it off" and focus on peace.

It is a new year and 2016 should be the year that the town returns to normalcy. The legal battles that have been the harbinger of new taxes (both overt and hidden in water fees) and general unpleasantries can end if the town, O'Hare, and Martin O'Boyle sit down and make peace.

O'Boyle and O'Hare have long preached negotiation; officials insist on conflagration. If the taxpayers want a change, they must demand it. Otherwise, the town's approach will consume all coffers. Morgan's promise that the town will get its money back from O'Hare and O'Boyle rings hollow — abject fantasy.

The town has lost the RICO suit at a cost of tens, if not hundreds, of thousands of dollars. The town lost its identical action in state court and at a much higher cost than the RICO suit (look it up). The town has spent countless dollars trying to prove that I engaged in the unauthorized practice of law. That misadventure ended when I was sworn into the Florida Bar in September 2015.

I fear that the taxpayers have been deprived of such critical information, including the fact

that the town once cut attorney Gerald Richman a \$50,000 check without receiving any itemized bills. The taxpayers have been swindled; every dollar the town now spends litigating is forever wasted.

For those of you who don't know me, I was born in Gulf Stream and attended Gulf Stream School from the age of 3 until the day I departed for Culver Military

Academy. I attended with Lisa Orthwein and Ashley Morgan, had playdates with Berkley Sweetapple, and was welcomed into the homes of those who now call me the "scourge of the state."

The taxpayers ought to know of these deep and intertwined connections because it explains the emotional and irrational behavior of the town's spending habits.

No one discussed conflicts of interest when Morgan put his personal lawyer, Robert Sweetapple, on the town's payroll or how the town allows Sweetapple to profiteer from personal lawsuits with taxpayer dollars (request his bills).

But there is hope. The taxpayers have to urge their commissioners and/or Town Manager William Thrasher to end this travesty by sitting

down with O'Hare and O'Boyle — unconditionally. The latter want this episode to end. Town officials will continue to engage in this unchecked behavior, which is destructive and abasing the town, for perpetuity. Taxpayers, resolution is reality — but the onus is on you.

Jonathan O'Boyle
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Delray Beach

CRA gives analysts more time, puts off Old School Square grounds makeover

By Jane Smith

The much-anticipated property value analysis of downtown Delray Beach and its beach side will be presented Feb. 28 at the city's Community Redevelopment Agency meeting.

Munilytics, the Davie company analyzing the records, received a second extension at the Jan. 14 CRA meeting. The company had received an automatic 30-day extension in December with a revised deadline of Jan. 4. The new date of Feb. 19 gave the company 45 more days to complete the work. The company was selected because of its low bid of \$59,000 and quick two-month turnaround time.

The firm was hired last fall to analyze property values in each of the agency's eight subareas that represent about 20 percent of Delray Beach. The subareas lie mostly along Atlantic Avenue, east of Interstate 95 to the ocean.

At the Jan. 14 meeting, CRA Chairman Reggie Cox pulled the contract extension off the consent agenda and made it a regular agenda item so the board members could discuss it. "There are budget issues attached to this," he said.

Board member Paul Zacks agreed. "The company was picked based on its low price."

CRA Executive Director Jeff Costello explained that the company asked for more time to reach all the parties required in its contract.

Board members said they'd like future contracts to reflect that if a company didn't meet a deadline, it would face consequences.

In other action, board members suspended the contract with Currie Sowards and Aguila Architects for 90 days for the makeover of the Old School Square grounds, at the request of the City Commission. The vote was 5-1, with CRA board member Bill Branning abstaining because he chairs the Old School Square board.

Zacks voted for the suspension reluctantly because he is trying to be a good partner with the city, even though the CRA held various community meetings to get public input before awarding the \$200,000 design contract to the Currie firm.

Board member Herman Stevens voted no. He explained that he thinks it's important for the city and the CRA to work together, but he thinks the CRA board is independent from the City Commission.

As the owner of Old School Square and its grounds, the City Commission would have final say over changes. It prefers to concentrate on maintaining the property and wants the CRA to spend its money elsewhere.

Old School Square Executive Director Rob Steele and noted urban planner Fred Kent will lead community sessions to find out what residents want to see there. ★



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Delray Beach

iPic passes site review board, moves on to Planning and Zoning

By Jane Smith

The iPic movie theater moved closer to becoming a reality after a Delray Beach review board approved site plans in mid-January. Next stop for the mixed-use project will be the Feb. 22 meeting of the Planning & Zoning Board.

In contrast with the luxury theater's December appearance before the Site Plan Review and Appearance Board, where the project was tabled for various issues, the January meeting went smoothly. Only two residents spoke against the project's impact on traffic in the downtown; at the December meeting eight residents pointed out traffic problems.

The project sits on 1.6 acres, just south of Atlantic Avenue and between Southeast Fourth and Fifth avenues. The land is owned by the city's Community Redevelopment Agency.

During that four-week break, the iPic owners turned the nearby Martini property into a loading zone for deliveries and a staging area for emergency vehicles. At the request of the city's Fire Department, iPic will restrict parking there to emergency vehicles. Four public spaces will be eliminated.

The owners also addressed objections to the limited turning room in the garage by revising the layout to show enough maneuvering room for a vehicle that is 11.3 feet long. Board member Jim Knight pointed out that a Volkswagen Beetle is 13 feet long and an SUV averages about 16 feet. Even so, he ultimately voted for the project's site plans because two board members who are architects said the revised garage was adequate.

Architect Roger Cope said, "I'm not going to pick apart their garage, I think they've done the best possible job." He called the design "iconic."

Board member Andrew Youngross voted against approvals for the site plans, saying, "The size of the project just doesn't fit here and it's not harmonious with the neighborhood."

Jose Aguilar, the board chairman and an architect, agreed: "I personally feel it's too large." He voted against the site plan for iPic but for the site plan for the Martini property.

Nearby resident Sandy Zeller, who is the president of the Marina Historic District

Homeowners Association, said iPic's November traffic analysis showed 15 percent of its 1,770 new trips would come from the ocean side of Delray Beach. When traffic backs up along Atlantic Avenue, he said, many would cut through the Marina District. Because it's a historic district with few sidewalks,

curbs or street lights, he wanted the developer to pay to install street lights.

"We can't control how people get to our project," said Bonnie Miskel, an attorney for iPic.

But Cope sided with Zeller and proposed a solution that would require the developer to monitor the traffic in the

Marina Historic District 12 months after receiving 90 percent of its permits.

But that wasn't concrete enough for Zeller. He wanted the developer to install the lighting as soon as iPic opens, not wait until a traffic study is completed and decisions made on what traffic threshold would

trigger action and who would pay for it.

He said he talked with Miskel after the meeting and pointed out two streets that would be the travel path to iPic. He didn't get a firm commitment but said she promised to look into it. ★

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Delray Beach

Seawalls will need \$25 million worth of work in coming years

By Jane Smith

Repairing and replacing crumbling seawalls along the Intracoastal Waterway in Delray Beach will cost about \$25 million, according to an estimate by the city's chief financial officer.

"You only have to look at the pictures of streets under water and residents in kayaks riding through the streets," Jack Warner told the City Commission in January when giving his budget presentation. "It's a new need."

Indeed, during the seasonal high tides last year, a kayaker was spotted paddling down Marine Way, just south of

Atlantic Avenue.

Warner did give commissioners some good news: The city won't have to bear the burden of that cost. State and federal grants are available, he said.

The city has about 20 miles of seawalls, new Environmental Services Director John Morgan said. The public seawalls are in various areas along the Intracoastal, he said. They sit at the intersections of the three bridges, in Veterans Park, along Marine Way and other areas.

Seawalls run about \$250 a linear foot to build, he said. "From Veterans Park to Marine Way, the city has 1,900 linear feet of seawalls," Morgan said.

The City Commission

approved hiring the Wantman Group for \$28,850. The engineering firm will provide a structural analysis of the seawalls, bulkheads and public docks along the Intracoastal in Veterans Park, the city marina and along Marine Way. The structures have been damaged over time by seasonal high tides and from wave action from boats.

To his knowledge, this marks the first comprehensive study of the city's seawalls. He explains: For a long time after the city was founded, it was just shoreline along the Intracoastal. Development happened incrementally with homes and condos built there. Seawalls went up without an overall plan

for the waterfront, he said.

The study will determine which are public and private seawalls, their condition and whether replacement is needed, how high they must be to hold back rising water and what construction method would allow the seawalls to last for 50 years. The city now uses a combination of seawalls and pumps and valves to confront street flooding, Morgan said.

The project would take about 10 years to complete because various state and federal agencies will have to sign off on it, plus nearby private property owners may have to upgrade their seawalls. It doesn't make sense to have a strengthened seawall next to an area not

protected or with a crumbling seawall, he said.

By the time the engineering and design costs are included, the overall price will likely rise above \$25 million, Morgan said.

In other action in January, Delray Beach commissioners passed a resolution endorsing a state Senate bill to require solar-powered, in-road lights to improve bicyclist safety along coastal roads.

Lighting is reduced seven months each year to prevent disorienting sea turtle hatchlings. If passed, the bill would require lights on coastal roads rebuilt or added after July 1. State Sen. Maria Sachs, Delray Beach, is the sponsor. ★

Decades on, Beach Property Owners still keep eyes on their prize

By Ron Hayes

Oh, thank heaven for 7-Eleven.

Had a small group of outraged residents not come together in May 1967 to oppose a convenience store along A1A in Delray Beach's south end, someone might be dispensing Big Gulps near where Atlantic Dunes Park stands today.

Those early activists grew to become the Beach Property Owners Association, and 48 years later they're still working to keep Delray Beach beautiful, accessible and welcoming to all.

"Approval of a convenience store would have acted as a precedent for future commercial development," says the group's president, Bob Victorin, a member since the 1970s.

"It would have changed the



Victorin



Katz

whole character and lifestyle of the area," agrees Vice President Andy Katz, "and the city would have lost taxes because property values would have been a lot less."

Working with city government through the years, the association has kept commercial property confined to Atlantic Avenue, Katz notes, with only the Marriott resort, three restaurants and a clothing store along A1A. Any taller buildings predate height limitations the organization and city worked to pass in the

1980s.

The organization that began as a neighborhood effort to keep a convenience store off A1A has grown, but is still a small organization with office supplies, but no office.

The group's more than 400 households pay dues of \$25 a year and meet each March and December in space provided free by the Northern Trust Bank. Board members meet monthly. The dues cover the cost of printing and mailing membership communications including three or four newsletters a year, telephone bills and a website. No one is paid.

"And about 12 percent of our members have voluntarily given more than the dues," Victorin notes. "We've had gifts from \$200 to one for \$1,000."

Over the years, that small outlay has produced impressive returns.

Most important, in 2004 the group helped to pass residential design guidelines establishing architectural styles, building setbacks, acceptable colors and garage standards for single-family homes.

"If you're going to paint your house," Katz said, "you can't do the Pepto-Bismol thing, and no triple-wide garage doors."

With the help of \$60,000 raised by the association, the

city was able to rebuild the beach pavilion in 2014, based on the footprint and design of the original 1929 structure.

Katz also points with pride to the group's commitment to dune development and beach renourishment.

In 1973 the city started a beach renourishment program and later planted native vegetation to create the dunes.

"In 1983, we worked for dune development, renourishing the dunes by planting native vegetation. That was done mostly with county, state and federal money, and today Delray Beach is praised at national conferences as a model for successful dune maintenance," Katz says.

The importance of dunes hit home in October 2012, when Hurricane Sandy arrived.

"Luckily for us, it was still quite far out at sea when it was in the southern latitudes," Katz recalls. "Everyone knows the extreme damage it caused up North. Sandy and another storm later that month did scour our beaches, and also took out about 20 feet of the dunes, but the vegetated dunes did their job in protecting A1A and the upland properties."

The group's greatest accomplishment, Katz said, is also his greatest disappointment. "It's taking so long to implement the master plan," he says. In 2009, the group developed a widespread plan to improve the beach area. It was accepted by the city in 2010, but since then the devil has been in finding

money and formalizing the design and construction details. Recently the city established a bond funding mechanism and plans are being formalized with the prospect of starting construction in late 2016.

Now the group, founded 48 years ago, already is looking that far into the future. "We're a coastal community that could be affected by rising tides the same way Miami and the Keys are being affected," Katz says.

To combat the threat, Katz says the city has recently raised its base floor elevation requirement by 6 inches and is spending "tens of thousands of dollars" to install one-way valves to prevent the Intracoastal Waterway from flooding nearby streets during storms and seasonal high tides. "Miami Beach is spending \$400 million," Katz says. "The oceans are rising. There's no doubt about that. The debate is about the cause. But tide gauges aren't political, and they don't lie."

The Beach Property Owners Association is also not political. It will ask municipal candidates identical questions and publish the responses in its newsletter, but never make endorsements.

"We're trying to preserve the very public and welcoming nature of our beach area," Katz explains. Come to Delray Beach and you'll find 600 parking spaces for only \$1.50 an hour, he notes. Go to Palm Beach and you'll pay \$5. "We want to keep it as a public amenity, and also improve it." ★



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Delray Beach

Beach area parking meter hours clarified

By Jane Smith

Parking meter times east of the Intracoastal Waterway have changed again. Delray Beach users will again have to feed the meters only between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. seven days a week.

The previous hours of 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. lasted only a few weeks last fall after the Delray Beach City Commission approved the switch to longer hours at the first October meeting.

“There was a lot of confusion and push-back about the extended hours,” said Don Cooper, city manager.

When the city starts its beach master plan work in June, he said smart parking meters will be included. Those meters can take credit cards. The meters also can be synced with mobile phones to alert users that time is running out and suggest additional payment, which can be made via the phone without returning to the meter.

Mayor Cary Glickstein had suggested the extended hours last fall.

“I received many complaints from both business owners and recipients of parking tickets. While it was broadcast through various mediums and noticed by the Police Department, experience shows many don’t pay attention to such notices and were surprised by what appeared to be a very sudden change,” he said recently. “After several conversations, staff concluded it made more sense to make the change when the new meters are changed.”

Fran Marincola, a co-owner of Caffe Luna Rosa along the beach and a veteran member of the city’s Parking Management Advisory Board, applauds that decision.

“The problem was the antiquated meters, not the extended hours,” he said. The meters can take only quarters or Smart Cards, sold by the city. “Enforcing it at night was just getting negative revenue.”

In other City Commission action in January, the city raised its marina rental rates by more than 55 percent for live-aboard boats owners who will pay \$28 a foot and more than 33 percent for those who don’t live aboard boats and will pay \$27 a foot.

The parks and recreation director had recommended an increase of nearly 17 percent for live-aboard boats. But commissioners said it was not high enough when compared with marina charges in surrounding cities.

Delray Beach has 24 slips and a waiting list of 70 boat owners. ★



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Delray Beach

CRA criticizes Arts Garage record-keeping, suspends funding

By Jane Smith

The Arts Garage in Delray Beach must present better financial records before its chief public provider will release any more money, the city's Community Redevelopment Agency board voted unanimously in late January.

The CRA had committed to providing \$68,750 for the fourth quarter of the last financial year, which ended Sept. 30. That amount represents 18 percent of the popular performing arts venue's budget. The CRA also had allocated a similar amount of \$275,000 for the current financial year.

But the Arts Garage did not follow the deadlines for the fourth-quarter report or for requesting an extension, according to CRA staff. The audits submitted in December for the two previous financial years did not separate the CRA dollars, as was required, Lori Hayward, finance and operations director, told the board.

Alyona Ushe, Arts Garage president, said, "The first audit is clean." She told the board that the underlying implications of financial mismanagement are "damaging to us and our reputation." The day after the CRA meeting, the Arts Garage started an email blitz to the media to correct what it sees as misinformation.

At the CRA meeting, Ushe

apologized for submitting the documents late. "It's my fault," she said. She asked for a partial payment.

CRA Chairman Reggie Cox said no. "This is not an ambush. You'll have to do some heavy lifting going forward. It's gut-check time," he said.

Ushe received advice from other CRA board members.

"Your organization needs a strategic plan. You can ride the wave only so long," said board member Cathy Balestriere. She said the box of checks and invoices that Ushe had dropped off that afternoon was not what the agency needed in terms of financial records.

The Arts Garage did submit in January an updated audit for the 2013-2014 financial year that complied with CRA rules about accounting separately for the agency's money, allocated for education and programming expenses.

But it also contained a management letter that pointed out basic accounting problems, such as: no documentation for expenses, assets, receivables, payroll and the like; no indication that the executive director had approved credit card purchases; using a restricted grant of \$200,000 to offset

costs that were not allowed; and a bank overdraft of \$70,089.

Brian Rosen, vice president of the Arts Garage board, said the checks for the grant money were cut two days after the financial year changed.

"We don't have a lot of fancy spreadsheets," Dan Schwartz, Arts Garage finance director, told the CRA board. "But we have the checks and accounts to show you."

Ushe indicated she could present the financial records in two weeks.

The Arts Garage also has a major deadline looming on the Ides of March.

It rents 10,000 square feet from the city for \$800 a month. The organization has not raised the money needed to buy the building for \$2.5 million. The sale was supposed to close March 15. Its lease also expires on that date.

Instead, Ushe wants a 10-year lease with an option to purchase. Her letter to the city dated Jan. 15 explains the role the Arts Garage plays in Delray Beach: a \$2 million-plus annual economic impact where its patrons pay to attend an Arts Garage show, pay for parking, purchase dinner at a local restaurant and buy dessert after the show.

To bolster its case, the Arts Garage has started a social media campaign with email blasts to its patrons urging them to contact commissioners and a petition to save the Arts Garage. The petition also is accessible on the organization's Facebook page. As of late January, nearly 500 people had signed the petition.

In addition, the Arts Garage has started a money drive on Facebook after the CRA suspended payments. Rosen, the board's vice president, wrote the Arts Garage has a "clean audit opinion."

Last fall, Mayor Cary Glickstein wanted the Arts Garage and the Old School Square to merge because of their arts focus and proximity. Glickstein said back office operations could be combined, the Old School Square could share its liquor license with the Arts Garage and the merger would lessen the burden on taxpayers. The city contributes to both venues.

But Ushe prefers to remain independent. In her lease-extension request, she said that merging would decrease the amount of grant money available to each organization from state and county sources.

But Bill Branning, a CRA board member and chairman of Old School Square, offered up this suggestion to his fellow board members: The CRA should buy it. That way, the space would be used for cultural purposes and the purchase would help the city.★



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Delray Beach

Signal replacements at East Atlantic intersections will affect traffic

By Jane Smith

Construction work has started to replace the temporary traffic signals at two East Atlantic intersections in Delray Beach. It will take at least two months to complete, weather permitting, contractors said.

Florida Department of Transportation contractors will do the work, for which the city's Community Redevelopment

Agency has agreed to pay \$547,865.

The Beach Property Owners Association has waited nearly 18 months for the work to start, said Bob Victorin, association president.

Temporary poles were erected after metal mast arm poles became corroded and in danger of collapsing at the Venetian Drive and Gleason Street intersections.

Construction will occur

between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays; no work will be done at night or on weekends.

The Beach Property Owners Association said:

- Traffic will be controlled by temporary signal lights.
- One lane on the streets will be closed at times to allow for staging construction vehicles and storing supplies.
- Total closure of the intersections will be needed for two days when heavy

construction will be done.

• Traffic may be detoured to the Linton Boulevard Bridge because there is a weight limit on the George Bush Boulevard Bridge.

The work will involve removing existing concrete signal poles with hanging wires and installing six drilled shaft foundations and six trombone-style mast arms — three each at Venetian and three at Gleason.

The new mast arms will be

made of galvanized steel and painted to inhibit corrosion, contractors said. They are expected to last about 20 years.

Victorin said he was told that the location near the ocean and the salt spray may decrease that life expectancy.

Contractors said they had taken pre-construction videos at the intersections to document the condition of surrounding buildings prior to the start of work on Jan. 11. ★

Site plan board rejects latest Atlantic Crossing modification

By Jane Smith

The modified site plan for the Atlantic Crossing mixed-use development downtown was turned down in late January by a Delray Beach board.

Senior city planner Scott Pape told the Site Plan Review and Appearance Board that his department had hired yet another traffic consultant from outside the county to review the site plan modification. The modified plan called for either a one-way road into the garage or a two-way surface road for internal traffic.

"They concluded that the Jan. 21, 2014, approved plan was the optimal design," he said. The one-way and two-way drives into the garage created too much internal conflict along NE Seventh Avenue without benefiting the traffic flow inside the project, Pape told board members. The alternate routes were designed last summer at the behest of the City Commission.

The city's planning department had recommended denial. The board went along with that recommendation by a 5-1 vote. Board member Jim Chard, who voted no, proposed a complicated motion that would have allowed the project to move forward.

The development already had its site plan approved in 2014. That plan shows a two-way road into the garage.

The developers' attorney, Brian Seymour of the Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart law firm, agreed that the two-way access road proposed last summer was dangerous. "We are not going to create anything dangerous," he told the board members.

Bruce Leiner, president of the nearby Harbour House Homeowners Association, questioned whether the Atlantic Crossing developers have title to all the land they need to build their project. At issue, he said, is the ownership of two alleys.

"No title certificate was filed as of today," he said on Jan. 27.

Most of the residents who spoke at the meeting were concerned about traffic. Retailer Bruce Gimmy, who owns the Trouser Shop on East Atlantic, called the area where Atlantic Crossing sits "a dead zone to the bridge." He hoped it could move forward.

Karen Granger, of the Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce, said she was "looking for a way to move this project forward because of the jobs and tax dollars it would bring."

Board member Jim Knight said at the end of the meeting,

"We spent all this time when the best solution was already out there."

The proposed \$200 million Atlantic Crossing sits stalled on 9.2 acres at the northeast corner of Federal Highway and East Atlantic Avenue in the city's downtown. The project, developed by a partnership between Ohio-based Edwards Companies and Ocean Ridge resident Carl DeSantis, will contain 343 luxury condos and apartments plus 39,394 square feet of restaurants, 37,642 square

feet of shops and 83,462 square feet of office space.

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 fall, the lawsuit was moved to federal court. The developers recently filed their third amended complaint and the judge put the case on hold until March 1 to allow the project time to go through the

city's approval process.

"We understand SPRAB's action, which is consistent with the opinion of every traffic engineer who has reviewed access to and from the site, and we look forward to the City Commission review of this decision," said Don DeVere, vice president of Edwards Companies.

As to the lawsuit, he said: "We hope the City Commission will work with us to reach an amicable settlement so we can finally get underway." ★

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Gulf Stream

Town wants trial dates for O'Boyle, O'Hare lawsuits

By Dan Moffett

Lawyers for the town of Gulf Stream are pushing an aggressive trial schedule they hope will resolve by the end of this year all the lawsuits filed by Martin O'Boyle and Chris O'Hare.

That's saying something, because the two residents started the year with close to 50 cases pending against the town.

"We're ready to tee them up and go to trial," said Joanne O'Connor, an attorney with the West Palm Beach law firm of Jones, Foster, Johnston & Stubbs, representing the town. "We expect to win them all."

At least seven lawsuits, mostly involving public records disputes between the town and the two men, are expected to be heard in nonjury trials in Palm Beach County Circuit Court during the first half of the year, O'Connor said. She and Robert

Sweetapple, a Boca Raton lawyer hired by the town, are representing Gulf Stream.

O'Connor says she and Sweetapple intend to list as many cases for trial in Circuit Court as possible in the months ahead. "I think more than 40 of them can be resolved," she said.

The town's lawyers think many of the lawsuits, perhaps dozens of them, will never make it to the courtroom because judges are likely to dismiss them as frivolous or legally insufficient. O'Connor thinks the town's goal of clearing the deck of its legal cases in 2016 is achievable.

"I can't imagine they would go into next year," she said.

O'Boyle and O'Hare have criticized the town for not showing good faith in efforts to negotiate a settlement, a charge town officials deny. An attempt to bring the parties together for negotiation talks in December

fell apart at the last minute, sources said.

Mayor Scott Morgan has said for months that the town is willing to negotiate, but O'Boyle and O'Hare must agree to drop all their lawsuits as a condition of a settlement.

Morgan, who had a long career as a trial lawyer in Pennsylvania, was elected mayor in 2014 on the promise he would oversee an aggressive defense of the town in the courts. He said 2015 was a good year for Gulf Stream and he was expecting that to continue. The town has set aside about \$1 million in its budget to cover legal fees.

"We're pleased with the progress we've made so far," Morgan said. "For some reason, they (O'Boyle and O'Hare) don't want to resolve these cases. We want to resolve these cases."

The town had a significant setback in June when a federal judge threw out a racketeering suit against O'Boyle and O'Hare that alleged a conspiracy to defraud municipalities across the state. Gulf Stream is appealing that decision.

However, Morgan can point to several victories in the federal courts — rulings that went against O'Hare or O'Boyle in cases involving allegations of civil rights violations concerning campaign

sign rules, police behavior and fees for public records. The town's lawyers also successfully defended Morgan against allegations of slander.

Gulf Stream also won rulings in state court cases involving O'Hare's rejected permit requests for a solar roof on his house and a shooting range, and O'Boyle's complaint about utility lines crossing his property.

Elsewhere, the Florida Commission on Ethics issued three rulings that went the town's way, rejecting O'Hare's complaints against Town Attorney John Randolph, Morgan and Sweetapple.

Jonathan O'Boyle, Martin's son, says Morgan has wrongly accused the O'Boyles and The O'Boyle Law Firm of criminal and unethical behavior.

"Morgan made those same accusations in a 2014 bar complaint," Jonathan O'Boyle said. "The Florida Bar dismissed that complaint on May 20, 2015, and I became a Florida attorney shortly thereafter. Morgan squandered taxpayer dollars in attempting to prove criminality and prevent me from obtaining my license. ... Morgan says that he has 'denuded' my firm. Not true."

The town got some encouraging news from Tallahassee in January when

a Florida Senate committee approved a bill that puts new restrictions on attorney fees in public records lawsuits.

The Senate Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee unanimously approved SB 1220, sponsored by Sen. Rene Garcia, R-Miami. The bill removes the requirement that judges must give attorney fees to people who win public records suits against state or local government entities. Under the legislation, it would be left to the courts to decide whether payment of fees is warranted.

The Florida League of Cities and Florida Association of Counties have lobbied for the bill, citing Gulf Stream's costly fight with O'Boyle and O'Hare as justification. The First Amendment Foundation and other open government advocates are opposing the change, calling it the most serious threat to the state's Sunshine Law in its 40-year history.

Vice Mayor Robert Ganger testified to state lawmakers in support of the bill. "It's clear we need some kind of relief from the Legislature," he said.

The legislation faces an uncertain future as it moves through more committee hearings.

"At least they've noticed us," Morgan said. ★



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County Pocket

Fire district study asked to address unincorporated area

By Dan Moffett

Organizers of a coastal fire district study are reaching out to the county pocket, believing its residents might benefit if a new arrangement for delivering emergency services goes forward.

Consultants are studying whether it is feasible to build a fire station in Briny Breezes as part of a coastal district plan. A Briny station would dramatically reduce response times to the pocket, which over the years has had reliability issues with mainland fire-rescue providers.

Gulf Stream Vice Mayor Robert Ganger, who has played a leading role in initiating the study, says the county pocket has to be considered in the decision-making going forward.

"I would like to be assured that the folks in the county pocket are at least apprised of what's happening," Ganger said. "The county may not view them as important as they view themselves. It is conceivable that the new facility could really be across the street from where they live."

Ganger said that if a district plan proves feasible, the participating municipalities — Gulf Stream, Briny Breezes, Ocean Ridge, Manalapan and South Palm Beach — would likely seek an interlocal agreement with Palm Beach County to handle fire-rescue services for the pocket.

Roughly 150 residents live in the sliver of county land between Gulf Stream and Briny Breezes, and in 2009 they got a hard look at the deficiencies in their emergency services. Bill Dunn, a 48-year-old longtime resident in the pocket, choked to death while it took Palm Beach County Fire Rescue almost 13

minutes to respond to the 911 call.

"Anyone knows you can't provide lifesaving service with a response time like that," said Mike Smollon, one of Dunn's neighbors. "We theoretically have service from the county, but we have the worst service and don't get what we pay for. But it's not about money. We don't get adequate service at any price."

Smollon brings expertise to the table. He is a former Boynton Beach firefighter who retired as a battalion chief after 28 years with the department. Smollon says he pays the county roughly \$1,500 in property taxes each year for fire-rescue services and thinks the district idea is worth exploring.

"It's definitely something people in the pocket could benefit from," he said.

After Dunn's death, Boynton Beach and the county signed a mutual aid agreement in the hope of improving response. But for pocket residents, no provider on the mainland compares with having a station in or near Briny Breezes.

Matrix Consulting Group of Keller, Texas, began its study of the coastal municipalities in December and is expected to deliver its report on the fire district's feasibility in March.

The consultants are inviting all coastal residents to participate in an online survey and voice their opinions about the fire district proposal. The Matrix survey can be found at www.surveymonkey.com/r/BarrierIsland.

Or, residents can contact the company's lead project analyst, Robert Finn, by email at rfinn@matrixcg.net.

The survey takes five to 10 minutes to complete and all responses are anonymous. ★

Delray Beach/Highland Beach

Delray wants 20% fire fee hike

By Rich Pollack

Plans to have Delray Beach continue to provide fire and rescue services to Highland Beach residents after a current contract expires next year hit a snag Feb. 2 when Delray Beach Commissioners rejected a proposed agreement in which the small town would pay an annual fee of \$3.3 million.

In what amounts to a counter-proposal, Delray Beach representatives will now go back to the town with a request for an additional 20 percent administrative fee, which would raise annual costs to Highland Beach by about \$660,000.

Under the original proposal, in the works for several years, Delray Beach would have continued providing services to Highland Beach at what had been calculated as the city's costs.

But Delray Beach commissioners expressed concerns with the cost estimates, saying they weren't quite accurate because they did not include intangibles such as training expenses nor did they address variables in staffing expenses and pension costs.

"This doesn't work for me," said Delray Beach Vice Mayor Shelly Petrolia, who proposed a 25 percent administrative fee. "They're benefitting off of our city."

Other commissioners agreed. "There's no reason for us to do this if we're breaking even," said Commissioner Mitch Katz. "I agree with the vice mayor that there has to be some administrative costs."

Mayor Cary Glickstein said he was not completely comfortable with charging Highland Beach a 25 percent fee, which would have brought the town's annual bill up to over \$4 million.

"I don't like the concept of profiting off of

another city," Glickstein said.

But Petrolia said she didn't think that was the case. "I don't think it's profiting," she said. "I think it's recovering our costs."

Delray Beach Finance Director Jack Warner and Fire-Rescue Chief Danielle Connor told commissioners that they did not think Highland Beach officials would accept the 25 percent increase. That led Glickstein to ask if there would be a negative impact to the city if it no longer served Highland Beach.

Connor said the city would need to absorb about 22 positions that it currently has assigned to Highland Beach and would no longer be able to rely on apparatus stationed in the town as a back-up. Overall, she said, the city would not suffer greatly if it no longer provided fire service to Highland Beach.

"They probably need us more than we need them," she said.

In the end, commissioners agreed on a 20 percent administrative fee and also on a laundry list of conditions that would allow Delray to recoup many unplanned costs.

Under the current contract, Highland Beach pays Delray Beach Fire-Rescue to provide staffing for a ladder truck and a rescue truck, which operate out of a town-owned fire station.

Highland Beach now pays \$8,500 a month to use a Delray Beach ladder truck, but continues to operate its own 10-year-old rescue truck. As part of the original proposed agreement, Delray Beach would have bought new apparatus and leased it back to the town over a 10-year period.

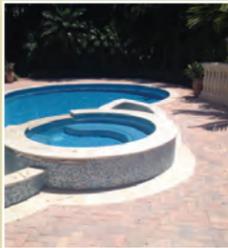
Prior to the signing off on the now-rejected agreement with Delray Beach, town officials had spoken with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue and fire rescue departments in both Boca Raton and Boynton Beach. It was determined, however, that Delray Beach would be the most cost effective and efficient option. ★

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Delray Beach

Library expands offerings, aims to engage more of the public

By Jane Smith

Contractors are finishing the new children's area of the Delray Beach Public Library.

They've added 5,000 square feet to the department, with space for a designated family reading center with a panther statue, a recording studio and a robotics club under the name of the Lynda Hunter and Virginia Kimmel Children's Library.

An invitation-only grand opening will be held Feb. 18 and community grand opening will be held Feb. 27.

It will be a grand space, most everyone agrees.

At the same time, the library director and a board member began a process to address what they've come to call the "Marvin Gaye question":

What's going on?

Prompted by Mayor Cary Glickstein, who wants the library to justify the use of nearly \$2 million in tax dollars, Director Alan Kornblau and library board member Brian Cheslack made the rounds of community organizations in the fall. They told the groups, including the Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce, Old School Square and the Delray Beach Marketing Cooperative, about the library's offerings.

In response, they often



Four columns in the library's children's area were made to look like trees with faces on them. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

heard, "I didn't know that," Cheslack said.

In October, they began to host monthly community forums to help the library create a detailed strategic plan. About 25 people came to the first meeting, Kornblau said.

They reviewed national data provided by the Pew Research Center. That data showed libraries ranked first on importance to the community — above military, police and public schools. That trend played out locally when the Delray Beach library surveyed its patrons and residents.

Kornblau also showed state data that revealed that Delray Beach spends less per

Library spending

2013-2014 financial year*

Location	Service area population	Total operating expenses	Total operating expenses per capita
Boca Raton Public Library	86,647	\$4,106,300	\$47.39
Boynton Beach City Library	71,608	\$2,467,077	\$34.45
Delray Beach Public Library	62,700	\$2,156,997	\$34.40
Highland Beach Library	3,581	Not reported	Not reported
Manalapan Library	408	Not reported	Not reported
Lake Park Public Library	8,477	\$255,818	\$30.18
Lake Worth Public Library	36,423	\$478,194	\$13.13
Lantana Public Library	10,681	\$182,062	\$17.05
Mandel Public Library of West Palm Beach	104,630	\$4,307,429	\$41.17
North Palm Beach Public Library	12,182	\$745,912	\$61.23
Palm Beach County Library System	898,888	\$41,427,408	\$46.09
Palm Springs Public Library	20,887	\$714,515	\$34.21
Riviera Beach Public Library	33,728	\$399,959	\$11.86

SOURCE: Florida Division of Library and Information Services. *Most recent data.

1,000 residents on its library compared with Boca Raton and Boynton Beach, but ranks higher on visits and adult program attendance.

"That's where we want to be," Cheslack said.

"We're not a Barnes and Noble for the well-to-do, but we are a free public library," he said. "If the Laugh with the Library event would go away, that would be sad. But if the tax dollars go away, we would be in trouble."

On Jan. 25, based on the community input, Kornblau unveiled three areas where

the library will concentrate this year: children's programs, the business resource center and joint programs with community organizations.

The programs also will include the Downtown Development Authority, Community Redevelopment Agency, Historical Society and the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum.

The library is upgrading the children's section through its Foothold on the Future campaign, begun in October 2014.

"We came up with that name because we are 'selling' each square foot of new cork floor for \$50," Kornblau said.

The new children's area will cost about \$500,000 to redo. The area was named for the head children's librarian and Virginia Kimmel, who along with her husband, Harvey, offered a \$100,000 matching grant. The campaign also received \$100,000 from Mark and Becky Walsh, \$25,000 from an anonymous donor and the rest from the community.

Plans call for the children's section to be moved downstairs beginning Feb. 14 and finishing on Presidents' Day when the library is closed. That will free space on the second floor for the business resource center. The library will hire a business librarian to staff it, Kornblau said.

At the Jan. 25 community meeting, Todd L'Herrou, chamber vice president, said meeting space was at a premium in the downtown and suggested providing that as a possibility. CRA Executive Director Jeff Costello said business retention should be addressed, and Kornblau talked about working with two organizations to create an online calendar of all events downtown.

Increased usage a priority

The library knows it must continue to keep interacting with the community to increase its use, which currently is about 22 percent of residents,

If you go

Invitation only: Grand opening of the new Lynda Hunter and Virginia Kimmel Children's Library
When: 6 p.m. Feb. 18
Where: 100 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach; 266-0194 or www.delraylibrary.org
Info: Foothold on the Future campaign renovated and expanded the children's department.

Public event: Grand opening of the new Lynda Hunter and Virginia Kimmel Children's Library
When: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Feb. 27
Where: 100 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach; 266-0194 or www.delraylibrary.org

Kornblau said.

He also said patron visits were down 7 percent this budget year compared to last, which was down another 15 percent. He theorized this year's drop was from the children's department being on the second floor. Last year's decrease came about for two reasons: the nearby South County Courthouse is closed on Fridays and more competition for leisure time.

The library held steady on its electronic requests, he said.

The library has status as a 501(c)3 nonprofit. It has a board that governs what the library does and raises money for projects such as the Foothold for the Future program. Tax dollars support the operating budget.

The library, along with the city's other nonprofits, will be able to keep the same level of tax dollars in the next financial year, city commissioners learned in early January.

What's the future of Delray Beach library?

"I don't want the library doing things they are not good at — suddenly deciding we're a business incubator or we're going to rent out space and become landlords," Cheslack said. "I see the library as an economic equalizer. ... We need to create a library that responds to the community." ★

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Boynton Beach

New coalition offers input as Riverwalk developer works with city

By Jane Smith

A new coalition of 3,500 Intracoastal residents will monitor the Riverwalk Plaza development in Boynton Beach.

The Boynton Coalition for Responsible Development was created by the Florida Coalition for Preservation, a grass-roots group that promotes responsible development.

“The Riverwalk site has certain field conditions, such as the nearby fire station and a bridge opening on demand, that make traffic a big concern,” said Kristine de Haseth, executive director of the Florida Coalition.

Traffic was one of the major issues that Boynton Beach planners planned to discuss at a Feb. 3 meeting.

“Everything can be addressed,” said Shaul Rikman, founder and president of Isram Realty, Riverwalk’s owner.

“Everyone wants to see the

new project. I’m hopeful.”

Isram’s plans, filed in December, call for a 10-story, U-shaped apartment building with 326 units along the Intracoastal Waterway. This allows Isram to make the best use of the waterfront views.

The site of the Riverwalk Plaza complex is at an aging shopping center previously anchored by a Winn-Dixie store until early 2015, when the grocery left as part of a company plan to close some stores.

The complex, which sits along Woolbright Road, will contain 41,970 square feet of retail space, the 7,889-square-foot Prime Catch restaurant and the 2,988-square-foot Wendy’s with a drive-through lane. The Wells Fargo bank branch will remain, along with a Walgreen’s drugstore and Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft Store in a separate building.

Federal Highway makes up

the western boundary.

The plans were sent to various city departments, including engineering and planning, along with the city’s Community Redevelopment Agency. That resulted in 132 comments, with the major ones focused on traffic, height, parking and sidewalks.

The 9.8-acre complex sits in a zoning district that allows building heights of seven stories, but Isram wants to build 10. The Planning Department would consider some extra height if the developer put in what Boynton Beach planners are calling “view corridors.”

The urban design elements aren’t defined currently but will be in the new master plan, said Michael Rumpf, planning and zoning director. Basically the corridors are open spaces between buildings, he said, that allow passers-by on Federal Highway to see the Intracoastal.

Staff also recommends extending the apartment building over the proposed parking area to the west and possibly connecting to the existing commercial structure. Right now, the commercial building is separate from the residential one.

The engineering staff had concerns about the entrances and exits from the project onto Federal and Woolbright. If traffic is traveling at 35 to 40 mph when someone suddenly slows to 25 mph, that can create a rear-end collision if there isn’t a deceleration lane, Rumpf said. Staff recommended changing the entrance on Woolbright to right-out only.

Plans also call for the Intracoastal Promenade, a linear public park, to sit along the Intracoastal. But the north and south entrances are not wide enough to encourage pedestrian use, according to CRA staff. Public art should

be placed at the entrances to identify them, the CRA said.

The agency also wants to see more retail uses along the first floor that abuts the promenade.

De Haseth likes the thoroughness of Boynton Beach’s review and plans to meet again with city planning staff to share input from the new coalition.

The Boynton Intracoastal Group that represents 2,400 residents on the east side of the Intracoastal is part of the new coalition, said Tom McClure, group president.

“We all have the same concerns — height and traffic,” he said. “We want it to be built, but responsibly.”

McClure likes being involved in the initial design stage.

“There are no good surprises. If we are involved from the get-go,” he said, “I’m optimistic that we can come together with the coalition, the CRA and the developer.” ★

SCHOOL

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\$300,000 annually with a 3 percent annual increase.

On the city side, staff will have to identify money sources and also look at the buildings where the uses would be combined into the old high school, such as the Civic Center and the Arts Center.

Once their fate is known, that could clear up what can happen to the rest of the 17-acre area that the city wants to be redeveloped into a town square. Taylor talked about developers asking about the Civic Center and predicted several proposals would come in once the high school’s fate was certain.

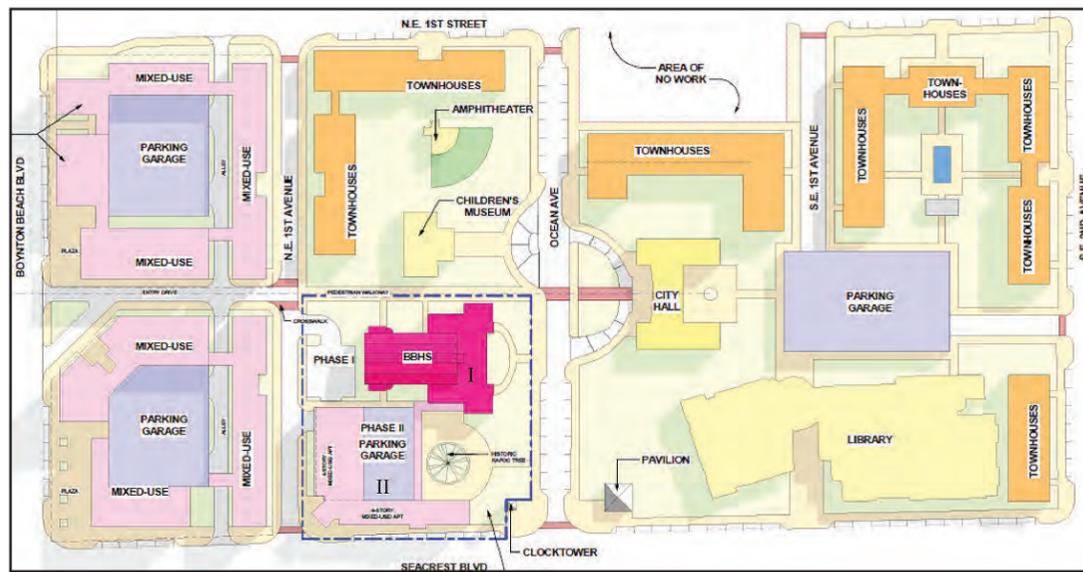
The upcoming city election also played a role in the commission’s willingness to agree at this point and not offend any voters. The mayor’s seat is up, with Taylor facing Commissioner David Merker. He and Taylor were all for unity on the commission.

“Let’s be together on this,” Merker said.

Commissioner Mike Fitzpatrick, who is up for re-election, said the \$300,000 annual payments and the increases could be a deal-breaker if the city was forced to raise its property tax rate. But he was willing to go along with the project as long as the finances can be worked out.

Taylor said that the commission would support going forward to investigate whether the high school can be saved, hoping to reduce the number of public speakers. Only 10 residents spoke on the topic at the meeting.

Boynton Beach native Emilie Little, whose mother is the late Ruth Jones and the previous owner of the nearby Little House Restaurant, became choked up when she started to



ABOVE A multi-year proposal that starts with rehabilitating the old High School (bright pink) has long term plans including relocating the City Hall and Fire Station. Other proposed elements include a cluster of townhouses and parking garages.

LEFT: The proposal restores the facade of the school. Renderings provided by REG Architects

building that faces Ocean Avenue. A small coffee shop would be perfect, he said.

- The first floor would contain the children’s art and after-school programs; cheerleading, dance and karate programs; youth leadership separate from the teens group; and a space for community theater with a small stage in the rear.

- On the second floor in the building’s front, the city’s Community Redevelopment Agency would have offices there. Behind it, would be art gallery space. The gymnasium would become a community center. It would host commission meetings, weddings and other celebrations that need 300 seats and include a “green room” for preparations. It could also host films and lectures and other

speak.

“All of our Boynton family is here. We have fought for this, and fought for this,” she said as she looked at the chamber walls with photos of her uncles hanging on them. “Not just this generation, but generations before us.”

Other speakers asked for a requirement that Boynton Beach residents be hired in the construction, a contingency clause so that the city would not be harmed if the development team failed to perform and that possible tenants include the Arts Garage in Delray Beach and a private school in Boca Raton that needs to find space.

Allan Hendricks, of the Community Caring Center, said his group needs space and that could open grant possibilities.

“With your political will, the process will open up,” he said.

Gonzalez wants to turn the vacant school into a community arts and civic center. He gave a preview of his presentation in December to the Save Boynton High group. His presentation was well-received. The group was formed in August after the City Commission, which owns the school building, voted to demolish the nearly 90-year-old structure listed on the city’s historic inventory.

He wants to create “a nucleus for the community” by combining the uses in the Civic Center, Madsen Center (Stage Left Theater) and the Arts Center.

His vision includes:

- Two retail outlets at both corners on the front of the

cultural events that need 700 seats.

- He also wants to widen the staircases, redo the restrooms and make them wheelchair-accessible, install an elevator and create a catering kitchen.

To stabilize the building would cost an estimated \$525,000 to \$600,000, Gonzalez said. He hopes to open the renovated building by Christmas 2017.

A potential snag remains in the lawsuit filed by architect Juan Contin in 2013 against the city when it didn’t go forward with his plans to reuse the old high school as an events center. Judge Gregory Keyser ruled for the city on Jan. 15 when he dismissed Contin’s complaint, but he gave Contin 30 days to file an amended complaint. Contin said he would do that.

The city attorney advised that open lawsuit would not affect what the commission was doing.

Boynton Beach High School was added to the city’s list of historic places in February 2013. It was designed by prominent school architect William Manly King, who used features from the Mediterranean Revival and Art Deco styles, according to the Boynton Beach Historical Society.

Barbara Ready, who chairs the city’s Historic Resources Preservation Board, was happy with what she saw at the commission meeting.

“It saved the building – for today,” said Ready, also a co-organizer of the Save Boynton High group.

At the start of the meeting, Vice Mayor Joe Casello noted the day was Groundhog Day and also talked about the movie of the same name where the lead actor relives the day over and over.

“I think it is an appropriate day for the old high school discussion,” he said. ★

Ocean Ridge

Increase in thefts prompts reminder to lock cars

By Rich Pollack

Opportunistic thieves have been stealing cash and valuable items from unlocked cars in a rash of Palm Beach County burglaries during the last three months, with the town of Ocean Ridge being hit particularly hard.

In a 12-week period, Ocean Ridge police have received 40 reports of thefts from vehicles, as well as 10 reports of stolen cars that appear to have been related.

"We're seeing an increase in auto burglaries that is being seen throughout Palm Beach County," said Ocean Ridge Police Chief Hal Hutchins. "The vast majority of these crimes are being carried out because vehicles are being left unlocked, sometimes with the keys in them."

Hutchins said that of the 10 stolen cars, all had been recovered by police in other jurisdictions, in some cases almost immediately after they were reported missing.

"There was no indication that

How to fight back

Here are five steps from Ocean Ridge Police Chief Hal Hutchins to prevent auto burglaries:

- Lock your car doors and don't leave car windows open.
- Don't leave valuables in your vehicle, especially in plain sight.
- Avoid leaving any key, including a spare, in the car.
- Take your garage door opener with you when you leave the car if it's parked outside the garage.
- Be sure to set your car alarm if you have one.

the cars had been stolen by any other means than by using a key," he said.

In several cases, he said, car theft victims either left a spare key in the car or keys in the ignition.

Hutchins said that in one case, thieves entered an unlocked car outside a home and used a garage door opener to get access to the garage, where they stole a car with the



A private security camera took this image of a newer model, gray BMW convertible in the area of Ridge Boulevard in Ocean Ridge. The subject exited the vehicle and checked for other unlocked cars to either burglarize or steal, police say. Anyone who recognizes the automobile or has additional information is asked to contact investigator Richard Jones at 732-8331. **Photo courtesy of Ocean Ridge Police Department**

keys inside.

Investigators from several jurisdictions believe the thefts are the work of two or three groups of individuals that include both adults and juveniles. One arrest has been tied to a stolen car in Ocean Ridge, Hutchins said.

Police in Ocean Ridge recently distributed a photo of a possible suspect in an orange jumpsuit captured on video getting out of a late-model, two-door BMW sports car and

checking for unlocked doors on other cars.

Several other coastal communities, stretching from northern Broward County to Palm Beach and north, experienced a rash of auto burglaries as well.

Police in Boynton Beach say they've seen a major increase in auto burglaries in recent months throughout the city, with unlocked cars a major target.

Delray Beach police say they, too, have experienced an

increase in auto burglaries, as have residents in Highland Beach.

In that town, the biggest problem occurred before the December holidays when thieves smashed car windows to gain access to parked vehicles.

The cases in Ocean Ridge and Briny Breezes, which Ocean Ridge police also patrol, mostly involved unlocked automobiles.

"We live in a safe community, and sometimes we tend to let our guard down," Hutchins said.

The thefts, he said, occurred mostly at night and took place in private driveways, condominium parking lots and even inside gated communities.

"It appears they're looking for anything of value," he said.

Hutchins and others in law enforcement, including Highland Beach Police Chief Craig Hartmann, say the best way to avoid becoming a victim of an auto burglary is to be vigilant and take simple precautions.

"Lock your car, lock your car, lock your car," Hutchins said. ★

New town attorney has history with Ocean Ridge

By Dan Moffett

Ocean Ridge commissioners didn't have to look far to find the successor for retiring Town Attorney Ken Spillias. They realized the right man for the job was already working in Town Hall.

Glen Torcivia, who has served as the town's special magistrate for code cases over most of the last decade, was commissioners' choice for the position.

Mayor Geoff Pugh said choosing Torcivia allows "the easiest transition" during a period in which Ocean Ridge has also had to replace its police chief, clerk and manager. Pugh said that besides Torcivia's knowledge of the town's code and issues important to the commission, he already has relationships with staff and residents.

Commissioner James Bonfiglio, a lawyer, said Torcivia's knowledge of Ocean Ridge will save the town money because of the research he doesn't have to do. Bonfiglio said commissioners are

also getting a seasoned trial lawyer.

"I've known Glen for years," he said, "and the thing that impresses me is that he has tried hundreds of cases, both jury and non-jury."

Torcivia told the commission that while he loves trying cases, his goal for Ocean Ridge will be to avoid it.

"I love the courtroom," he said. "There's no place I'd rather be than in a trial. But it's the worst place for a client."

Torcivia earned his law degree from Union University in Albany, N.Y., in 1979 and started a law firm in West Palm Beach (Torcivia, Donlon, Goddeau & Ansay) after a five-year stint as an assistant Palm Beach County State Attorney. He also was the Palm Beach County Health Care District's first attorney.

Torcivia is also the attorney for Highland Beach, Lake Worth, Palm Springs and Belle Glade, among other municipalities.

Commissioners held a special meeting

Jan. 24 to interview candidates for the opening, and Torcivia told them the expertise of colleagues at his firm would benefit the town. Carolyn Ansay is a specialist in environmental law who worked for years as general counsel to the South Florida Water Management District. Ansay's experience could be useful as Ocean Ridge grapples with sea level rise and a developer who wants to build in the mangrove lagoon behind Town Hall.

Another lawyer with the firm, Brian Shutt, worked nearly 20 years as Delray Beach city attorney and has a background in labor law and civil rights cases.

"You don't just get me," Torcivia told the commission. "You get our team."

Spillias, a former Palm Beach County commissioner, has served as the town's attorney for 16 years and plans to leave in March. Unlike Spillias who is working this year on a \$90,000 salary and \$7,000 monthly retainer, Torcivia will work on a

flat hourly rate of \$190 an hour, and \$225 hour for court cases.

The commission interviewed three other law firms: Corbett, White, Davis & Ashton of Lantana; the Lohman Law Group of Palm Beach Gardens; and Weiss, Serota, Helfman, Cole & Bierman of Fort Lauderdale.

Vice Mayor Lynn Allison had favored hiring Corbett, which also represents Manalapan and Atlantis. Commissioners named Jennifer Gardner Ashton of Corbett to replace Torcivia as special magistrate. Ashton also holds that position with the City of West Palm Beach.

In other business: An anonymous donor picked up the \$2,500 tab for retiring Town Clerk Karen Hancsak's farewell luncheon Feb. 29 at the private Ocean Club of Florida.

On the invitation-only guest list of 45 were all current full-time town employees, commissioners and a half-dozen former employees. ★

Boynton Beach

Historic Ocean Avenue homes inch closer to restaurant uses

By Jane Smith

Two historic homes on Ocean Avenue in Boynton Beach are moving closer to becoming restaurants.

For the Magnuson house at 211 E. Ocean Ave., the city's Community Redevelopment Agency board approved a 60-day extension in January for the Local Development Corp. to explore a new restaurant concept.

"The original concept of an Italian restaurant would not work in this location," said broker Tom Prakas, who represented the Philadelphia-based Local Development Co.

Instead, the buyer is proposing a casual, hip beer garden with barbecue areas and lots of outdoor activities.

They plan to serve "smoked barbecue to complement the craft beers," said architect Jim Williams when showing his sketch plan of the outdoor areas for the eatery.

The buyer wants to respect the historic nature of the house, Prakas told the CRA board.

CRA Executive Director Vivian Brooks said she supported the extra time beyond Jan. 4 because the house was never renovated to be a commercial structure.

Local Development has

agreed to pay \$255,000, the appraised value of the Magnuson House. The firm also will receive another \$200,000 to build out the restaurant.

For the Little House, at 480 E. Ocean Ave., the sale is expected to close in April.

Mike Simon, assistant CRA director, told the board that a company created by Ocean Ridge Commissioner Richard Lucibella and partner Barbara Ceuleers signed the contract in December to purchase the historic home for \$335,000.

The site plan is due by March 31 and two weeks later the sale will close, Simon said. The money already sits in an escrow

account managed by agency's law firm.

Lucibella still plans to lease the restaurant to Lisa Mercado, who owns the Living Room eatery on Congress Avenue in Boynton Beach. She plans to serve tapas and beer and wine.

The new version of the Little House can open by December if the latest construction schedule holds. As to the name, Lucibella said he would leave that to Mercado to decide. She could not be reached for comment.

The two houses carry local historic designations, meaning the city's Historic Resources Preservation Board would have to approve any renovations.

In other CRA-related action, Boynton Beach City Commissioner Mike Fitzpatrick named his selection to the agency's citizen advisory board. At the first City Commission meeting in January, Fitzpatrick picked Paula Melley, a consultant who runs Timeless Beauty Institute. Fitzpatrick was not at the December commission meeting when his fellow commissioners picked the other six panelists.

The advisory board members will make recommendations to the CRA board about activities, programs and financial issues in the CRA area. ★

Ocean Ridge

Workshop scuttles promenade plan, raises worries about Boynton

By Dan Moffett

Ocean Ridge residents turned out in droves to complain about Mayor Geoff Pugh's ideas for overhauling Old Ocean Boulevard.

Pugh didn't mind that at all. He said the main thing he wanted was for them to turn out in droves.

"It just goes to show, when it's controversial, everyone shows up," the mayor said, and told a packed Town Hall he was trying to use "an idea that's so out there that people will turn out."

The turnout for the Jan. 26 workshop on Pugh's proposal to change Old Ocean into a promenade showed how much residents care about their town's future and dealing with growing neighbors, the mayor said, and that's the conversation he wants to start.

What will Ocean Ridge do to deal with robust development in Boynton Beach that is sure to bring more people to the town and its beaches?

"Let's face it. The town to

our west is leaning on us," Pugh said, and cited published calls from Boynton Beach Mayor Jerry Taylor to "bring on the development" and the city's recent approval of two large residential projects on Federal Highway.

"They call themselves a coastal community," Pugh said. "They are not a coastal community. They're an Intracoastal community. We are a coastal community."

He said he was committed to doing what he could to "keep the town the same quiet sanctuary that it is, but accommodate the traffic" that mainland growth will bring. Pugh showed the audience a snapshot of himself as a child growing up in Ocean Ridge during the 1960s.

"My idea is not to change things," he said, "but to keep them as they were in 1969."

His idea for an Old Ocean Boulevard promenade was dead on arrival. Of the 26 residents who spoke during the workshop, 22 spoke against the proposal, one supported it and

three expressed no opinion. A sampling:

"This is not a controversial issue," said Bob Weisblut, who lives on Sailfish Lane. "I think people want everything left like it is."

Rosemarie Peterson of Harbour Drive concurred: "I think if we took a vote here tonight, everybody would say to leave it alone."

Earl Jones of Sailfish Lane said blocking off side streets would create problems. "Any of you who think dead-end streets are neat, you're nuts," he said.

Tropical Drive residents said they worried about the high volume of traffic the plan would funnel onto their street. Chris Currie said he's traveled on Old Ocean for 45 years and never had a problem. He said the mayor's idea would give Old Ocean "quasi-private status" at the expense of Tropical Drive. "It's not going to fly," he said.

Said Chuck McIntyre, who lives on Old Ocean: "Forget this whole idea."

The only resident willing to

support the plan outright was Barbara Souther, who lives on North Ocean. "I'm in the minority here," she said. "I'm with Geoff on this." Souther said one-way traffic would make it easier for people to enjoy the beach.

Gary Kosinski of Old Ocean gave the town a detailed plan for overhauling the street that he said is "exactly the opposite of Mayor Pugh's idea." Kosinski proposes blocking off no side streets and making no streets one-way. "What we do is stop people from driving the whole distance of Old Ocean," he said. He proposes dividing the road into three sections. The town put the plan on its website.

"I think Gary Kosinski's plan is worth looking at," said Commissioner Richard Lucibella. "I don't think we should take it off the table."

Other ideas from the workshop that commissioners said they would consider in upcoming meetings include improving beach signage, installing traffic calming devices, exploring shuttle service from Boynton Beach to Boynton Beach Oceanfront Park, and improving the lighting on Old Ocean.

Commissioner James Bonfiglio said residents' overwhelming support for the status quo shows that the town has had sound leadership for decades.

"You're not saying we want change," Bonfiglio said. "You're saying we want things to stay the same. We've done things right for about 20 to 25 years to get to this point where everybody that's here likes living here and likes the quality of life here." ★

Developer and town in standoff over lagoon access

By Dan Moffett

Ocean Ridge commissioners and developer William Swaim have moved a step closer to clashing in court over access to the mangrove lagoon behind Town Hall.

For months, Swaim has been trying to persuade the Town Commission to allow him an easement to property he wants to develop behind the building.

Commissioners have steadfastly refused, saying before they discuss granting an easement, Swaim first would have to win permitting approval from state agencies and resolve access issues with the owners of lots next to his — prerequisites the developer has been unable to satisfy.

In December, Swaim's attorney, Alfred LaSorte, wrote Town Attorney Ken Spillias and demanded action on the developer's request. LaSorte laid out three options for the town: Immediately allow the easement road that would run from A1A south of Town Hall, behind the building, west and north to the lagoon sites; agree to be bound by lawsuits Swaim's Waterfront ICW Properties has filed against the other adjacent property owners; or, be named as a defendant in a lawsuit.

Spillias told commissioners at the Jan. 4 town meeting that they should maintain their current position and take no action: "Do nothing further than that what you have already done."

Spillias said there were

too many moving parts within Swaim's multiple legal disputes to get involved now. "At this point in time, there are a number of unanswered factual issues in play," he told commissioners, saying that an easement from the town "does not constitute the missing link to access" that might make action necessary.

In other words, let Swaim settle his disagreements with everyone else. If he decides to sue Ocean Ridge, the town will defend itself then, Spillias said.

And there are plenty of other disputes pending. In November, Swaim told Wellington Arms Condominium homeowners that property he owns includes submerged land in the lagoon that stretches up to the condos' seawall. LaSorte has told Wellington Arms that the homeowners should remove their docks from the water or agree to an access deal with Swaim.

Then there is Jeff Eder, who owns a house on North Ocean Boulevard north of Town Hall. Eder felt so strongly about the environmental sensitivity

of the lagoon that he bought a lot between Swaim's parcel and A1A to prevent him from developing. Eder has repeatedly denied Swaim's requests for access.

And there is the South Florida Water Management District. In May, an administrative law judge in Tallahassee sided with water district attorneys and cited environmental concerns and potential impediments to boaters as reasons for denying Swaim's requests for a permit exemption that would allow his access road.

Environmental activists and Swaim's neighboring opponents say it would be a tragic loss of a pristine wetland to allow his plan to dredge and fill the lagoon for construction of a single-family home.

Swaim has argued that engineers created the lagoon decades ago to control mosquitoes, and it should not be considered environmentally important. He said construction damage to mangroves would be minimal. ★



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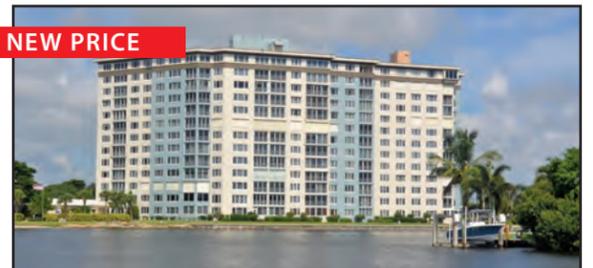


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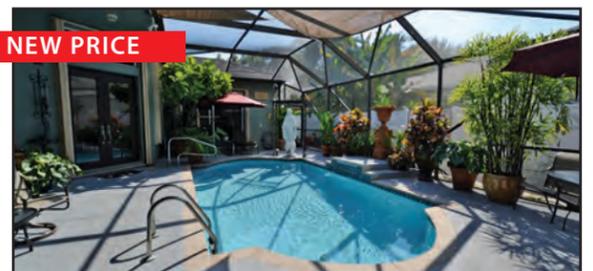
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Judy Sartor, 561-445-6009



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Erik Ring, 561-441-6880



Bar Harbour ~ \$540,000

Beautifully upgraded 2 BR, 2 1/2 BA corner unit with hurricane impact windows and balmy ocean breezes. This split bedroom features wood floors and a laundry room in the unit. Walk to the beach and Atlantic Avenue.

Jeff Johnson, 561-376-4328



NEW PRICE

Barr Terrace ~ \$485,000

This 2 BR, 2 BA condominium on the 9th floor and the quiet side of the building features a large open balcony overlooking the Intracoastal and offers a view of the ocean. Ideally situated in the heart of downtown.

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NEW LISTING



Barrton Direct Intracoastal ~ \$465,000

This 2 BR, 2 BA split bedroom plan with an eastern exposure on the 4th floor offers amazing 180° direct Intracoastal views. Hurricane impact glass windows and exterior balcony doors, plus many updates.

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NEW PRICE



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NEW LISTING



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Vicky Hierung, 561-445-5990

NEW LISTING



Monterrey Lake ~ \$310,000

Well maintained 3 BR, 2 BA villa with a one car garage and screen enclosed porch with a view of the lake. High ceilings, split bedrooms, eat-in kitchen and indoor laundry. This gated Delray Beach community offers a clubhouse, tennis, gym and pool on the lake.

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Linda Welch, 561-951-6433



Renaissance Commons ~ \$249,000

3 BR, plus den, 3 1/2 BA tri-level townhome with a 2 car garage, ceramic tile floors, high ceilings with tray details, high hat lighting, open kitchen with granite countertops and full size washer/dryer. Clubhouse, pool and exercise room

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NEW PRICE



San Savino ~ \$244,000

3 BR, 2 1/2 BA two story townhome with a 1 car garage and loaded with upgrades. Front and back porches, ceramic tile floors, high hat lighting and kitchen with granite and Kenmore Elite stainless steel appliances. A gated pet friendly Boynton Beach community.

Mary Jane Masella, 561-213-8422

NEW PRICE



Martel Arms ~ \$235,000

2 BR, 2 BA two story townhome with a private courtyard, east of Federal Highway in Delray Beach. Spacious family room and dining area. Close to downtown and the beach. Pet friendly.

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Lakewood At Palm Beach ~ \$210,000

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Elizabeth Rurey, 561-302-1552



Quail Run Lakefront ~ \$209,900

Beautifully maintained 2 BR, 2 BA ground floor coach home with a covered porch overlooking the lake. Hurricane shutters, central vacuum system. This Boynton Beach community is pet friendly with clubhouse, pool, hot tub and tennis courts.

Linda Welch, 561-951-6433



Lavers Delray Racquet Club ~ \$209,000

Beautifully updated 2/2 split condo on the 4th floor with a screen enclosed balcony overlooking the tennis courts. Large bedrooms with updated baths, tile floors throughout, spacious eat-in kitchen with breakfast bar, plus separate laundry room.

Kathy Baffer, 561-714-0348

NEW LISTING



Seagate of Gulfstream ~ \$159,900

Very desirable 2 BR, 2 BA end unit on the second floor with a garden view. Beautifully updated open kitchen with granite countertops, custom wood cabinetry and built-in bar with wine cooler. Clubhouse and two pools on the Intracoastal.

Jeff Johnson, 561-376-4328



Southwinds At Crosswinds ~ \$149,900

2 BR, 2 BA third floor condo, spacious covered porch. Split bedrooms, eat-in kitchen, laundry room. Furniture negotiable. This Delray Beach community is centrally located with a clubhouse, pool, hot tub and tennis courts.

Linda Welch, 561-951-6433



NEW LISTING

Las Verdes Lakefront ~ \$119,500

2 BR, 2 BA on the first floor with a screen enclosed porch overlooking the lake in Delray Beach. Eat-in kitchen. No age restrictions in this building. 24 hour manned gate, clubhouse, pool, tennis and gym. Low HOA fees.

Mary Jane Masella, 561-213-8422

NEW LISTING



Seagate of Gulfstream ~ \$102,250

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1944: The path of A1A has shifted since the mid-1940s. You can see the old polo fields at Gulf Stream at the center of this photo. Courtesy of the Historical Society of Palm Beach County

A1A

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Overall, A1A stretches 328.9 miles, from the Georgia line down to Key West, some of it still hugging the coastline. In Palm Beach County — carved from Dade County in 1909 — an early segment of the road threaded across the inlets at Jupiter, Boynton Beach and Boca Raton.

Through the years, the meandering highway inspired a picture-postcard portrait of Florida, sunlight winking on waves, palm fronds lending their tattered-umbrella of shade. In that way, A1A acquired a romantic cast: It was the road to golden beaches, to year-round summer and suntan, to tourist paradise.

A1A's 1916 debut was marked by celebration.

In the Reading Room of the 1916 Palm Beach County Courthouse, home to the Historical Society of Palm Beach County, Nick Golubov lays down a thin file folder of newspaper clippings from the highway's earliest years.

"Three Mile Parade Celebrates Opening Gulf Stream Boulevard," screamed a Jan. 23, 1916, headline. "Greatest Gathering of Automobiles ever Seen in this County ... With Every Participant Very Enthusiastic."

Those very enthusiastic participants were asked to gather on Royal Palm Way in Palm Beach at 2:30 in the afternoon — an assembly attended by mayors, assorted dignitaries and anyone else who cared to witness highway history.

One witness to highway history was Dr. Peter Barrett, who, as a 6-year-old boy in 1940, watched a road crew at work, extending A1A southward. The doctor's recollection is contained in *A History of Boca Raton* by Sally

J. Ling. After the end of WWI, Ling writes, a trio of elections were held to form a Special Road and Bridge District to finance the extension of Ocean Boulevard (farther east at the time and not yet called A1A) to Boca Raton. The westward move is described by Barrett, whose family then lived in Boca Raton Villas on A1A, just across from Lake Boca Raton.

Barrett described a road gang of convicts digging and shoveling "right at the front of our property" and recalled "ambling out to talk with them, curious about their interesting clothes. ...They were friendly, and on at least one occasion, I had lunch with them, sitting on a wheelbarrow."

His parents didn't approve of his new friends and nixed further socializing. And so, Barrett noted, "The roadwork activity moved slowly along to the south. No bulldozers or trucks. Just picks and shovels and men in striped clothes."

Just north of Boca Raton, Highland Beach is a three-mile stretch of A1A. Its first homes were mostly rentals but in 1949, as the town's website notes, 21 voting residents created the one-half-square-mile Town of Highland Beach as a water district and as protection of their lifestyle.

The town had salt water intrusion in its wells and an inability to contract with neighboring towns for fresh water, so the residents raised money to build a water plant.

By then, the highway was dubbed A1A, earning its "A" designation in 1946 to avoid confusion with its more prosaic alternative, Route 1.

Changing times, names

Roads have a way of shifting names, and State Road A1A is no exception. What is Gulf Stream Boulevard here is Ocean Boulevard there,

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1963: By this time A1A, seen here at the Boynton Inlet, had become the main street running through Ocean Ridge, Manalapan and other coastal towns. Courtesy of the Ocean Club of Florida

South Roosevelt Boulevard elsewhere, Collins Avenue or County Road (North and South) somewhere else, and so on, switching monikers as it switches towns and counties.

Over the years, A1A would experience legal battles over its ownership, storm-tossed waves crumbling sections of its pavement and development encroaching along its length. The roadway changed.

The sites (and sights) it passes have changed, too. Much of the jungle-like vegetation that once lined the roadway has given way to shopping centers and gated communities, restaurants and retailers and resorts.

One thing that hasn't changed: the stately Australian pine canopy along A1A through the town of Gulf Stream, designated a historic and scenic highway, allowing the town to protect the trees — considered pests in most areas — and even plant new ones.

"The state wanted to cut them down," says Palm Beach County historian and author Ginger Pedersen, driving north along A1A.

A most knowledgeable guide, Pedersen has a great love for the state's history. Friend and fellow historian Janet DeVries — in the back seat for this tour — co-wrote with Pedersen *Legendary Locals of West Palm Beach* and *Pioneering Palm Beach: The Deweys and the South Florida Frontier*.

The two women know this route, its zigs and zags. In areas where waves gobbled the shoreline, they know where A1A underwent westward rerouting.

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 Photo by Turbidge

1916: A clipping from *The Palm Beach Post* depicts the opening of what became A1A in January 1916. Photos courtesy of the Historical Society of Palm Beach County

"In Briny, parts of the original highway were closer to the water," Pedersen says, turning east into the gleaming white mobile home community. "The original pieces of highway are under, maybe, five feet of water. This was originally the Shore Acres dairy, owned by Ward Miller. He had it here because you have fewer tick and fly problems if you're close to the ocean."

She heads north along Old Ocean Boulevard, where a portion of the original highway still hugs the sea. Just a tad farther, in Ocean Ridge, DeVries gestures to the site where the old wooden Boynton Beach Hotel sat until the 1926 Hurricane washed it into history.

And there, she says, not far beyond it, is Anna Street, named for one of Major Nathan Boynton's daughters.

Time travel

To travel State Road A1A is to travel back in time, to revisit Old Florida — the good and the bad of it.

"The Chillingworth house would've been here," Pedersen says, motoring through Manalapan and offering a short version of the long, tangled tale of Judge Curtis Chillingworth and his wife, Marjorie, murdered in 1955 by two hit men. Judge Joseph Peel, known to take payoffs and sell protection to racketeers, served life in prison as an accessory to those murders.

Just past the Dune Deck ("One of the last places you can dine on the water," DeVries says), just past the rubble heap that once was The Hawaiian Inn motel, soon to be a condo, Pedersen jogs right, then left, onto a block-long private road.

"This is one of the few places



1960s: A family stops along A1A in Palm Beach. In the distance, the Palm Beach Pier is visible. It was damaged by storms in the 1960s and finally was demolished in 1969.

left of Old A1A," she says, cruising slowly past the few remaining houses, one with musical notes painted on a window.

Over its century-long existence, A1A has ducked and dodged, erosion chasing it west here and there.

Pedersen and DeVries point out landmarks:

- The old Lake Worth Casino ("The original road was right here and headed straight north," Pedersen says. "It's been renovated to look as it did in the '20s.");

- The Little Red Schoolhouse (DeVries: It was moved to Phipps Ocean Park from Palm Beach);

- A sliver of Old South Ocean beach with a steep drop-off, just before Phipps Ocean Park, where an offshore dredge is engaged in beach restoration (Pedersen: "You'd be surprised what you can find. Sharks'

teeth. Shards of Indian pottery. They dig up all kinds of stuff.")

In Palm Beach, beyond Mar-a-Lago, just past Charley's Crab, Pedersen says, "I'm assuming that right around here was the original stretch. The decision would've had to be the county commissioners', anticipating what was to come."

DeVries adds: "That was the era they were calling the Good Roads Era."

The vaunted roadway continues north from here, of course, but this was its beginning, and this is where Pedersen concludes her tour, turns around and heads south again.

"Who knows how many more generations will get to take this ride," DeVries says.

Nostalgia hangs in the silence. This old highway has seen a lot of history.

Happy 100th birthday, A1A. ★

Manalapan

Town thanks donor for library's new lecture hall

By Ron Hayes

When the cellist Yehuda Hanani fills Manalapan's J. Turner Moore Memorial Library with the beautiful melodies of Schumann and Saint-Saëns at his Feb. 11 lecture, the audience will no longer suffer the sour note of hearing lovely music in a very cramped space.

What was once a stretch of front porch is now part of a larger community room. What was once the back porch is now an enclosed storage room. Carpeting is now wooden flooring, and a new sound system is on the way.

On Feb. 18, the community room will be dedicated as the Robert & Eugenia Strauss Lecture Hall.

"All these improvements are thanks to the generosity of the Strauss Foundation," Mayor David Cheifetz told about 60 residents and library members who dropped by last month for an open-house preview of the renovations. "Their daughter, Kimberly Strauss, spearheaded the efforts to create this



Mayor David Cheifetz receives a round of applause after thanking the Strauss Foundation for the new library space. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

wonderful new lecture hall in honor of her parents."

Cheifetz praised the contractor, Jeffrey Lewis, for completing the job on time and on budget. He declined to reveal the exact amount of the foundation's gift, but the couple's affection for the town was boundless.

Robert Strauss was the son of Maurice "Moe" Strauss, a

founder of the Pep Boys chain of auto supply stores. Eugenia Strauss, who died in 2010, was a former dancer and actress. They moved to the town in 1987 and soon became two of its most enthusiastic supporters.

"My father truly loved being in Manalapan," Kimberly Strauss told *The Coastal Star* at his death in March 2014. "He and my mother took a lot

of pride in being there, knew all about the town, knew their neighbors. He took a lot of personal pride in helping out any way he could."

The guests praised the expansion as they enjoyed hors d'oeuvres from Thai-kyo restaurant and were entertained by an acoustic duo dubbed Couseled and Composed.

"Now we'll be able to set up

If You Go

What: Dedication of community room
When: 6-8 p.m. Feb. 18
Information: For a schedule of the library's 2016 lecture series, visit www.manalapan.org or call 585-9477. Lectures are free to library members.

the chairs in the new alcove," said Lisa Petersen, who serves as both library director and town clerk. "I think we got the most bang for the buck we could possibly get, and I'm thrilled to be part of the community."

Sophia Isaac, who directs about 10 volunteers as the "library liaison," was equally impressed.

"I'm absolutely thrilled," she said. "Before, there was a clash of people and bottleneck at the lecture series. Now it just sweeps right through."

"The Strausses have given us a whole new energy that will make a huge difference, not just as a library, but as a community center."

"We're so appreciative." ★

Audubon bridge project making gains

By Dan Moffett

Work on Manalapan's Audubon Causeway bridge is picking up momentum, Vice Mayor Peter Isaac said, and the project appears to have a chance to be completed on schedule and under budget.

After meeting with the project's builder and engineer, Isaac said "both are very optimistic that they'll finish the bridge on time, before the end of July."

He said temporary barriers to close traffic for demolition of the south half of the bridge are scheduled to go up by mid-February, leaving an 8-foot lane open for one-way traffic on the north side. The hope is that by April, workers will have finished the south side and opened it to traffic without weight restrictions, allowing heavy trucks and service vehicles to cross.

Florida Power & Light Co. is scheduled to move power poles

to the north side of the bridge in February to make way for demolition.

Isaac said the project engineer thinks the town will save about 20 percent on the cost of installing pilings because they will need to be set only 20 feet deep, instead of the preliminary estimate of 25 feet. The town still hopes to hold construction costs to about \$800,000.

In other business:

• Town Manager Linda Stumpf says she is still waiting for the results of a feasibility study on the proposed sale of the town's water utility system to Boynton Beach.

Consultants have had difficulty finding accurate consumption numbers for customers in Manalapan because the town charges a base fee, with a flat per-gallon rate for high usage. Most municipalities, including Boynton Beach, use a tiered system with increasingly higher thresholds of charges

based on specific consumption levels, Stumpf said.

"We need to be sure we know how much our customers would pay if we go through with the Boynton deal," she said. "We've got a lot of big users in Manalapan. If the costs are too high, we won't do it."

• Police Chief Carmen Mattox got a standing ovation from town commissioners and officials during the Jan. 26 meeting.

In December, Mattox graduated from Palm Beach State College with a bachelor's degree in public safety management, fulfilling a commitment he made to the town to finish his education. Mattox earned an associate's degree as a lieutenant and completed the bachelor's work during his last three years as chief. "It's quite an accomplishment to have a full-time job, and a family, and go to school at night," said Mayor David Cheifetz. ★

Boynton Beach

City hoping to land Guy Harvey-brand hotel

By Jane Smith

Guy Harvey hoopla has overtaken Boynton Beach.

"Who doesn't like Guy Harvey?" Tom McClure responded when asked about a possible hotel going up in Boynton Beach. He is president of Boynton Intracoastal Group, which represents 2,400 residents living along the Intracoastal. Guy Harvey Outpost, the hotel brand affiliated with the fisherman/wildlife artist/conservationist, has Florida resorts in Islamorada and St. Pete Beach. A St. Augustine location will open this spring and an RV resort and marina on Lake Okeechobee will open in winter 2018, according to the company's website.

The Guy Harvey excitement started last fall when the city's Community Redevelopment Agency board learned that its executive director had cold-called the company. Vivian Brooks told the board, "I reached out to Guy Harvey resorts and they are interested in downtown Boynton."

Brooks sent the resort representative possible sites, including a parcel on the east side of Federal Highway that is owned by Davis Camalier and is near the Boynton Harbor Marina.

Mayor Jerry Taylor,

who sits as the CRA chair, could hardly contain his enthusiasm.

"That is so exciting," Taylor said. "If we can get him to bring a hotel here, that would be so tremendous. It would be a good fit with our marina."

The marina has two waterfront restaurants — Two Georges and the Banana Boat — offers waterfront living at the Marina Village condos and water activities, including fishing charters, scuba diving charters and watercraft and boat rentals.

Another possible site is the city's Town Center, west of Federal Highway, which houses the Historic Boynton Beach High School, City Hall and its police station.

In mid-January, a representative came to the CRA offices where the mayor met him.

"I happened to be in the CRA office on Friday when a rep from Guy Harvey, the big sports fisherman, sent their representative to look at what we have available for a hotel in Boynton," Taylor told the commission audience on Jan. 19. "That would be fantastic if we could pull it off."

Kevin DeNell, a Guy Harvey executive vice president in Fort Lauderdale, said, "It's just too far out there to comment."

But that no-comment comment fueled the talk. ★

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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Lucille Flagello

Lucille Flagello had no idea about the new home and community that were waiting for her when she moved to South Palm Beach in 2006.

"All I knew I was going to a nice warm climate with blue skies," says Flagello, 75. "My husband bought the place a couple of years before we retired. We used to visit here."

The Flagellos lived in Suffern, N.Y., not far from Tuxedo Park and the pharmacy where Joseph Flagello Sr. began working in 1961 and later became owner.

Bears, raccoons, wild turkeys, deer and red foxes would visit their backyard in New York.

After her husband died in 2005, Flagello moved to South Palm Beach.

"He died one month before our 45th anniversary," Flagello says. "He was only 65 years old."

The town of South Palm Beach is just 5/8 of a mile long and is bordered by the town of Palm Beach to the north and the town of Lantana to the south.

With 3,000 residents during the winter and between 800 and 1,000 residents during the summer months, it has a small-town feel Flagello really appreciates.

"There's always something going on. It's fun. It really is," Flagello says of her Florida hometown. "You walk in the street and people smile at you and say hi."



Lucille Flagello organizes casino trips in South Palm Beach. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Flagello loved the friendliness of her new community so much that she jumped in to support it.

She is co-chair of Community Affairs Advisory Board, organizes the town's monthly casino trips to the Hard Rock Casino, and was co-chair of the town's 60th

anniversary celebration, which was held at Mario's Ocean Ave., 225 E. Ocean Ave. in Lantana.

Flagello started attending town hall meetings with her son, Joseph Flagello Jr., not long after she moved south from New York.

"That's how I got involved,"

Flagello remembers, from her fifth-floor condo with views of the ocean and Intracoastal.

Flagello embraced the change from New York with one exception.

"The one day I don't like being in Florida is Christmas. No matter how you decorate a palm tree it doesn't feel like Christmas to me. Otherwise, I am happy here the rest of the year."

— Lucy Lazarony

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

A. I grew up in Brooklyn and I went to St. Athanasius elementary school. I went to St. Michael's Academy in Manhattan for high school. I had good parents who gave me good advice and that was a good combination with what they taught me in school. After I graduated high school, I went to Woods Secretarial School in Manhattan. For college, I did go to Pace. I had 2½ years of that.

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

A. I was a private secretary in an advertising agency, Ted Bates Advertising, and when I worked there they were the fifth largest. After I got married, we moved to Suffern, N.Y., and I worked at the Washington Avenue School for the director of elementary education and then after that I worked for my husband and that was at the pharmacy. I did invoicing and I did all the ordering, other than prescription items. I really enjoyed working at the advertising agency. I got to know products coming out. I worked in marketing and merchandising there.

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

A. The community gave me a feeling of being in a special place.

Q. What is your favorite part about living in South Palm Beach?

A. Everyone is there to help. They'll come do whatever needs to be done. If you have a problem, you have more than

one friend. Everyone is so nice here. I have friends here that we're so close we're like family.

Q. What's your favorite part of organizing casino trips for residents and how many people typically go along?

A. I enjoy going to the casino and I took over from somebody who was doing it before me. She couldn't do it (anymore) and rather than seeing the trip go belly up I said I would do it. It's always the third Tuesday of every month. The bus company won't pick up unless we have 10.

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

A. I'll listen to Frank Sinatra who is my favorite, and when I was in grammar school I was in the Tony Bennett fan club because the girl in my class, (her) father was his manager. When he wasn't on the road, he would come to our meetings and sign autographs.

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

A. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

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

A. My parents. My parents would do anything for anybody if they needed help and they did.

Q. Who/what makes you laugh?

A. Funny comedians. I have some friends who will talk, who are not trying to be funny, they are just funny in the things that they say.

Q. Is there something people don't know about you that they should?

A. I can't do it now but I took dancing lessons from when I was 4. I took piano lessons from when I was 6. I did have a concert in Carnegie Hall in New York when I was 15, three boys and myself. I opened and closed it. I played the piano.

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South Palm Beach

Classic cars to rumble in for town's 60th anniversary

By Dan Moffett

South Palm Beach is celebrating its 60th anniversary with a nostalgic look back at classic American cars.

The town is expecting at least 40 vintage autos from the 1940s, '50s and '60s at the Plaza del Mar shopping center in Manalapan on Feb. 27, to rekindle memories of old coastal Florida during the days of doo-wop and bobby socks.

Sponsored in part by the Palm Beach County Classics Car Club, the show is free and open to the public.

"We could get as many as 100 cars," said Jean Lopane of Boynton Beach, the club's founder. "We'll just have to see who all shows up."

Nicknamed "Car Show Jean," Lopane is known for driving a 1955 Pontiac Star Chief, a car that rolled off the assembly line the same year South Palm Beach was incorporated.

"This is a great event for the town of South Palm Beach and surrounding towns," said Mayor Bonnie Fischer. "There

If You Go

What: Classic Car Show

Where: Plaza del Mar, Manalapan

When: 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Feb. 27

Details: No pre-registration is necessary to show a car. The first 30 car owners to arrive will receive \$10 gift certificates from John G's restaurant in the plaza. Top 10 entrants will receive trophies.

Info: 704-0669

should be lots of nostalgia and fun for everybody."

Councilman Woody Gorbach led the way in planning the event, Councilman Robert Gottlieb donated \$500 to help promote it, and the town's Community Affairs Advisory Board kicked in another \$500.

"This is something the whole family can enjoy," Gorbach said. "It's great that the town got behind it and everyone pitched in to help."★

Remainder of inn to be demolished soon

South Palm Beach Town Manager Bogdan "Bob" Vitas Jr. said the remainder of the dilapidated Palm Beach Oceanfront Inn should be demolished this month.

Vitas said the Oceanfront Inn property, located across from Town Hall at 3550 S. Ocean Blvd. and owned by Paragon Acquisition Group,

should be cleared of debris and "shovel ready" for new development by March 1, the beginning of sea turtle nesting season.

The 1960s-era hotel closed in September 2014. Some of its buildings were demolished in October.

— Willie Howard



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South Palm Beach Mayor Bonnie Fischer, left, congratulates new Town Clerk Maylee De Jesus after De Jesus was sworn in during the Jan. 26 council meeting. With De Jesus are her daughters, Marializ, left, and Veronica. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

South Palm Beach New clerk sworn in

By Willie Howard

With more than a dozen family members and friends watching, Maylee De Jesus was officially sworn in as South Palm Beach's new town clerk during the council's Jan. 26 meeting.

De Jesus has been working for the town since Jan. 11. In addition to serving as clerk, she will serve as assistant to Town Manager Bogdan "Bob" Vitas Jr., who started working for the town in November.

Her \$50,000 annual salary will increase to \$52,000 if she successfully completes a six-month probationary period in July.

De Jesus comes to South Palm Beach from the village of Palm Springs, where she spent nearly nine years as assistant deputy clerk. She replaces former clerk Yudy Alvarez, who resigned in December.

Also during the Jan. 26 meeting, the Town Council:

- Scheduled a workshop meeting with the town manager to discuss plans and goals, including the town's budget and a long-term strategic plan. The workshop, open to the public, is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 18 at Town Hall.

- Discussed a possible beach-access agreement with the Palmsea condo and neighboring property owners who have rights to the easement.

Vice Mayor Joseph Flagello, who serves as president of the Palmsea association, said the condo's board would consider a town easement for emergencies and beach restoration, but not for repair of seawalls at neighboring condos. Liability also was a concern, he said.

- Heard Vitas' report on efforts to secure easements from town property owners for a comprehensive beach stabilization project. Vitas said he hopes to have the easements in place by June. The beach stabilization work is not expected to begin until 2018.

- Approved a resolution supporting efforts by the town of Lake Clarke Shores and neighboring towns to build a boat lift at the Lake Worth Spillway that would give small boats access to the Intracoastal Waterway from the lakes and canals to the west.

- Heard a police report on car burglaries. Police Cmdr. Robert Rizzotto showed a security camera video (available to view at www.thecoastalstar.com) of thieves checking car doors in the parking garage of a town condo. The thieves found only one car unlocked and took a jacket from the trunk, Rizzotto said. They later stole a car in Palm Beach. Police Chief Carl Webb urged residents to lock their cars, remove valuables and to call the police if they notice something unusual. ★

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SUICIDE

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success rate of treatment is exemplified not only by the almost ceaseless procession of deaths — whether by overdose, suicide or other means — but by the parade of addicts going in and out of rehabilitation centers and so-called sober homes in Delray Beach and other towns in South Florida.

Distraught addicts who announce their intention to kill themselves are routinely taken for evaluation to the South County Mental Health Center and other institutions under the terms of the Baker Act, which provides for involuntary commitment of people deemed a danger to themselves or others.

“Any time a kid says, ‘I’m going to kill myself,’ he gets Baker Acted,” said a Delray Beach firefighter-paramedic who asked not to be named and who has often transported such patients. “We’re doing 10 of those a week.”

In the wake of Abrams’ death, his younger sister, Jill, and other relatives have been left to wonder why no such action was taken in his case, especially since he took part in regular counseling sessions at the Caron facility and, according to his family, often discussed his state of mind with anyone who would listen. It remains unclear whether he actually brought up the subject of suicide while at Caron, and officials of its parent organization declined to comment on his time there.

Still, two days before her brother left for Delray Beach, Jill Abrams said, he told her he wanted to end it all. “The meds tell me to kill myself,” she recalled him saying, and described him as “panicking and bouncing off the walls, crying hysterically.”

“We all knew as a family that my brother was suicidal,” she said, and asked why it might not have been equally apparent to the caregivers at Caron. “He was there to be weaned off drugs, but I assumed that in all these counseling sessions they were also going to deal with his suicidal feelings.”

Six months before he died, however, Abrams suggested in a blog that he had come to terms with ending his addiction to Xanax, which he said he had begun taking only to help him sleep.

“I am truly heartbroken today as I have to break up with the great love of my life,” he wrote. “I love Xanax. Of course my doctor never told me that Xanax is highly addictive.”

He wrote that, as with heroin, a Xanax addict cannot simply go “cold turkey”: suddenly and completely ceasing the use of a drug. Such a shock, he went on, would result in full “meltdown” and leave him “blubbing and incoherent.”

Abrams, who had held executive positions at New Line Cinema and Fine Line Features, founded Alternative



Delray Beach police and Palm Beach County Medical Examiner vehicles surround the Caron Treatment Centers house, at 1232 Seaspray Ave. in Delray Beach, after Tod Abrams committed suicide last August. Photo provided

Overdoses of tranquilizers

The National Center for Health Statistics doesn’t keep track of Xanax overdose deaths, but it provides the number of overdose deaths attributable to benzodiazepines, the class of tranquilizer that includes Xanax, Valium, Librium and other central nervous system depressants.

Number of benzodiazepine overdose deaths in the U.S.:

2004	2,627
2005	3,084
2006	3,835
2007	4,500
2008	5,010
2009	5,567
2010	6,497
2011	6,872
2012	6,524
2013	6,973
2014	7,945

Source: National Center for Health Statistics

Palm Beach County deaths where alprazolam (Xanax) toxicity or intoxication was a factor:

2004	3
2005	3
2006	4
2007	7
2008	12
2009	6
2010	18
2011	7
2012	8
2013	12
2014	4

Source: Palm Beach County Medical Examiner Year End Statistics

— Compiled by Michelle Quigley

Marketing Solutions, produced several independent films and accumulated considerable wealth, asked his blog readers to pray for him, “for I have lost the greatest love I have ever known and his name is Xanax, Xanax, Xanax.”

Before traveling last summer from his home in Los Angeles to Delray Beach, Abrams had tried to detoxify for eight days

Xanax addiction, withdrawal and treatment

Xanax is a brand name for alprazolam, a central nervous system depressant prescribed to treat anxiety and panic disorder.

Xanax can be addictive, even after relatively short-term use at recommended doses. Risk and severity of dependence increase with higher doses and longer periods of use. Long-term use of Xanax can increase tolerance.

Withdrawal symptoms include insomnia, restlessness, agitation, anxiety, abdominal pain, muscle cramps, vomiting, sweating, tremors and seizures.

Withdrawal symptoms appear one or two days after a person stops use of Xanax and continue for two to four weeks or longer.

Dependence is treated by gradually reducing the dosage. Inpatient or hospital treatment may be necessary for addicts who have a high tolerance or have had seizures during withdrawal.

Overdose symptoms include drowsiness, confusion, impaired coordination, diminished reflexes and coma.

Xanax overdose can be fatal, but most Xanax deaths are caused by a combination of Xanax with alcohol and/or other drugs, which can dangerously enhance the effects.

The Drug Enforcement Administration classifies Xanax as a Schedule IV drug, with a low potential for abuse and low risk of dependence. Other Schedule IV drugs include Soma, Darvocet, Valium, Ativan and Ambien.

Sources: U.S. Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, World Health Organization Clinical Guidelines for Withdrawal Management and Treatment of Drug Dependence in Closed Settings.

— Compiled by Michelle Quigley

in Long Beach, Calif., but his effort foundered and he went back to taking the drug, according to a family member. After he had arrived at Caron’s residence at 1232 Seaspray Ave., the task was to wean him off his dependence on Xanax and transition him to lesser narcotics.

But things apparently began to go wrong very quickly. On Aug. 16, after having been there only two weeks, Abrams wrote in his journal that he had already attempted suicide and “was quite serious about killing myself.” He went on: “I planned to hang myself and nearly completed the task.”

The following day, his caretakers diagnosed him with bipolar disorder and schizophrenia and put him

on Zyprexa, an antipsychotic medication. According to his medical records, Abrams also had been prescribed Zofran, to combat toxic side effects that were making him vomit; Inderal, which is used to treat tremors, chest pain and high blood pressure; and Xopenex, which addresses lung problems such as asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Paradoxically, his sister said, Abrams appears to have been on more medications at the end of his month at Caron than when he arrived.

Abrams’ relatives and friends remain perplexed as to whether his caretakers were fully aware of the depth of his despair.

Did no one at Caron — which claims on its website to have attendants on duty around

the clock — learn that Abrams continued to have severe anxiety and insomnia, and that when he did manage to sleep he had raging nightmares?

Two days before he died, Abrams was reported to have been vomiting profusely.

Why was he not taken to an emergency room, especially since he was so ill that someone at Caron canceled a visit by Abrams’ father?

Why was he allowed to have belts, the kind of item often used in suicides?

Why would a rehab facility take Abrams and a few other patients out to see a violent film like *Straight Outta Compton* on what turned out to be Abrams’ penultimate night alive?

After Abrams’ death, his toxicology report showed a significant amount of caffeine in his system. Why was he allowed to consume coffee or caffeinated drinks, especially since the mix of caffeine and powerful drugs might have been contributing to his chronic sleeplessness?

Those questions and others were posed to Karen Pasternack, a spokeswoman for Caron, which sent two grief counselors to the home of Abrams’ mother after his death.

In an email message to *The Coastal Star*, Pasternack declined to address any issues related to Abrams or his care.

“The law and Caron’s own high ethical standards forbid our employees from discussing even the smallest of details about any patient, including confirming the identity of current or former patients,” wrote Pasternack, who said she represented the views of Bradley F. Sorte, the executive director of Caron’s facilities in Delray and Boca Raton, which are licensed by Florida’s Department of Children and Families to provide rehabilitation services.

“We will never violate federal or state laws or breach our patients’ sacred trust,” she went on. “We can proudly state that many Caron alumni, who have returned to their communities in Florida, Pennsylvania and elsewhere, know firsthand the strength of our programs. Caron fully complies with the law and adheres to the highest medical and psychological best practices with a focused commitment to transforming the lives of individuals and families impacted by addiction.”

Some years before Abrams’ death, a doctor in Beverly Hills, Calif., began prescribing a daily dose of Xanax to help fight his insomnia, according to Jill Abrams, who spoke from her home in Los Angeles. She said her brother was not told that the drug could have a permanent and negative effect on the chemistry of his brain.

When she spoke with her brother by phone about halfway through his stay in Delray Beach, he told her he “wanted to run away” from the residence, and that he had been

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going for 10-mile walks on the beach almost every day.

“That was not a good thing, because he was already so thin,” Jill Abrams said of her 5-foot, 8-inch-tall brother, who weighed 121 pounds when he died. “I can’t understand why he had such freedom. I thought it was a lock-down facility. In the rehab places in California, the patients don’t walk off on their own. They really watch them.”

In any case, she said, the death of her brother has left her not only deeply saddened but remorseful. “I feel incredible guilt,” she said, “for not hospitalizing him here in Los Angeles when he told me he was suicidal.”

In a blog, Jill Abrams wrote about the drug that bore perhaps more direct responsibility for her brother’s demise. “I am left feeling that we need to understand why this insidious drug is as prevalently over-prescribed as it is,” she wrote. “In rehab, Tod began working on his ideas for a foundation to educate and lobby for more transparency with prescription drugs like Xanax. Let my brother’s unexpected death put a spotlight on this dire epidemic in America.”

After Tod Abrams’ suicide, criticism of his treatment at

Caron prompted a defense of the company by John Lehman, president of the Florida Association of Recovery Residences, which seeks to improve industry standards.

“I remain confident that this particular organization strives to serve their clients with the highest level of professionalism,” he wrote in an email, referring to Caron. “In point of fact, were the remainder of the Florida provider group as committed to delivery of quality services, there would be significantly less demand for oversight.”

Lehman — who dismissed as “absurd” the persistent allegations from Delray Beach residents that recovering and relapsed addicts had committed crimes and caused other problems in their neighborhoods — extended his condolences to the Abrams family.

“As is evidenced by this tragic story, a highly accomplished, creative and well-respected artist lost his battle to an insidious brain disease that robbed him of hope,” Lehman said. “May he rest in peace.” ★

See Jill Abrams’ video tribute to her brother and her mother at www.thecoastalstar.ning.com.

Substance-abuse educational event open to public

The Delray Beach Drug Task Force is hosting “SUD Talks,” a discussion about substance abuse issues featuring speakers expert on the subject.

The SUD, or substance use disorder, talks will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. on Feb. 11 at the Old School Square’s Crest Theatre, at 51 N. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach.

The event is open to the public. Cost is \$25.

The talks are a series of discussions lasting five minutes or up to 45 minutes in which experts talk about issues that affect communities.

“This event is relevant to our community at large and to neighboring cities facing the same issues, while at the same time trying to determine their role in finding solutions,” said Suzanne Spencer, drug task force executive director. “Our speakers will be presenting ideas for change that communities can use so that

residents and the members of the recovery community can coexist.”

The keynote speaker for the event will be Dr. Carl Hammerschlag, an internationally known author, physician and speaker. He will discuss the role communities play in healing and how a new perspective is needed to tackle the growing substance abuse problem.

Other speakers include Dr. Kevin Wandler, associate chief medical officer at Advanced Recovery Systems; Dr. D. John Dyben, director of older adult treatment services at the Hanley Foundation; Marc Woods, a Delray Beach code enforcement officer; and Dr. Elaine Rotenberg, clinical director at the Alpert Jewish Family and Children’s Services center.

For more information, visit www.sudtalks.org.

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Obituaries

Flossy Keesely

By Scott Simmons

HIGHLAND BEACH — A little more than five years ago, Flossy Keesely sat down in her Highland Beach penthouse with *The Coastal Star* to talk about her long life for a profile. She greeted her interviewer, prepared lunch and pooh-pooed the notion of calling her Mrs. Keesely, saying simply, "I'm just Flossy."

She was 96 at the time, and it goes without saying that after living to be nearly 102, she was more than "just Flossy."

Flossy, born Florence Bosenkopf, on April 18, 1914, in Philadelphia, died Jan. 28, 2016, in hospice care.

In the century she lived, Flossy married the love of her life, pioneered the first television talk show and founded a performing arts awards program.

The walls of her penthouse were covered with autographed photos given to her by friends who included Dale Carnegie, Arthur Godfrey and other household names of another era.

Her parents, Ludwig and Anna Bosenkopf, had emigrated from Austria in 1910. Flossy, an only child, fondly remembered the return trips her parents took to Europe to visit relatives.

In the 1930s, she began dating

Nicholas Keesely, who worked in the broadcast industry. They married June 25, 1932, and it was a love affair that continued until Nick's death in 1999.

In the 1940s, the couple moved to New Rochelle, New York, and Nick transitioned from radio to television. Flossy teamed with Kathi Norris to become the first personalities to host a television talk show, *Your Television Shopper*, on the old DuMont Television Network. Norris went on to become one of the original hosts of NBC's *Today* show.

Nick retired in the '60s, and the couple moved to Florida, first settling in Fort Lauderdale, before making a home in Boca del Mar. Flossy moved to Highland Beach after Nick's death.

She remained involved in community affairs, produced a "Pathway to the Stars" talent contest, and in her 90s became a member of the Boca Raton Rotary Club, from which she received a Lifetime Achievement Award during the club's annual OPAL (Outstanding People and Leaders) Awards presentation.

As she neared her 100th birthday, the tiny Flossy assumed she would die soon after passing that milestone.

She lived on nearly two more years, and left a lasting legacy in the form of a statue and fountain at Mizner Park in Boca Raton that depicts her reaching for the stars, with her little dog Schatzi sitting at her feet.

See it and smile.



Judith Bartlewski

By Steven J. Smith

HIGHLAND BEACH — Teaching, mentoring and placing students into the workforce were the central missions of Judith Bartlewski's life and truly defined her, said Paul Bartlewski, her husband of 43 years.

"Judi had such a passion and such a way with her kids, it was amazing," he said. "She was so devoted to them and I know she changed all of their lives for the better."

Mrs. Bartlewski's health began to decline in recent years as she developed heart and mobility problems. She died Jan. 17 at the age of 72.

Born in Lowell, Mass., in 1943, Mrs. Bartlewski grew up in Westford and graduated with honors from Elms College in Chicopee, Mass., with a B.A. in history. She earned her master's in education from Rivier College in New Hampshire.

"Judi was a teacher in Chelmsford, Mass., and met me in 1971 on a blind date," her husband said. "We were married not long after. Even though she had an impressive education résumé — with a master's degree and a job as a counselor in the Chelmsford school system — she followed me into the Connecticut school system. That's just how it was back then. The wife went where the husband did."

She started out as a career counselor at Bloomfield High School in Connecticut but soon became pregnant with the couple's son, Paul. When he was born in 1973, Mrs. Bartlewski stayed home with him until



he reached school age. Then, after several years as a substitute teacher, her career took a dramatic turn in the early 1980s.

"Judi became a career counselor of the New Britain High School World of Work Program in Connecticut, where she found a job for every student in that program," her husband said. "I'm talking about at-risk students, who were not focused on education. She went from business to business and knocked on so many doors to get these kids very good jobs in construction companies, banks, you name it."

When funding for that program ran out, Mrs. Bartlewski started a new program focused on ninth-graders who were potential dropouts. When that program ran its course, the school once again saw its dropout rate rise. So Mrs. Bartlewski created the New Britain Diploma Program — from scratch.

"It was a great success," her husband said. "In fact, that program is still going."

Mrs. Bartlewski also was a gifted interior decorator, he said.

On their 25th anniversary, the couple decided to spend their golden years in Biddeford Pool, Maine, and Highland Beach; after she retired in 2009 they moved to Highland Beach permanently in 2011.

"I'll most remember her for her smile, her passion, her humor," her husband said. "She was so well-rounded and such a hard worker. She had great passion for what she did in life, and she loved her job. That's rare."

Mrs. Bartlewski's funeral was Jan. 29 in New Britain, Conn. She is survived by her husband and her son. Share memories at www.ericksonhansen.com.

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Along the Coast

Public offers a wide range of proposals to protect South Florida reefs



Areas where a greater level of control is being considered (in green)

SOURCE: Our Florida Reefs

Three areas between Lake Worth and Boca Raton proposed as no-take zones where fishing, lobstering could be banned

By Willie Howard

Divers, anglers, boaters and others who enjoy South Florida's coral reefs came to the Delray Beach Public Library Jan. 29 to comment on dozens of proposals intended to protect the reefs from threats such as pollution, anchor damage and high water temperatures.

Recommendations for protecting South Florida's coral reefs range from improving education to creating marine-protected areas along the four-county area where fishing, lobstering and other consumptive uses could be prohibited.

High water temperatures, pollution, silt from beach restoration work, vessel groundings and anchor damage all threaten the delicate coral colonies that build the reefs.

"It's really death by a million cuts," said Francisco Pagan, manager of the state's Coral Reef Conservation Program.

Although reefs in the Florida Keys are protected by a national marine sanctuary, including several no-take areas, there are no special regulations in place to protect the northern section of the Florida Reef Tract, which extends 105 miles from the north end of Biscayne National Park to St. Lucie Inlet near Stuart.

The recommended management actions, or RMAs, were developed by a working group of about 50 volunteers who have been discussing South Florida's reef problems and possible solutions since

March 2014.

If they become policy, the proposals could reduce sources of reef-damaging pollution; improve coral reef education for students, boaters and anglers; boost law enforcement on the water; create coral reef gardens; halt plans to expand Lake Worth Inlet for port traffic; and reduce the harvest of herbivorous fish that remove algae from the reefs.

About 25 people came to each of the two Jan. 29 workshops to ask questions and submit comments about plans to protect South Florida's reefs.

Seasonal Delray Beach residents George and Gigi Mankoff said they would like to see more coral reef education in schools as well as hands-on educational opportunities for children.

"If you're a Floridian, you need to be concerned about the reefs because they're such

a beautiful resource," Gigi Mankoff said.

Among the proposals drawing public interest during the Delray Beach workshops were the 13 "areas of interest" selected for possible marine protected areas, or MPAs.

One of the group's recommendations: Protect 20 percent to 30 percent of the reef tract from "extractive use," meaning no-take areas.

Seven areas of interest for MPAs are being proposed along the coast of Palm Beach County, including five south of the Lake Worth Pier. They are:

- The Lake Worth to Manalapan area, proposed as an MPA but not a no-take area. It would stretch from just south of Lake Worth Pier to Manalapan and extend from the beach to the outer edge of the reef. It covers popular dive destinations, such as Horseshoe Reef.

- The Gulf Stream Reef, a proposed no-take zone along the reef tract with its center off the Boynton Beach water tower.

- The MV Castor wreck, an artificial reef off Gulf Stream known as a Goliath grouper spawning area. It's being proposed as a location for seasonal fish-spawning closures.

- Fink's Delray, a proposed no-take zone stretching from the beach to the outer edge of the reef tract. It extends from George Bush Boulevard in Delray Beach south to Toscana Towers in Highland Beach. The area is known for good hard coral cover and sites with relatively large numbers of fish.

- Fink's Grouper Hole, a proposed no-take zone known for its ledges and areas with large numbers of fish. Unlike Fink's Delray, this proposed MPA would not cover the area between the reefs and the beach. Its approximate location is from Jasmine Drive in Delray Beach south to the north end of Lake Wyman in Boca Raton.

The possibility of closing 20 to 30 percent of the South Florida reef tract to fishing and other consumptive uses has drawn strong reaction from fishing organizations.

The recreational fishing group CCA/Florida sent an email to its members expressing concern over the proposed MPAs and urging them to attend the Our Florida Reefs workshops.

CCA/Florida said it does not support MPAs unless they are scientifically justified, have stated goals and are used as a last resort.

The recreational fishing group also disagreed with a proposal to create a national marine sanctuary along the coast of the four-county area, noting that would be an unneeded delegation of state authority to a federal agency.

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Briny Breezes

State to turn Old Ocean Boulevard over to Briny

By Dan Moffett

Briny Breezes soon will correct a decades-old oversight when the town formally assumes ownership of Old Ocean Boulevard.

Town Attorney John Skrandel says the Florida Department of Transportation has agreed to sign the road over to Briny Breezes with a quit claim deed, ending more than a half-century of legal ambiguity.

Skrandel told the Town Council on Jan. 28 that state officials intended to turn Old Ocean over to Briny Breezes in the late 1940s, when it decided to move State Road A1A westward to its current location to protect it from storm surge. It was a simple land swap —

Briny was to get the oceanfront road and the state would take the western strip through the town — but the state DOT never got around to recording the deed.

Skrandel uncovered the oversight last year while doing research to write new golf cart regulations. State officials have told him they want no part of owning the old road and are prepared to sign it over to the town at no charge, through the quit claim deed.

“It’s their way of saying this should have been done a long time ago, but it wasn’t, so we’re going to do it now,” Skrandel said.

The only stipulation for the transfer is that the road continues to fulfill a public

purpose, meaning it must remain an open thoroughfare that provides access to the north and south. Council members voted unanimously to accept the state’s offer and take control of Old Ocean.

The advantage of clear ownership is that it gives the town the authority to regulate traffic on the road — and that appears increasingly important as Ocean Ridge contemplates changes to its end of Old Ocean that could send more vehicles south. With the transfer, Briny can write its own road rules, enforce them and also claim a valuable piece of oceanfront real estate.

The disadvantage of ownership is that the town becomes responsible for

maintaining the road and repairing damage inflicted by traffic or storms.

And there also is a complication. Old Ocean will become the only piece of land in Briny Breezes completely owned by the town, not the corporation. Transferring the road from the town to the corporation could require asking the state Legislature to tweak its land laws to deal with Briny’s unusual corporate-municipal co-op.

“That can wait,” said Alderman Bobby Jurovaty. “For right now, we just need to move forward.”

Skrandel said owning Old Ocean is the right move for the town and its residents: “It helps them in their long-term goal to

make the road more a part of Briny than it’s ever been.”

In other business:

• The council unanimously approved hiring Barbara Johnston, who owns Total Bookkeeping Plus of Lake Worth, to take over the town’s billing and accounting. Council President Sue Thaler had been handling the bookkeeping but decided to give it up.

Thaler and Jurovaty interviewed two other candidates for the job besides Johnston. “I think Barbara is the right personality fit for us,” Thaler said.

• The council unanimously approved Kris Kissel-Weir as the District 4 representative to the Planning and Zoning Board. ★

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and resources,” said Trip Aukeman, CCA/Florida’s director of advocacy.

No-take zones should be considered “only when recreational fishing poses a clear and demonstrated threat to the sustainability of fisheries resources,” the American Sportfishing Association said in response to the Our Florida Reefs proposals.

“The main threats to our coral reefs in Florida come from increased water temperatures, water quality and sedimentation — not fishing activities,” an ASA memo said.

But the Our Florida Reefs working group memo says the possible MPAs — including no-take zones, no-anchor areas, restoration areas and areas closed to fishing during fish spawning seasons — would improve the condition of the region’s coral reefs.

“There are user conflicts, unsustainable uses of the resource, direct impact to reefs

from ships, boats, debris and anchors and disruptions to spawning (fish) aggregations,” the memo says.

“We need areas that are completely set aside that don’t have any consumptive uses,” said Dave Gilliam, a coral reef ecologist and assistant professor of marine biology at Nova Southeastern University.

Selling no-take areas to the public is likely to be difficult, said Tom Campbell, a Lighthouse Point diver who attended one of the Delray Beach workshops. Nonetheless, Campbell believes limited no-take areas could boost fish populations. “The fish have to have a place to go and spawn,” Campbell said.

No-take areas, the working group says, could create better fishing outside the closed areas and could attract divers who want to see abundant marine life.

But the working group’s memo also notes that maintaining no-take areas would require “a large amount of enforcement effort.” ★

It’s not too late to comment

The public is invited to comment on proposed management actions, even if they don’t attend one of the workshops. Comments must be received by March 1. They can be submitted online through the Our Florida Reefs website, www.ourflorida-reefs.org (Click on “get involved” and pull down to “comment on management recommendations.”).

Hard-copy comments, including comment cards from the workshop meetings, can be mailed to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, 1277 NE 79th St. Causeway, Miami, FL 33138.

A report containing final recommendations, expected this summer, will be presented to agencies that would be charged with reviewing the reef-protecting measures.

Any recommendation that requires a rule or policy change would have to undergo its own separate review process before it could be implemented.

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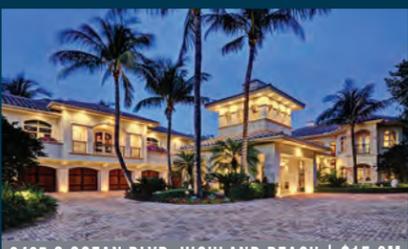
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Lantana

Planner-turned-clerk excited about town's direction

By Mary Thurwachter

Lantana has promoted its community planner, Nicole Dritz, to town clerk.

Dritz, 30, has a bachelor's degree in urban planning from Florida Atlantic University and has worked for the town for two years.

She has worked on site plan reviews, the community rating system, comprehensive planning, special community events and traffic calming projects.

"I am a Midwest girl at heart, born and raised in the small town of Ashland, Ohio," she said. She moved to South Florida in 2004 after meeting her now husband in Fort Lauderdale.

"As town clerk, I am excited to have my hands in more than just planning. I enjoy seeing more of the inner workings of the town as a whole, as well as working with all the departments, the town manager and the wonderful directors," she said. "Lantana is headed in a great direction and I am extremely excited to be part of it all."

Dritz replaces Crystal Gibson, who had been clerk for

seven years and took a position as operations manager for the community services division of the city of Palm Beach Gardens.

In other Lantana news, the Town Council voted to:

- Amend the Aura Seaside site plan on the former Cenacle property on Dixie Highway to include four additional residential units. The added units will not change the project's footprint.
- Leave in place the installed speed cushions that had been positioned on a six-month trial basis as a traffic calming measure on Hypoluxo Island. The speed humps are on South Atlantic Drive and Southeast Atlantic between Barefoot Lane and Lagoon Lane.
- Approve a contract with M&M Asphalt Maintenance Inc. not to exceed \$44,915 for repaving the west side of Sportsman's Park parking lot.
- Raise council member and mayor salaries by 50 percent. Council members currently receive monthly compensation of \$400 and the mayor receives \$600. The council also voted to double the stipends. Council members currently receive monthly stipends of \$100 and the mayor receives \$150. The stipend increase will be effective immediately but salaries won't become effective until March 2017. ★

Town to prohibit service vehicles from parking on both sides of street

By Mary Thurwachter

Council members asked Town Attorney R. Max Lohman to draft an ordinance to address one of Lantana's parking concerns — lawn maintenance and construction vehicles parked on both sides of roads.

Mayor Dave Stewart said he has heard many complaints about parking problems from drivers who have to zigzag around parked trucks. The town also heard from Fire Marshal Matthew Gaffney, who said he is worried about "parking by service vehicles and contractors on narrow roads that make it impossible to maneuver the fire rescue vehicles down such roads, especially when they are parked on both sides of the street."

Negotiating around large vehicles parked on both sides of the road is a recipe for disaster, one resident said.

The ordinance would require cars to follow an odd/even rule. On odd-numbered days, vehicles would park on the odd-numbered side of the street. On even-numbered days, they would park on the even-numbered side.

Stewart, who discussed the matter at the council's Jan.

25 meeting, said the problem needed to be addressed in some way. Tweaks to the proposed ordinance are likely.

Dave Thatcher, director of development services, said signs would need to be bought and put up so that drivers would be aware of the new ordinance.

"I encountered this in Chicago," Thatcher said, "and they had signs up everywhere."

In other action at the Jan. 25 meeting, the town:

- Received a check from Palm Beach County for \$50,000. It is the remainder of the money left over from the \$300,000 grant for the boat docks at Sportsman's Park. Lantana used only \$252,480 to build the docks, so the town requested the remainder of the funds not used (\$47,520) to be used for other improvements at the park. The county approved the request and rounded the number up to \$50,000.
- Approved an ordinance changing the landscaping code to allow the installation of artificial turf. Newer artificial turf provides better drainage and has water-saving properties, Stewart said. Council member Lynn Moorhouse said the turf, while expensive, looks good, too. "It's a win-win," he said. ★

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Business Spotlight

Old World charm meets fondue fun at Little Chalet

By Deborah S. Hartz-Seeley

If you were a bride in the 1980s, chances are your shower or wedding gifts included a fondue set. But in recent years, people seem to have forgotten the fun and flavor of this interactive dining experience.

Not Ricky Marcellini. His family owns fondue restaurants in Belo Horizonte and Sao Paulo, Brazil, and recently opened the Little Chalet in Boca Raton.

“We’ve invested in the fondue concept in Boca because it’s great. People get to share their meal and talk, not just eat and hurry off,” says Marcellini, who is pleased that some guests stay at their tables for three hours enjoying the fondue, music and friends.

Choosing this location that was once a seafood restaurant, a nightclub and then a Thai restaurant, Marcellini said he spent \$2 million to redo the building inside and out. Today the Little Chalet is all Old World charm from its outdoor tower and brickwork to its indoor warren of cozy alcoves, fireplace and, yes, live piano music.

Marcellini, 36, got into

the restaurant and nightclub business at age 17 in Brazil, where his father owned restaurants and nightclubs. Although Marcellini dreamed of coming to America to study, his father offered him a place in the family’s entertainment empire and he accepted.

Over the years he did everything from waiting tables to food marketing, to directing the food and beverage service, to managing the family’s restaurants and clubs. But he never lost his dream.

About four years ago he decided to bring the Little Chalet to the United States, so he began making trips north every two months — visiting New York, Chicago, Washington, D.C., and Miami.

He decided to expand into South Florida because of its proximity to Brazil, where he still runs his family’s businesses. But after looking at Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale and Miami, he wanted a smaller town so he chose Boca Raton.

“I found this city to be a good match for our style of food and hospitality,”



Ricky Marcellini (with wife, Caroline, and daughter, Nina) opened the Little Chalet in Boca Raton as an extension of the family business in Brazil. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

he says. He has plans for further expansion into Palm Beach Gardens and perhaps Orlando.

The restaurant is known for its *quatro formaggi* fondue, a robust blend of emmental, Grand Cru, Parmesan and blue cheeses. If you prefer

meat, there’s beef, chicken, pork or filet mignon that you can dip into the restaurant’s signature consommé or its vegetable broth. For dessert, don’t miss the Lindt chocolate fondues created by Marcellini himself.

“You don’t see other

restaurants like ours here,” Marcellini says. “It’s different because it’s not just food, it’s an experience.” ★

The Little Chalet, 485 S. Federal Highway, Boca Raton; 325-8000; www.thelittlechalet.com.



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Business Spotlight

Ziff estate officially hits the market at \$195 million

By Christine Davis

Back in May *The Coastal Star* announced that Manalapan's Gemini, the Ziff family's 15.65-acre compound at 2000 S. Ocean, was on the market for \$195 million.

Update: On Jan. 28, the property hit the Multiple Listing Service. Premier Estate Properties agents Carmen D'Angelo, Gerald Liguori and Joseph Liguori have the listing. The price remains at \$195 million.

According to the listing, the walled compound and botanical oasis, with 1,200 feet on the ocean and 1,300 feet

on the Intracoastal Waterway, comprises a 12-bedroom main residence, two four-bedroom beachside cottages, the seven-bedroom Mango House, the manager's house with four apartments, and manager's offices.

This adds up to 84,988 square feet, 33 bedrooms, 34 baths and 13 powder rooms.

The 62,220-square-foot main residence with loggias, open stairways and balconies, has wings on both sides of South Ocean, joined by a wide gallery under the road twinning the two sides, hence the estate's name, "Gemini."

The original 1940s home was



The Ziff estate includes a 12-bedroom main residence, two four-bedroom beachside cottages, the seven-bedroom Mango House and botanical gardens with 1,500 species. **Photo provided**

designed by architect Marion Sims Wyeth for the Lambert pharmaceutical family and later became the winter retreat of Loel and Gloria Guinness.

Current owners, with architect Edson E. Dailey,

completed a reconstruction and expansion in 2003.

Site details include botanical gardens with 1,500 species of tropical trees and plants, a golf practice area, dock and pier on the Intracoastal, freshwater

pond and bird sanctuary, and sports complex with a regulation tennis court, half basketball court, playground, miniature golf course and butterfly garden with a large-scale model train. ★

Delray's Doc's and Dunkin' properties up for sale

The corner location of **Doc's All American**, 10 N. Swinton Ave., is up for sale, as is 37 W. Atlantic, the site of **Dunkin' Donuts**. Listing agent **Cecelia Boone**, with **Southdale Properties**, is representing the sellers, **Cecilia Egan** and her family.

"The entire property was listed just before the end of 2015. We were waiting for the Dunkin' Donuts and Doc's Ice Cream leases to expire," Boone said. "We are not selling them as income properties, but rather as a development opportunity."

Zoned **Old School Square Historic District** as well as commercial business district and comprising 0.77 acres, "it's on the best hard-control corner and the entrance to the downtown core," Boone said. "It could work for a mixed-used project, with an allowable height of 54 feet and a density of 30 units per acre, plus retail. It will probably get 23 or 24 units, plus retail or office."

Philip Vultaggio, Egan's father, bought the property years ago, Boone said. "Her family has a famous place in Massapequa, Long Island, the **All American Burger** and **Marshall's Ice Cream Bar** next door. People wait outside in line, even in winter."

In an email, Egan shared a bit of her family's history. "Actually, we did reopen Doc's after it sat vacant for decades, with a couple of friends. My parents purchased the block knowing that it was going to be a good location 'down the road.'"

At that point, with no interest from prospective tenants, they got it up and running and then sold the operation, she wrote.

Her family's Long Island businesses are still operating. Egan, who lives in Wisconsin and Royal Palm Beach, says she salivates just thinking about the ice cream. Her father started Marshall's in 1952, and "for 50 years, it was Carvel (ice cream)



The space that's Doc's All American could house a couple dozen residential units, as well as offices or retail. **Photo provided**

and the No. 1 store on Long Island." In 1963, he opened All American Hamburger, a popular Long Island landmark.

"When my father died in 2013, sympathy notes arrived from all over the world — from former employees who were part of the original crews in the '50s and '60s to customers who grew up eating at Carvel/Marshall's and All American. They wrote notes of their fond memories of working for Phil, the value of honest work along with many other lifelong lessons," Egan wrote.

"Customers recounted stories of how he always had a big smile when handing them an ice cream cone, and needless to say, we four kids always had the best school parties because our parents supplied the burgers, fries and ice cream."

For information, call Boone at 302-8978.

Popbar Handcrafted Gelato on a Stick, the maker of customizable, all natural, gluten-free popGelato, popSorbetto, and YogurtPops, opened a Delray Beach location at 411 E. Atlantic Ave., Suite B, Delray Beach, in November. Hours are 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday.

Samar Hospitality, a Jericho, N.Y., hotel developer, has approval for the 122-room **Aloft** hotel, 202 SE Fifth Ave.,

Delray Beach. The hotel is part of a mixed-use project that includes 35 condos, 6,280 square feet of retail space and parking.

Jessica Rosato, luxury residential specialist with **Nestler Poletto Sotheby's International Realty**, Delray Beach, was recently installed as the 2016 president for the **Greater Palm Beach County Women's Council of Realtors**.



Rosato

For consecutive years since 2008, **Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa** has received the 2016 AAA Five Diamond designation, and through March, locals can experience the AAA Five Diamond property for themselves. With valid Florida identification upon check-in, they are eligible for a 15 percent discount.

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Five other South Florida resorts, including **Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach**, received the rating.

Florida Realtors' December figures show that Palm Beach County's median sale price for single-family homes has reached \$305,000, the highest

median price activity since June 2015. Year over year, median days on market has dropped 32.1 percent, from 56 to 38 days, with the greatest number of closed sales falling between \$200,000 to \$600,000.

Rosemurgy Properties sold three student-housing communities in Boca Raton for a combined \$105.25 million. Palm Beach County records show the Deerfield Beach-based commercial real-estate firm sold **University Park**, **University View** and **University Square** to the Bahrain asset manager **Investcorp**.

An affiliate of Investcorp paid \$70 million for University Park, an 11-acre complex at 135 NW 20th St., which has eight buildings with 159 units. Investcorp also purchased University View, a 55-unit townhome community at 2190 Northwest Fourth Court, for \$20.25 million.

Also, a 90-unit apartment complex, at 200 NE 20th St., sold for \$15 million.

Jack Elkins, an agent with the **Fite Group Luxury Homes**, now offers prospective buyers online tours offering 3-D technology. To see an example, visit <http://3dimaginggroup.com/3d-model/1920-s-ocean-blvd/>.

Christel Silver, owner of **Silver International Realty** in Delray Beach, recently received the Global Realtor of the Year Award from the **Realtors Association of the Palm Beaches**. She also received the Global Achievement Platinum Award from the **National Association of Realtors**.

Jameson Olsen, director of marketing and business development for **All My Sons Moving & Storage**, was recently named affiliate member of the year for Palm

Beach County by the Realtors Association of the Palm Beaches. Olsen sat on the association's Young Professional Network committee and will



Olsen

have an active role in 2016 on the Realtors Political Action Committee, the Young Professional Network Committee

for Palm Beach County and St. Lucie County, as well as the Community Outreach Committee. Olsen's community involvement includes her commitment to the **American Red Cross** as a South Palm Beach County Gala committee member, the annual **Steve Weagle** ride to benefit the **American Red Cross**, and sponsor for **Toys for Tots** toy drive efforts.

In December, **Vi at Lakeside Village** hosted a grand reopening of its Private Memory Support Unit, which has undergone a \$1.5 million renovation, the first phase of an ongoing expansion that will include additional resident units, as well as redesigning and expanding the rehab treatment rooms, kitchen and other utility support areas.

A luxury continuing care retirement community, Vi offers levels of care that include villa homes, independent living, assisted living and memory support apartments, as well as skilled nursing and rehab services. Vi is at 2792 Donnelly Drive, Lantana. Call 434-5334.

In December, **Boca Raton Regional Hospital** was named a 2015/2016 Consumer Choice Award recipient by the **National Research Corp**.

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The Naoma Donnelley Haggin Boys & Girls Club of Delray Beach's 13th annual Holiday Trunk Show, hosted in December at **The Seagate Hotel & Spa**, raised approximately \$85,000 and will help support the programming for more than 400 children who attend the club.

Diamonds by Raymond Lee will celebrate the grand opening of its bridal boutique at 2801 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton on Thursday, Feb. 25, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

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Van Laanen

an amateur filmmaker, **Michael Van Laanen** of Boca Raton envisioned students creating mini-documentaries that meld science, technology, engineering and math with art. These mini-film projects would be housed free of charge in an online archive.

To that end, in 2013, Van Laanen launched the nonprofit organization **Our Rock Project Inc.** and is seeking partners, students and support in Palm Beach County. He also seeks to partner with local university film and videography students to work with middle and high school students as part of paid internships.

Van Laanen has already begun working with **Bak Middle School of the Arts** in West Palm Beach and **Palm Beach Gardens High School**.

For information, visit www.ourrockproject.org. To watch student films, visit www.ourrockproject.org/archive.

The **Friends of Mounts Botanical Garden** recently awarded \$1,000 in scholarships to Palm Beach State College student **Amanda Newell** of Delray Beach. Newell seeks to pursue a career in horticulture and plans to continue her studies in organic gardening and sustainable horticulture.

Also, **Gennette Raborn** of Delray Beach won Mounts Botanical Garden's Selfie Contest to promote the exhibition *Nature Connects: Art with Lego Bricks*, which runs through Feb. 14.

Admission is \$10 for adults; \$7 for seniors, veterans and students; \$5 for children (3-12); and free for children 2 and

under. The garden is at 531 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, and is open Tuesday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

Concerned about uncertainty in the tax code



Shavell

affecting small contractors, **Rich Shavell**, president of **Shavell & Company P.A.**, certified public accountants and consultants in Boca Raton, took part of a four-person witness panel that provided testimony at a December hearing before a U.S. House of Representatives subcommittee in Washington, D.C.

He represented the Associated Builders and Contractors Inc.

Shavell argued that small businesses are the employer of choice for most Americans, but without a commitment and action by Congress, this might be jeopardized.

On Dec. 18, the House and Senate passed a tax extenders package that was signed by President Barack Obama.

Delray Beach resident **Allison Turner**, CEO and



Turner

Ambassadors.

Two Boynton Beach **Allstate** agency owners, **Jarred Smoke** and **Trisha Tenbroeck**, were designated Allstate Premier Agencies for 2015 for their outstanding performance and commitment to their customers. Smoke's agency is at 8784 Boynton Beach Blvd.

Tenbroeck's agency is at 622 N. Federal Highway.

Daniel Solomon has been promoted to vice president of real estate at **Katz & Associates**. He works out of the Boca Raton office.

Boca Chamber's Community Cookout, March 5, will be held at the **YMCA of South Palm Beach County**, 6631 Palmetto Circle S., Boca Raton. It includes food, games,

bounce houses, slides and DJ. Admission is free. Meal tickets cost \$5. Children under 10 will receive one complimentary meal ticket.

The Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce announced its 2015 award winners at its annual gala, A Winter Wonderland, at Benvenuto Restaurant on Jan. 21. They included: **Donald K. Porges** Certified Public Accountant, Business

of the Year; **Pathways to Prosperity**, Nonprofit of the Year; and **Tiffany Womack** of TrustBridge, who was named the Young Professional of Boynton.



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Lenny and Florence Cohen: The couple eloped 66 years ago. Photo provided



Love stories

Six couples share stories of devotion, telling us how they met, what ignited their passion and how they make love last.

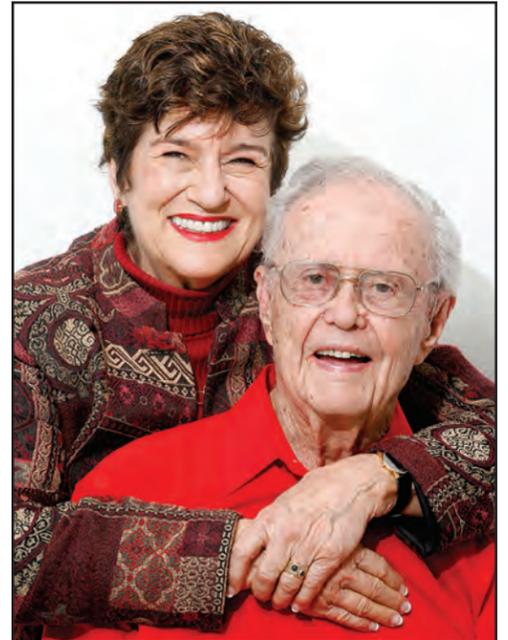
By Mary Thurwachter

With Valentine's Day this month and Cupid on the loose, we asked readers to tell us their stories of love. For some, the attraction was instant. For others, it took a bit longer. Most married, one didn't, but all hold on to the precious memories love brought them. Here are their accounts.

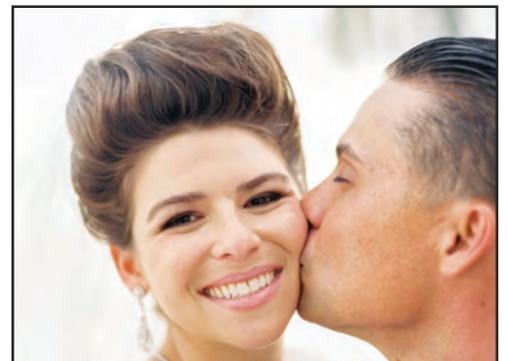
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Ron and Phyllis Porter Dolislager: The couple went to Paris for their 50th anniversary. Photo provided



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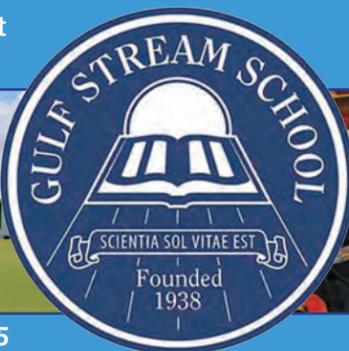
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Stretching across a generous 135± feet of oceanfront, this newly built Bermuda-inspired estate looks out to the turquoise waters from most rooms and from the resort-style outdoor living space and a grand entertainment pavilion featuring a charming open-air fireplace, summer kitchen, and cabana bath.



INTRACOASTAL ESTATE | \$6.975 MILLION

1002 Seasage Drive | Delray Beach

Incredible direct Intracoastal views throughout; expansive living and dining room which opens to the outdoor loggia overlooking the pool and water; large gourmet kitchen, butler's pantry and family room which open to the spacious loggia; first floor club room with oversized windows for optimal water views. Completion January 2016.



BEACH AREA ESTATE | \$4.495 MILLION

3424 North Ocean Boulevard | Gulf Stream

Timeless elegance carries throughout this new Bermuda-style estate lavished with classic Palm Beach details. This estate introduces a lavish environment enjoyed both indoors and out. It truly is an exceptional new estate, offering an unmatched lifestyle in a quaint beach town.



150 OCEANSIDE | STARTING \$2.15 MILLION

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The stylish statement of the 150 Oceanside exterior flows inside as well... sweeping, open floorplans are complemented by floor-to-ceiling glass and clean lines. Contemporary upscale kitchens feature high-end appliances, custom-designed cabinetry and designer finishes. Approximately 3,500± sq. ft. under A/C, secluded roof top deck, 3 floors of luxury living, elevator, pool and 2 car garage. One block from the beach.



NEW DUTCH CARIBBEAN ESTATE | \$8.9 MILLION

812 Seasage | Delray Beach

Placing an equal emphasis on beauty, quality, and the casually elegant 2-story estate home is generously sized with a total of 10,788± square feet including 5 bedrooms, 5 full baths, 2 powder rooms, a 2-bay garage plus a one bay garage and gardeners shed. This magnificent estate fronts 150± feet of direct intracoastal, with protected deepwater dockage.



INTRACOASTAL ESTATE | \$6.995 MILLION

920 Seasage Drive | Delray Beach

This magnificent estate will comprise four bedrooms, four bathrooms and two powder rooms. There will be a chef's kitchen with state-of-the-art appliances that opens to a breakfast dinette and family room, as well as a gorgeous living room and dining room.



INTRACOASTAL ESTATE | \$6.895 MILLION

916 Seasage Drive | Delray Beach

Coastal Contemporary inspired design. Among the many amenities this brand-new, gorgeous 5 bedroom, 5 bathroom plus two half-bathroom luxury estate will feature a luxurious master bedroom with its own his and her master bathroom, a separate guest suite and a two-car garage with an additional one-car garage.



BEACH AREA ESTATE | \$4.695 MILLION

3410 North Ocean Boulevard | Gulf Stream

Exquisite New Island-inspired estate graces a spectacular setting in the exclusive town of Gulf Stream. This estate introduces a lavish environment enjoyed both indoors and out. It truly is an exceptional new estate, offering an unmatched lifestyle in a quaint beach town.



BEACH AREA ESTATE | \$3.895 MILLION

1209 Seaspray Avenue | Delray Beach

Less than one block from the ocean, this Island Estate is filled with state of the art finishes, wood floors, chef grade kitchen, guest house and amazing outdoor entertaining area. Enjoy beach area living in the great town of Delray Beach. Completion February 2016.



SEAGATE YACHT CLUB | \$3.795 MILLION

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THE GROVE AT LAKE IDA | \$1.55 MILLION

219 NW 12th Street | Delray Beach

The well-planned layout totals 3,128± square feet with open living areas, four bedrooms, three and a-half baths, and impact-rated windows. Giving a casual coastal feel with modern refinement, this comfortably livable residence is hallmarked by fine design and attention to detail. Completed.



THE GROVE AT LAKE IDA | \$1.525 MILLION

201 NW 12th Street | Delray Beach

Giving a casual coastal feel with modern refinement, this comfortably livable residence is hallmarked by fine design and attention to detail. The well-planned layout totals 4,163± square feet with open living areas, four bedrooms, three and a-half baths, and impact-rated windows. Completed.

Health & Harmony

Device delivers a sensation in the ear — and in Vegas

Introducing a new electronic product at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas is like bringing a promising but unknown tennis player to play in the U.S. Open.

So the little band of Palm Beach County entrepreneurs was delighted at the attention garnered by their device, the Nervana. It's a relaxation instrument that is part music player and part electronic stimulator.

"We didn't leave our area, we had so much attention there," said Nervana co-founder Ami Brannon. "We had buyers, we had press, manufacturers and other businesses and a few really big companies. We all got such a charge out of it. It validated the last two years of work."

If you're already googling, it's NERV-ana, as in nerve, not Nirvana, although you might play the band Nirvana's music on the Nervana device and you might achieve a type of nirvana, depending on how you choose to interpret the term for ecstasy or enlightenment.

The Nervana is about the size of a cellphone, only thicker. It employs earbuds like any portable music delivery system.

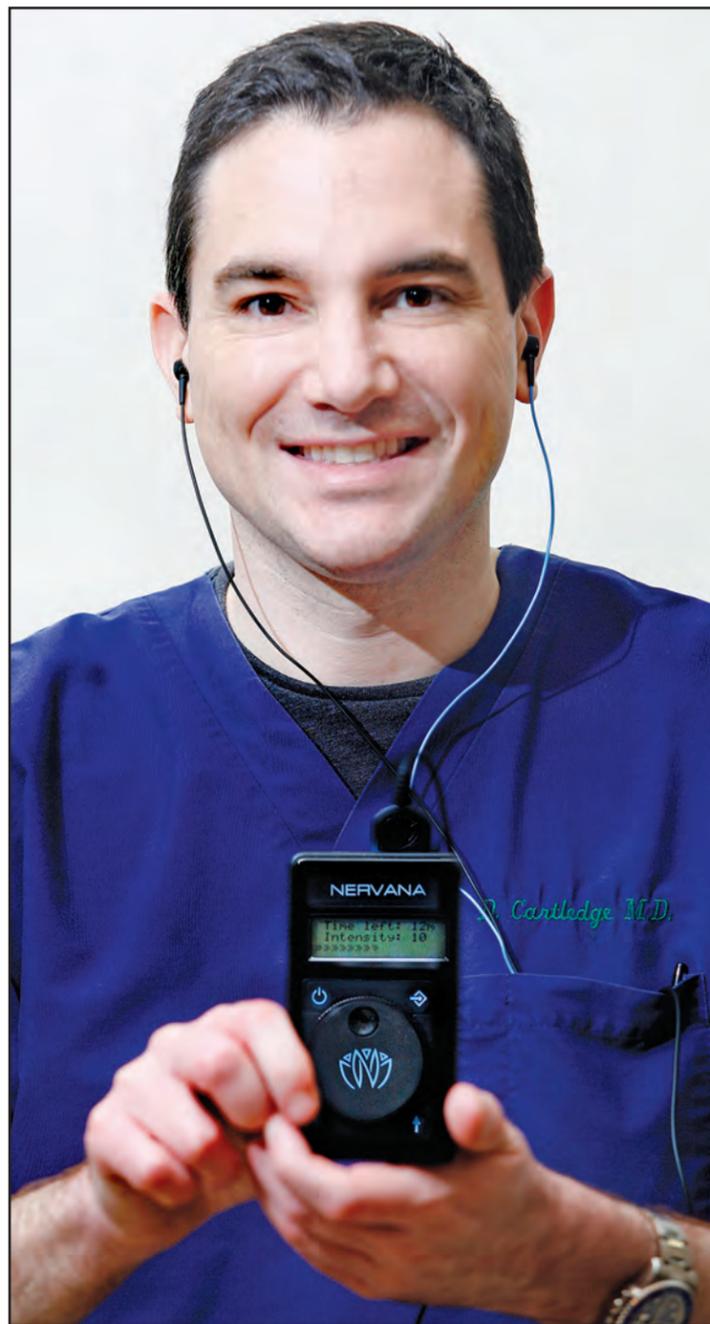
The left earbud of the Nervana produces an electronic signal that is received by the vagus nerve, a long nerve that extends from the skull through the heart and lungs to the digestive system. From its base in the gut, the vagus nerve sends signals back to the brain, leading some doctors and researchers to call it the source of "gut feelings."

The device "helps people take control of their own wellness, to decrease stress and relax more," said Nervana CEO Brannon, of Boca Raton.

Though it utilizes technology similar to devices used to regulate seizures, obesity and other medical conditions, Nervana is not a medical device, according to its four founders — heart surgeon Richard Cartledge, his brother Daniel Cartledge, Brannon, a former nurse, and engineer Gregory Mayback.

"It's really a consumer device, to make people feel good, relaxed and in sync with the music," said Daniel Cartledge, a Boca Raton interventional pain physician whose practice is in suburban Delray Beach. "There is over 30 years of research on stimulation of the vagus nerve to treat depression, seizure disorders and Alzheimer's. But the Nervana is fun and recreational."

The Nervana can play any music you download into it, from Bach to Bieber, but its connection — via the left ear through the skin to the vagus nerve — makes the music feel more visceral and pleasurable



Daniel Cartledge with the Nervana player, designed to help people relax and feel in sync with music. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

to the listener.

Users at the Consumer Electronics Show described their reactions: "Tingly.... calm.... I was tired but I feel pretty good right now, different than before."

Interestingly enough, the best effects come from electronic dance music, with its pronounced beat and thumping, hypnotic rhythms.

The four founders all flew to Las Vegas to unveil the device at the show.

"It went amazingly well," said Daniel Cartledge. "We had prototypes that people were able to use. There was such a great response, and a ton of international media attention."

That would have been plenty, but the Nervana also won the competition for a tech start-up in the digital health category.

"I love the feeling, the actual stimulation going through my ear," said Daniel Cartledge. "It brings a tactile sensation to the music. It's very relaxing and it keeps me very focused. I forget about the background thoughts."

The comparison to LSD or Ecstasy springs to mind, but Cartledge says sorry — that's not what happens.

"No one is hallucinating, but it definitely would have been fun at a Grateful Dead

concert."

That brings up Nervana's second mode, which allows the user to pick up ambient music, say, from a concert, and transmit that to the vagus nerve. A third mode produces no sound, just the vagus stimulation.

Not only did people find Nervana in the vast convention halls of the CES in January, but also emails have been coming in from potential customers who see it as a possible aid to reducing depression and post-traumatic stress disorder.

Once again, the founders are making no medical claims for the Nervana, only promising a pleasant musical experience.

They are taking orders on their website, www.experiencenervana.com, and include user videos on their "Experience Nervana" page on Facebook. The price is expected to be \$299, and delivery should begin in June.

Lona O'Connor has a lifelong interest in health and healthy living. Send column ideas to Lona13@bellsouth.net.





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Health

Friends rally to help young parent face cancer treatment

By April Klimley

Cancer is especially tragic when it happens to someone young such as Brandy Torrez. The 35-year-old mother of three is a style expert at Angela Moore in Manalapan's Plaza del Mar and on Worth Avenue in Palm Beach. In late November, she was diagnosed with a rare form of leukemia — acute lymphatic leukemia. The condition is treatable, but made doubly challenging because Torrez also has a chromosome abnormality.

"When I got sick, it all came out of the blue," says Torrez. "It's been hard on my family, too. I haven't been able to see them that much."

She was allowed to go home from the hospital for Christmas. But now she is back undergoing several rounds of chemotherapy. Once her cancer is in remission and a donor is found, she will go to the Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa for a stem cell transplant.

All this has not put a damper on Torrez's fighting spirit, or "moxie," as one of her friends put it.

But it has put a strain on the family finances for Torrez, her three children — Destiny, 16, Robbie, 12, and Paul, 9 — and her husband, Robert, who is self-employed in the pool cleaning business. "We are just scraping by," she admits, due to the loss of her income.

Enter Torrez's friends and colleagues — who are strong supporters of Torrez and have taken action to help. Earlier this year Jewelry Artisans, the store next to where Torrez has been working, announced that it will hold a raffle Feb. 1-27 for a pair of 14-karat gold earrings to raise money for the family's living expenses. The earrings were custom-



LEFT: Brandy Torrez with her three children — Destiny, 16, Robbie, 12, and Paul, 9 — and husband, Robert. ABOVE: Torrez's hair loss is typical of cancer treatment. Photos provided

designed by the store's owner, Pedro Maldonado, a fourth-generation master jeweler. Tickets cost \$45 each or three for \$125. A winner will be chosen at random on Feb. 27.

Another friend, Annie Davis of Palm Beach Travel, will make a \$250 donation every time a client books a Lindblad-National Geographic travel excursion through her

office this year. The travel agency sold gift cards during the holidays to raise money for Christmas gifts for the Torrez children.

"She is really incredible," Davis says about Torrez. "She is a generous, fun, creative personality. Lots of moxie." Davis also mentions that Torrez has a hidden talent. "She is our cupcake

designer," Davis says. Torrez created customized cupcakes (margarita and even pretzel-themed) for various travel agency events. "Her imagination for design is amazing," Davis says.

People are pulling for Brandy to get through this ordeal and resume her job at Angela Moore (which is being held for her by the manager)

and go back to regular family life that she loves so much. ★

To help Torrez meet this challenge, go to "Brandy's Fight Against Leukemia" GoFundMe page at www.gofundme.com/r2chshks; contribute to the raffle; or book a Lindblad trip at Palm Beach Travel.

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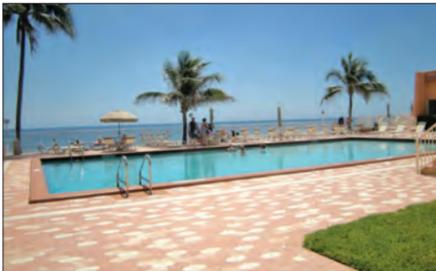
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Health Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 1/29. Please check with organizers for any changes.

FEBRUARY 6

Saturday - 2/6 - Combine Event at Slash Fitness, 290 SE 6th Ave, Delray Beach. Combination of certain sport-specific conditioning drills used to determine individual skill level. Five sections: strength, power, endurance, balance, SAQ (speed, agility and quickness). Participants receive a body composition test, a chiropractic assessment, a nutritional manual and more. 8 am-noon. \$25/non-members; free/members. 865-5716; slashfitpro.com

2/6 - Saturdays @ Sanborn: Yoga Class at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 8:45 am registration; 9 am class. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

2/6 - QiGong at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Ancient Chinese system of exercise, meditation. Improve flexibility, balance, muscle tone, energy, mental well-being. Adults. Every Sat 9 am. Free introductory class. \$40/month. Reservations: 419-5403; facebook.com/WestBocaTaiChi

2/6 - 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; myboca.us

2/6 - High Intensity Interval Training Combine Event at Slash Fitness, 290 SE 6th Ave. Delray Beach. Designed to give fitness seekers a baseline or progress report. \$25 for first time Slash-goers. Call for times. 865-5716; slashfitpro.com

2/6 - Joy on the Journey with Charlene Wilkinson at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd Ave. Gentle yoga followed by yoga nidra. Bring mat, pillow, blanket. Lunch included. 9:30 am-3:30 pm. \$10. Register/prepay by 2/1: 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

2/6 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park West (Intracoastal side), 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Classes held on grass overlooking the Intracoastal. No cash accepted on-site. Every M/T/W/Sun 6:30 pm, Sat 10 am. \$10-\$12.50/class; 60-day membership (unlimited classes) \$65-\$81.25. 393-7807; myboca.us

2/6 - Judo Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Warm-up exercises, instruction, practice, tournament training. W 6:30-8 pm (mixed ages & ranks), 8-9 pm (advanced); Sat 10 am-noon all groups. Per month: \$21.50/resident; \$27/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

2/6 - Capoeira Fitness at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Ages 12 & up. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

2/6 - Zumba Class at South Beach Park Pavilion, 400 N State Rd A1A, Boca Raton. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

FEBRUARY 7-13

Sunday - 2/7 - Race to the Finish: Child-birth Education Prenatal Class at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Licensed nurse provides 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

Monday - 2/8 - Fitness on the Beach at Delray Beach at lifeguard stand North I across from the Marriott at 10 N Ocean Blvd. Bring a towel, plenty of water, a can-do attitude. Ages 18+. M/W/F 7:30-8:30 am. \$10/class. 502-523-0284; mydelraybeach.com

2/8 - 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

2/8 - Yin Yoga Wellness Classes with Rassika Sabine Bourgi at Society of The Four Arts Hultar Sculpture Garden, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Bring mat, check in at Dixon Education Building. Every M 9-10 am through 5/27. \$15/session. Reservations appreciated: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/8 - Flow Yoga Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Slow intuitive vinyasa flow class. M&F 9-10:30 am. \$15/class; \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/8 - Yoga Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. M/W/F 9:30-11 am. 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; myboca.us

2/8 - Stretch at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. Every M&W 10-11 am. \$5/members; \$10/non-members. Sign up in advance: 243-7360; delraytennis.com

2/8 - Tai Chi for Beginners at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Natural ways to relieve tension, stress, pains. Certified instruction. All ages. Every M 10-11 am. Per class: \$15/residents; \$20/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/8 - 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

2/8 - Chi Kung & Meditation at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every M 11 am-noon through 5/30. Per class \$15/residents; \$16/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/8 - Parkinson's Exercise Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 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

2/8 - Silver Sneakers Zumba Sr. Gold Class at Personal Physician Care Community Center, 4800 Linton Blvd #F-111, Delray Beach. M&Th 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$5/class; free for members w/participating health plans. 808-7743; ppcare.net

2/8 - Meditation Mondays at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Meditate to enhance overall health, well-being. Every M 5:30-6:15 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/8 - Zumba Class at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. M&W 6-7 pm. \$5/residents, \$6/nonresidents; \$50/6-week session (12 classes). 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

2/8 - Men's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every M 6:30-8 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

Tuesday - 2/9 - 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 wks old. First class free. 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

2/9 - Women's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every T 10-11:30 am & 7-8:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

2/9 - 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 w/participating health plans. 808-7743; ppcare.net

2/9 - Yoga at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Bring a yoga mat. T&Th 10:15 am. \$10/session. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/9 - Big & Loud: Parkinson's Disease Exercise Program at Bethesda Heart Hospital 3rd Floor Conference Room, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 10:30-11:30 am. Held again 2/23. Free. 292-4950 or email RLatino@BHinc.org

2/9 - Modern Line Dance Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Enhance quality of life through modern music, dance. Ages 50 & up. Every T 1:30-2:30pm & Th 7:30-8:30 pm. Per class: \$5/residents; \$6/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/9 - Zumba Gold Fitness at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Ages 50 & up. T 3-4 pm; Th&F 9:30-10:30 am. Per class: \$5/residents; \$6/nonresidents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/9 - Yoga Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Slow, intuitive vinyasa flow class. T 3:30-4:45 pm & Th 9-10:15 am. \$15/class/ \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/9 - Atherosclerosis: Exploring Endovascular Treatment Options versus Bypass Surgery presented by Reagan Ross, M.D., General/Vascular Surgeon, part of Ask the Physician Lecture Series at Bethesda Hospital East Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@BHinc.org

2/9 - Community Consciousness with Marisol Yoga at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. T&Th 5:15-6:15 pm. \$5/residents; \$6/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

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2/10 - Yoga with Colleen at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Ages 18 & up. Every W 9-10:30 am. Per class: \$10/residents; \$15/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/10 - Al Anon Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 10:30-11:30 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/10 - Coloring Club for Adults at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. De-stress with art therapy. Easy activity for those with memory problems. Use our coloring sheets or bring your own. Every W 1 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/10 - Stretching The Mind, Stretching The Body at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Vamps, Arnis (hip circle), hand movements. Adults. Every M & F 1-2:15 pm through 4/29. \$6/class. 477-8814; myboca.us

2/10 - 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

2/10 - 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

2/10 - Family and Friends at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. Basics of infant, child and adult CPR, relief of choking, child and infant one-person CPR. Includes course book and completion certification. 6-8 pm. Held again 2/17, 2/27 (9-11 am) & 3/2. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

2/10 - 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; myboca.us

Thursday - 2/11 - Ballet Floor Barre Wellness Classes with Rassika Sabine Bourgi at Society of The Four Arts Hultar Sculpture Garden, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Bring mat, check in at Dixon Education Building. Every Th 9-10 am through 5/27. \$15/session. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/11 - Line Dancing at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All ages & levels. Every Th 11 am-noon. \$5/at door. 742-6240; boyntonbeach.org

2/11 - Tai Chi at Green Cay Nature Center Community Room, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Adults. 2 pm. \$15. 966-7000; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

2/11 - Belly Dancing at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Fun, safe, low-impact dance class. Ages 14 & up. Every Th 6-7 pm. \$10/residents; \$12/non residents per class. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/11 - SUD (Substance Use Disorder) Talks at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Presented by Delray Beach Drug Task Force. Series of speakers, keynote speaker, panel discussion. One 15-minute intermission. 6-9 pm. \$25. 243-7922; sudtalks.org

Friday - 2/12 - Sunrise Beach Yoga Class on the beach across from Delray Beach Marriott 10 N Ocean Blvd. Every F 7 am. \$18/class. 396-9791; movement.yoga

2/12 - Pilates Wellness Classes with Rassika Sabine Bourgi at Society of The Four Arts Hultar Sculpture Garden, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Bring mat, check in at Dixon Education Building. Every F 9-10 am through 5/27. \$15/session. Reservations appreciated: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/12 - Body Sculpting for Everyone at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Adults only. F 11 am-noon. \$8/residents; \$9/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

Saturday - 2/13 - Boot Camp for New Dads at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest

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2/13 - Mind, Body & Nutrition at Intra-coastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Certified Personal Trainer teaches concepts of fitness. Ages 14+. Every Sat 10-11 am through 3/5. \$85/residents; \$106/non-residents. Pre-registration: 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

2/13 - Aqua Zumba Classes at Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Every Sat 11-11:45 am through 5/28. \$3/walk-in. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

2/13 - Infant Safety Prenatal Class at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. CPR for infants from birth to one year old and how you can assist in an emergency situation. 2:30-3:30 pm. \$25/couple. 369-2229; publicrelations@bhinc.org

FEBRUARY 14-20

Tuesday - 2/16 - Tahitian Dance Workshop at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Strenuous-hypnotic dance, good for the figure. Every T 2-2:45 pm through 3/8. \$40/residents; \$50/non-residents. 367-7035; myboca.us

2/16 - Zumba with a Gospel Flavor at Carolyn Sims Center, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Joyful workout experience for body, mind, spirit. Interval training, fast and slow rhythms, resistance exercises combined to tone and sculpt, burn fat. Adults. Every T/Th 7-8 pm through 3/24. \$60/residents; \$75/non-residents. 742-6441; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 2/17 - iQuit Smoking Cessation at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. RSVP: 561-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

Friday - 2/19 - Adult Ballroom Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Instructor: Lee Fox. Singles and couples welcome. Every F through 3/25 (no class 3/11). Beginner (Cha Cha) 6:30-7:30 pm; Intermediate (Quickstep) 7:45-8:45 pm. \$50/residents; \$63/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

FEBRUARY 21-27

Monday - 2/22 - Sounds of Transformation: Music that Touches and Heals the Soul at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Connects people to the healing, spiritual power of song. 7 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregprysepisopal.org

Tuesday - 2/23 - Ageless Grace at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Exercises for the brain, joint mobility, spinal flexibility; balance done with music, in a chair, barefoot. All fitness levels welcome. Every T&Th 11 am-noon through 3/31. Resident \$60 1x/week, \$120 2x/week; non-resident \$75 1x/week, \$150 2x/week. 393-7807; boca-raton.fl.us

2/23 - Healthy Living Series presented by Delray Medical Center at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 3 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

Wednesday - 2/24 - Belly Dance Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Ages teen to adult. Every W 6:30-7:30 pm through 3/30. \$65/residents; \$81/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

2/24 - Journey to Fitness at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Classes at rotating outdoor parks in the city. Ages 14+. Every W 6:30-7:30 pm through 3/30 & Sat 8:30-9:30 am through 4/2. \$85/resident; \$106/non-resident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

Thursday - 2/25 - Psychodrama to Raise Awareness about Mental Health at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Interactive play: *Parents & Their Adult Children: Can't We All Get Along*. 5 pm. \$5. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

2/25-27 - Consciousness Retreat at The Crystal Garden, 2610 N Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Chakra Balancing, energy clearing, block removal, master guide connection, more. \$450. 369-2836; thecrystalgarden.com

Saturday - 2/27 - Basics of Baby Care at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. Learn the basics of baby caring for your newborn, taught by a registered nurse. 10 am-noon. \$40/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

2/27 - Prenatal Breastfeeding Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. 1-3 pm. \$40/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 5

Wednesday - 3/2 - CPR Class (American Heart Association Heartsaver/AED) at Ocean Rescue Headquarters, 340 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Open to all Delray Beach residents. Topics include activating the emergency response system; adult, child, infant CPR; choking; defibrillation. CPR masks can be purchased for \$5 (recommended). Ages 12 & up. Every 1st W 9 am-12:30 pm. Free. 243-7425; mydelray-beach.com

3/2 - Line Dance at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Every W through 4/13. Beginner 19-10 am; Regular 10-11 am. \$36/residents; \$45/non-residents. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/2 - First Wednesdays Seminar at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. *Life After Tragedy: Helping Kids Feel Safe*. 11 am-noon. Free. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/2 - Childbirth Education Prenatal Class at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Licensed nurse provides overview of natural labor and delivery process, medical interventions, postpartum and infant discharge care. Every W 6-8 pm through 3/23. \$75/couple. Early registration: 369-2229; publicrelations@bhinc.org

3/2 - Zumba Power at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Fun, high energy workout combining cardio, muscle conditioning, balance, flexibility. Adults. M/W 7-8 pm through 3/30. \$56/residents; \$70/non-residents. Pre-registration: 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

Thursday - 3/3 - Surgical Weight Reduction Symposium at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. How laparoscopic gastric bypass and lap-band surgery can change lives. First Th 6:30 pm. Free. 737-7733 x84688; publicrelations@BHInc.org

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Religion

St. Paul's new rector awed by his good fortune

By Janis Fontaine

If you come to St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Delray Beach and ask to speak to the chief shepherd, they'll introduce you to Father Paul Kane.

He was recently named rector of the church, a role that calls him to preach, teach and outreach.

As the new face of St. Paul's, Kane, 50, is tall and broad-shouldered; a people person, friendly and welcoming.

One wall in his office is filled with books, the shelves recently dusted. He doesn't want to sit behind his big desk. He prefers the sofa and armchair.

Kane's job in a nutshell is "the pastoral care of the congregation." He's responsible for bringing good quality preaching to the church, and that's what he loves most about the job. Preaching brings more sheep to the fold, and attracting new members is critical to the sustainability of St. Paul's.

"We don't welcome people who are Episcopalians. We welcome people because we're Episcopalians," Kane said.

Once Kane has potential new members in the pew, their education begins. He does this when preaching, of course, but new worshipers interested in joining the church can attend a class called the Foundations of Faith, which covers the basics of



Father Paul Kane, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, participates in Delray Beach's Martin Luther King Day Walk to City Hall. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

the Episcopal religion. Ultimately, members are recruited to support the church's charities and outreach programs. They provide the money and the energy, the creativity and the labor.

Kane calls the strong and vibrant people in the community to satisfy the church's primary purpose: "To support the poor and the needy," he says, "and to

offer services that meet the fundamental needs of the congregation," whether they are physical, financial, emotional or spiritual.

Kane was born in Chicago, the fifth of seven children. His parents were high school sweethearts and devout Catholics who moved to Miami when he was 9.

In Catholic families, it's an honor to raise a son to become a

priest. Kane earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from La Salle University in Philadelphia in 1987, and he worked in sales management for Amscan Inc. and Berwick Industries until he entered the seminary.

In 1995, he earned his master's in systematic theology, followed by a master of divinity in 1996, both from St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary in Boynton Beach.

He began his career as a Catholic priest in South Florida at Little Flower Catholic Church in Hollywood, then at St. Timothy's in Kendall and finally at St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Pompano Beach.

But in 2010, after 14 years, he decided to leave the priesthood. He had become unable to support some of the church's views — two in particular: that priests cannot marry and its refusal to ordain women.

It wasn't only the intellectual theologian in him that was questioning his choices. In his heart, there was "a loneliness that led me to the conclusion that God was calling me to join the married life," he says.

After leaving the priesthood, he accepted a job with Food for the Poor, among the largest international nonprofits based in the United States. He continued to worship as a Catholic until Easter 2011, when he found his "theological convictions" aligned better with the Episcopal Church. It was an environment where marriage and priesthood were not mutually exclusive.

Kane had found a new home for his faith, but a piece was still missing.

Then he met his wife, Irene, a health care administrator, at a dinner party. The two became friends and eventually started dating. They fell in love and were married on Jan. 7, 2012, at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church in Coral Springs.

"In marrying Irene, I became stepfather to her daughter



Kane left the Catholic church in part because its priests cannot marry. He met his wife, Irene, shortly after. **Photo provided**

Ingrid, who is now 21 years old," Kane said.

A month later, after much prayer and preparation, Kane and his wife were both received into the Episcopal Church. Kane says that being called to marry and to know, personally, the love of a woman and a family have helped him grow.

His "journey from Rome to Canterbury was a process of personal and professional conversion," Kane said, "but I never stopping feeling the need to serve God as a priest."

Shortly after joining the church, Kane began the process of being received as an Episcopal priest. "I longed for preaching," Kane said.

It took just over a year for the former Father Paul the Catholic to become Father Paul the Episcopalian, in June 2013.

He was put in charge of St. James-of-the-Hills Episcopal Church in Hollywood. Kane was happy. Friends who heard about the opening at St. Paul's began to encourage him to apply. When the job went unfilled and the church announced it was still accepting applications, at more urging of his friends, he reconsidered.

Kane talked it over with Irene. He wanted to be sure she wanted to take on the responsibilities of a rector's wife. Her 18-year career at Tenet Healthcare was important to her.

Ultimately they decided he should apply. Kane threw his hat in the ring, as had almost 50 others. He was one of four finalists brought in for a three-day visit to preach and meet the staff and vestry in person.

Kane says the fact that the search committee and vestry took a long time to decide made him feel confident about the church. It was the sign, he says, of a healthy congregation.

When the Right Rev. Peter Eaton, bishop of the Diocese of South Florida, invited Kane to take the position, it was an easy decision.

Now, when Kane goes home to Boca Raton at the end of the day, he's got a loving wife, a lovely stepdaughter and even a dog — a feisty 14-year-old Maltese/shih tzu mix named Yango — waiting for him.

Even the priest seems awed by his good fortune. "The well doesn't go dry," Kane said. "It grows." ★

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Note: Events are current as of 1/29. Please check with organizers for any changes.

FEBRUARY 7-13

Sunday - 2/7 - The Third Torah with Rabbi Dr. Charles Agin at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 9:30 am. \$8. 276-6161; templesinaic.net

2/7 - Kabbalah & Coffee: The Secret of Simplicity at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave. Includes weekly Living Torah Video Presentation. Every Sun 10-11:30 am. Free. 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

2/7 - Last Generation Ministries Concert at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4 pm. Free/free-will offering. 954-947-1951; fumcbb.com

2/7 - Life Teen at St Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 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 - 2/9 - Lectio Divina (Divine Prayer) at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Traditional Benedictine practice of scriptural reading, meditation, prayer. Every T 9-10 am. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

2/9 - Torah & Tea at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave, Boca Raton. Women's Torah series brings tradition of classical Jewish learning in weekly classes. 9:30-10:30 am. Free. 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

2/9 - Catholic Grandparents Meeting at Ascension Church, 7250 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. All welcome. Second T 10-11:30 am. Free. 289-2640; dioceseb.org

2/9 - Rector's Bible Study at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every T 10:30 am & Th 7-8:30 pm. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

2/9 - Bible Study at St. Mark Catholic Church, 643 St. Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Every T 7-8 pm through 5/31/16. \$10/free will offering for study guide. 736-7812; stmarkboynton.com

2/9 - The Jewish Course of Why at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave, Boca Raton. Every T 7:30-9 pm through 3/15. \$69 (textbook included); \$120/couple. 394-9770; chabadbocabeaches.com

Wednesday - 2/10 - St. Paul's Episcopal Church Bible Study at Panera, 1701 S Federal Hwy, Delray Beach. Read, discuss upcoming Lesson and Gospel readings. Every W 8-9 am. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

2/10 - Ash Wednesday Reflection at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center, 1300 US Hwy One, North Palm Beach. 10 am-2:30 pm or 6:30-9:30 pm. \$30. 626-1300; ourladyofflorida.org

2/10 - Wonderful Wednesdays at First Presbyterian Church, 33 Gleason St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every W 5:45 pm dinner; 6:30 pm program. \$7/adult; \$5/child; \$20/max per family. Reservations: 276-6338; firstdelray.com

2/10 - 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; stgregoryseiscopal.org

2/10 - The Jewish Course of Why at Chabad of Delray, 7495 W Atlantic Ave. Every W 7:30-9:15 pm through 3/16. \$79. 496-6228; chabaddelray.com/myji

Thursday - 2/11 - Prayer Circle at Trinity Lutheran Church Courtyard, 400 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every Th 8:05 am. 278-1737; trinitydelray.org

Friday - 2/12 - 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; stgregoryseiscopal.org

2/12-14 - Scripture Retreat with Fr. Don Senior, CP at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center, 1300 US Hwy One, North Palm Beach. \$50/reservation + \$175/due at registration. 626-1300; ourladyofflorida.org

Saturday - 2/13 - Month's Mind Requiem Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace Cemetery Outdoor Chapel, 10941 Southern Blvd, Royal Palm Beach. Feast of prayerful remembrance for departed souls. Second Sat 10 am. Free. 793-0711; dioceseb.org

FEBRUARY 14-20

Friday - 2/19 - 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; stgregoryseiscopal.org

Sunday - 2/21 - The Hidden Realm of God with Rev. Dr. James Gaither at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. 9:25 am & 11 am sermon; 1:30 pm & 3:30 pm workshop. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

FEBRUARY 21-27

Monday - 2/22 - Sounds of Transformation: Music that Touches and Heals the Soul at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 110 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 7-9 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryseiscopal.org

Saturday - 2/27 - Passion & Purpose with Matthew Kelly at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Special musical guest Eliot Morris. 9 am-1:30 pm. \$39/includes all retreat materials. 859-980-7900; dynamiccatholic.com/delraybeach

2/27 - Treasure Mapping/Vision Board Day at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. A prayer in pictures. Lunch provided. 9 am-3 pm. \$12. Advance registration/payment by 2/14: 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

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FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 5

Sunday - 2/28 - First United Methodist Church Celebrates 111 Years at 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 9:30 am continental breakfast; 11 am worship service. 732-3435; fumcbb.com

Wednesday - 3/2 - Day of Reflection with Sister Roberta Popara, OP at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center, 1300 US Hwy One, North Palm Beach. 10 am-2:30 pm. \$30. 626-1300; ourladyofflorida.org

Finding Faith

Soviet dissident to share the story of her dangerous journey to freedom

Refusenik Marina Furman speaks at 9:30 a.m. Feb. 16 at a private home in St. Andrews Country Club. Hear the story of a woman who



Furman

survived the Soviet emigré movement and made a dangerous journey to freedom, including a harrowing

escape from a KGB murder attempt while she was pregnant.

Furman now works as executive regional director at the Jewish National Fund in Philadelphia.

The event is open to contributors to the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's 2016 annual campaign at the "pomegranate" level. Tickets are \$36 and include breakfast. For information or to become part of the pomegranate sisterhood, call 852-6058 or email francescaw@bocafed.org. RSVP at www.jewishboca.org/pomegranate.

Interim minister

In January, the Rev. Dr. Edward S. Long began his service as international transitional interim minister for the Church of the Palms Congregational UCC in Delray Beach. Long is a graduate of Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Ill., and he earned his master's of divinity and his doctor of ministry from Eden Seminary. As the temporary shepherd of church he's expected to serve 12 to 24 months.

A Valentine's Day idea

What do most wives want for Valentine's Day? A delicious meal they don't have to cook (or pick up before or clean up after) and a little undivided attention.

The meal thing is pretty easy to figure out. The attention part can be a little tougher.

Here's an idea: Attend the Advent Lutheran Church marriage retreat on Feb. 6, and you'll be good. Sure, it runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., but it could be the best six hours you ever spent. And be honest: She deserves it.

Pastor Andy Hagen and his wife, Susan, will lead this Christian-based retreat using videos and discussion. Tuition is \$40, which includes lunch and workbooks. Reservations are required. Email ahagen@adventboca.org or call 395-3632.

Shopping Op

The Step-Above Rummage Sale is 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Feb. 11-13 at First Presbyterian Church, 33 Gleason St., Delray Beach. This carefully executed rummage sale is like shopping

Chanukah party

Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County, Boca Raton - Dec. 10



Longtime supporters of the federation were thanked by the Jacobson Jewish Community Foundation during a celebration in Zinman Hall. The festive breakfast included holiday songs performed by preschoolers from Zale Early Childhood Center. ABOVE: Dorothy Wizer and Phyllis Wachtel. Photo provided by Jeffrey Tholl

in a department store.

Try on shoes comfortably in the shoe section; find bargains in the jewelry department. There's a linen section, kitchen supplies, glassware, flatware, sets of dishes, small electrical appliances, furniture, artwork, personal and decorative items, plus books, toys, sports equipment, bicycles, luggage and tools. Info: 276-6338; www.firstdelray.com/upcoming-events.

An evening of gratitude

The event takes place Feb. 23 at Congregation B'nai Torah,



Winkler

6261 SW 18th St., Boca Raton and is a celebration of gratefulness for all we have been given. Golden Globe and

Emmy winner Henry Winkler will speak. The event begins at 6:30 p.m. with cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and a showcase of the Jewish community's resources.

A covert of \$95 plus a minimum household contribution of \$365 to the 2016 Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County annual campaign are required to attend. For information, call 852-5031 or email KathleenB@bocafed.org. You can also register online at www.jewishboca.org/theevent.

Ride 4 Orphans

R4O started in 2013 to raise money for orphan projects at Spanish River Church plant locations in Chad, Malawi and Haiti and local foster care organizations: 4Kids of South Florida and Place of Hope at the Haven.

On Feb. 13, R4O will host its annual 30- or 62-mile ride from Spanish River Church through Lake Worth, Boynton Beach, Delray Beach and Boca

Raton. The ride leaves at 7:30 a.m. There's also a kids fun ride and activities.

Meet at the church at 2400 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. Volunteers are also needed to make the fourth annual R4O successful. For more info, visit www.ride4orphans.com

Birdies for Children

The 2016 Honda Classic, Feb. 22-28, will help support CROS Ministries and more than 100 other charities. Make a \$20 donation and correctly guess the number of birdies made by the entire field in all four rounds and you might win a new Honda.

Choose CROS and it will receive 100 percent of the donations plus a 10 percent matching contribution from The Honda Classic. Info: www.thehondaclassic.com/birdies-for-children/donate/ or www.crosministries.org.

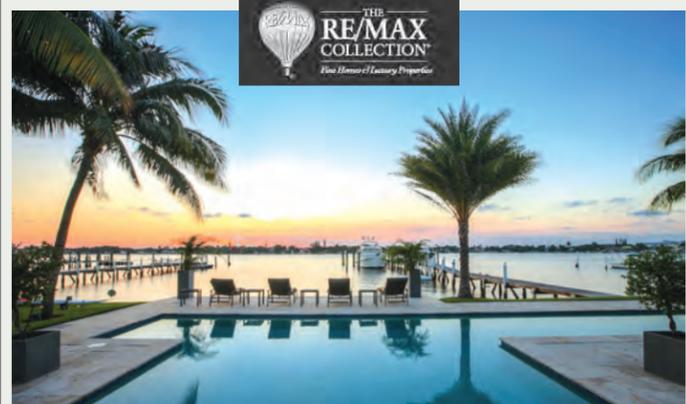
Volunteers needed

St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church will host its 50th annual Parish Festival on March 4-6 and it needs volunteers to pull it off. Organizers estimate it takes 50,000 volunteer hours to pull off the festival, which features carnival rides, games, live entertainment, food and a flea market. Hours are 5-11 p.m. Friday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Saturday; and 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Sunday, at the church, 840 George Bush Blvd., Delray Beach. Info: 276-6892; www.stvincentferrer.com.

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Paws Up for Pets

Donated goods help animal shelters trim expenses

What do a slightly used bathrobe, a box of ink pens, a vacuum cleaner and a bag of pet food your cat refuses to eat share in common?

They are among the diverse items that animal shelters in Palm Beach County eagerly welcome as donations.

It's well known that these nonprofits depend on donations in terms of money and volunteer time to care for cats, dogs and other homeless animals. But there is a third, less-known way you can help. The next time you are in a declutter mood, skip the garage sale and consider giving your no-longer-needed items to an animal shelter. Your act of generosity also qualifies as a tax deduction.

"It's true. A lot of people don't think about donating things as simple as robes, linens or socks, but these are extremely useful items at our shelter," says Rich Anderson, executive director and chief executive officer of the Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League, based in West Palm Beach.

Every donation — in the form of money, time or items — helps take a bite out of the bills facing these animal shelters. I was surprised to learn from Anderson that it costs, on average, \$400 to care for each and every animal that is housed at Peggy Adams.

"In some cases, a particular dog or cat can cost us thousands of dollars if they need special surgery, medications, special diet or might be with us for an extended period of time," said Anderson. "We have had cats and dogs who have been with us for a year or longer before being adopted and each has cost us well over \$1,000 to care for."

Guarding the papers

Delray Garden Center, Jan. 16



Jeffrey the cat keeps a watchful eye on a stack of *Coastal Star* newspapers at Delray Garden Center. Photo provided



Dave Wesolowski, community outreach coordinator, sorts through a tub of donated leashes, collars and harnesses at Peggy's Pantry on the Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League campus in West Palm Beach. Taylor Jones/The Coastal Star

When I moved and downsized recently, I looked at my garage full of items. I could have made some money hosting a garage sale, but nod your head if you agree with me about all the headaches involved in pricing, setting up and sacrificing a Saturday. You may declare the sale starts at 8 a.m., but you can bet there will be at least a few people arriving by 7 who pester you while you are setting up in your driveway.

I'm happy I opted instead to take a U-Haul truck filled with pet carriers, dog beds, leashes, toys as well as bedding, pillows, office supplies, a camera and even a corner desk with a hutch

How you can help

Here are some wish list items for the Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League:

- Bags of unopened white rice
- Small kitchen digital scales to weigh kittens
- Hydrogen peroxide
- Tube socks
- Post-It Notes
- Plastic clipboards
- Brooms and dustpans
- Surge protectors
- Portable generators
- Used vehicles
- Stainless steel pet bowls
- Martingale collars
- Nylon leashes
- Cat scratch posts and trees
- Pet food and treats
- Peanut butter
- Nonlatex gloves

to my local animal shelter. I did phone ahead so I knew when and where I could make the drop-off.

At Peggy Adams, there is the Peggy's Pantry Food Bank. It is a pet food bank for people who are struggling financially and having trouble feeding their pets. According to Anderson, more than 10,000 pounds of pet food are dispersed from this pantry each month. He estimates that the donated food helped about 3,000 residents last year keep their pets and not have to surrender them to the shelter.

"Peggy's Pantry used to be opened only one day a week, but we expanded it to being open five days a week last year," says Anderson. "Now when people come in to surrender a beloved cat or dog because they can't afford to feed them,

we refer them to our food bank. Hopefully, it will enable them to get over a temporary financial situation so that they can keep their pets."

Peggy's Pantry is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays. If you are unable to drop off donations during those hours, you can drop them off at the Grace Pavilion at the Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League.

Individuals are not the only ones who donate items. Several hotels, including the Airport Hilton, Residence Inn and the four-diamond historical Casa Grandview Bed and Breakfast Inn, regularly provide the shelter with bathrobes, towels and linens.

No, shelter pets are not walking around in bathrobes, but volunteers transform them into needed bedding for shelter

animals.

Southwest Airlines also brought the shelter brand-new pet travel carriers as well as pet food, and supermarkets like Publix have made food donations.

"I hate to leave any company out," says Anderson, in citing some examples. "We do appreciate any and all donations from businesses as well as individuals."

So the next time you walk into, say, an Office Depot or a Walmart, to buy some office supplies or household items, consider buying in duplicate and donating the second set to a local animal shelter.

"These donations help us save money we can put toward spaying and neutering and other costs in our shelter," says Anderson.

And you can skip the hassles of staging a garage sale.

Arden Moore, founder of *FourLeggedLife.com*, is an animal behavior consultant, editor, author, professional speaker and master certified pet first aid instructor.



Pets Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 1/29. Please check with organizers for any changes.

FEBRUARY 14-20

Tuesday - 2/16 - Dog Obedience Class at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Ages 18 & up. T through 3/22. Puppy Kindergarten 6-7 pm; Smart Dog 7:15-8:15pm. \$100/residents; \$125/non-residents. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

FEBRUARY 21-27

Saturday - 2/27 - Puppy Kindergarten Classes at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Every Sat 11:30 am-12:30

Thursday - 2/18 - Smart Dog I at Veterans Park, 802 NE First St., Delray Beach. Beginning obedience class for dogs ages 5 months and older. Every Th 7:15-8:15 pm through 3/24. \$120/residents; \$130/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

pm through 4/2. \$95/residents; \$119/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 5
Wednesday - 3/2 - Dog Obedience Classes at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton. Every W through 4/6. Puppy kindergarten (dogs 10 weeks-5 months old) 6:30-7:30 pm; beginner dog class 7:30-8:30 pm. \$95/residents; \$119/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us



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In the rows of dark green strawberry plants, we find plenty of white blooms, but it takes careful looking beneath the leaves to find the jewel-like berries. There hasn't been much sun recently to ripen them.

And among the shiny green foliage of the pepper plants, it takes a Sherlock Holmes to discover the pepper globes camouflaged by the leaves.

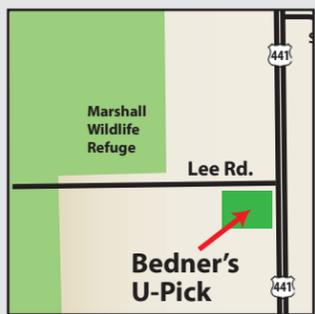
These are the U-pick fields that are just part of the fun when you visit Bedner's Farm Fresh Market west of Boynton Beach. Set on 80 acres, the farm supplies fresh beans, corn, broccoli, cabbage, kale, lettuce, spinach, cauliflower and other crops to its farm store.

"You name it and we probably grow it," says Marie Bedner, operations manager at Bedner Growers Inc.

But the Bedner family — now in its fifth generation on the farm — has set aside seven acres you can harvest yourself. In fact, now is prime picking time for peppers, tomatoes and strawberries.

In the spring you'll find cucumbers and a field of snapdragons and sunflowers. You fill a pail with your pickings and then pay for them by the pound. You'll soon discover that the most difficult thing about U-pick is taking only what you can use.

Seems like any day you visit you'll find people from all age groups out among the plants.



If You Go

Bedner's U-Pick, 10066 Lee Road, Boynton Beach; Open weekdays until 5 p.m. and weekends until 4 p.m.; closed Tuesdays.

Info: 733-5490; www.bedners.com

Make a day of it and visit the **Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge**.

Info: www.fws.gov/refuge/ARM_Loxahatchee

"The crops are so fresh," says Alex Vidal of Boca Raton, explaining why he's brought his two granddaughters, 10 and 2, to roam the fields.

For Tonya Clarkson of Pompano Beach, it's a great way for her 6-year-old twins, Brett and Casey, to get outdoors and do something when there's a day off from school. They've come with their friends Kristeen Bengala of Pompano Beach and her daughter, Ava, 6, who are impressed to learn that everything here is organic.

Jennifer Fleigelman of Lake Worth is gathering berries to make jam. Her home-schooled sons Jordon, 13, and Jaydon, 15, are helping her pick and are looking forward to having something good to eat.

And then there is the strawberry field full of students who are here on a field trip.

On weekends the farm



ABOVE: Customers shop in the store off U.S. 441 west of Boynton Beach. The new location in downtown Delray Beach will have the same square footage but a different aisle configuration. **LEFT:** U-pick strawberries are ripening now. **Photos by Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**



is particularly kid-friendly. That's when you can not only pick your own but also enjoy pony rides, a petting zoo, fresh-churned ice cream, corn right from the roaster and an audio-guided tour of the farm

on a trailer pulled by a tractor. "Weekends here are madness," says Bedner.

And if you are lucky, you, like us, will be able to enjoy the wildlife. Because the farm is adjacent to the over



Opening soon

Bedner's Farm Market, 381 NE Third Ave., Delray Beach. Set to open Feb. 15, but look for updated information on the farm's Web and Facebook pages.

220-square-mile Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, you may see egrets, wood storks and even an endangered snail kite. We were lucky enough to share a field with three immature roseate spoonbills swaddled in pink feathers enjoying an outing with their mom.

If you can't make it to their farm out west, the Bedners are opening a second market location in Delray Beach's Artists Alley area sometime this month. This 3,000-square-foot store will offer field-fresh produce trucked in daily from the farm. Of course, there won't be room for a U-pick, but there will be a patio where you can enjoy prepared salads and sandwiches.

"It's been terrifying to add retailing to our family farming business. But we've had success in Boynton and that should make it easier on our second go-round," Bedner says.

Deborah S. Hartz-Seeley is a certified master gardener. Reach her at debhartz@att.net.



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For more information, call 855-234-3801.

— Deb Hartz-Seeley

Garden Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 1/29. Please check with organizers for any changes.

FEBRUARY 7-13

Wednesday - 2/10 - Delray Beach Orchid Society Annual Orchid Auction at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Cash or check only. 7 pm. Free. 412-6752; delraybeachorchidsociety.com

Thursday - 2/11 - Orchid Society of the Palm Beaches at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Second Th. 7:30 pm. Free. 491-8033; orchidsocietyofthepalmbeaches.com

2/11 - Boca Raton Orchid Society at Safe Schools Institute, 1790 NW Spanish River Blvd. Second Th 7:30 pm. Free. 394-5910; brosonline.org

FEBRUARY 14-20

Sunday - 2/14 - The Art of Bonsai - Intermediate at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Explore new techniques to artfully train and trim trees. Bring your own tree, pruning tools, bonsai pots, soil and wire as needed. Sun 9 am-noon through 3/20. \$81/members; \$91/non-members. Advance registration required: 495-0233; morikami.org

2/14 - Lecture: Why Tropicals? at Mounts Botanical Garden Exhibit Hall A, 559 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Presented by Scott Zona,

Ph.D., FIU Conservator & Greenhouse Curator. Two-part presentation. 10 am-11:30 pm. \$20/members; \$25/non-members. Register: 233-1757; mounts.org

Tuesday - 2-16 - Florida Native Plant Society Palm Beach County Chapter at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 6:30 pm Third Tu 7 pm. Free. 247-3677; palmbeach.fnpschapters.org

Thursday - 2/18 - Creating Stylish Gardens with Bunny Williams at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Book signing follows. 2:30-3:30 pm. Free. 655-7226; fourarts.org

FEBRUARY 21-27

Wednesday - 2/24 - Landscaping & Rain Gardens: The Conscious Gardener at Mounts Botanical Garden Exhibit Hall A, 559 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Presented by Jennifer Yates, YatesScapes, landscape designer. 9-11 am. \$20/members; \$25/non-members. Registration: 233-1757; mounts.org

FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 5

Tuesday - 3/1 - Boca Raton Garden Club General Meeting at BRGC Clubhouse, 4281 NW 3rd Ave, Mary Christou presents Edible Gardening. 1 pm. Free. 395-9376; bocaratongardenclub.org

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Shopping Hot Spots

Five not-to-miss places on East Atlantic

Story and photos by Mary Thurwachter

Atlantic Avenue has been Delray Beach's shopping mecca for decades, but some shoppers forget about the eastern-most stretch — from the Intracoastal Waterway to the beach. That's a shame. Lovely boutiques, good restaurants, hard-to-pass-by ice cream shops and a few cool surf shops line the street. Here are five places not to miss:



Nina Raynor

Like exquisite designer clothes? Stroll through this shop, at 1031 E. Atlantic Ave., put down your purse and enjoy the high-end women's boutique, a Delray Beach icon for more than half a century. You won't find crowded racks or cluttered tables, just lots of space and beautiful blouses, skirts, slacks, gowns, handbags and jewelry. Refreshments (coffee, soft drinks, wine) are complimentary, so no waiting husband will ever go thirsty. Like many shops on the avenue, Nina Raynor is doggie-friendly and if Cathy Ann Sauer, who runs the shop with her brother Bobby Wollenberg (the store was founded by their parents, Joann Phelan Wollenberg and Robert Wollenberg), is there, you may get to meet Skyler, her English springer spaniel. Skyler is a former show dog that broke a tooth and gave up modeling for working as the store's occasional greeter.



Ciao Sidewalk Café

A local landmark tucked into the back of the Courtyard Shops, at 1208 E. Atlantic Ave., Ciao has been serving sandwiches, quiche and muffins since 1978. New to the menu: mimosas, wine and craft beer. Customers can sit outside in the courtyard or on one of the few tables inside. We stopped by for the quiche du jour (asparagus) and side of fresh fruit salad as we made our way down the avenue on a chilly January day. Open for breakfast and lunch, Ciao (Italian for both hello and goodbye) is both kid- and pet-friendly. We said "goodbye," but plan to say "hello" again soon to charming Ciao.

Epic Surf Shop

Custom surfboards, skateboards, Hawaiian shirts, sexy swimsuits and even the sweetest little pink ukuleles you'll ever want, can be found here. The shop (1218 E. Atlantic Ave.) has been in Delray for 27 years and is just around the corner from the beach, so you can buy a board and hang 10 minutes later (if the waves permit, of course!). We found some Florida Orange Salt Scrub made from Atlantic sea salt and coconut oil that made our skin feel wonderful and smell like the beach.



Sales clerk Debbie Jennings displays a pretty pink ukulele at Epic Surf Shop.



Snappy Turtle

Don't worry. The turtle (1100 E. Atlantic Ave.) doesn't bite. It's just a catchy name for catchy shops packed with stylish resort wear, much of it colored pink and green. They call the style "preppy with a twist" and that seems to fit quite well. So if you're in the market for a yacht club shift, hot pink ankle pants or a chic straw hat, this is the place to go. In Delray Beach since 1987, this shop is "turtley" awesome.



Style and Wine

At first glance, you wonder, what is this place, at 1122 E. Atlantic Ave.? Wander inside and you will see the shop's moniker describes it well — style (fashions, furniture, home goods, party favors) — and yes, wine. Owner Rachel Boueri opened her first Style and Wine at 44 SE Second St., and that location is being rebuilt. The Atlantic Avenue shop, just steps from the beach, serves and sells some of Boueri's favorite wines, including a lovely Darioush Napa Valley cabernet sauvignon. Want a little something to eat after shopping? Boueri suggests the two restaurants next door — El Patron and Boheme Bistro, both owned by Rachel and her hubby, Tony Boueri.

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On the Water

Team Liquid snags last-minute catch to win 79th Sailfish Derby

The sailfish action wasn't red-hot during the 79th annual Silver Sailfish Derby, but the competition was neck-and-neck between teams from Boynton Beach and Pompano Beach until the last few minutes of the Jan. 7-8 tournament.

The Pompano Beach-based team, fishing on the 39-foot Sea Vee named Liquid, won the Derby by finding sailfish on the surface and pitching live baits to them to score most of the team's 11 releases.

On the foggy first morning of the Derby, the Reel Easy team, fishing on a 41-foot Invincible run by Capt. Chip Sheehan of Boynton Beach, fished along a current edge north of Jupiter Inlet where flying fish were coming out of the water.

The Reel Easy team, including boat owner Brian Lulfs of Boynton Beach, released seven sailfish using live baits under fishing kites to take the lead on Day 1.

But with several boats close behind Reel Easy, it was still anybody's tournament heading into the second day of fishing, when Reel Easy and several other Derby boats began the day in a rolling swell off Stuart.

Capt. Art Sapp of Pompano Beach and his team on Liquid began Day 2 with only two releases but began to climb the tournament ladder quickly.

With little wind to hold fishing kites aloft, the Liquid anglers stowed their kites and started slow-trolling live baits and moving to spots where they saw jumping sailfish and sprays of bait fish coming up on the surface.

By mid-afternoon, the Liquid team had released another eight sailfish and was tied with Reel Easy, with 10 releases.

Sheehan's team, too, found a sailfish on the surface on Day 2. A Reel Easy angler pitched a



Capt. Art Sapp of Pompano Beach, top, celebrates with members of the Liquid fishing team at Sailfish Marina in Palm Beach Shores after winning the 79th annual Silver Sailfish Derby with 11 releases. Photo provided by Leonard Bryant Photography

bait near the fish and hooked up, but lost it.

With about 15 minutes left to fish, Sapp spotted a sailfish on the surface from the tower of Liquid and moved the boat toward it.

Angler Rob Degnin cast a threadfin herring to the sailfish, hooked it and fought it until the leader connection touched the tip of the rod to score the winning release at 3:47 p.m. — 13 minutes before the lines-out call signaling the end of the tournament.

Sapp said the Liquid team anglers scored nine of their 11 releases by pitching baits to sailfish they spotted on the surface.

Overall, 37 boats fishing in this year's Derby released a total of 166 sailfish the first day and 98 the second day.

Started in 1935 by the West Palm Beach Fishing Club and held every year since (except during the fuel shortages of World War II), the Silver Sailfish Derby is billed as the world's oldest sailfish

tournament.

In 1938, the fishing club introduced the concept of flying red release pennants instead of bringing dead sailfish to the docks and urged charter captains to release their fish.

In the mid-1950s, author Ernest Hemingway — a friend of the late John Rybovich, a boat builder and former fishing club president — sponsored a Silver Sailfish Derby trophy. The prize consisted of two wooden bookends featuring likenesses of an old fisherman and a

marlin along with a signed copy of *The Old Man and the Sea*.

Weekly Fisherman show moves to new radio station

The Weekly Fisherman Show, a Saturday morning radio show that has been on the air for 10 years, has been purchased by Dania Beach-based Nautical Ventures Group Inc.

Steve Waters, longtime outdoors writer for the *Sun Sentinel*, and veteran disc jockey Eric Brandon will continue to host the show, which airs 6 to 8 a.m. on Saturdays.

The show has moved to WINZ-AM 940, a Miami sports station that is part of the iHeartRadio network.

Waters and Brandon plan to expand the show. They recently added weekly call-ins from kayak-fishing expert Joe Hector.

Fishing history exhibit taking shape in Delray

The Delray Beach Historical Society's fishing history exhibit *Fish Tales!* is scheduled to open in April and run through September.

Archivists already have received fish stories and memorabilia from fishing in the 1930s, Miss Spirit fishing contests of the 1950s and dock fishing in the 1960s.

The historical society is working with fishing clubs, anglers, authors and residents to form a committee for the exhibit.

"We would like to gather the support of the local community to tell a comprehensive story," said Leslie Callaway, the society's president.

Anyone interested in sharing South Florida fishing stories — or donating/lending vintage fishing gear, mounts of locally caught fish or photos for the exhibit — should contact Janet DeVries or Michelle Quigley at 274-9578 or email Archive@Delraybeachhistory.org.

FWC mulls new limits on mutton snapper

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is holding mutton snapper workshops during February to gather public input on management options for the popular reef fish.

The FWC staff has proposed lowering the recreational mutton snapper bag limit to five mutton snapper during the regular season and to two during the spawning months of May through July.

A statewide conference call on mutton snapper management is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. Feb. 24. Call 850-487-0554 in advance for instructions on joining the conference call.

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A boy fishes off a dock in Boynton Beach in this photo taken during the 1960s. The Delray Beach Historical Society is looking for similar fishing memorabilia for its upcoming *Fish Tales!* exhibit. **Photo provided**

through the recent addition of that section of the Florida Reef Tract to NOAA's Coast Pilot advisory books.

Coast Pilot books share information with mariners that is difficult to show on nautical charts.

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Coral Reef Conservation Program worked with NOAA's Office of Coast Survey to get the northern section of the reef tract included in Coast Pilot.

The advisory in Coast Pilot book No. 4 warns boaters to avoid grounding or anchoring on the reefs and to use mooring buoys where available.

Coming events

Feb. 6: Florida Power & Light Co.'s Manatee Lagoon eco-discovery center opens. It's free and located next to FPL's Riviera Beach power plant at 100 Broadway. Hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday. 626-2833 or visitmanateelagoon.com.

Feb. 6: Basic boating safety class offered by Coast Guard Auxiliary in Boca Raton. Class is 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in the headquarters building at Spanish River Park, 3939 N. Ocean Blvd. \$35. Register at door. Bring lunch. 391-3600 or fso-pe@cgauxboca.org.

Feb. 11-15: Miami International Boat Show, Miami Marine Stadium Park & Basin, 3501 Rickenbacker Causeway. (Strictly Sail at Bayside Marketplace.) Adults: \$20 (\$35 on Feb. 11). Ages 15 and under: free. 954-441-3220 or miamiboatshow.com.

Feb. 11-15: Yachts Miami Beach (formerly the Yacht & Brokerage Show), Collins Avenue between 41st and 54th streets. More than 500 new and used yachts on display. 954-764-7642 or showmanagement.com.

Feb. 14: Beach cleanup organized by Sea2shore Alliance, 8-10:30 a.m., Ocean Inlet Park. Meet in south parking lot. Contact: Kcucinotta@sea2shore.org.

Feb. 23: Ernie DeBlasi of Impact Lures demonstrates how to make wooden fishing lures. 7:30 p.m. at the Boynton Beach Fishing Club, Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, Boynton Beach. Free and open to nonmembers. www.bifc.org.

Feb. 24: Capt. Quinton Dieterle discusses advanced kite-fishing methods, 7 p.m.,

West Palm Beach Fishing Club, 201 Fifth St., West Palm Beach. Free and open to nonmembers. 832-6780 or westpalmbeachfishingclub.org.

Feb. 27: Basic boating safety class offered by the Coast Guard Auxiliary, 8 a.m. in the meeting room at Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, Boynton Beach. Fee \$40. Call Sandy Meridy, 734-2244.

License now required to fish from beach

Florida residents who don't already have a saltwater fishing license can obtain a free resident shoreline license.

Nonresidents need a nonresident saltwater fishing license — \$17 for three days, \$30 for seven days or \$47 annually.

To buy a license, call 888-347-4356 or download the FWC license app on a smartphone.

Tip of the Month

Here's how to fish from the beach for pompano:

When winter waves break on sandbars, they unearth small crustaceans that pompano love to eat.

Using a 9-foot or longer surf rod, cast a multiple-hook pompano rig with a 3- to 4-ounce pyramid sinker clipped to the end. (Larger weights might be needed in heavier surf.)

Bait the hooks with clam strips, bits of fresh shrimp, sand fleas or Fishbites (scent strips) in the clam or shrimp flavors.

With a standard spinning rod, try casting a white or pink jig tipped with shrimp. Banana-shaped Doc's Goofy Jigs, often rigged with colorful trailers, are popular for pompano.

Pompano feed on the bottom, so let your jig sink to the bottom and move it slightly to attract attention by stirring up puffs of sand.

Cast near the muddy water that's being stirred up by waves. Try fishing at different tides.

Pompano must be at least 11 inches long (to the fork of the tail) to be legal to keep. The daily bag limit is 6.

Willie Howard is a freelance writer and licensed boat captain. Reach him at tiowillie@bellsouth.net.



Outdoors Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 1/29. Please check with organizers for any changes.

FEBRUARY 6

Saturday - 2/6 - Sand Sifters Beach Clean Up at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Meet at pavilion in lower parking lot. 8-10:15 am. Free. jefflev02@gmail.com

2/6 - 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 & 10:30 am; Sat 9 & 11 am. Free. 966-7000; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

2/6 - Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Safety Class at Spanish River Park Headquarters Building, 3939 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Bring lunch. 9 am-5 pm. \$35. 391-3600; fso-pe@cgauxboca.org.

2/6 - 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

2/6 - 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 water shoes only. Ages 10 to adult; children must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 2/20. 2-3:30 pm. \$7/members, \$10/non-members. Reservations and pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

FEBRUARY 7-13

Sunday - 2/7 - Beginner Bird Walk at Wakodahatchee Wetlands, 13206 Jog Rd, Boynton Beach. Meet at top of boardwalk. 4:30 pm. Free. auduboneverglades.org

Monday - 2/8 - The Annual Lantana Fishing Derby Committee Meeting at Heroes Sports Bar & Grill, 224 N. Third St., Lantana. 5:30 pm. This year's derby takes place May 14-15. 585-8664; lantanafishingderby.com

Tuesday - 2/9-10 - A Walk On The Ashley Trail at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Guided walk along 1/4-mile natural trail winds through the butterfly garden, coastal hammock, mangroves to a sandy beach by the Intracoastal. All ages; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Every T&W & 2/19. 11am-12:30 am. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

Wednesday - 2/10 - Everglades Bird Walk at Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, 20216 Lee Rd, Boynton Beach. Meet at the Marsh Trail. 7:30 am. \$5/car. auduboneverglades.org

Friday - 2/12 - Bird Count at Wakodahatchee Wetlands, 13206 Jog Rd, Boynton Beach. Meet at top of boardwalk. 8 am. Free. auduboneverglades.org

Saturday - 2/13 - Bird Count at Green Cay Wetlands, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Meet outside Nature Center main door. 8 am. Free. auduboneverglades.org

2/13 - Naturalist Program: Animal Communication at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Provides information so you head home prepared to try new things. All ages. 10:30 am. Held again 2/27. \$3. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

2/13 - Mangrove Paddle from the boardwalk at Rutherford Park, 600 NE 24th St, Boca Raton. Naturalist-guided tour presented by Gumbo Limbo Nature Center. Experience necessary. Wear clothes and shoes that can get wet and dirty. Bring sun protection, water, bug spray. Ages 7-adult, an adult must participate w/each child. 1-3 pm. Held again noon-2 pm 2/27. \$15/member, \$22/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

FEBRUARY 14-20

Wednesday - 2/17 - Eco-Watch - The Yellow Stingray has a Magnetic Sense but can it use the Geomagnetic Field to Derive a Sense of Location? - Presented by Kyle Newton; part of the Lecture Series at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Talk followed by light refreshments, with an opportunity to talk with the speaker. Ages 14 & up; children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. 7-8:30 pm. \$5/suggested donation. Reservations not required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Thursday - 2/18 - Beach Treasures at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. 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. 3-4:30 pm. \$5/members, \$8/nonmembers. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Friday - 2/19 - Wetlands & Wildlife at Wakodahatchee Wetlands, 13206 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. 3/4 mile guided boardwalk tour. Bring camera, binoculars. Ages 7 to adult; children must be accompanied by an adult. 3-5 pm. Free. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Saturday - 2/20 - 17th Annual Everglades Day: Song of the Everglades at Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, 10216 Lee Rd, Boynton Beach. Wildlife presentations, birds of prey, canoeing, food truck, interactive activities, tours, music. 8 am-4 pm. Free. 436-4521; fws.gov

FEBRUARY 21-27

Tuesday - 2/23 - Bird Walk at Wakodahatchee Wetlands, 13206 Jog Rd, Boynton Beach. Meet at top of boardwalk. 4:30 pm. Free. auduboneverglades.org

2/23 - 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. Every 4th T 7-9 pm. Free. 703-5638; boynton-beach.org

Friday - 2/26 - 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, flashlight. All ages. 6 pm. \$5. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

Saturday - 2/27 - Sea Angels Beach Cleanup at Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Last Sat 8-10:30 am. 369-5501; seaangels.org

2/27 - Workshop & Bird Walk for Beginners & Non-Birders at Green Cay Nature Center, 1200 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. 9 am. Free. auduboneverglades.org

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Tuesday - 3/1 - Audubon Society of the Everglades at Pine Jog Environmental Education Center, 6301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Every 1st T 7:00 pm. auduboneverglades.org

Wednesday - 3/2 - Eco-Watch: Climate Chaos Coming - How Can We Delay It? presented by Richard W. Emory, Jr., Esq. at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Light refreshments & opportunity to talk w/the speaker follow. Ages 14 & up, children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. 7-8:30 pm. \$5/suggested donation. Reservations not required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Saturday - 3/5 - 11th Annual Sea Turtle Day at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Stroll the grounds, visit environmentally friendly exhibitors, see live animal presentations, tank feedings, children's theater, guided tours, kids crafts. Free parking & shuttle service from Spanish River Park south gates. 9 am-4 pm. \$5/suggested donation. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

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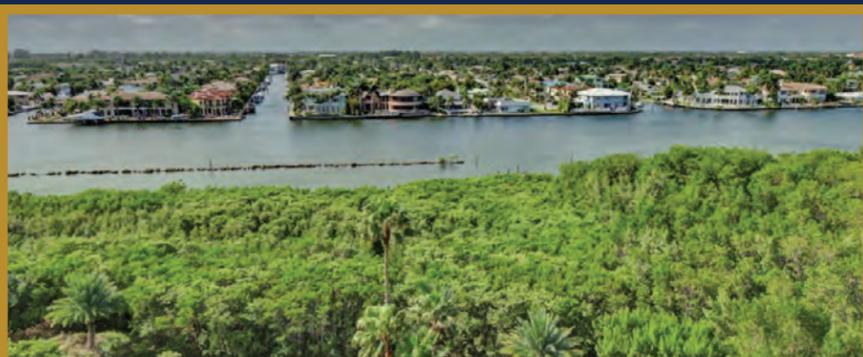
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Love stories

It's the little things that matter

Bill and Anita Finley celebrated their 41st wedding anniversary in October and, for Bill at least, the attraction was instantaneous. They were both divorced when they met at a fundraiser in Miami.

"I saw her from a distance," Bill recalled. "She was tall and gorgeous with a big smile and waving to everyone."

But when he called her for a date, Anita had her doubts.

"I was the administrator of an art museum and he was this big-shot developer," she said. "I thought he was too big for his boots. I thought he wanted to find out all about the museum. But it turned out that wasn't true."

Bill, a former World War II bomber and world traveler, didn't spend any time during their first lunch asking about the museum. He wanted to know all about Anita and her family. He was looking for a wife, a soulmate.

"Bill was wonderful about my son," Anita said. He also went out of his way to be nice to her mother and stepfather, taking them places they wouldn't ordinarily go and introducing them to people they wouldn't otherwise meet.

"Men don't realize how nice it is when people are nice to your family," said Anita, a gerontologist who has her own radio show, publishes *Boomer Times* newspaper and produces medical symposiums.

Shortly after their first date, Anita had surgery and it was



Bill Finley found a soulmate when he met Anita. They've been married 41 years. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Bill, not the fellow she had been dating regularly at the time, who checked in on her every day.

During the first two decades of their marriage, the Finleys lived on the beach in Jupiter and Ocean Ridge and Bill collected heart-shaped shells and stones for Anita as he walked the shoreline. Then he would string them together and hang them on the wall, a daily reminder of his affection.

He stopped collecting heart-shaped shells after they sold their Ocean Ridge home and moved across the bridge to Boynton Beach. They exchange greeting cards frequently, and not just for Hallmark holidays, Bill, an author, said. Any chance to remind each other of

how deep their affection runs.

"I'm always watching out for Bill," Anita, 78, said of her 92-year-old mate. "If he's not feeling well, I get him to the right doctor. If he needs a new watch, I find one that is easy to read. And if he forgets to pull his fly up, I'll remind him."

They go on cruises, and attend plays, the ballet and concerts, holding hands and enjoying them together.

"He's not shy about showing how much he cares," Anita said. "He shows others that being sensitive doesn't make you less of a man."

"Love is all about the little things you do every day for your partner," Anita said. "It's not about being on some fancy yacht."

Newlyweds blessed by the pope

When Gabriella Bianchini and Brett Serpe flew to Rome for their honeymoon last June, Gabriella packed her wedding gown. Why? The Gulf Stream newlyweds (along with 50 other couples) had a date with the pope, who blessed their union on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica.

It was a special honor they had applied for and were granted, but they didn't realize they would have a chance to meet His Holiness in person.

Brett got down on one knee to propose to Gabriella on June 29, 2014, under the iconic kapok tree next to The Flagler Museum in Palm Beach. After their May 30, 2015, wedding at St. Ann's Church in West Palm Beach, the two held their reception at the same museum.

It was a magical moment for a couple who seemed destined to be together. They had known each other as children and reconnected at the 2013 funeral of Gabriella's grandmother Rose "Rita" Bianchini, whom Brett, now a local businessman, knew and admired as a boy.

The couple's friendship began in 1979, when Gabriella's father, Michael Bianchini, met Gaetano (Bill) and Tricia Serpe along with their



Pope Francis blessed the marriage of Gabriella Bianchini and Brett Serpe on the steps of St. Peter's Basilica. **Photo provided**

3-year-old-son, Brett. The Serpes introduced Gabriella's father to her mother. Gabriella was conceived in Florence on their honeymoon.

By the time of her grandmother's funeral, it had been 14 years since Brett and Gabriella had seen each other. Their eyes immediately locked.

"It was love at first sight," said Gabriella, 32, a professional photographer. Seven months later they went ring shopping and the rest, as they say, is history.

The first love is the deepest

Who can forget his first love? Not Sabin Robbins of Highland Beach. He fell head over heels for actress Jane Fonda after meeting her during a summer vacation.

"A college pal and I were spending a summer month in 1954 on Hawaii's Waikiki Beach. On our second day of scouting for pretty girls, we hit the jackpot — Jane and a friend," Robbins said. Jane and her family were vacationing there because her father, Henry Fonda, was there for the filming of *Mr. Roberts*.

"I had my first date with Jane that night, and, in a week, we were in love, all storybook and song," he said. "Every day was a holiday. Every night was New Year's Eve."

They surfed at Makapuu, sailed catamarans and slid down rain-slicked mountain trails on ti leaves.

"At night, we danced beneath star-bright skies under the banyan tree at the Moana Hotel," said Robbins, a writer and lecturer. When the moon was full, they walked down to the beach just to sit and talk on the grassy expanse of Kapiolani Park below Diamond Head.

"If you're going to fall in love for the first time, you can't do any better than in one of the most romantic places on Earth — Hawaii," he said. "And you can't do any better than with a blond, blue-eyed, long-legged girl named Jane Fonda. I didn't have to ask for the moon. I had a bright star."

In the first of more than 40 love letters from Jane (he saved all of them), she wrote:

"Rob, darling, I don't know how to describe how I felt tonight when I received the message that you had called



Sabin Robbins and Jane Fonda at a gala in Cincinnati. **Photo provided**

from the mainland. Except to say the realization of how much I love you became painfully acute. ... Yesterday, I drove to the ti leaf slide and saw a double rainbow stretched across the Pali, and I kept thinking that you and I were there together it was wrong for me to be there without you. ... I missed you so much. ... Remember I love you. All my love, Jane."

"Jane at 16, and I at 21 were sure all we needed to live happily ever after was a little bungalow and a picket fence," Robbins, now 82, said.

"Our magic carpet romance continued all through Jane's senior year (of college)," he said. "There were weekends at her school, Yale (where he studied) and the Fonda home in New York. Plus Christmas vacation at my home in Cincinnati and spring vacations at my cousin's in Sea Island, Ga."

Eventually, each married others (he is divorced now), but, after more than 60 years, the two still keep in touch.

"A friend reminded me that you can't live in the past, but it can be a wonderful place to visit," he said.

'Our love is greater today than ever before'

Florence Cohen, 84, said she and her husband, Lenny, 85, were "two crazy kids from New Jersey in love with love" when they eloped in Maryland 66 years ago.

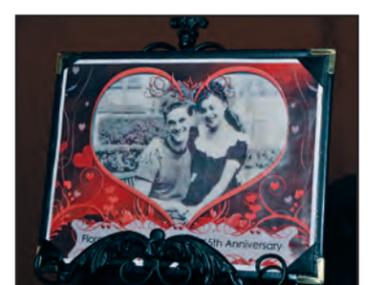
"We didn't think people would think we should marry," Lenny said.

But they did it anyway, showing everyone how it could work.

"We've had our ups and downs," Florence said, "but we're of the generation where if something breaks, you fix it."

For their 65th anniversary last year, the South Palm Beach couple asked friends and family to bring Teddy bears for the Connor Moran Cancer Foundation for children with cancer. The Cohens had been working for kids with cancer for many years after their friend's daughter died of the disease and founded The Valerie Fund to provide support for children with cancer and blood disorders.

"The (anniversary party)



room was decorated with bears of all sizes," Florence said. "We delivered them later and the kids just couldn't believe their eyes."

The Cohens moved to South Palm Beach 18 years ago. Lenny tried to retire, but it just didn't work for him so he went back to selling real estate. And the Cohens host monthly ice cream socials at town hall.

Lenny said his wife "is gorgeous."

And she said, "It has been an amazing life with this amazing man. If you see us walking together we will be holding hands. Our love is greater today than ever before."

Clothes don't make the man

Phyllis Porter Dolislager was a 21-year-old teacher sharing an apartment with another teacher when her roommate invited some single guys over from a nearby apartment complex.

When she heard male voices at the door, she ran a comb through her hair and prepared to join their guests.

"As I opened my bedroom door, I saw Jim, one of the guys from upstairs," she said. "But who was that stranger with him? And that wasn't all. ... I heard a voice — call it intuition — say, 'This is the man that you will marry.'"

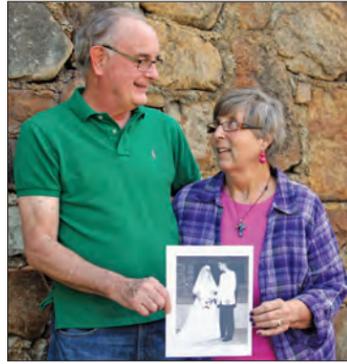
She didn't like the way the fellow (Ron Dolislager) was dressed — his shirt and slacks didn't look good together, she said. "But he was good looking!

Surely I could fix that fashion problem of his."

The "voice" may have spoken, but it was Ron's letters that made her fall in love.

Love was in the air — especially in Ron's letters, the Lantana woman said. "I really loved the incredible lines that he used to hook me. I found his philosophies at the time interesting — remember it was the '60s. And what girl could resist his sense of humor, and his explanation of being thrifty. When you're in love — you don't call it cheap!"

The Dolislagers have been married 50 years and Phyllis, 74, a writer and polio survivor, said Ron's convictions and strong sense of right and wrong have made him not only a



Phyllis Dolislager was wowed by her husband's love letters. Photo provided

man of purpose but also an encouraging husband and a wonderful father.

"I thank God for him and his life," she said. "Anything that I have accomplished in my life, Ron has truly been the wind beneath my wings."

Her classy music ignited their romance

Five hundred Wall Street traders, all in tuxedos, celebrated during a post-convention gathering in the New York Hilton in April 1969. Joseph Dolce was one of tuxedoed traders. The only woman in the room was singing with the Karl Invalt Orchestra. She was singing "classy music and opera," said Joe, a stock trader for Merrill Lynch at the time.

For him, it was love at first sight, but he saw another man standing behind a column staring lovingly at the singer.

"Nobody knew who he was," said Joe, whose boss arranged for the band to play at the party. "I was about to escort him out and asked if he liked the singer. He said he loved her. She was his daughter!"



Joe Dolce loved Josephine's singing — and still does! Photo provided

Joe asked his boss for her paycheck so she could not leave without seeing him. The other man staring at the singer became Joe's father-in-law and the singer, Josephine, became his wife.

"After the festivities were over I asked if they would join me for a nightcap at the Chateau Henry IV, which was my favorite restaurant," Joe said. "They agreed and seven months later, we had our wedding reception there and still talk about that beautiful evening when we met quite by

chance."

Joe and Josephine have lived in Highland Beach for 16 years and Josephine, 72, still sings. She will perform at a free Valentine's concert at 5 p.m. Feb. 11 at the Highland Beach Library. Joe, 79, will be there, once again watching lovingly.



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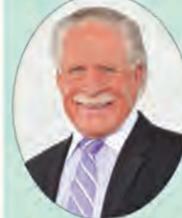


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Tots & Teens

Math teacher takes students undersea via technology

By Janis Fontaine

Melissa Norelli loves math and science.

The always curious middle school teacher at Unity School in Delray Beach could have had a career as a researcher, doing experiments and analyzing data every day, but, ever since middle school, she always pictured herself as a math teacher up in front of a class.

She is passionate about teaching, and especially about getting girls ready for careers in math, science, technology and computer science.

In November, Norelli earned a slot — one of only five teachers chosen nationally — to participate in the Teacher Under the Sea Program at Florida International University's Medina Aquarius Reef Base 60 feet underwater off the coast of Islamorada in the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary. The program ran for eight days in November and Norelli would be able to share the experience with her students. They loved the idea.

This was the first time teachers were invited to this operating undersea laboratory. Scientists are able to explore an ecosystem that is by nature very difficult to study.

At Aquarius, researchers go beyond conventional limitations and live beneath the water to conduct research as saturated divers (those who have reached their maximum loads of nitrogen, allowing them to remain under water longer).

The 28-year-old Boca Raton resident immersed herself in the experience, diving as part of a team to switch out GoPro cameras and algae tiles for the current experiment: a study of the ecology of fear. The scientists want to know if algae fed differently in the presence of the sea's top predators — in this case, sharks.

As part of the program, Norelli Skyped with her students at Unity and with a classroom of students in Peru, which was one of the best parts of the experience. "The kids were so excited, and had so many questions," Norelli said.

And it revealed the



ABOVE: Students react to Melissa Norelli during a Skyped lecture.



LEFT: Norelli as viewed through a hatch in the Florida International University's Medina Aquarius Reef Base.

Photos provided

difference between a teacher who requires students to learn and one who inspires students to learn.

She may have been away from school, but this trip was no vacation. After working underwater in conditions suited to attracting apex predators, processing and analyzing data, and Skyping with students, Norelli followed a quick dinner with more data processing. Somehow she also found time to write an enthusiastic and detailed blog about her day.

Of the Skyping, in her journal she wrote: "The highlight of my day was seeing my students and being able to bring them to the bottom of the ocean with me." The best part for them, the students said, was getting to go along on an adventure, almost as if they, too, were scientists on an important research project.

Norelli has already been invited back to the Reef Base later this year, and she plans to

bring her sixth-grade students down for a tour of the land base and for a lesson in coral conservation from the Coral Restoration Foundation.

But what Norelli and the students are really excited about is the class' overnight trip to Seacamp later this year.

Seacamp is a year-round, nonprofit marine science camp and educational facility on Big Pine Key in the Keys, in the heart of the coral reefs. The camp combines science lessons and water sports, including scuba, kayaking, sailing, windsurfing and fishing.

"It's great to see the kids in their element," Norelli said. Ultimately, it's still about what they learn."

Whenever a parent or student asks for advice on how to improve in school, Norelli says, she gives the same answer: "People think it's funny that I say this because I'm a math teacher, but the best thing you can do is read more." ★

Places to study science

Gumbo Limbo Nature Center and Environmental Complex, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Info: 544-8615

Since 1984, Gumbo Limbo Nature Center has welcomed visitors who want to know more about the flora and fauna that thrive in Gumbo Limbo's 20 acres of protected barrier island. More than 100,000 visit each year.

Much of the focus remains on the preservation of the natural environment and wildlife resources, and several courses are offered each month focusing on science and conservation of the unique ecosystem. Classes include:

- Seining the Lagoon — Wade in the Intracoastal Waterway to catch, examine (and release) fish, shrimp and crabs, using handheld dip nets and large seine nets. Age 10 and older. \$7 members, \$10 nonmembers. Reservations required.

- Beach Treasures — Sea beans, coral, shells, sea glass. Gather up what the sea has left behind to learn about marine life. For all ages. \$5 members, \$8 nonmembers. Reservations required.

- A Walk On The Ashley Trail — A quarter-mile naturalist guide-led walk through a butterfly garden, coastal hammock and mangroves, to a sandy beach, observing flora and fauna. All ages. Free.

The Children's Science Explorium, Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. A hands-on science center designed for children ages 5 to 12. Find interactive exhibits, science programs and a permanent science exhibit. Info: 347-3912; sugarsandpark.org

- Saturdays the Explorium offers science stories for ages 5 and older at 11:30 a.m. and once a month it hosts weekend demos for ages 7 and older. These free 30-minute, interactive demonstrations engage kids' curiosity. This month: 3:30 p.m. Feb. 13-14.

- The Explorium is hosting a traveling exhibition, "From Here to There," that focuses on how things get moved from one place to another. Kids will learn about the law of movement: They can feel the friction, grapple with gravity, float in the air on a hovercraft chair and navigate a boat through a canal lock system. On display through May.

Bright & Smart Robotics, Sugar Sand Park, 300 S. Military Trail, Boca Raton. Info: 954-816-3346; email info@BrightAndSmart.com.

This organization treats learning engineering concepts as fun challenges, combining hands-on robot building with computer programming (or coding to your kid) and teamwork. Kids 6 to 14 years old can benefit regardless of their cognitive skill levels.

The Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach. Info: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org.

- On the second floor of the museum, older children will find some science-related role-playing opportunities. In the Doctor's Office, your child can help the doctor take an X-ray and check for a heartbeat, and learn about medicine by exploring props. In Mangrove Manor, your scientist can study the flora and fauna of this unique Florida habitat. Kids have to climb, crawl and slide to find the animals.

IMACS, 23172 Sandalfoot Plaza Drive, Boca Raton, and 6200 Linton Blvd., Delray Beach. Info: 470-1178.

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South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Trail N., West Palm Beach. Admission: \$16.95 adults, \$14.95 seniors ages 60 or older, \$12.95 for ages 3-12, and free for members and younger than age 3. Info: 832-2026; sfsiencecenter.org.

- "Dinosaurs Around the World: The Exhibition" — This traveling exhibit features 13 life-sized roaring, breathing dinosaurs that reveal the amazing diversity that existed during the age of the dinosaurs, from the fierce plains of Africa to the beaches of Antarctica, and is on display through April 16.

- Hack Shack Tech Club — Blossoming designers and budding engineers in fifth through eighth grade are invited to join this club that explores science and technology through experiments with computer programming and designing video games. Classes meet the first Thursday of each month from 5 to 7 p.m. On March 3, the topic is LED Mania, tinkering with light-emitting diodes on several take-home projects. Cost: \$15 members, \$20 nonmembers.

- Gems Club — This monthly club for girls in grades 3 through 8 who are interested in science and technology meets the last Tuesday of the month from 5 to 7 p.m. They discover a different topic each month. Dinner and refreshments will be provided. On Feb. 23, the topic is electrifying energy. On March 29, the topic is botanical science. April 26, enthusiastic engineers. \$5 per meeting or get an annual enrollment pass for \$55.

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Saturday - 2/6 - Waves Surf Academy & City Surf Weekend Camp at Delray Beach Municipal Beach, Ocean Boulevard. Boys & girls ages 5-15. 9 am-2:30 pm. Held again 2/20 & 3/5. Per class: \$60/residents; \$70/non-residents. 243-7352; mydelraybeach.com

2/6 - FSA Test Prep: English Language Arts at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Grades 3-5. Every Sat 9-10:15 am or 10:30-11:45 am through 3/12. \$235/resident; \$294/non-resident. 367-7035; scorehigh.vpweb.com

2/6 - Youth Tennis: Sized Just Right For Kids at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Sat through 2/27. Age 5-6: 9-9:45 am \$40-\$50; age 7-15: 10-11 am. \$48-\$60. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

2/6 - Diamonds & Pearls Dance Team at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Community dance team program prides itself on passion, dedication, excellence, respect; participates in local and collegiate homecoming parades and statewide special events. Middle, high school and college students. Every T&Th 6-8 pm & Sat 9 am-1 pm. Monthly: \$30/residents; \$40/non-residents. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

2/6 - Little Wonders & Big Wonders at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Hike, crafts, stories. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Ages 3 & 4 10-11 am; ages 5 & 6 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$5/members; \$8/nonmembers. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbo-limbo.org

2/6 - Bookworm Storytime at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Songs and craft project. Ages 3 & up. Every Sat 10 am. Free. Register one week in advance: 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/6 - Drop-in Craft at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 3 & up. Sat 10:30-11:30 am. Free w/paid museum admission. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

2/6 - Family Studio at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Children w/ adult partner tour the current special exhibition, then create their own artwork. Ages 5-12 w/ parents. Every Sat 10:30 am-12:30 pm through 2/27. \$1/child materials fee payable at the door. 832-5196 x1196; norton.org

2/6 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Levels I, II & III. Ages 3 & older.

Every Sat 10:30 & 11:15 am through 2/27. \$40/resident; \$50/non-residents. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

2/6 - Meet the Orchestra: The Symphonia at Saint Andrew's School Roberts Theater, 3900 Jog Rd, Boca Raton. Interact with the conductor and musicians at live dress rehearsals; discover how classical music inspires creativity. 10:30 am-noon. \$5/adults; free/children. Reservations required: 866-687-3848; thesymphonia.org

2/6 - 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/non-members. 368-6875; cmboca.org

2/6 - Story Time at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Stories, songs, fingerplays parents and children enjoy together. All ages. Every Tu-Sat 11-11:15a. Free w/museum admission. 368-6875; cmboca.org

2/6 - 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. Held again 3/5. Free. 347-3900; SugarSandPark.org

2/6 - Science Stories at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. Every Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

2/6 - Realistic Drawing/Painting Instruction Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn basic techniques essential to quality, realistic paintings. Sat through 2/27. 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; myboca.us

2/6 - Story Central: Family Storytelling Slam at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/6 - Inspiration Station at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 3 & up. T/W/Th 11:30 am-12:15 pm; Sat 3-3:45 pm. Per session: \$5/family; \$3/members. 368-6875; cmboca.org

2/6 - Boca Chamber's Young Entrepreneurs Academy CEO Roundtable at St. Andrew's School Parrish Hall, 3900 Jog Rd, Boca Raton. Hosted by Boca Chamber's Golden Bell Education Foundation's YEA Program. 5:30-8 pm. Free. 395-4433; bocaratonchamber.com

FEBRUARY 7-13

Sunday - 2/7 - Sunday Movie: Shaun the Sheep Movie (PG) at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 11

am. \$1 admission includes popcorn and beverage. 347-3948; sugarsandpark.org

2/7 - Super Bowl Party at 505 Teen Center & Hobbit Skate Park, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Hamburgers & hot dogs. No gambling. Ages 12-19. 4 pm. Free. 243-7158; mydelraybeach.com

Monday - 2/8 - Baby Bookworm at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Storytime for infants accompanied by an adult. Ages 3 months to walking. 11-11:30 am. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/8 - Early Afternoon Explorers: Hovercraft Expedition 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

2/8 - 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. 3:30-4 pm Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/8 - Teen Yoga at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 5-7. 4:30-5:30 pm. Held again 2/22 & 29. Free. 742-6390; boynton-library.org

2/8 - Lunar New Year Celebration at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Create dragons; learn about the Chinese Zodiac. Grades K-5. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org

2/8 - Robotics at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 5:15-6:30 pm. Held again 2/22 & 29. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

2/8 - No Filter Teen Group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Keep it real with Mr. Irijah; talk about issues that matter to you. Topics and activities change each week; snacks served. Grades 8-12. 5:30-6:30 pm. Held again 2/22 & 29. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/8 - Delray Divas Step Teams at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Organized, structured step team performs at local events and statewide competitions. Program reinforces role of youth as positive members of the community. Grades K-12. Every M&W 6-8:30 pm. Monthly: \$30/residents; \$40/non-residents. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

2/8 - Fencing/Epee Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Fun introduction to fencing; learn fencing skills and forge new friendships. Beginners M&F 7-8:15 pm, \$90-\$112.50/monthly; intermediate/advanced M/W/F 7-10 pm, \$135-\$168.75/monthly. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

Tuesday - 2/9 - Toddler Tales at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Stories, songs, puppets teach the love of books. Ages up to 3 years; children must be accompanied by an adult. 10-10:30 am. Held again 2/16. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/9 - 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

2/9 - Sensational Story 'n More at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Children's books come to life through interactive performance, singing, movement, props. Every T 10:30-11:15 am. Free w/paid museum admission. 742-6782; schoolhouse-museum.org

2/9 - Baby Bookworm Story Time at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Ages 1-2. Every T 11 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/9 - 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 11:30 am-12:15 pm. \$3/members; \$4/non-members w/paid admission. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

2/9 - Fat Tuesday Craft at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Explore the pageantry and fun of Mardi Gras; make a parade mask. Grades K-5. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org

2/9 - Stupid Cupid Anti-Valentine's Day Party at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Anti-Valentine's crafts, snacks, games. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/9 - Darkest Part of the Forest by Holly Black - 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

Wednesday - 2/10 - Mommy & Me at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 1-2. Every W 10-10:45 am & 11:30 am-12:15 pm. Per session: \$10/family; \$5/members. 368-6875; cmboca.org

2/10 - Family Storytime at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Ages infants to 5 yrs. Every W 10-11 am through 2/24. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

2/10 - Music and Movement at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Literacy enrichment class with stories, music, movement. Ages 2 & 3; children must be accompanied by an adult. Every W 10-10:30 am through 2/17. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/10 - Family Fun: Mommy & Me Kamishibai Story Telling at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Library, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Bring little ones, hear the reading of a Japanese kamishibai folk story. Different story each month. 10:30am. Free w/paid admission and children 5 & under. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

2/10 - Sensational Story 'n More at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Children's books come to life through interactive performance, singing,

movement, props. Ages 2-4. Every W 2-2:45 pm. Free w/paid museum admission. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

2/10 - Lil' Explorers: Super Sensory Messy Play at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Explore, develop important readiness skills. Ages 2-5. Every W 3-3:45 pm. Per class: \$3/members; \$4/non-members + admission. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

2/10 - Yoga Kids Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Multi-sensory learning combines yoga positions with music, storytelling, art; conveys lessons in positive thinking, self confidence, environment awareness. Wear comfortable clothing, bring a yoga mat. Every W through 3/2. Ages 5-7 4-4:45 pm; Ages 8-12 5-6 pm. \$48/residents; \$60/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

2/10 - Teen Gaming at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Video games use Wii, PS3, Xbox 360. Grades 6-12. Every W 5:30-7 pm through 2/24. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Thursday - 2/11 - Pop-in and Play at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Toddler toys, play tunnel, oversized Legos. Ages 2-5. 10-11 am. Held again 2/25. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

2/11 - Bricks 4 Kidz: Preschool Workshop at Mounts Botanical Garden Pavilion, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 10-11 am. \$15. 233-157; mounts.org

2/11 - 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

2/11 - Knitting Club at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 7 to adult. Every Th 3:30-4:30 pm. Free w/museum admission. 368-6875; cmboca.org

2/11 - DIY Art Projects: 75th Birthday Bash at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Families participate in self-guided gallery activity, then visit the Atrium for a related DIY Art Project. Ages 5-15+. 6-8 pm. Free w/admission. 832-5196; norton.org

2/11 - Jurassic World (PG-13) - Part of the Teen Movie Night at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 13-17. 6-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/11 - House of Robots by James Patterson - Part of the Tween Book Jam at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-12. Registration required: 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/11-12 - Karate/Martial Arts Classes at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Karate and blend of other combat martial arts. Ages 9 to adult. Th&F 6-7 pm. Per month: 10/residents;

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Wednesday, February 17

Newman Alumni Center
UM/Coral Gables Campus
6200 San Amaro Drive
Coral Gables, FL 33146

Thursday, February 18

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\$15/non-residents; + one-time \$30 uniform fee. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com
Friday - 2/12 - Stories in the Garden: For the Love of Flowers at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Stories and songs. Ages 2-6. 10-11:30 am. Free. 233-1757; mounts.org
2/12 - Sensory Art for Tots at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 1-4 w/ parent or caregiver. Every F 12:30-1:15 pm & 3-3:45 pm. Per session: \$10/family; \$5/members. 368-6875; cmboca.org
2/12 - Children's Special: The Daniel Show "Valentine's Day!" at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades K-5. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org
2/12 - Valentine's Day Party at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Make a sand art necklace, play a candy ball game. Grades K-5. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org
2/12 - Friday Night at the Museum at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. A night out without parents! Wear comfy clothes and hang out in the Explorium after hours, watch a movie, do a fun experiment. Ages 7-12. 6-9:30 pm. \$20/residents; \$25/non-residents. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org
2/12 - Unity Dance Team at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Enhances balance, provides exercise, teaches how to gracefully dance and execute interpretive movement. Ages 7-15. Every F 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com
Saturday - 2/13 - Bricks 4 Kidz at Mounts Botanical Garden Pavilion, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 10 am-4 pm. \$15. 233-157; mounts.org
2/13 - Family Story Time: Happy Valentine's Day at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, One Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Ages 8 & younger. Free. 10:30 am. 655-2776; fourarts.org
2/13 - Pajama Jams Story Time with Miss Mij at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Stories, fingerplays, poems, songs, props, puppets. Ages 18 mo-2 yrs 10-10:45 am; 3-4 yrs 11 am-noon. \$5/drop in (includes one carousel token/paid child). 347-3900; SugarSandPark.org
2/13 - Art-E-Ology: Andy Warhol - Musical Art at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Learn about a master artist on exhibit, 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 x106; bocamuseum.org
2/13 - USA Netball Association at Pompey Park Recreation Center, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Fast, skillful team game based on running, jumping, throwing, catching. Females ages 6 & up. Every 2nd & 4th Sat 6-8 pm. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

2/13 - 3rd Annual Florida Youth Dance Gala at Palm Beach State College Duncan Theatre, 4200 Congress Ave, Lake Worth. 7:30 pm. \$20-\$30/person. 440-3907; floridayouthdancegala.com
2/13-14 - Science Demonstrations at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. 3:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

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Monday - 2/15 - Little Bit Tech at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Invent with electronics. Ages 7-14. 9 am-4 pm. \$55/members; \$60/non-members. Before/after care (7:30-9 am & 4-5:30 pm) add \$10/day. 832-2026; sfscenter.org
2/15 - Great Escape Day at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Experiments & outdoor fun. Ages 6-12. 10am-2 pm. \$25/residents; \$31.25/non-residents. Registration required: 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org
2/15 - School's Out Workshop: Specialty Days with Joy Deco - Kidnastic Game Day at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 5-12. 10:30 am-3 pm. \$65/resident; \$81.25/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
2/15 - School's Out Workshop: Sewing & Designing For My Doll at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 7-13. 10:30 am-3 pm. \$70/resident; \$87.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
Tuesday - 2/16 - Baby Storytime at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Stories, rhymes, sing songs promote early literacy and development; meet other babies and parents. Ages birth-2 years. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org
2/16 - Mother Nature & Me: Love Bugs at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Experience nature topics through stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, crafts. Ages 2-5 (w/guardian). 10:30 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature
2/16 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Ages 3 & older. T/Th through 3/3. Levels I & II 4:30-5pm & 5-5:30pm; Level III 4-4:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-residents. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org
2/16 - Drama Kings and Queens at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Compete for best dramatic, comedic, interpretive readings from popular young adult novels. Grades 4-7. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
Wednesday - 2/17 - 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 instructor. W through 3/16. 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. \$100/residents, \$125/non-residents. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
2/17 - Tot Tumbling/Gymnastics at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Age-appropriate skills, tot-sized equipment. Parents/caregivers participate. Every W through 3/30. Age 18-36 months 9:30-10:10 am; Age 3-5 10:15-10:55 am. \$60/residents; \$75/non-residents. 968-4011; boynton-beach.org
2/17 - Bingo Under the Stars at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 2-5. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org
2/17 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Ages 3 and older. W/F through 3/4. Levels I & II 4:30-5pm & 5-5:30pm; Level III 4-4:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-residents. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org
2/17 - Tween Wacky Wednesdays: Valentine's Sweets at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-11. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org
Thursday - 2/18 - 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 instructor. Th through 3/17. 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. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
2/18 - 3D Printing Fundamentals at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Basic 3D design principles. Design your own 3D object using easy-to-use modeling software. A prerequisite for 3D Printing Open Design Lab. Ages 8 to adult. 11 am-noon. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org
2/18 - Brain Boost Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Strategic games enhance critical thinking skills, strengthening focus and memory. Stimulate the brain; practice basic social skills. All games supplied. Every Th through 3/31. 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
2/18 - Craft Time at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Ages 4 & up. Every 1st & 3rd Th 4 pm. Free. Register one week in advance: 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org
2/18 - Lego Club at Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S Seacrest Blvd. Monthly build challenge or free build. Grades K-6. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org
2/18 - Teen Book Discussion at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
2/18 - Make it @ Your Library 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 - 2/19 - Fabulous Fun Fridays at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 3-7. Every 1st & 3rd F 10:30-11:15 am. \$3/members; \$4/non-members + admission. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org
2/19 - 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 parking lot (weather permitting). Telescope is out for at least one hour after scheduled start time. Ages 8+ (under 18 must be accompanied by an adult). 6:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org
Saturday - 2/20 - Robotics at the Library at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Special program presented in partnership with South Florida Science Center and Aquarium. Ages 11-15. 10 am-noon. Free. Reservations required: 655-7226; fourarts.org
2/20 - I Love Art Classes at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Create amazing art using recycled items. Ages 4-10. Every Sat 10:30 am-noon through 3/12. \$36/residents; \$45/non-residents. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org
2/20 - Children's Performance: Don Pasquale presented by Palm Beach Opera at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Unique behind-the-scenes storytelling experience; sensory friendly integrated presentation. 1 pm. \$5. 833-7888; pbopera.org

FEBRUARY 21-27

Sunday - 2/21 - Arts Spark Kids Fest at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Interactive creative, performing & visual arts; hands-on workshops, demonstrations, make & takes, balloon art, performances, food trucks, face painting, strolling characters, more. 11 am-4 pm. \$10 all-day wristband/kids 16 & under; free/adults w/ paid child. Additional fees for select activities and food. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
Monday - 2/22 - Dance Trends Youth Dance Program at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Learn discipline and art of dance. M/T/W/Th/Sat through 4/16. Class times/prices vary by age/style. 542-0215; boynton-beach.org
2/22 - Art Smart at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Learn letters and numbers through crafts, stories, songs, creative play. Pack a snack. Ages 4-5. Every M/W/F 9am-noon through 4/8. \$81/residents; \$102/non-residents. Pre-registration required: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org
2/22 - Children's Circus Arts Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Juggling, plate spinning, acrobatics/tumbling, unicycling, balance board, more. Every M through 3/14. Ages 5-7 4-5 pm; Ages 8-10 5-6 pm; Ages 11 & up 6-7 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

2/22 - Kids Activity Lab at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Board and video games using Wii, Wii U, PS3 or Xbox 360, or make wearable art. Grades K-5. 4:30-5:30 pm. Held again 2/29. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org
Tuesday - 2/23 - Kangaroo Kids Programs at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Educationally developmental class. Every T through 4/12. Age 2-3 years 10-10:45 am; age 3-5 years 11-11:45 am. \$90/residents; \$113/non-residents. 367-7035; myboca.us
2/23 - Half-School Day Family Movie: Minions (PG) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org
2/23 - Miss Sara's Dance Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basics of ballet, tap, gymnastics, fitness, creative movement. Adults wait outside the classroom. Every T through 4/5. Age 4-5 3:30-4:15 pm; age 6-8 4:30-5:15 pm. \$78-\$98. 367-7035; myboca.us
2/23 - Black History Month Portrait Art at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Celebrate Black History Month; turn portraits of famous and impactful Americans into a work of collage art. Grades 6-12. 5-6 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
2/23 - 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
Wednesday - 2/24 - Children's Fitness Classes/Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Build confidence and coordination. Every W through 4/13. Age 3-4 Five 40-minute sessions: 9 am, 9:4am, 1:1pm, pm & 2:4pm; age 5-6 Two 55-minute sessions: 3:45 pm & 4:45 pm; age 7 & up Two 55-minute sessions: 3:45 pm & 4:45 pm; Age 2-3 Parent/Child (40 min): 10:30 am; Six 40-minute classes: \$54/residents; \$67.50/non-residents; Six 55-minute classes: \$78/residents; \$97.50/non-residents. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org
2/24 - Miss Sara's Dance Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basics of ballet, tap, gymnastics, fitness, creative movement. Adults wait outside the classroom. Every W through 4/6. Age 2 10:15-10:45 am \$60-\$75; age 3-5 11-11:45 am \$78-\$98. 367-7035; myboca.us
2/24 - Tots in Tutus at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ballet class for preschoolers. Ages 2-5. Every W 10:30-11:30 am through 3/30. \$40/ members; \$52 nonmembers. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

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2/24 - Booktastic Book Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Explore a popular children's author each week. Free copy of the book upon registration. Child attends independently. Ages 7-8. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Thursday - 2/25 - S.T.E.A.M.: Wild Animal Adventures at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Kindergarten readiness class. Every Th 10:30-11:30 am through 3/31. \$40/members; \$52/non-members. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

2/25 - Geology Rocks! at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 2-5. Every Th 3:30-4:15 pm through 3/31. \$40/members; \$52/non-members. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

2/25 - Sharpie Watercolors at Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S Seacrest Blvd. Draw colorful abstract art designs to decorate tiles. Grades 4-7. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

2/25 - Superhero Madness at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Kids draw their favorite animated characters. Ages 8-14. Every Th 4-5:30 pm through 4/7. \$49/residents; \$62/non-residents. Pre-registration required: 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

Friday - 2/26 - 8th Annual Hobbit Skate Off at 505 Teen Center & Hobbit Skate Park, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Live music, prizes, giveaways, food, fun. Local skate vendors on hand. Ages 5 to adult. 3-6 pm. \$5/entry fee. 243-7158; mydelray-beach.com

2/26 - Sweet Science 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, a chance to view the night sky. 6-9 pm. \$13.95/adults; \$11.95/seniors; \$9.95/children (3-12); \$6/adult members; free/children members and kids under 3. 832-1988; sfsiencecenter.org

Saturday - 2/27 - Claying Around at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Basic techniques of pottery including wedging, centering clay. Ages 8-14. Every Sat 9-11 am through 4/9. \$49/residents; \$62/non-residents. Pre-registration required: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

2/27 - Mini Monets at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Pencil, watercolor, charcoal, paint. Ages 5-8. Every Sat 9-11 am through 4/9. \$49/residents; \$62/non-residents. Pre-registration required: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

2/27 - Gymnastics at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Develop strength, flexibility, coordination; classes especially designed for introductory skill development on vault, bars, beams, floor. Every Sat through 4/2. Age 4-7 10-11 am; age 8-16 11 am-noon. \$66/residents; \$83/non-residents. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

2/27 - Junior League of Boca Raton's Dr. Seuss Birthday Party at Boca Raton Community Garden, 101 NW 4th St. Dr. Seuss-themed events, photos with Cat in the Hat, food trucks, face painting, more. Benefits JLBR Diaper Bank. All ages. 10 am-2 pm. Admission: minimum donation of one package of diapers. 620-2553; jlbr.org

2/27 - Piano Classes at Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Instructor Deborah Weaver. Bring a keyboard. Ages 6-12. Every Sat through 4/16. Beginner/intermediate 10:30-11:30 am; intermediate/advanced 11:30 am-1 pm. \$48 residents; \$60 nonresidents. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

2/27 - Art Goes Green at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Create amazing artwork from recycled materials. Ages 8-14. Every Sat 12:15-1:45 pm through 4/2. \$36/residents; \$45/non-residents. Pre-registration required: 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

2/27 - Soccer Shots at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 5/14. Ages 2-3 12:30-1 pm; ages 4-5 1:15-2 pm. \$140/resident; \$175/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

2/27 - Family Date Afternoon: Board Games at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/27 - Lynda Hunter & Virginia Kimmel Children's Library Community Day Celebration at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2-4 pm. Free. 266-9490; deraylibrary.org

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Sunday - 2/28 - Recycling Artists at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Make art with recycled materials and found objects in nature. Ages 5-9. 1-2 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

2/28 - 12th Annual Future Stars Performing Arts Competition at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Hosted by Rotary Club of Boca Raton; showcases best and brightest local middle and high school vocalists and dancers. Food/beverages available for purchase. 6:30 pm. Free. 954-913-3236; myboca.us

Monday - 2/29 - Kangaroo Kids Programs at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Educationally developmental class. Every M through 4/4. 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; myboca.us

2/29 - Children's Fitness Classes/Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Build confidence and coordination. Every M through 4/11. Age 3-4 Three 40-minute sessions: 1:15pm, 2pm & 2:45pm; Age 5-6 Two 55-minute sessions: 3:45 pm & 4:45 pm; Age 7 & up Two 55-minute sessions: 3:45 pm & 4:45 pm.

Six 40-minute classes: \$54/residents; \$67.50/non-residents; Six 55-minute classes: \$78/residents; \$97.50/non-residents. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

2/29 - Once Upon A Happily Ever After: A Workshop for Young Writers at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Get ideas, create characters, find new stories to tell. Ages 9-12. 4-6 pm. \$35/resident; \$43.75/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

2/29 - Musical Theater & Drama Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Theater games, team building activities, 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 4/4. \$84/residents; \$105/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

2/29 - Tween Tech Time at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Bring your favorite books to make book reviews for BookTube. Grades 6-8. 6:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Tuesday - 3/1 - Small World at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Structured play, educational activities in a safe, entertaining environment. Ages 3-4. M/W/F or M-F 9 am-noon through 3/31. M/W/F \$48/residents; \$60/non-residents; M-F \$72/residents; \$90/non-residents. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

3/1 - Kidokinetics 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 4/19. Ages 3-5 3:45-4:30 pm; ages 2-4 4:30-5:15 pm (some parent involvement). \$77/resident; \$96.25/non-resident. 954-385-8511; kidokinetics.com

3/1 - Youth Tennis: Sized Just Right for Kids at Ezell Hester Jr Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every T through 3/29. Ages 4-8 5-5:30 pm, \$30-\$38; ages 9-12 5:30-6:15 pm, \$40-\$50. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

3/1 - Archery Class at Meadows Park Tennis Courts, 1300 NW 8th St. Beginner's program, skill development, paper target practice. Equipment provided. Every T through 4/12. Ages 8-15 6-7 pm; Adults 7:15-8:15 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/1-2 - Explorium Science Squad: Rocketry at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Explore, experiment, try something new every month. T Ages 5-6 (with parent); W Ages 7-9. 4-5 pm. \$10/residents; \$12.50/non-residents. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Wednesday - 3/2 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ballet, acrobatics, theatrical prop handling. Every W through 4/20. Beginner 2 ages 5-6 3:15-4:10 pm \$130-\$162.50; Beginner 1 ages

4-5 4:15-5:10 pm \$130-\$162.50; Intermediate 1 ages 7-12 3:45-5:15 pm \$170-\$212.25. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/2 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. Level 3 & 4. Every W & F 4:30-5:15 pm through 3/25. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7851; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

3/2 - Art and Clay Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Develop fine motor skills, creativity, focus, attention to detail. Supplies included. Ages 5-11. Every W 5:30-6:30 pm through 3/30. \$120/residents; \$150/non-residents. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/2 - Tween Wacky Wednesdays: Board Games at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-11. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Thursday - 3/3 - Hack Shack Tech Club: LED Mania at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Explore science/technology in a new way, experiment with computer programming, design video games. Grades 5-8. First Th 5-7 pm. \$15/members; \$20/non-members. Limited space, advance registration suggested: 832-2026; sfsiencecenter.org

3/3 - Taylored Athletes Elite Training Basketball Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. High-quality instruction for aspiring young professional athletes. Ages 9-14. Every Th 5:30-6:30 pm through 3/31. \$100/residents; \$125/non-residents. 347-3950; tayloredathletes.com

3/3 - Futsal (Indoor Soccer) at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Demands quick reflexes, fast thinking, pinpoint passing. Every Th through 3/31. Ages 4-8 6:30-7:30 pm; ages 9-14 7:30-8:30. \$40/resident, \$50/non-resident. 347-3916; sugarsandpark.org

Friday - 3/4 - Tot Time at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Crafts, snacks, indoor play stations. Drop in anytime during the program. Ages 2-5. 10 am-noon. Held again 4/1. \$5/child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/4 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ballet, acrobatics, theatrical prop handling. Every F through 4/22. Mini Stars ages 3-4 2:15-3pm, \$120-\$150; Beginner 1 ages 4-5 3-3:55 pm, \$130-\$162.50; Intermediate 1 ages 7-12 3:45-5:15pm, \$170-\$212.50. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/4 - Taylored Athletes Basketball Fundamentals Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. High-quality instruction for aspiring young professional athletes. Ages 5-8. Every F 5:30-6:30 pm through 4/1. \$100/residents; \$125/non-residents. 347-3950; tayloredathletes.com

3/4 - Parents Night Out: Botanical 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, full-dome planetarium show. Ages 4-12. 6-10 pm. \$30/child; \$15/each additional child. 832-2026; sfsiencecenter.org

Saturday - 3/5 - Waves Surf Academy & City Surf Weekend Camp at Delray Beach Municipal Beach, Ocean Boulevard at A1A. Boys & girls ages 5-15. 9 am-2:30 pm. Per class: \$60/residents; \$70/non-residents. 243-7352; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - Youth Tennis: Sized Just Right For Kids at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Sat through 3/26. Age 5-6 9-9:45 am \$40-\$50; age 7-15 10-11 am \$48-\$60. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

3/5 - Family Story Time: Bug Day at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, One Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Ages 8 & younger. Free. 10:30 am. 655-2776; fourarts.org

3/5 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Levels I, II & III. Ages 3 & older. Every Sat 10:30 & 11:15 am through 4/2. \$40/resident; \$50/non-residents. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

3/5 - Park 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

3/5 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Level 1, 2, 3, 4 & adult classes. Every Sat 11 am, noon & 1 pm through 4/23. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-residents. 544-8540; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

3/5 - Science Stories at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear your favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. Every Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/5 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. Level 1, 2, 3 & 4. Every Sat noon & 1 pm through 4/23. Eight-class session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-residents. 393-7851; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

3/5 - Rhythmic Gymnastics: Intermediate at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ballet, acrobatics, theatrical prop handling. Ages 7-12. Every Sat 2-3:30 pm through 4/23. \$170/residents; \$212.25/non-residents. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/5-6 - 19th Annual We Care Kids' Fair at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Presented by Parenting Plus Magazine and Palm Beach Zoo & Conservation Society. Family fare. 10 am-4 pm. Regular admission: \$19.50/adults; \$17.50/seniors; \$14.50/children 3-12; free/kids under age 3. 795-4815; parentingplus.com



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4 LAKESIDE PALMS – 4/3.5, Gorgeous Intracoastal home nestled in a quiet cu-de-sac, with a sandy beach, screened in pool and spectacular east views of the intracoastal. Recent upgrades include tile roof, seawall, and a hardwired whole house natural gas home generator. Convenient to everywhere you want to be in the Palm Beaches. **\$999,000**

Want to live on a tropical island in the Intracoastal?



Now you can! Build your dream home on this 104' direct intracoastal lot with aluminum dock, seawall, and boat lift already in place. **\$1,750,000** – 3 custom home builders have plans (appx 4,700 sf) available from which to choose, starting at \$200/sf, or build your own!



POINT MANALAPAN, PRIVATE SUBDIVISION – half-acre, cul-de-sac lot with plans for up to 6,000sf or use your own builder! Free membership to La Coquille Club and use of amenities of Eau Palm Beach included! **Asking \$749,000**



1395 S. ATLANTIC DR – Hypoluxo Island, a tropical paradise. Split plan, 3br, 3 bath, 2cg. Pool, newer kitchen with granite countertops and stainless appliances. Very light and bright. Open floor plan, great area close to beach and all shopping/restaurants! Furniture included. **\$719,000**



OLYMPIA/WELLINGTON – Beautiful 5BR/3 BA house, 1 BR downstairs, huge master bed & bath upstairs. 3467 AC sq. ft., 3 car garage, lots of community amenities. Overlooking the lake. Low HOA fees. Make this your dream home. **\$580,000**



PENTHOUSE PALM BEACH – You can see forever from this Penthouse delight. Fabulous panoramic ocean views. Watch the sailboats and paragliders go by. Wrap balcony provides you with Intracoastal views as well. Covered parking. Must see. Claridges. **\$569,000**



BUENA VIDA WELLINGTON – Beautiful lakefront 3BR/2.5BA house w/master bedroom & family room. Kitchen, master bed & living room all have panoramic water views. Paved/screened porch, high tray ceilings & granite counter tops. Own this and add your personal colors and touch to this great home. **\$430,000**



YACHT CLUB – Boat slip with lift? Garage? Intracoastal views? Resort environment? Luxury high-end interiors? If these are what you're looking for, welcome to your new home! 2br/1 bath with laundry/utility room in Yacht Club on the Intracoastal. **Asking \$380,000**



AMBASSADOR – Southeast ocean views from this 2/2. Impact slider doors across entire back side. Tile floors except for master bedroom which has carpeting. Second bedroom is opened up with pocketing accordion door to close off when needed. tennis court. hurry! **\$349,000**



CLARIDGES 210 – 1430 sq. ft., 2 br 2 bath, tile floors, light & bright. Great views of intracoastal from every room. Wrap balcony has ocean views. Impact windows, updated kitchen and baths. Priced to sell. **\$309,000**



CLARIDGES 609 – Views galore from this 2 bed/ 2 bath. Direct intracoastal views from every room. Fully furnished. Tiled in living spaces, carpet in master BR. Time to live the good life on the beach! **\$299,000**



SOUTHGATE – This light and bright 2/2 unit is completely tiled. New stove, dishwasher and micro. New vanity in the guest bathroom. Southgate has the best and prettiest gardens on A1A. Priced to sell. **\$249,000**



COURTYARDS @CITY PLACE – 2 br, 2ba, condo in the heart of downtown West Palm Beach, best price in building. City views! walk to city place and clematis street, 5 min to airport. **\$235,000**



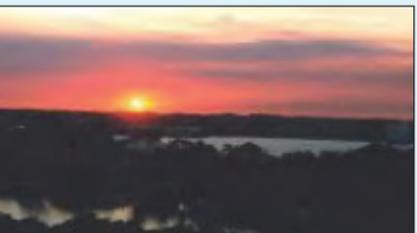
MAYFAIR – Direct intracoastal unit that has been totally updated. Spacious floor plan w/balcony access from mbr. W/d in unit. Move right in. Full amenity bldg w/dual usage of lake & ocean bldgs. 24 Hr doorman. **\$219,000**. SW corner unit w/new kitchen, granite countertops, tile floors, electric shutters plus impact windows. 1549 sf. **\$259,900**.



YACHT CLUB – Very private townhouse style 2 story 2 bedroom 2.5 bath, master upstairs, w/d, steps to pool, community has another larger pool overlooking the marina and wide intracoastal with a separate hot tub, pet friendly, all ages welcome. Resort like amenities. **\$189,000**



CHATEAU ROYAL – 1/1.5, great ocean and intracoastal views from this penthouse. Garage parking, exercise room, great pool and barbeque area. Don't pass this unit up! **\$179,000-199,000**



MAYFAIR LAKE – Rarely available, very sunny 1016sf 1br/1.5ba unit w/tile in living areas. master bedroom has electric shutters. W/D in unit. screened balcony has tranquil view of greenery & pool, intracoastal. w/storage unit. full use of beachside amenities in sister building. **\$172,500-179,900**



BAY REACH – Beautifully redone 2/2, updated kitchen and bathrooms, 2 assigned parking spaces! Intracoastal community pool/clubhouse, dockage available separately, gated with security guard, hurry! **\$153,000**



TROPICANA – SOUTH PALM BEACH
UNIT 121 – Studio apt **\$56,900**
UNIT 313 - 1 bedroom 1 bath **\$79,900**
 55+, no pets, no rentals. BBQ & pool on the intracoastal! Bring your kayak! Walk to beach across the street!



MURRAY HILLS – 1 and 2 bedroom units in Murry Hills located along Lake Osborne Drive. , 55+, no pets and low maintenance. **\$49,000-\$59,900**

RENTALS

3/4.5 HYPOLUXO ISLAND SEASONAL	\$12,000
3/3 HYPOLUXO ISLAND ANNUAL	\$5,000
2/2 MAYFAIR LAKE	\$1,950
1/1.5 MAYFAIR.....	\$1,800
2/2 BRITTANY	\$1,600
1/1 DOWNTOWN LAKE WORTH	\$1,000

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House of the Month

Each month, The Coastal Star features a house for sale in our community. The House of the Month is presented as a service to our advertisers and provides readers with a peek inside one of our houses.



This house boasts lush tropical landscaping and is blocks from the scene on Delray Beach's Atlantic Avenue and steps to the beach.



Natural light fills the family room of this 1937 Delray Beach home, which has been lovingly updated over the years.

Delray house steeped in tradition, comfort

Quality from the past. That sums up this 1937 Delray Beach cottage.

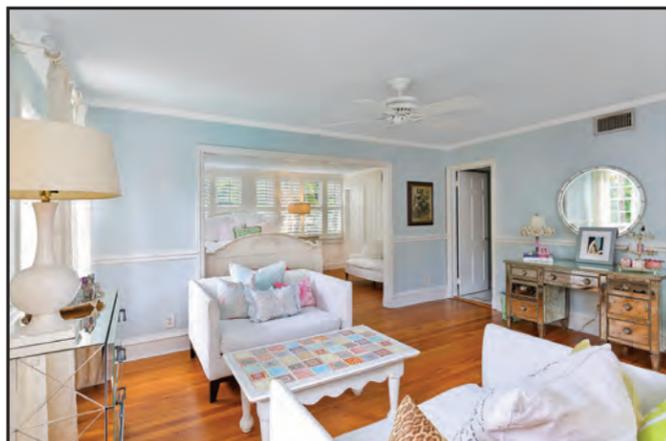
This house, just blocks from the beach and from the scene of Atlantic Avenue, has five bedrooms, 5½ baths and a den/study in 4,649 square feet of living space.

Lovingly restored over the years, the house has spacious rooms, ageless details and an oversized pool from which you can enjoy the lush landscaping.

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Luxury Homes



Living Legend in Delray – 1937 cottage is one-of-a-kind in the beach area! Lovingly restored over the years. You'll fall in love with the spacious rooms, ageless details, lush tropical gardens and oversized pool. 5BR/5.5BA+den/study. Oversized multiuser family room overlooks pool and grounds. Separate bedroom suite on main floor. 2-car garage. One block to beach and Atlantic Avenue. Newly priced. \$2,395,000

Ocean Ridge Waterway – Gracious luxury estate home located on 100 ft of protected dockage. Master suite overlooks waterway. Tremendous gourmet kitchen. Lavish pool & entertainment area. Easy beach access. \$2,100,000



The Grove at Lake Ida – Newly constructed home in Lake Ida neighborhood. Front porch, private pool, detailed craftsmanship & fine appointments. Five minutes to Ocean & downtown Delray. \$1,550,000

Delightful Living – Stunning Mediterranean cottage. Lush gardens, courtyard fountain & pool. Hardwood floors and an antique marble floor entrance. Close to Atlantic Avenue the beach. \$925,000

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Sun, Surf and the Ave. – Welcome home to the elegant yet casual lifestyle that is Delray Beach! Located directly across from the beach with private access and only blocks from trendy Atlantic Avenue. This romantic Mediterranean estate boasts over 10,000 total SF, separate guest house, expansive theater room, temperature controlled wine cellar, outdoor loggias, elevator and exquisite architectural details throughout. \$7,250,000



Stunning Views – Exquisitely designed, direct Intra-coastal point lot offers 400 ft of water frontage and spectacular views! This 4BR/4BA beautifully remodeled home boasts over 4,700 SF. \$3,300,000



Villas of Ocean Crest – Largest townhome in this Oceanside enclave and just yards away from your beach. Expansive outdoor living space, heated pool and spa. All pets welcome! \$1,299,000



Delray Ocean Access – Terrific 3BR/2.5BA with deep water canal. Expansive open floor plan, wood flooring, custom kitchen, crown moldings & impact glass. 3 lots off Intracoastal & minutes to downtown Delray. \$849,000



Mariner Village – Fantastic gated waterfront townhome with 24' of dockage right behind your home. Open kitchen, large master suite overlooking the water. Great East location. Pets welcome. \$469,000



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Around Town

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Fabled Atlantic Avenue tavern reborn as The Old Arcade

By Ron Hayes

When he was a boy in the 1940s, Sandy Simon sold newspapers up and down Atlantic Avenue.

Paper, sir? Paper, sir?
 "I'd go from table to table in the old Arcade Tap Room, selling the Miami Daily News for a nickel," he says with a nostalgic chuckle.

Delray Beach had a population straining toward 4,000 in those days, and chances are most of them dined and drank at the old Arcade.

"There was no roof over the courtyard back then," Simon remembers. "Tall coconut palms, and it didn't try to be anything but a restaurant and lounge. The prices were attractive for the middle class, although the very wealthy also went there."

The Arcade Tap Room was a landmark on the avenue even before Alexander "Sandy" Simon was born in 1937, and seven decades and several reincarnations later, it's back yet again — or hopes to be.



Jimmy Hallas has a beer while sitting with Jennifer Blair on his final day of business at the Arcade Tap Room in 1989.

On Dec. 5, 2015 — the 82nd anniversary of Prohibition's demise — Eli Kamholtz, the owner of Caffe Martier, opened The Old Arcade in the space that once housed the fabled taproom's east bar.

"We were turning this into a private event space," he said recently, "and we started hearing more and more stories, about high school graduations in the 1950s, wedding receptions. People who've lived here

See TAP ROOM on AT8



TOP: A '30s view of the Arcade Tap Room.
 ABOVE: A postcard depicts the dining room in the '60s.
 Photos courtesy of the Delray Beach Historical Society
 LEFT: Caffe Martier owner Eli Kamholtz has opened The Old Arcade with many of the original features intact.
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Drawing will be March 5, 2016 at the Ball. You do not need to be present to win. Proceeds will benefit the Bethesda Hospital Center for Medical Education. Tickets are \$125 each.

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Philanthropy Calendar

Pay it Forward

Pay it Forward celebrates the many philanthropic events in our community. Events are current as of 2/1. Please check with organizers for any changes.

FEBRUARY

Saturday - 2/6 - Gumbo Limbo Nature Center's Sea Coast Toast at Lakeside Terrace, 7880 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Celebrate with friends and tempt your palate with hors d'oeuvres and an open wine and beer bar. 5:30-8 pm. \$60-\$80. 544-8605 or gumbolimbo.org.
2/6 - Bethesda Hospital Foundation's Annual Jewels & Jeans at Bethesda Hospital West, 9655 W. Boynton Beach Blvd. Kick up your heels at this Western-themed dinner with entertainment and a live auction. 6 pm. \$150. 737-7733 or bethesdahospitalfoundation.org.
2/6 - Florida Atlantic University's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine's Renaissance Ball at The Polo Club of Boca Raton, 5400 Champion Blvd. Celebrate the theme Coming of Age while honoring longtime supporter Dr. Michael Dennis. 6:30 pm. cocktail reception, 7:30 pm dinner and dancing. \$400. 297-2097 or med.fau.edu.
2/6 - Food for the Poor's Building Hope Gala at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Raise money to build homes for destitute families in Haiti by attending a special evening of dining and dancing. 6:30 pm-midnight. \$300. 888-404-4248 or foodforthehope.org/boca.
2/6 - Place of Hope's Men's All-Star Dinner and Auction at XPE Sports Academy, 1580 N.W.

First Court, Boca Raton. Gather at an elite training facility for dinner and an auction that promises to be high-energy. 6:30 pm. \$50. 483-0962 or placeofhopeinrker.org.
2/6 - American Red Cross' International Red Cross Ball at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. Welcome ambassadors, foreign diplomats and international philanthropists as they return from around the world for the white-tie affair. 7 pm. \$1,000. 650-9105 or redcross.org/fl/palm-beach.
2/6 - Norton Museum of Art's Diamond Gala at 1451 S. Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Ensure the future of the museum's collection at a cocktail party with dinner and dancing. 7 pm. \$1,000 and up. 832-5196, Ext. 1118, or norton.org/gala2016.
Wednesday - 2/10 - The Children's Healing Institute's Breakfast at Tiffany's Teacup Preemie Program Tea & Fashion Show at The Chesterfield Palm Beach, 363 Coconut Row. Channel your inner Audrey, wear your favorite little black dress and enjoy a traditional English high-tea event and fashion show. 2-4 pm. \$75. 687-8115 or childrenshealinginstitute.org.
Thursday - 2/11 - Junior League of Boca Raton's Flavors of Boca at The Addison, Two E. Camino Real, Boca Raton. Enjoy a culinary experience where chefs will put their best food forward during an evening of live music, performance art, raffles and a silent auction. 6:30-9:30 pm. \$65 or \$125 for VIP tickets. 620-2553 or jlbr.org/flavors-of-boca-raton.
2/11 - The American Ireland Fund's Emerald Isle Dinner Dance at The Breakers, One S. County Road, Palm Beach. Get your green on and

celebrate the 26th annual black-tie affair that includes a cocktail reception and an honoree presentation. 7-11 pm. \$600. 603-5986 or theirlandfunds.org.
Friday - 2/12 - National Society of Arts and Letters' Florida East Coast Chapter's High Tea at the home of Jay and Marilyn Nelson, 1780 Thatch Palm Drive, Boca Raton. Nibble and sip as a musical performance by scholarship recipients entertains. 3-5:30 pm. \$60. 826-7119 or nsalfloridaeast.org.
Saturday - 2/13 - Faith in Ministries' Love for Hope Ball for Children with Disabilities at Carolyn Sims Center, 225 N.W. 12th Ave., Boynton Beach. Honor youths with special needs at a dinner dance with awards, games and a silent auction. 5-9 pm. \$70 per couple, \$40 per adult, \$10 per child, free for those with special needs. 201-1196 or faithinmiracles.org.
2/13 - Junior Achievement of the Palm Beaches & Treasure Coast's Watch a Rising Star at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Discover the next big name in music at the 14th annual student stage show, which awards more than \$13,000 in scholarships. 6:30 pm. \$200. 242-9468 or juniorachievement.com.
2/13 - Everglades Foundation's ForEverglades Benefit at The Breakers, One S. County Road, Palm Beach. Get in on the It's Five O'Clock Somewhere-themed event featuring newsman Tom Brokaw, comedian Jim Gaffigan and country singer Alan Jackson. 7 pm cocktails, 8 pm dinner. \$1,000. 305-251-0001 or evergladesfoundation.org.
Thursday - 2/18 - Crohn's & Colitis Foundation's Book of Hope Luncheon at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Recognize Sabrina Kurzman, a tireless advocate for those with the debilitating diseases, during the 26th annual affair. 10:30 am. \$150. 218-2929 or ccfca.org.
Saturday - 2/20 - Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida's Emerald Awards 2016 at The Beach Club, 755 N. County Road, Palm Beach. Join the organization as it honors five Palm Beach County women and gives out the Lifetime Achievement Award for Philanthropy. 6-10 pm. \$275. 427-0190 or gssef.org.
2/20 - Boynton Woman's Club's Copacabana Gala at 1010 S. Federal Highway. Help support the upkeep of the club building while enjoying a buffet dinner with rum punch, dancing and a silent auction. 6:30 pm. \$65. 369-2300 or boyntonwomensclub.com.
2/20 - Dana-Farber Cancer Institute's 25th Anniversary Discovery Celebration at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. Benefit the institute by attending a fine-dining-style gala with musical entertainment by James Taylor. 7-11 pm. \$1,000. 833-2080 or dana-farber.org.
Monday-Thursday - 2/22-2/25 - Wayside House's Spring Boutique & Trunk Show at Delray Beach Center for the Arts, 51 N. Swinton Ave. Shop at the signature fundraising event that features vendors from throughout the country. 6-8 pm Feb. 22, 10 am-5 pm. Feb. 23-25. \$100 Feb. 22, \$5 Feb. 23-25. 666-9162 or waysidehouse.net.
Tuesday - 2/23 - Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's The Event With Henry Winkler at B'nai Torah Congregation, 6261 S.W. 18th St., Boca Raton. Celebrate the Jewish community at an annual extravaganza featuring a celebrated television icon. 6:30 pm cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, 7:30 pm program. \$95 cover. 852-5031 or jewishboca.org/theevent.
2/23 - Lighthouse Guild's POSH Palm Beach at Club Colette, 215 Peruvian Ave. Don't miss the annual dinner that raises money for addressing the needs of the blind, visually impaired and those with other disabilities. 7-11 pm. \$950. 828-1522 or lighthouseguild.org.
Thursday - 2/25 - Palm Beach Atlantic University's Women of Distinction at The Breakers, One S. County Road, Palm Beach. Honor Catharine Johnson Flagg and Jane Grace during the silver anniversary of the event. 11:15 am reception, noon luncheon. \$175. 803-2971 or pba.edu.
2/25 - Lorraine & Jack N. Friedman Commission for Jewish Education's 25th Anniversary Gala at Trump International Golf Club, 3505 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Honor Dorothy Adler, Alec and Sheila Engelstein and Michael and Marilyn Witner at a black-tie affair. 6:30 pm. \$500. 209-2617 or cjepb.org.
Friday - 2/26 - Dreyfoos School of the Arts Foundation's 25th Anniversary Gala: An Evening With Our Stars at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. Commemorate a milestone achievement and pay tribute to Alexander Dreyfoos for the philanthropist's ongoing commitment to and passion for the nationally recognized school. 7-11 pm. \$750. 805-6298 or soafi.org.
2/26 - Opportunity Early Childhood Education and Family Center's Opportunity Gala 2016 at The Breakers, One S. County Road, Palm Beach. Embark on an exciting evening of cocktails, fine dining and dancing at the signature fundraising event. 7-11 pm. \$400. 712-9221 or opportunityabc.org.
Saturday - 2/27 - The Unicorn Children's Foundation's Angel Ball at Boca West Country

Emerald Awards

The Beach Club, Palm Beach



Feb. 20: Girl Scouts of Southeast Florida will honor five Palm Beach County women while giving out the Lifetime Achievement Award for Philanthropy. Time is 6 to 10 p.m. Cost is \$275. Call 427-0190 or visit gssef.org. Photo: (l-r) Honorary Chairwomen Kathryn Vecellio, Suzi Goldsmith, Lois Pope and Donna Mulholland. Photo provided

Bethesda Ball

The Breakers, Palm Beach



March 5: Bethesda Hospital Foundation will celebrate one of the oldest galas in the county with its 61st annual fundraiser. This year's theme is Palm Beach Revisited, an Evening on Island Time. It's 6:30 p.m. for cocktails and 7:30 p.m. for dinner. Cost is \$375. Call 737-7733, ext. 84445, or visit bethesdahospitalfoundation.org. ABOVE: Committee members (l-r, front row) Laura Silver, Rosie Lopez-Viego, Kimberley Trombly-Burmeister; (back row) Annie Byers, Dale Kirk, Nicole Mugavero and Carrie Hill. Photo provided by Downtown Photography

Club, 20583 Boca West Drive, Boca Raton. Help raise proceeds to support awareness, education, acceptance and opportunity for children diagnosed with special needs. 6 pm-midnight. \$300. 620-9377 or unicornchildrensfoundation.org/gala.

special guest speaker. 11:30 am. \$125. 279-9103 or literacypbcc.org.

Friday - 3/11 - Naoma Donnelley Haggin Boys & Girls Club of Delray Beach's Be Great Celebration Dinner at Delray Beach Marriott, 10 N. Ocean Blvd. Honor the club's Youth of the Year and support children's programming. 6:30 pm cocktail reception, 7:30 pm dinner. \$200. 683-3287 or bgcpcb.org.

Saturday - 3/12 - Flagler Museum's Mad Hatter's Tea Party at One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Create festive bonnets and top hats, hear a story from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* and learn proper table etiquette during a Gilded Age-style gathering. 10 am. \$30 for members, \$45 for nonmembers. 655-2833 or flaglermuseum.us.

3/12 - Women's Circle's Circle of Hope Gala at Quail Ridge Country Club, 3715 Golf Road, Boynton Beach. Welcome Spring with a glorious evening celebrating empowerment and supporting education, job assistance and literacy for local women. 6 pm cocktails, 7:30 pm dinner. \$100. 244-7627, Ext. 105 or womenscircle.org.

Thursday - 3/17 - Boca Raton Museum of Art's Art Boca Raton Vernissage at Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. Celebrate the debut of the city's first four-day art fair with an exclusive preview, elegant cocktail party and dinner-by-the-bite. 6-10 pm. \$150-\$250. 392-2500, Ext. 208, or bocamuseum.org/vernissage.

Friday - 3/18 - The ARC of Palm Beach County's Cowboy Ball at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Drive, Palm Beach. Put on your ball gowns and boots, dance and dine the night away, bid in a live auction and take a chance in the casino. 7 pm. \$550. 842-3213 or arcpbc.org.

Wednesday - 3/30 - Hanley Center Foundation's Palm Beach Dinner at Club Colette, 215 Peruvian Ave., Palm Beach. Share an evening celebrating positive energy, the power of giving and recovery process. 7 pm. \$500. 841-1166 or hanleycenterfoundation.org.

Thursday - 3/31 - Hôpital Albert Schweitzer Haiti's White Hot Night at The Breakers, One S. County Road, Palm Beach. Honor Garcelle Beauvais, a Haitian-born film and television star, for supporting children on the island nation. 7 pm. \$500. 702-7471 or hashaiti.org.



To submit your event, contact Amy Woods at flamywoods@bellsouth.net.

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Pay it Forward

Gastronomical goodness to greet guests at Flavors of Boca

By Amy Woods

The Junior League of Boca Raton will set the table at a new venue this year for its Flavors of Boca fundraiser.

On Feb. 11, guests will gather at The Addison, a historical landmark-turned-event facility designed by famed architect Addison Mizner.

"I think the ambience is just going to be a ton of fun," said Molly Powers, Flavors of Boca co-chairwoman. "People are going to love the event."

The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. with mixing and mingling in a banyan tree-encircled courtyard dotted with cocktail stations and food booths. In addition to an open bar, 15 restaurants, led by Executive Chef Chairman Eric Baker, of Max's Harvest and Max's Social House, will ensure the affair

lives up to its name by serving savory samplings of fresh fare throughout the evening.

"Guests are getting a great deal, tons of food. And even though it's sampling, there are so many restaurants, you will get full," Powers said. "We're keeping the prices down. We want everyone to be able to come and be involved."

Proceeds will benefit the league's three primary mission areas: child welfare, hunger and nonprofit support.

"I think a lot of people feel like in Boca Raton, there's no problems, there's nobody who is going without food," Powers said. "Hey, around your own community there are people who are trying to feed their kids."

In 2015, the league supplied 12,000 pounds of food to Boca Helping Hands, an agency that

If You Go

What: Flavors of Boca
When: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Feb. 11
Where: The Addison, 2 E. Camino Real, Boca Raton
Cost: \$65 or \$125 for VIP tickets
Information: Call 620-2553 or visit www.jlbr.org/flavors-of-boca-raton

offers emergency assistance to needy people, and nearly 25,000 meals to South County charitable organizations. The league also runs a community garden that grows cucumbers, kale, lettuce, peppers, tomatoes and other organic produce, a portion of which is used to feed people who might otherwise go hungry.

"We donated 400 pounds of food last year from the garden. That's a lot," said Holly



Event Co-Chairwomen Holly Meehan and Molly Powers. Photo provided

Meehan, also co-chairwoman of the event.

Meehan said a multimedia display of the league's accomplishments will be presented that evening to inform the public how it achieves its goals and why.

"While I'm aware of the thousands of hours that my fellow Junior League members put in for volunteering ... I

don't know that the rest of the community is," she said. "I want to get that information out there."

In all, the league's members logged 35,000 service hours in 2015.

"That's great membership satisfaction for us," Meehan said. "It's nice to have the community know about what the Junior League does." ★

Animal Rescue's Doggie Ball returns to the spring

By Amy Woods

Tri-County Animal Rescue's Doggie Ball has jumped to a new date: April 10.

The fund-raiser was originally set for Jan. 31 to celebrate the 20th anniversary

of an organization founded on the principle of saving unwanted pets from euthanasia. But April won out because the event is traditionally in the spring.

"All of our regular supporters are so accustomed to having it in the spring that they voiced

their opinions," said Erica Tricarico, development director.

The more than 650 guests expected to attend the event will honor the group's executive director, Suzi Goldsmith, with the Jeannette Christos Award, named after the shelter's late

founder.

"People were saying, 'We really wanted to come, but why did you move it?'" said ball Chairwoman Sharon DiPietro.

Save-the-date cards announcing the change went out last month. ★

If You Go

What: Doggie Ball
When: 5:30 p.m. April 10
Where: Boca West Country Club, Boca Raton
Cost: \$250
Information: 581-8110 or www.tricountyhumane.org

BETHESDA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY



Dr. Miguel (Mike) Lopez-Viego is helping to shape the vision for Bethesda's Graduate Medical Education Program. He and his wife, Rosie, also serve as honorary chairs of the 61st Annual Bethesda Ball, which will benefit the Center for Medical Education.

THE CENTER FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION at Bethesda Health has the potential to shape the future of medical care in Palm Beach County. In partnership with Florida Atlantic University's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine, the program will allow resident physicians and medical students, as well as working physicians, nurses and other healthcare providers, to train with state-of-the-art facilities and medical faculty that rival any other teaching program in the country.

Building the nation's next leading medical academic program requires strong physician leadership. Dr. Miguel (Mike) Lopez-Viego, a surgeon with Bethesda Health Physician Group, is in the forefront of the initiative. "As a nonprofit community hospital, Bethesda has an obligation to seize this opportunity," he says. "We are building a graduate medical program that will attract and retain the best and brightest medical students, assuring the local community will have access to the highest levels of healthcare."

"I invite you to join us in this historic endeavor. Now is the time to help make this vision a reality."

— Dr. Miguel Lopez-Viego



BETHESDA HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

INVEST IN LIFE

Celebrations

The Holocaust & Humanity Project

Kravis Center, West Palm Beach – Nov. 7



More than 1,500 students attended a Holocaust survivor-inspired ballet based on the life story of Naomi Warren that was choreographed and written by Ballet Austin Artistic Director Stephen Mills. Mills conducted a master class the day before for seniors at Dreyfoos School of the Arts. **ABOVE:** Mills with (l-r) Jordan Wohl, Sasha Lazarus, Skylar Smith and Ximena Azurmendi. **Photo provided by Jason Nuttle Photography**

Boca Raton Bowl 2016

Florida Atlantic University Stadium, Boca Raton – Dec. 22



Spirit of Giving, a local nonprofit, partnered with 60-plus community organizations to bring more than 9,000 needy children and their families, along with 1,000 veterans, to the sporting event. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Scott Singer, Ann Rutherford, Linda Gunn Paton and Doug Paton. **Photo provided**

Corporate Partners Business & Breakfast Series

Kravis Center, West Palm Beach – Nov. 17



More than 100 local business leaders attended an informational event featuring Paul Leone, president of The Breakers Palm Beach and Flagler System. Leone gave an in-depth presentation of The Breakers' 119-year history. **ABOVE LEFT:** Jeff Stoops and Leone. **ABOVE RIGHT:** Danielle Cameron and Nathan Slack. **Photos provided by Lila photo**

Lions Forever

Town Center at Boca Raton – Dec. 4



It was a morning of sisterhood amid fashion, friends and fun as more than 50 female supporters of the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County gathered in Neiman Marcus to give Lion of Judah Endowment funds and enjoy a presentation and a fashion show. **LEFT:** (l-r) Freyda Burns, Elyssa Kupferberg and Florence Brody. **Photo provided**

Evening Under the Palms

Delray Beach Marriott – Jan. 16



Caridad Center's annual gala raised funds to provide dental and medical care to the working poor, furthering its mission of upgrading education, health and quality-of-life standards for underserved families. Board members Rick Retamar and Marie Speed received the Connie Berry Award, named after the organization's co-founder.

TOP: (l-r) Paul Zarcadoolas, Nancy Zarcadoolas, Esmé Menoud, Mark Menoud, Maylin Menoud and Lazaro Menoud. **BOTTOM LEFT:** Sanjiv Sharma and Nadine Allen. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** (l-r) Marie Speed, Connie Berry and Rick Retamar. **Photos provided by Harrington Photography**

Atlantic Community High School Eagles Baseball Event

Corner Bakery Café, Boca Raton – Dec. 17



The first in a series of fundraisers to ensure all students can participate on the team with equipment and uniforms took place before a crowd of more than 100. The team received a \$500 donation from the café, and a Go Fund Me campaign for the Eagles was announced. **LEFT:** (l-r) Ken Cordes, Alex Cordes, coach Steve Wilson and Delray Beach Mayor Cary Glickstein. **Photo provided**

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Celebrations

Heart of a Woman Luncheon

Boca Raton Resort & Club – Jan. 20



Guests at the ninth-annual event celebrated Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse's 30th anniversary with the theme '30 Years, 30 Faces – The Survivors, The Champions and Those Who Serve and Protect.' It honored women overcoming domestic abuse and 30 volunteers who have made a positive impact. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Catherine Colangelo, Denise Heimberg, Faith Tepper, honoree Gail Veros, Carol Niren and Joan Snyder. **Photo provided**

Keep Memories Alive – 10 Years of Memories

Town Center at Boca Raton – Nov. 1

More than \$300,000 was raised for Florida Atlantic University's Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center to support programs and services for families living with memory disorders. The fun-filled event brought together nearly 500 walkers, and highlights included live entertainment, the presentation of a city proclamation and prizes.

RIGHT: Louis and Anne Green. **Photos provided**



Sandler Family Major Gifts Event

The Polo Club of Boca Raton – Jan. 6

A crowd of 350 of the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's top donors enjoyed a cocktail reception, dinner and a speech by U.S. humanitarian aid worker Alan Gross at the annual gathering. Gross shared his experience of five years in a Cuban prison, how he survived and the life lessons learned.

RIGHT: Myron and Joan Kaufman. **Photo provided**



Authors' Showcase

Delray Beach Public Library – Jan. 10



The 17th annual affair geared toward readers and writers had a storybook ending as a crowd of more than 150 was able to meet and greet 12 participating authors and purchase autographed books from them. The free event takes place each year during National Book Month in January. **LEFT:** Author Suzanne Snyder-Carroll, with *On the Edge of Dangerous Things*. **Photo provided**



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Around Town

Ellie's throwback sedan cruising for a variance

Doo-wop or don't wop. **Ellie Smela's** favorite color is pink, but she and husband, **Bob**, are seeing red these days. All because of that '57 Chevy . . . the pink one that "loudly" proclaims, **WELCOME TO ELLIE'S 50's DINER** on Federal Highway at the north end of Delray Beach.

For 25 years, Ellie and Bob have been serving breakfast, lunch and backroom parties on North Federal with a generous helping of vintage rock 'n' roll.

The pink four-door Bel Air has been the landmark telling prospective customers they've come to the right place.

But a few weeks ago, when they received a notice from the city's Community Improvement Department that the Chevy was an "abandoned vehicle" and had to go, they were rocked to their very soul.

The seller delivered the car by truck, and Bob drove it only once — to Fort Lauderdale and back. The transmission was slipping, so he parked it out front. "I paid a little too much for it," Bob confessed, "but I can't move it. It's part of my business."

Bob's daily driver, by the way, is a Lexus; Ellie tools around town in a latter-day Volkswagen Beetle festooned with diner decor.

Technically, the original site plan filed a quarter century ago made no mention of the car. For one reason or another, no

one at City Hall took notice until Code Enforcement Officer **C.J. Lee** cited Ellie's for the "abandoned vehicle."

However, the Smelas met in late January with Community Improvement Director **Michael Coleman**, and the future looks rosy. A variance should allow the car to retain its pole position.

"Mike told me what to do," Bob Smela said.

Added Ellie, "I think it'll be OK. We've got a lot of people working on it for us."

They expect the car to be there in all its radiant beauty for the Valentine's Day party, complete with a lover's buffet and an Elvis impersonator.

But no making out in the back seat.

Details remain almost nonexistent, but **John Paul "J.P." Kline**, the force behind Delray's popular **3rd and 3rd** restaurant, died Jan. 15 at his mother's



Kline

Boca Raton apartment. However, no one was present at the time, and the case was referred to the county Medical Examiner's Office to determine a cause of death.

Instead of celebrating 3rd and 3rd's third anniversary on Feb. 18, staff will observe a day



The pink '57 Chevy in front of Ellie's Diner will likely be granted a variance to remain on the property along Federal Highway. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

of remembrance.

3rd and 3rd has no outside signs, but its fans have no trouble finding the place or feeling at home inside. The cuisine was imaginative. Artists could hang their work on the walls. Budding musicians could plug in and play.

In a message to *Broward/Palm Beach New Times*, manager **Sabrina Milroy** wrote, "True to John Paul's style of party, I would like to ask of the people to keep coming back and hanging out with us to help us keep John Paul's dream alive."

Death also had an effect on the **Boca West Foundation's 2016 Concert for the Children** set for April 5. Organizers of the benefit for several local youth-oriented programs were planning an "unforgettable" evening at **Boca West**: The 28-piece **Symphony of the Americas**, the **Atlantic City**

Boys and, as headliner, **Natalie Cole**.

On New Year's Day, however,



Cole

they would have preferred to forget everything. The night before in California, Cole, only 65, had died. Cause of death: heart failure caused by idiopathic pulmonary arterial hypertension, a lung disease that was diagnosed after her kidney transplant in 2009. Cole was participating because the beneficiaries of the concert included the **Nat King Cole Generation Hope**. Founded by Natalie's sisters and Boca residents **Timolin** and **Casey**, the foundation provides music instruction, mentoring and resources to schoolchildren with the greatest need and fewest resources. The sisters grieved, but knowing Natalie's dedication to the foundation, they began searching for a replacement, even as they made funeral plans.

Tributes were paid around the globe. At a New Year's Day concert in Pennsylvania, a multiple Grammy winner offered a salute with a few inspiring bars from Cole's



Franklin

Inseparable. "Thank you for all the great music, Natalie," **Aretha Franklin** added. Within days, the sisters had their "fill-in." The concert — Franklin headlining — is set for April 5 in Boca West amphitheater. Tickets are \$150, seating assigned by drawn lottery. (www.bocawestfoundation.org)

The **Allman Brothers**



Trucks

Band may have broken up, but, as the *Midnight Rider* draws, "the road goes on forever." Founding member and drummer **Butch Trucks**, a Palm Beacher, is working to develop two new bands: the **Freight Train** and **Les Brers**.

Freight Train includes Trucks' son **Vaylor** on guitar, **Berry Oakley Jr.**, son of the late Allman bassist, on bass, and keyboard legend **Bruce Katz**.

Having spent Christmas at his second home in France, Trucks was slightly jet-lagged when he arrived for the band's **Funky Biscuit** gig the next night.

In early development, the band also includes other family members and friends and a promising young woman from Tallahassee. They play lots of Allman hits, plus such classics



Gillis

as *Only You Know and I Know*, *Highway 61 Revisited* and *Ain't No Sunshine When She's Gone*, the last featuring guest performer **Heather Gillis** on guitar and vocals.

"She sat in with me a few months ago in Tallahassee and, in spite of how she looks, she blew me away with her version of *Ain't No Sunshine*," Trucks said. "She has the chops but is still looking for her own voice. What I do like is that we have a 21-year-old female in a band of ugly old men."

"She is not Duane yet, but her guitar playing sure as hell is far better than **Susan Tedeschi**, who everyone thinks is great. I'm giving her the opportunity to play with pros, and she may help us bring in some younger crowds. We shall see."

Nevertheless, the **Freight Train** will not stop April 14-16 at the **Wanee Music Festival**, the traditional Allman lovefest in Live Oak. The Allmans officially have broken up, but most of the members will cook with their high-powered spin-offs, and season the event with dozens of top bands and promising up-and-comers.

Of particular interest will be the debut of **Les Brers**, featuring Trucks, Allman percussionists **Jaimoe** and **Marc Quinones**, bassist **Oteil Burbridge**, former Allman guitarist **Jack Pearson** and **Katz** plus **Lamar Williams Jr.**, son of the late Allman bassist and harmonica man **Pat Bergeson**.

Other ex-Allmans on the bill: **Greg Allman**, **Warren Haynes' Gov't Mule** and his new group **The Ashes & Dust**

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Closer to home, **Robert Plant, Hall and Oates, The Avett Brothers, Miguel, Booker T. Jones, Ween and Mumford & Sons** headline the first **Okeechobee Music & Arts Festival** March 4-6 at **Sunshine Grove**, which promoters claim "will put Okeechobee on the map." The festival, with roots in **Bonnaroo**, offers 24-hour music from 80 acts on five stages, RV and tent camping, food trucks and lake swimming. Music fans no doubt also will hear a lot of plugs for Sunshine Grove, the real estate development where it all will happen (okeechobeeifest.com).



Joel



James

New best friends. Spotted lunching at **Brulé Bistro** in Delray over the Christmas holidays, new celeb residents **Billy Joel** (Manalapan) and **Kevin James** (Delray Beach).

Before heading back to New York for his monthly (Jan. 7) show at **Madison Square Garden**, Joel welcomed 2016 at the **BB&T Center** in Sunrise with assistance from James, who took a futile shot at "the lights on Broadway" before declaring the piano was "way out of tune."

Joining Joel onstage to kick off the new year were **Jimmy Kimmel** and Palm Beach

homeowner **Howard Stern.**

Years ago, Lake Worth's **Bamboo Room** cooked with national and regional performers and was also a choice place where local talent could hone their craft. Old-timers still recall one "songwriter's night" when a woman interrupted a rocking version of *The Wanderer* with "It's supposed to be original material," to which the singer **Dion** (DiMucci) replied, "Yeah, no kiddin'."

Nothing like that happening lately at Bamboo. New owners came in last year with promises to revive the scene, but so far, no top acts and it's only open Thursday through Saturday. Maybe Billy and Kevin could drop by and liven up the place.

While on the subject of old rock 'n' rollers, a hot show is coming to the **Carole & Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium at Florida Atlantic University** on March 18. Heading up "Pop, Rock & Doo Wopp Live!" is the "Wild One," **Bobby Rydell**, one of the early teen idols. Now 73, Rydell still has his hair and again has his health after liver and kidney transplants in 2012.

He'll be joined by **The Flamingos** (*I Only Have Eyes for You*), the **Shirelles'** original lead singer **Shirley Alston Reeves** (*Mama Said, Soldier Boy*), **Emil Stuchio & The Classics** (*Till Then*) and **The Mystics** (*Hushabye*). All proof that there's plenty of life left after 60.

A new doorman for **Whitehall.**

Retiring after 20 years on the job, **John Blades** on Feb. 28 will give up the keys to the glamorous former residence of Palm Beach developer and railroad magnate **Henry Flagler**. Taking over what is officially known as the

Flagler Museum will be **Erin Dougherty**, most recently



Blades

his wife, **Rena**, will likely be stepping out a lot more in the weeks and months ahead. As president and CEO of the **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County**, her first new task will be to kick off its new **Cultural Concierge Program** — a first not just for the council but for the global tourism industry.

The free service will assist individuals, families and big tour groups with customized travel experiences — perhaps a group tour to the **South Florida Fair**, a day at the **Morikami** or tickets to a performance at **Old School Square. Bama Lutes Deal**, a county native, arts expert and musicologist who has worked with the arts and cultural communities for more than three decades, will run the program.

Rena Blades also has this thing about money, specifically when making a case to spend it on culture. The **County Commission** is considering a bond issue or a 1 percent sales tax increase to pay for road and facility repairs and to improve county cultural attractions such as **Jupiter Inlet Lighthouse, the Norton Museum of Art, South Florida Science Center and Aquarium and Palm Beach Zoo & Conservation Society.**

"Nationally, 98 percent of proposed tax increases that include cultural funding are passed," Blades said. "The public knows how valuable it is. Plus every tax dollar spent brings in an additional two from the business community."

In New Jersey it was named the museum most worth traveling to, but we'll have wait a while to see if the **Silverball Pinball Museum**, soon to open in Delray Beach, will merit a "cultural" designation. The offspring of the legendary **Silverball Museum on Asbury Park's** boardwalk is incubating in the old Pineapple Groove site, just behind **Johnny Brown's.**

No feeding quarters into slots of nearly 200 pinball and other arcade machines packed into **Rob Ilvento's** Jersey operation; they are played and paid for by the hour. The setup is similar to Delray's other wizard hall, **Vintage Pinball**, which is accessed through the cigar shop at 916 SW Fifth Ave. It offers a \$10 daily pass. Let the games begin.

Just in time, the Force awakens. Thirty-nine years after the Millennium Falcon first raced through hyperspace, it's back with Luke, Leia, Chewie and Han Solo. So what if **Harrison Ford** is 73. He still cuts a heroic figure.

And the Force doesn't stop with the new flick. On March 4, at **Mizner Park Amphitheatre**, Ford as Indiana Jones will fill the screen in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*. The screening, marking a blockbuster opening weekend for the 10th annual **Festival of the Arts Boca**, will be enhanced by the Florida premiere of the score by a live



Kitsopoulos

Institute Orchestra.

The following evening, Kitsopoulos conducts **The Symphonia, Boca Raton** in the festival's first-ever opera,

orchestra. Festival conductor **Constantine Kitsopoulos** will lead the **University of Miami's Henry Mancini**

Mozart's *The Magic Flute*, in English. Sunday's bill features trumpet by **Herb Alpert** and vocals by wife **Lani Hall.**

The music continues March 11 with 13-year-old Balinese piano prodigy **Joey Alexander** and his trio performing *An American in Paris* with Kitsopoulos and The Symphonia. It wraps March 16 with violinist **Joshua Bell** performing Vivaldi's *Four Seasons* while conducting the **Lynn Philharmonia Orchestra, Jan McArt** narrating.

Not only music, the festival has always featured food for thought. *Washington Post* columnist, CNN host and author **Fareed Zakaria** (March 7) will discuss "Global Trends & Hot Spots"; author, neurobiologist and MacArthur "genius" **Dr. Robert Sapolsky** talks about "The Biology of Good and Evil" (March 8); and **Dr. Jay Winter**, author and historian, takes on "The Enduring Legacy of World War I and Its Impact on the 21st Century."

For tickets and information, go to www.festivaloftheartsboca.org.

Services on Feb. 14 at most liturgical churches will feature traditional Lenten hymns, but at **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church** in Lake Worth vespers will give way to music for lovers, with a candlelight concert by the **South Florida Harp Trio — Charlene Conner, Stacey Berkley and Nancy Ann Gillian.** A reception will follow, featuring chocolate desserts with hints of Bailey's, Moscato d'Asti and California zinfandel. (\$25 in advance, 582-6609)



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We feasted on Lenox Salad, with chopped perfectly grilled chicken breast halves served atop mixed greens.



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Included in the mix with the greens were avocado, bacon, garbanzo beans, blue cheese, tomatoes and olives. They were dressed with red wine vinaigrette.

We would have eaten dessert too, but we felt we had started on a sweet note with the popovers, so why not end on a healthy one?

— Scott Simmons

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TAP ROOM

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for 65 years started telling us about the good old days. Then we heard that in Prohibition they ran the numbers here and it was a speakeasy."

Nowadays, Caffe Martier occupies what was once the Arcade Tap Room's courtyard. A bar has replaced the central fountain, the palms are gone and a roof's arrived, but never mind. The new Old Arcade is still at 411 E. Atlantic Ave., and the back alley door to the side bar survives, with a neon arrow pointing to "The Old Arcade." The mahogany bar's original, and so's the woodwork on the walls and ceiling.

Old bars and restaurants gather a lot of myths and memories over the decades, and those grow sweeter when chased by alcohol, and time. Newspapers aren't a nickel anymore, or sandwiches 50 cents, and the man who made the Arcade Tap Room shine is long gone, too.

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Bill and Helen Kraus were honeymooners in their early 20s when they arrived in town in the mid-1920s. Bill had \$16, and Florida had a real estate boom that promised lots of work at good pay. The \$16 didn't last, and neither did the boom.



Kraus

at Atlantic Avenue and U.S. 1 before moving his business to the Arcade.

Designed by pioneer architect Samuel Ogren (1899-1988) for the Atlantic Avenue Co. in 1925, the two-story Mediterranean Revival building was intended for stores and offices, many of them selling real estate. Then the boom went bust and the Atlantic Avenue Co. along with it.

The landowner, Adolf Hofman (1871-1953), foreclosed, and then leased Kraus a small space in the arcade leading from the sidewalk to the courtyard. Kraus added sandwiches and buttermilk to his menu, and eventually the little shop expanded to three of those spaces.

In 1932, Kraus persuaded Hofman to rent him the large courtyard for an open-air restaurant and lounge. The Arcade Tap Room was born that year, and so was a daughter named Carolyn.

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"Well, I'm not sure I know all the facts," Carolyn Kraus Cunningham says. "I was just a baby. But it was no major speakeasy, I can tell you that."

Bill Kraus' daughter is 83 now and still living in town. Her father built the courtyard's Spanish fountain with the dolphin sculpture himself, she says, as well as the big mahogany bar.



A Dec. 5, 1936 *Palm Beach Post* classified ad seeking waiters.

As for the tales of secret passwords and bootleg booze, she has her doubts. True, rum runners from the Bahamas did dump their cargo on Delray Beach and bury it behind the dunes; but now some folks even claim there was a secret tunnel between the Tap Room and nearby Colony Hotel, for transporting illegal potables to the hotel guests.

"I never heard such a thing as that," Cunningham says. "My dad may have picked up some liquor from those boats. I hear that sort of thing."

In other words, Bill Kraus may have helped his coffee shop

regulars score a bottle, but if he did it wasn't for long. The Tap Room opened in 1932, and Prohibition died a year later.

"When it rained, people would run in and try to find a spot near the bar," Cunningham remembers. "And the waiters would run around with those flit guns to try and keep the mosquitoes off your legs."

The waiters were hired from Pullman railroad cars, she recalls. "They all dressed like Pullman car waiters, black pants and little white jackets. All the waiters were black."

One of those black employees, William "Willie" Franklin, became Kraus' trusted assistant, respected by both customers and co-workers.

"He was the bartender, and my father's right-hand man," Cunningham recalled. "He was there at all times and practically a partner."

Franklin's house is now a Delray Beach historic landmark.

Bill Kraus ran the business for 16 years and died of cancer in 1948. He was only 44, but in those 16 years he created what old-timers miss most.

Not the fountain, not the bar, but the sort of place where you could get a warm welcome, a cold beer and mix with rich and poor alike.

"I have a *Life* magazine autographed by J. Edgar Hoover," Cunningham boasts.

The FBI director and Sen. Richard Nixon, Errol Flynn and Gary Cooper, Joe Kennedy and Gloria Swanson came to Palm Beach, and then they came down to the Arcade Tap.

In the '40s and '50s, cartoonists now long forgotten rented the Tap Room's second-floor offices as studios. Pat Enright, the political cartoonist, and Fontaine Fox, creator of the "Toonerville Folks" comic strip. H.T. Webster and Zack Mosley. They drew upstairs, drank downstairs, and in time the Tap Room's walls were adorned with their work.

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When Bill Kraus learned he had cancer, he sold the business to Bert White, who ran it until his own death two years later. In the 1950s, Bunny Fertita, a Fort Lauderdale restaurateur, took over the lease, renamed the business the Charcoal Pit, added a roof to the courtyard and tore out the brick fireplace in the bar.

And then, in 1961, Jimmy Hallas arrived and ran the place for the next 28 years.

"It was a fabulous spot back then," Bruce Gimmy says. "I have great memories."

Gimmy was 21, a Michigan State University dropout when he arrived in 1964 and waited tables for a season.

"I got off the turnpike and drove in and it was like Tobacco Road here back then," he says. "Until you got across the railroad tracks, there was no

civilization."

Beers were 5 cents and mixed drinks 50. "Snooky Lanson. Remember Snooky Lanson?" Probably not. Lanson (1914-1990) was a big band singer who went on to host television's *Your Hit Parade* in the 1950s.

"One night Snooky Lanson hit his wife on the shoulder and she went backwards into the fountain." Gimmy still laughs at the memory. "I grabbed a leg and the maitre d' grabbed a leg and her dress went up and she wasn't wearing..."

You get the picture.

"I said, 'Are you all right?' and she said, 'We need another drink here,' and they went on like nothing happened."

Fifteen years later, Gimmy was back, and spent another seven, from 1979-1985, as the nighttime bartender.

"The drunks, you cut 'em off," he learned. "A number of guys thought I was pouring them a drink when I had my thumb over the bottle. You can get away with that when they're that drunk."

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By the 1960s, the population had surpassed 12,000, and Sandy Simon was no longer a little boy hawking newspapers. He was a grown man, and a customer.

"Everybody in town was there," he says. "Construction workers would drink with the very wealthy."

One night, he's sitting at the bar, nursing a glass of water with a lemon. Just water, Simon says. Honestly.

"And this construction worker thought it was vodka," he recalls with laugh. "How much you gonna have?" the construction worker asked.

"Well, my doctor says I should drink eight glasses a day."

The construction worker

paused, then, "Who's your doctor?"

Oh, the stories.

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On June 30, 1989, Jim Hallas closed The Arcade Tap Room. A trio played *For Once In My Life* while the old-timers dined on prime rib, pork chops, broiled flounder and memories.

Once upon a time, Hallas said, he served 500 meals a day and employed 125 people. Now he employed 21. Business was down 40 percent and he'd been trying to sell for two years.

"There's too many restaurants anymore," he said.

Bruce Gimmy worked for Hallas until that last day, and then opened The Trouser Shop, a clothing store just down the block.

"The last time I saw Jimmy, he was living in an apartment above where The Popcorn House is now and leaving for Greece," he says.

"Bruce," Hallas told him, tearfully. "I'm a failure. I've only got \$10,000."

No, you weren't a failure, Gimmy told him. He'd touched so many lives, both the help and customers, during those 28 years he owned that bar.

"Jimmy was a good guy," Gimmy says. "Charitable, kind to people, but his ego took over. He knew how to make money, but he didn't know how to manage it."

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Now the population of Delray Beach is 65,000, and the new Old Arcade is open for business.

"We're starting to get a group of regulars," Caffe Martier's Kamholtz says. "We're hoping by next season we'll be busy enough to have reserved seats at the bar and tables."

Kamholtz envisions a cozy spot with spirit and wine classes, movie nights, food and drink pairings.

Maybe even, for old times' sake, a password for entry from the alley.

"Being in a historic building and seeing the modernization under our feet, we just want to preserve a little of the history."

If he succeeds, the drinks won't be 50 cents, of course, and they'll be legal, but that wasn't what made the old Arcade Tap Room so successful anyway.

"If he wants to adopt the ethos of the original, it might work," Sandy Simon says. "The Arcade Tap Room is an iconic expression of the character of Delray Beach. Customer-friendly, generous drinks and reasonable prices. Excellent service and a warm welcome."

"I hope he succeeds and provides our downtown with some semblance of the original Bill Kraus Arcade Tap Room." ★

Much of the historic information in this story was gleaned from Remembering: A History of Florida's South Palm Beach County, by Sandy Simon; the Delray Beach Historical Society archives; and The Palm Beach Post. For more information, visit www.sandysimon.com and www.caffemartierdelray.com.

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Art

Three dimensions of Warhol at the Boca Museum

By Gretel Sarmiento
ArtsPaper Art Writer

A pastel-pink print featuring the word “Macintosh” and its logo in rainbow colors was the first Andy Warhol silkscreen Marc Bell bought for the practical purpose of adorning his Apple dealership in New York. The Boca Raton entrepreneur now owns a substantial number of them and is letting them go for the first time.

Not to worry: They haven’t gotten very far. The Boca Raton Museum of Art has the complete silkscreen suites from his collection on display through May 1.

Six years ago, another of Bell’s collections was featured at the museum in *The Magical World of M.C. Escher*. But unlike Escher’s work, Warhol’s art is colorful, and it was that bold use of color that attracted him from the start.

“It’s fun,” he said, adding that the Mac print remains “very dear to my heart.”

Loud colors and bold graphics are what museum-goers always expect to see in any exhibition revolving around Warhol. This 3-in-1 show, called *3x Warhol*, pairs the most known aspects of his work and the least known.

The most recognizable pieces are housed in the *Warhol Prints from the Collection of Marc Bell* gallery

space. Leading the way is bright yellow-and-pink wallpaper featuring a cow’s head. The cloning effect and vibrant hues announce we are about to enter Warhol land, where repetition builds reputation, as the artist once professed.

It is here that we find portraits of Marilyn Monroe, Queen Elizabeth and Chairman Mao, along with dollar signs, Mickey Mouse and 20 iconic Campbell’s soup cans from 1968 and 1969.

The soup can prints, based on the 32-canvas edition, appear to look the same at first glance. The industrial, mechanical quality of the top 10 — among which is the classic Tomato flavor — recalls the artist’s wishes to “be a machine.” But it softens up when it reaches the bottom 10, where fonts and colors get more playful. Have fun reading the labels, which range from Hot Dog Bean to Chicken ‘N Dumplings.

There is no tragedy or death here. No car crashes or electric chairs. Instead we are greeted by the glowing shapes of four gigantic flowers sitting flat against a grainy black-and-green background. The design in *Flowers* (1970) is simple, primitive and devoid of detail on purpose. The original two-page magazine foldout that inspired it had seven flowers. Warhol cut three and had



Campbell's Soup 1 (1968), by Andy Warhol. Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts / ARS / Marc Bell Collection

the photo run several times through the photostat machine at The Factory. He wanted only the essence to remain.

That mass-produced, assembly-line approach to the creative process is what had sentimental critics of the time

horrified. Though a minority, some still believe his pantry-inspired works did nothing to elevate art.

“People shouldn’t judge,” said Bell. “They say, ‘Oh, it’s

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Theater

Dramaworks undertakes O’Neill’s ‘Journey’

By Hap Erstein
ArtsPaper Theater Writer



Eugene O'Neill (1888-1953)

Even for a theater company such as Palm Beach Dramaworks whose mission is exploring the major plays of the American stage, it took a decade and a half to approach Eugene O’Neill’s *Long Day’s Journey into Night*, one of the great works of the 20th century.

“The organization had to be ready, I had to know for the

most part who my cast was going to be,” says producing artistic director William Hayes, who was to stage the Pulitzer Prize winner opening Feb. 4. “It’s a mountain, and it asks you to do a lot of dangerous things, because you have to dredge up a lot of emotions. It stirs things up in yourself and you have to feel strong and ready to go there.”

Long Day’s Journey is O’Neill’s most autobiographical play,

performed only after his death, as the dramatist had specified. It concerns the Tyrone family — fictional versions of the O’Neills — patriarch and stage actor in melodramas James, his wife and morphine addict Mary, and their two sons, Jamie and Edmund.

These are towering roles, which the cast members approached with reverence. “I think any actress looks at

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In this photo by Bob Colacello, Andy Warhol, right, sits with his silkscreen printer, Rupert Smith, on a ferry to Fire Island, N.Y., in 1979. **Courtesy Steven Kasher Gallery, New York**

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commercial.' You know what? It doesn't make it less art."

Kathy Goncharov, curator of contemporary art for the museum, agrees that the artist remains highly popular and was even ahead of his time.

"Certainly enough scholars, art historians and museums take him seriously," Goncharov said. "He really anticipated a lot of the good and the bad to come."

From a scholarly point of view, the record-covers portion of the exhibition is the most interesting. *Warhol on Vinyl: The Record Covers, 1949-1987*, on loan from the Cranbrook Museum, is dedicated to his career as illustrator and graphic designer. The section includes more than 50 covers ranging from classical music, jazz and rock-n-roll to soundtracks and international music.

There is the controversial banana cover from 1967 for the Velvet Underground & Nico album, which instructed the listener to "peel slowly" the yellow banana sticker and "see" a pink banana emerge.

Also on display is the memorable Rolling Stones' *Sticky Fingers* cover, which features a man's groin in tight jeans and an actual working zipper. The model's underwear is revealed when you pull it down. The identity of the jeans model on the black-and-white cover has been long disputed, with *The New York Post* asking "whose crotch is it anyways?" as recently as last year. Warhol never revealed the identity behind the bulgy crotch.

The most insightful section is *Bob Colacello: In and Out with Andy*, which consists of about 50 black-and-white photographs taken by the editor of *Interview* magazine from 1971 to 1983. It is the first solo museum exhibition by the self-proclaimed "accidental photographer" who documented Warhol's inner circle and the New York social scene with a Minox camera.

This loyal plastic companion, small enough to carry in a pocket, let him capture the raw and spontaneous poses of celebrities, aristocrats, and politicians in formal and



Andy Warhol did this cover for the posthumous John Lennon album *Menlove Ave.* **Photo provided**

informal settings. The candid, down-to-earth images feature subjects such as Mick Jagger, Diana Vreeland, Roman Polanski, Valentino, Liza Minnelli and Truman Capote, in playful moods, relaxing and sometimes trashed.

The Pop Art artist himself emerges as less of a workaholic and more of a party animal, giving out hugs and laughing. It's a very different portrait from David Bowie's *Andy Warhol* song: "He'll think about paint and he'll think about glue. What a jolly boring thing to do."

Boring is not housed here. By Warhol's own definition of a great picture — catching someone glamorous doing something unglamorous — there are tons of great pictures here. There is the artist, mouth wide open, grabbing a bite from his fork. He is sitting next to an unidentified man while his tape recorder rests on his lap.

"He called it his wife Sony," said Goncharov of the tape recorder he took everywhere.

In another unflattering photo taken at his Naples Hotel Suite, the artist wears nothing but a white, long-sleeved shirt, jockey shorts and socks. Legs crossed and eyes barely open, he appears to be enjoying breakfast sitting on a floral couch. The lack of sunlight in the room suggests it is still dark outside.

In some cases, the titles

IF YOU GO

3X Warhol, featuring *Warhol Prints from the Collection of Marc Bell*; *Warhol on Vinyl: The Record Covers, 1949-1987*; and *Bob Colacello: In and Out With Andy*, runs through May 1 at the Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real, Mizner Park, Boca Raton.
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Info: 392-2500, or www.bocamuseum.org.

provided by Colacello are more revealing than the images.

"Photographer Berry Berenson, Marisa's kid sister, doles out vitamins to her actor husband Tony Perkins," reads one caption from 1978. The word "vitamins" might get a few laughs.

Laughs, nostalgia and a few wild surprises in the form of video installations promise to make this an unforgettable exhibition, although its intention is the same as every Warhol show: to test his relevance against this crazy modern world.

To Bell, relevance is not even a question.

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it and dreams about it," says Tony Award nominee Maureen Anderman, who plays Mary Tyrone, joining the cast in mid-rehearsals when Joy Franz withdrew for "personal reasons." "The words are incredible, as are the emotions that come out. It's magnificent. It really is."

Recalling her reaction when the phone call came, asking her to join the cast just two weeks before the production was scheduled to open, Anderman says, "I was shaking. I was just shaking, but I thought, 'This doesn't come around often. Here I am, my brain still works, I can still act and this isn't going to come again.' I just thought I would plunge in and not look back. I didn't have time to think about it, fortunately."

Frequent Dramaworks veteran Dennis Creaghan (*A Delicate Balance*, *Freud's Last Session*), now playing James Tyrone, agrees about the dramatic power of O'Neill. "The people who write these things are poets. He's in the same league with Shakespeare and (Arthur) Miller. These are the greats. They write the great words, words you want to say."

Like most major roles that actors are drawn to, they can see a bit of themselves in the characters.

"There's her Catholicism, which I can totally relate to," notes Anderman. "Her drug addiction which, blessedly, I don't have that issue. And her



From left: Michael Stewart Allen, John Leonard Thompson, Dennis Creaghan and Maureen Anderman in Eugene O'Neill's *Long Day's Journey into Night*, opening this month at Palm Beach Dramaworks. **Photo by Samantha Mighdhol**

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Long Day's Journey into Night opened Feb. 4 and runs through March 6 at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St., West Palm Beach. Tickets: \$64. Call 514-4042.

relationship with her husband, being married to an actor." Anderman is married to stage and screen performer Frank Converse.

Creaghan feels that everyone should be able to relate to the play. "It's the great theme, 'Why are we here?' With this little three score and ten that we're allowed, what do we do with it?"

Do we use it well? Do we not use it well? The great writers write about this.

"And it's the primal group, it's your family. The parents and their offspring. You're never closer to anybody than you are to those people."

As director Hayes puts it, "Just as the playwright is exorcising his demons — he says he wrote the play to forgive the four haunted Tyrone — somehow it helps us deal with our own situations, because we're relating to what's going on within their family dynamic."

"There is love in this home, but little understanding, or helping or connecting," says Hayes. "It's a dysfunctional love, but there is love there."

"The play is relentless. It's

O'Neill and once you step into that world ...," Anderman says, her thought trailing away. "They keep talking about the fog surrounding you in the play. Well, O'Neill surrounds you and you step into his world and you're in a different environment."

Rather than do a lot of research on the O'Neill family, which she really has no time for, Anderman is drawing almost exclusively from the script of *Long Day's Journey*. "I think it's more helpful and clearer just to concentrate on the play. You really don't need any more than what's on the page," she says "And every time I go over it, I find new things. And I'll continue to, until the end of the run."

For his part, Creaghan finds James Tyrone "not a terribly complicated man."

"He's the result of his upbringing, which was just awful poverty. And he grows up and finds a way to make an awful lot of money," referring to the character's repeated performances in the melodrama, *The Count of Monte Cristo*. "It seems to answer his need, but he also has this very artistic side that he has to give up. It's a Mephistophelian bargain and he sells his soul and regrets it for the rest of his life."

Advising potential audience members who may feel intimidated by O'Neill and his reputation as a master tragedian, Anderman says, "If they want an extraordinary theatrical experience — which you don't get often — I think this will really touch people, in their hearts. They'll look at themselves differently. This is a family and these people say things that most people in families these days won't say, even if they're feeling it."

The operative word in the play's title is "long." Hayes selected a text used by the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, which has some cuts approved by the O'Neill estate.

Even so, he says, "I think with one intermission, I think it will be under three and a half hours."

When asked if that will be exhausting for his audience, he responds, "It should be. Exhausting, exhilarating, disturbing, unsettling and moving."

ArtsPaper News

Nonprofit chief: Support pro-arts candidates

WEST PALM BEACH — The head of Americans for the Arts says it's imperative for people to support political candidates who understand the importance of arts and culture to their constituents.

"The arts create a competitive edge for cities," Robert Lynch said in urging an audience at the Kravis Center last month to promote pro-arts candidates. "It's our secret weapon, but we'd like to make it less secret."

Lynch, president and CEO of Americans for the Arts, a Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit, spoke Jan. 8 to a group of Palm Beach County arts representatives at the Kravis's Khoury Dance Rehearsal Hall. In his talk, Lynch pointed out that artistic activities account for about \$698 billion of annual U.S. GDP, or around 4.5 percent.

Citing Americans for the Arts surveys, Lynch said 89 percent of Americans believe the arts are necessary for well-rounded education programs in grades K-12. And, he said, 87 percent believe the arts are important to the quality of life in their own communities.

Young theater aspirants wanted for competition

BOCA RATON — The National Society of Arts and Letters is offering musical theater performers ages 18 to 25 a chance to win \$10,000 in a competition.

Its annual Musical Theatre Competition, which takes place in May in Phoenix, will feature performers chosen from the winners of contests at various local chapters. The Boca Raton-based Florida East Coast Chapter, which covers Jacksonville to the Keys, awards prizes ranging from \$2,000 to \$750 for first, second and third place.

The deadline to enter the local competition is Feb. 22. A downloadable application can be found at www.nsalfloridaeast.org. The competition will be March 5 at the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall on the campus of Lynn University in Boca Raton. The public is invited.

First-place winner will receive an all-expenses-paid trip to Phoenix to compete in the national contest during the society's annual meeting from May 17 to 22.

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Theater

Creepy but intriguing: 'Reborn' opens Arts Garage's new black box space

By Hap Erstein
ArtsPaper Theater Writer

Go ahead, Google it. There really are reborn dolls, vinyl playthings that have been transformed to resemble human babies with as much realism as possible, often employed as substitutes for recently deceased children.

Don't feel bad if you were unaware of the real-world curiosity. Neither were the cast members of *Reborn*, a creepy little stage play by Zayd Dohrn now running at Delray Beach's Arts Garage in its newly created black-box space.

"It's incredible. I had no idea, but it's a pretty interesting thing to have a play about," says Elizabeth Price, who returns to the Garage after appearing last season in *The How and the Why*. She plays reborn doll artist and former drug addict Kelly. "Yeah, it's creepy, but also kind of an interesting social phenomenon and really intriguing."

In the play, Kelly and her artist husband Daizy (Nicholas Wilder), who live and work in Queens, have their lives disrupted in unexpected ways when an older woman named Emily (Deborah Kondelik) walks into their lives, commissioning Kelly to make a very specific doll.

Beyond that, the cast and their director, Keith Garsson, would rather not say much about what happens.

"There are surprises along the way," concedes Price. "It keeps you guessing and I think by the end you're still guessing, which I like."

"It twists as it unfolds," adds Kondelik, who teaches drama at Broward College. "It's a real roller coaster."

Garsson's first encounter with a reborn doll was not on the page, but at Boca Raton's Town Center Mall. There he saw a woman with one such doll in a baby carriage. "It took me a minute to realize that was not a real baby," he recalls. "As I was staring at it, somebody said



Nicholas Wilder, Deborah Kondelik and Elizabeth Price star in *Reborn*. Photo provided by Lloyds Studio

to me, 'Yeah, creepy.'"

Even creepier is Dohrn's psychological thriller, which Garsson likens to the plays of Nobel laureate Harold Pinter. As he puts it, "The appeal for me is the Pinteresque quality, that everything is fine and then the menace arrives."

He quickly recognized that *Reborn* would appeal to the audience he is developing at Arts Garage. "Number one and most importantly, it's something they will not have seen before. Number two, it's a great story. And number three, it bridges the generations," says Garsson. "We have an element to it that the traditional theater audience these days can appreciate, but the story itself reaches out to the next generation. The generation we were able to capture with 'Sex with Strangers.'"

"Like most good scripts, the actual reborn doll is just a platform to tell a story about characters affected by it," he says. "I hope people will

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Reborn runs through Feb. 14 at the Arts Garage, 94 NE Second Ave., Delray Beach. Tickets: \$30-\$45. Call 450-6357.

come away talking about the emotional impact the reborn dolls have on the characters."

"I like the juxtaposition of the highly dramatic with the comedic," says Kondelik. "It's so integrally woven. It's funny sometimes, but it's not, y'know?"

"I think audiences will be attracted by the mystery of it and to what these characters are dealing with," says Price. "I think there's a good possibility that they'll identify with one of the two women. It's an exciting night at the theater, a play which offers an unusual story that you haven't seen before, that takes you to places you don't expect, with characters who are intriguing."



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Flagler Museum director retiring after 21 years

PALM BEACH — John Blades, executive director of the Flagler Museum in Palm Beach, will retire at the end of this month, the museum said.

Blades has been the museum's executive director since June 1995, and is credited with overseeing the revitalization of the museum, which began life as Henry Flagler's Whitehall mansion. The Florida railroad builder and his wife Mary used Whitehall as a winter retreat

from 1902 to 1913.

Under Blades' stewardship, the museum received new climate control and electrical systems, a research library and office building, and saw the restoration of Car No. 91, Flagler's personal railroad carriage.



Blades

Among many other things, Blades also established a popular chamber music series and the annual Easter Egg

Hunt, and opened the Café des Beaux-Arts.

In addition, Blades has overseen the publication of several books, more than 100 store products, two websites and live webcasting of the museum's lectures, as well as regular art exhibitions.

Blades will be succeeded Feb. 29 by Erin Dougherty, currently head of the Historical Society of Princeton in New Jersey. Blades will assist in the transition.

— Staff report

Art & Antiques

Washington's hair: Presidential memories at arts and antiques fair

By Steven J. Smith
ArtsPaper Writer

Organizers of the 13th annual Palm Beach Jewelry, Art and Antique Show say the event just got a whole lot bigger than ever before.

Scott Diament, president and CEO of the Palm Beach Show Group, said the event will expand from five to seven days — Feb. 10-16 — and feature more than 170 international exhibitors, a lecture series and a Designer Showcase, all taking place at the Palm Beach Convention Center at 650 Okeechobee Blvd. in West Palm Beach. It precedes another four-day event, across the state at the Naples Exhibition Center from Feb. 20 to 23.

“This is the first time we’ve gone with the seven-day format, at the request of the dealers,” Diament said. “For the last four years they’ve requested two extra days, calling it the best show in the United States. This year I was able to get more time from the Convention Center.”

Diament added items to the show that will encompass multiple genres, juxtaposing many periods and movements. Visitors will have the opportunity to view and purchase fine art across a broad spectrum from Old Master, German Expressionist, 18th- and 19th-century European, American regionalist, to modern and contemporary. Some of the world’s finest collections of silver, glass, textiles, sculpture, porcelain, Asian art, furniture, antique and estate jewelry will also be on display.

“There are items for \$500 and items for \$20 million that kings, queens and princes once owned,” he said. “There will be diamonds, furniture from the 18th and 19th century, tapestry, porcelain, fine art and antiques. You can also come as an entry-level collector and buy here, because there is something for everyone.”

Bill Rau, CEO of M.S. Rau Antiques in New Orleans, said since the show coincides with President’s Day Weekend, his organization plans to provide an interesting array of presidential offerings of historical significance to supplement the many fine art, jewelry and antique items it plans to offer at the show.

These include George Washington’s hair and funerary case shavings (\$22,850), a John F. Kennedy figural walking stick (\$985), Jim Garrison’s court case files around the JFK assassination trial (\$168,500) (made famous in the movie *JFK*), a George Washington cameo mourning pendant



The show includes Jim Garrison’s court case files around the JFK assassination trial (\$168,500), made famous in the movie *JFK*. Photo provided

(\$34,500) and a President John Quincy Adams land certificate (\$8,850).

“In addition, we have two copies of the Zapruder film of President Kennedy’s assassination, which are extraordinarily rare,” Rau said. “We also have a pin that Martha Washington wore as well as a couple of pieces of china from the first presidential palace in New York. And we have china from Washington’s Mount Vernon home as well.”



Rau added he plans to bring an original German Enigma machine, developed by Alan Turing, which was featured in the recent movie *The Imitation Game*. The machine deciphered messages about German troop movements and gave the Allies a decided advantage during World War II.

“Most experts believe the machine shortened the war by two years,” he said. “Some believe it actually won the war for the Allies.”

M.S. Rau Antiques has been around for 104 years, Rau added, and is “the largest art and antique gallery in the Western Hemisphere.” The business has been in the Rau family for three generations.

“We look for things that people like to show off,” he said. “I’m not saying that in a negative sense. We specialize in items that people take great pleasure in. We’re bringing paintings to the show by Monet, Van Gough, Pissarro and Renoir. We’re bringing a painting by Winston Churchill, who was actually an accomplished artist. We like to bring beautiful things, with big names, of historical significance.”

An important aspect of owning great works of art, jewelry or antiques is staging them advantageously in one’s

home. Diament said the Designer Showcase — curated by renowned interior designer Campion Platt — will feature room vignettes utilizing art, antiques and accessories supplied by show exhibitors. “Campion operates in New York and Palm Beach,” Diament said. “He has selected a handful of other designers to participate with him in creating these vignettes. This will allow people to experience the paintings, objets d’art and antiques commingled in staged rooms so that they can better envision these treasures in their

own homes.” The lecture series will include, free of charge, presentations on topics such as the art of appraising, the Cultural Revolution in China and wallpaper decors in historic and contemporary settings, all moderated by respected dealers and industry experts. The show will kick off with an invitation-only VIP opening night preview party from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 10. “We expect to see collectors, interested parties, people who have come to the show before,

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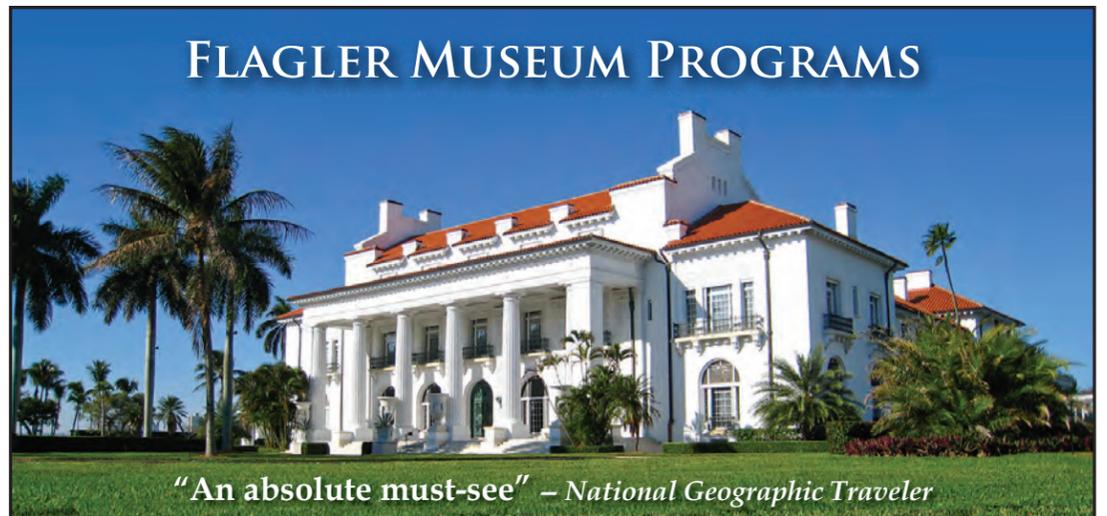
General admission tickets are \$20 per person and valid for all general show days, Feb 11-16. Show hours are 11 a.m.-7 p.m. except Feb. 16, when it ends at 6 p.m.

The show has negotiated a room rate of \$280 per night at the Hilton next door to the Convention Center, which can be accessed and booked through www.palmbeachshow.com.

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art advisers, museum curators and interior designers at the preview party,” Diament said. “But there’s also the possibility for those interested to purchase a ticket for \$125 for the party, which for them begins at 5 p.m.”

“This is the largest vetted art, antique and jewelry show in the U.S.,” he said. “The size, the caliber and the quality are at a very high-end level. There is 100,000 square feet of space for us, which allows us to present a show that has extraordinary depth and breadth. You couldn’t see everything, even if you spent the whole week. We have a restaurant, a sushi bar, a coffee bar and a champagne bar. It really is a cultural experience.”



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ArtsPaper Reviews

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Son of Saul (opened Jan. 29)

Son of Saul is a symphony of genocide in surround-sound. Trucks heave and chug, carrying the cargo of lives soon to be incinerated. Death machines hiss and pound and whir, and metal scrapes metal. Gunfire and bombs resound from the near distance. Dogs bark at everything. There are wails, protests and prayers in Yiddish that are untranslated, because why bother?

The setting is Auschwitz in 1944, and aside from some exteriors late in the film, we never leave the death camp. The aural cacophony alone is stifling, to say nothing of the visuals. Shooting in the square 1:33:1 aspect ratio, first-time Hungarian director László Nemes restricts our vantage to the cloistered perspective of Saul Auslander (Géza Röhrig), our Virgil in this infernal milieu. Saul is a member of the Sonderkommando — a group of hundreds of Jewish prisoners forced to shepherd their own kind to the gas chambers and then clean up the “pieces” — until they themselves are deemed no longer necessary.

They cope with the ceaseless traumas of their position in various ways; some plan a resistance and revolt, enlisting Saul to assist them in smuggling gunpowder for a pending takeover. But Saul’s obsessive motivation is more

basic: When he sees the body of a young boy, he becomes convinced that it is his son, and will spend the rest of the picture’s running time attempting to clandestinely arrange a proper Jewish burial for the boy.

Whether the child is Saul’s is immaterial. Saul is one cog in a mechanism of death, striving for the one minor disruption he might be able to control — the one quest to grant meaning to his dwindling life.

The film’s presentation is so uncompromisingly matter-of-fact, so coarse, so deadened in every way that even audience members with flimsy floodgates probably won’t need a hanky. It is possibly the first Holocaust drama since *Shoah* to sensationalize nothing, and if this landmark achievement is difficult to grasp and comprehend — let alone enjoy — that is very much the point.

— ArtsPaper Staff

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago (Duncan Theatre, Jan. 22)

Hubbard Street Dance Chicago made a great impression as part of the Duncan Theatre’s popular dance series in Lake Worth.

The polished company that started more than 30 years ago as a jazz and tap dance troupe performing in the parks of Chicago has morphed into a top-notch contemporary dance organization that performs all over the world. The works presented were taut and dense and the dancing onstage



Saul (Géza Röhrig) goes about his grim job in the unflinching Holocaust film *Son of Saul*. Photo provided

glistened with rich movement dynamics that the company members seemed to inhabit with ease and clarity. Under the direction of Glenn Edgerton, HSDC’s inherent sense of sleekness was enhanced by a sense of real substance.

Out of Keeping, the first dance on the program, set the tone for the absorbing evening of repertory works. Choreographed by company member Penny Saunders, a West Palm Beach native and a graduate of the Harid Conservatory in Boca Raton, its movement vocabulary was refined and unexpected with its many stops, arm gestures, pliant *pliés* and quick impulse initiations. The 10 dancers were articulate as they marked out their steps, drawing us into the intimacy of their movement.

The work that really packed the wow was *N.N.N.N.* by William Forsythe. It was completely fascinating. While watching the dancers’ skill in initiating and reacting to each other with highly complicated gestural and interactive movement sequences, audience amazement grew exponentially

as the work progressed.

— Tara Mitton Catao

South Pacific (Wick Theatre, through Feb. 14)

Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II brought the musical into the modern era, bolstering the form and investing it with serious themes like racial prejudice, without stinting on the romance or lushly melodic songs.

All of their achievements are evidenced in their third collaboration, 1949’s *South Pacific*, now onstage at Boca Raton’s Wick Theatre. This well-sung, traditional presentation is likely to satisfy.

Both the romance and negative bias are evident in the relationship between French plantation owner Emile De Becque (Nat Chandler) and a self-described “hick from the sticks,” Navy nurse Nellie Forbush (Adrienne Hick). She falls in love with him, but balks when she learns that he produced two children with a Polynesian woman.

And in the formulaic secondary love story, Princeton-educated lieutenant Joe Cable (Marc Koeck) is smitten by an island girl, Liat (Jen Chia), but his prejudices get in the way of their happiness together.

Much has changed in the efficiency of storytelling in musicals in the 66 years since *South Pacific* was written, so even though director Norb Joerder moves matters along

well, the enchanted evening still clocks in at three hours.

Still, those who voted for the show probably wanted to hear the score, full of songs now thought of as classic standards, including *Some Enchanted Evening*, *Bali Hai* and *You’ve Got to Be Carefully Taught*.

Josieu Jean projections are becoming a Wick signature as his location-setting animated visuals demonstrate. Unfortunately, so is the pre-recorded music, which prevents the spontaneity of live performance.

— Hap Erstein

Carmen (Palm Beach Opera, Jan. 24)

Georges Bizet’s *Carmen* is a box-office lock, as the recent performance at the Kravis Center amply demonstrated.

But because of that, opera companies have been known to take it easy production-wise and let the music do most of the communicating. Thankfully, Palm Beach Opera brought this tale of obsession and tragedy back to life with respectful skill and excellent singing.

Israeli mezzo-soprano Rinat Shaham was a fine Carmen, with a forceful, dark mezzo, a fine sense of musicianship, and good acting chops.

Opposite her as Don José was American tenor Leonardo Capalbo, and he was wonderful. Not only does he have one of those inimitable Italianate voices that define the opera-going experience for so many viewers, but he also acted the role beautifully. Greek soprano Eleni Calenos was a good Micaëla, with a voice on the lighter side. American baritone Zachary Nelson was an excellent Escamillo, all swagger and pride, and with a big, confident voice that commanded attention.

This *Carmen* stayed true to tradition, anchored by a group of voices that were cannily cast and indicative of a much richer vocal bench than has been the norm for this troupe.

— Greg Stepanich

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Literature

Kravis Center program offers Pulitzer-caliber writing coach

By Steven J. Smith

Pulitzer Prize-nominated author Julie Gilbert has launched her 11th season as the instructor of the Kravis Center's Writers' Academy, in which aspiring writers participate in a variety of programs aimed at helping them hone their craft. "I was a published writer at age 25 and when I digested that I was a writer, a real writer, I decided that I wanted to teach," she said. "It can be a long time between books coming out, and I needed to apply what I had learned from myself and test it out on others."

Gilbert has been writing for the better part of her 69 years. She received a National Book Critic's Circle Award nomination for her biography *Ferber: Edna Ferber and Her Circle*, which examined the life of her famous great-aunt, a formidable author in her own right.

"My great-aunt was the star of the family," she said. "She informed most of my life and my choices. She was a great role model of someone who grabbed the brass ring and never let go."

Gilbert's Pulitzer nominations came for *Opposite Attraction: The Lives of Erich Maria Remarque and Paulette Goddard*, and her novel *Umbrella Steps*.

Gilbert first opened a writer's wing at the YWCA in her native New York City, which led to a 15-year teaching stint at New



Julie Gilbert has been running the writing program for 10 years. **Photo provided**

York University. When she came to Florida, she was hired by Florida Atlantic University to teach writing. But that became difficult when she felt pulled back to New York, where she still lives most of the time.

"I was thinking geographically it was a little tough," she said. "That's when a friend took me to the Kravis Center and they hired me to run the Writers' Academy from December until the end of April."

The Writers' Academy offers four programs: "Kickstart Your Writing Ability," a two-hour one-off that lets aspiring writers "dip an exploratory toe" into the craft; "Writers' Launch," a pad from which to jump up and grab the tools needed to begin; "The Writers' Circle," which serves as a safe haven for writers to explore expression and further hone their craft; and

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- "Kickstart Your Writing Ability" costs \$25.
 - "Showcase the Writing" is free to writers, but audiences pay to hear their works read aloud.
 - "Writers' Launch" is \$300 for eight sessions (there are four this month).
 - "The Writers' Circle" is \$500 for eight sessions.
- Registration for these sessions is now closed, but those interested in auditing one can do so by obtaining Gilbert's permission. Gilbert also holds tutorials on a freelance, hourly basis. For more information, contact Keena Gumbinner at 651-4339 or go to www.kravis.org/writers.

"Showcase the Writing," another one-off where Writers' Circle members get to introduce their works to the public. Gilbert recommended that the sessions be taken in that order.

"I like to have everyone know me and my way of working before they go into 'The Writers' Circle,'" she said. "There is a dynamic in the 'Circle,' because many people have been working with me for 11 years. There's a language there, if you will — a kind of shorthand. The

'Launch' program uses exercises as springboards to see whether the writing life is a healthy one for the person who thinks that it might be. It starts with the goal of writing a short story. 'The Writers' Circle' is for advanced writers who come back year after year."

The writing genres she focuses on are memoirs, novels, biographies, essays, short stories and playwriting.

Susan Goldfein has been taking Gilbert's workshops for

about seven years.

"Julie was instrumental in helping me find my voice," she said. "With her, we worked through different types of writing and right away she got what I was good at — humorous personal essays in the vein of Nora Ephron or Erma Bombeck. She was very encouraging to me to move in that direction."

"Now I have a blog where I post two essays a month and I've developed quite a readership. And I credit Julie for inspiring me to make that happen."

Gilbert said teaching writing "has taught me that it's a very private exercise."

"If you don't use it, you lose it. You must write pretty much every day. I always think if you use parts of yourself in your writing, you're better off than if you go looking for other people's lives to invade," she said. "I'm very much a proponent of writing based on truth. I think Harry Chapin expressed it best in his song 'Greyhound,' where he wrote, 'It's got to be the going, not the getting there, that's good.' That's my mantra."

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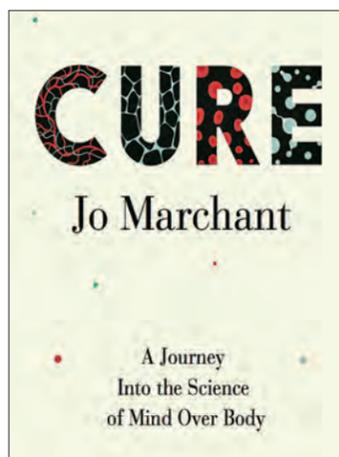
Beyond the pills and placebos:
A look at mind over the matter of illness

Cure: A Journey into the Science of Mind over Body, by Jo Marchant; Crown, 300 pp., \$26

By Bill Williams
ArtsPaper Writer

Placebo-controlled medical trials “have been one of the most important developments in medicine, allowing us to determine scientifically which medicines work and which don’t, saving countless lives in the process,” writes Jo Marchant in this compelling new book.

Researchers test the efficacy of new drugs by dividing patients into two groups. One group receives medicine, while the other receives a fake pill. Patients do not know which group they are in, but studies have shown that those who take the placebo often do as well as



those who receive real medicine. “If a promising therapy is shown to be no better than [a] placebo, it is thrown out.”

British author Marchant traveled widely and dug deeply to investigate alternatives such as meditation, prayer, hypnosis, and strong social relationships.

Although nearly 40 percent of Americans use some form of complementary or alternative medicine, the U.S. National Institutes of Health spends less than 0.2 percent of its \$30 billion annual budget testing mind-body therapies.

The author cites studies about meditation’s positive effect on the brain while noting there is no evidence that it can cure disease. She describes the case of a British man, Gareth Walker, who was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis and then found pain relief through daily meditation. Although he feels much better, he still has MS.

Marchant says her study persuaded her that the regular practice of mindful meditation “has the potential to change both our minds and our brains.”

Since late in the last century, doctors have aggressively pursued the goal of pain relief, while sometimes ignoring the serious side effect of addiction. Pharmaceutical companies make millions of dollars from the sale of pain relief pills and

have no interest in promoting alternative therapies.

In a chapter titled “Fountain of Youth: The Secret Power of Friends,” the author details the negative impact on health of social isolation, which is as harmful as smoking and drinking. Those who live alone typically die younger than those who have friends and relatives in their lives.

The most provocative chapter may be “Looking for God: The Real Miracle of Lourdes,” the site in France where a 14-year-old girl claimed to have had visions of the Virgin Mary in 1858. Since then, millions of seriously ill pilgrims have visited Lourdes hoping for cures. Marchant spent time at the site in an effort to gain a better understanding of its allure

and alleged miracles. Since 1858, more than 7,000 visitors to Lourdes have reported cures of ailments, including tuberculosis,

blindness and cancer. A committee that investigates the claims says it can verify 69 such cures as miracles. Marchant decided to look into a case involving a man who claimed that his cancer disappeared after a visit to Lourdes. She presented the man’s medical records to a cancer expert, who concluded that the man, in fact, did not recover from a deadly cancer, but from a milder form that was treatable.

Of course, that does not mean no miracles have occurred at Lourdes, but scientists and others are skeptical.

The book’s main thesis, as the subtitle suggests, involves the power of mind over body. “The striking thing about Lourdes ... is that cured or not, everyone I talk to here feels that they have experienced a miracle,” Marchant says.

She cautions that religious belief can manifest a dark side. People who believe in an angry, judgmental God suffer ill health more than those who honor a benevolent God.

Research shows psychological factors can alleviate symptoms, but cannot cure physical ailments. Those who reject proven medicine risk their lives.

A scrupulous researcher and energetic writer, Marchant fairly presents both sides of debates about science-based medicine versus techniques such as meditation that impact the mind and the brain.

Bill Williams is a freelance writer in West Hartford, Conn., and a former editorial writer for The Hartford Courant. He is a member of the National Book Critics Circle and can be reached at billwaw@comcast.net.

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Spoonful of fiction helps kids' lesson go down

By Ron Hayes

You see it at the movies all the time. “Inspired by a true story” is the promise at the beginning. And then, in tiny letters at the end: “Although based on real events ...” And you find out that most of what you’ve just seen never happened.

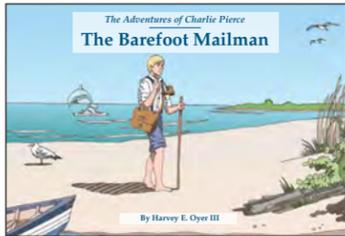
Harvey Oyer III, descendant of Boynton Beach pioneers, amateur historian and successful children’s author, has often pondered that line between fact and fiction.

In 2008, Oyer published *The American Jungle*, a children’s book based on the life of his great-granduncle, Charles W. Pierce (1864-1939), whose little sister, Lillie Pierce Voss, grew up to become Oyer’s great-grandmother.

With *The Last Egret* in 2010 and *The Last Calusa* two years later, Oyer has created “The Adventures of Charlie Pierce,” a series of historical fictions for children.

In December, *The Barefoot Mailman* arrived, Oyer’s take on those intrepid, 19th century postmen who lugged the mail on foot from Hypoluxo Island down the beach to Miami and back.

“This one tells the story of our family friend, Ed Hamilton, who disappeared without a trace while carrying the mail to Miami,” Oyer says. “As a result



of his disappearance, Charlie became the Barefoot Mailman.”

The original mailman died — possibly drowned in the Hillsboro Inlet — and Oyer’s great-granduncle took over the job. That much is true.

So where does the history end for Oyer, and inspiration begin?

“It’s a tricky balance,” he concedes. “I have two goals — to write an interesting, fun read for children, and teach as much Florida history, geography and ecology as I possibly can.”

To get the history right, Oyer says, he researches heavily, and then has the books proofread by university professors and museum curators.

“The fiction is the dialogue, because I obviously don’t know what the characters said to each other 130 years ago,” he adds.

And because history is often unwieldy, Oyer doesn’t hesitate to simplify, condensing timelines and chronologies to keep the story moving.

“For example,” he says, “I make Charlie the only replacement for Ed Hamilton, but in real life he alternated weekly with another mailman named Andrew Garnett. One

would care for the other’s farm while he walked, and then he’d switch.”

Add some imaginary characters, animals, challenges and triumphs, tag on a gentle moral at the end and Oyer has written a Florida fable built on a firmly historical foundation.

Apparently, Oyer’s blend of fact and fiction doesn’t trouble South Florida’s teachers. *The Last Egret* is required reading for about half of Florida’s fourth-graders each year.

For all the fiction in his books, Oyer’s *Barefoot Mailman* may offer more reliable history than Theodore’s Pratt’s celebrated 1943 novel of the same name.

According to Oyer, Pratt was more storyteller than historian.

“He turned Charlie into a jungle boy, unsophisticated and primitive. Pratt didn’t call his character Charlie, so there was no slander, but my great-grandmother had expected he was going to be a hero.

“I once saw a letter she wrote to the Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach when Pratt was scheduled to be a guest lecturer. She said, ‘Do not let this scoundrel into your fine institution.’” ★

The *Barefoot Mailman* is available at *Hand’s Office & Art Supply* in Delray Beach, the *Flagler Museum* in Palm Beach and *amazon.com*. The retail price is \$19.95.

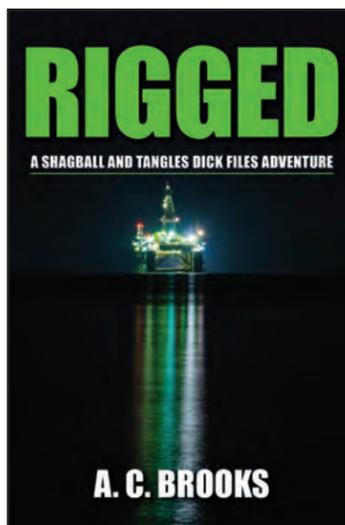
Adventure series launches into new territory

By Steve Pike

In the fifth installment of his “Shagball and Tangles” series of adventure novels, Lantana author A.C. Brooks pulls out all the stops — at least for now. *Rigged* finds the not-so-dynamic duo of TV fishing show host Shagball and his pint-sized partner Tangles entangled (pardon the pun) with a secret U.S. government spy agency, ISIS terrorists, a former U.S. president and a tricked-out fishing boat that would make Clive Cussler proud.

Rigged is Brooks’ most ambitious, politically incorrect and entertaining book to date, as he puts our heroes (and new and old readers) deeper into the service of the Department of International Criminal Knowledge (DICK), an agency softly introduced in *Weedline*, the third book in the series.

Self-published like its predecessors, *Rigged* expands Shagball and Tangles’ world of the absurd and inane from South Florida and the Caribbean to deep into the



heart of Texas and the Mexican border.

“There is no over the top in fiction,” Brooks said. “If you’re buying into it, you’re buying into it.”

At the same time Shagball and Tangles are expanding their world, Brooks is maturing as an author. *Rigged* flows more freely than his previous novels and ends with a twist that few readers will see coming.

“I can only go by what others tell me, and most people think that my writing

has gotten better each book, which I would hope,” Brooks said. “But I certainly haven’t changed my style. For me the most important thing is to make somebody turn the page, entertain them, give them some laughs and get them sucked into a story. I don’t give it too much thought other than that. I might be turning off some readers with some of the political background, but it’s unavoidable in the story. You can take some shots and have some fun doing it.”

As with each of the books in the series, *Rigged* is available at The Old Key Lime House in Lantana and on *amazon.com*. Brooks will make signing appearances at the Old Key Lime House from 4 to 7 p.m. on Feb. 5 and March 7.

At each of those signings — and in between — fans will no doubt ask Brooks about his next book.

“I don’t know yet,” Brooks says, smiling in a booth at the Old Key Lime House. “I sort of have an idea. But Shagball and Tangles don’t think too far ahead, either.” ★

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Music

North Palm's Meresha on path to indie success

By Bill Meredith
ArtsPaper Music Writer

Thoughts of one-man-or-woman bands conjure up images of artists like Prince, Ani DiFranco, Dave Grohl of the Foo Fighters or Trent Reznor of Nine Inch Nails, each of whom performed and/or programmed all of the instrumental and vocal parts to some releases before taking the material on the road with full bands.

Another single name to add to the mix is local resident Meresha (www.meresha.com), the enigmatic singer, songwriter, programmer and multi-instrumentalist with two self-produced, completely solo

EPs on the independent Sonic Dolphin label.

She's an indie artist to the core, but not in the stereotypical sense. *Lunatic* (from 2013, and launched with a Kickstarter fundraising campaign) and *New Revolution* (2015) don't echo acoustic singer/guitarists, but rather offer lush production and swirls of keyboards that range into Prince and Peter Gabriel territory, with the vocal nuances of Annie Lennox, Kate Bush, and Bjork. Even Meresha has trouble pigeonholing her music stylistically.

"I'd say it's definitely electronic-based," she says. "And there are a lot of pop aspects to it, but it doesn't

really fit into either the pop or electronic category. I like expanding genres, so maybe eccentric, eclectic electro-pop?"

It's a heady mix of old-school influences that still sounds thoroughly modern, and all the more thought-provoking considering that the Warsaw, Poland, native turned 19 years old Jan. 19 — and only started her recording career after moving to South Florida at age 15. Meresha (pronounced MARE-eh-sha) is currently majoring in music production in college, yet the nuggets of information the image-conscious teen divulges are often cloaked in mystery (like preferring not to name the Berklee College of Music,



Singer, songwriter, programmer and multi-instrumentalist Meresha, 19, has two self-produced EPs on the independent Sonic Dolphin label. **Photo provided**

where she's a freshman, instead saying only "a music school in Boston").

Meresha also hesitates to give anything more than her stage name as identification, but admits that music was one reason for moving to what she vaguely calls "northern Palm Beach County," where she attended the Benjamin School in Palm Beach Gardens during her junior and senior years of high school.

"I was doing musical theater and occasional shows with groups in Europe," Meresha says, "but my family and I all agreed that there would be more opportunities overall in the United States, including for me in music. So we decided to give it a shot."

Perhaps the artist formerly known as Maria Maciejko's hesitancy to divulge her actual name is because that shot is largely being guided by her father, Robert Maciejko. He's also her manager, tireless promoter, and recording label president.

"I've just been helping her out," Maciejko says. "I book concerts and run Sonic Dolphin, where she's the only recording artist so far, and we currently have no plans to expand on that."

Many of Meresha's direct influences, such as James Blake, Paramore, and Joss Stone (for whom Meresha wrote "Fool Don't Be," from *Lunatic*, as an homage to), were influenced by some of the more veteran artists listed above. Maciejko has assisted his daughter in climbing the independent radio charts and gaining airplay locally on WRMF, the West Palm Beach station that presented the "No Snow Ball" concert at the Mizner Park Amphitheater in Boca Raton in December. As an opening act, Meresha and her band mates (guitarist Leilani Kilgore, keyboardist Cole Haden, and drummer Lucas Graham) were able to rub elbows and share the stage with headliners Third Eye Blind and Adam Lambert.

Videos from the show include Meresha originals such as "You" and "Lemonade City," plus covers of songs by Sam Smith and Led Zeppelin. With no bassist, Haden holds down the bottom end on keyboards to accompany

Kilgore's creative chords and solos, Graham's thunder, and Meresha's histrionics, delivered with a voice seasoned beyond her years.

With the expressed goal of becoming the first-ever independent female artist to hit No. 1 on the U.S. radio chart, Meresha and Maciejko are closing in.

"The title track to 'New Revolution' was the top independent cut for almost a month at the end of last year," Maciejko says, "although a few other artists were ahead of her. But she did enter the Billboard Top 40 Indicator Chart right between One Direction, Adele, and Justin Bieber. That was pretty cool."

Both of Meresha's EPs were largely captured at home studios, with additional work done at Echo Beach Studios in Jupiter. A bouncy new power ballad, "My Love Has Come," was tracked at Power Station Recording Studios in Pompano Beach. It was also recorded and programmed exclusively by the DIY artist, who plays keyboards, guitar and drums. Meresha's guitar lessons at the School of Rock North Palm Beach, and subsequent tribute shows, offer up influences more akin to her often raucous live shows.

"From the rock side, I'm very influenced by Led Zeppelin and Queen," she says.

Meresha and Maciejko are constantly charting a game plan tailored toward a music industry that's experienced drastic changes since those iconic bands ruled the album charts. The teenager's new revolutions include the independent label, four-to-six-song EPs over full-length CDs, self-reliance from performance to production, and an emphasis on singles to suit the ever-expanding Internet music market.

"There are only a few artists who get a lot of traction by releasing albums these days," says Maciejko. "Everyone else is in the singles market, trying to get a song well-known through one of the online services. So you float three or four songs, and see which one allows you to best get your name out there. And if people know your song or songs, they'll come to your concert."

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Armory Art Center: Through Feb. 13: *Rising Waters*, an exhibition featuring Mags Harries' artworks about global warming; *River*, an exhibit featuring work by Mags Harries and Lajos Heder; *Women of Vision*, a multimedia exhibition that fosters interest in women's art. Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Free admission. Call 561-832-1776 or visit www.armoryart.org.

Boca Raton Museum of Art: Through Feb. 14: *Dames*, portraits of women by Norman Sunshine; through May 1: *3X Warhol*, three exhibits (one closes April 10) featuring work by the iconic Pop artist. Admission: \$12. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. first Wednesday of the month; 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Closed Mondays and holidays. Call 561-392-2500, or visit www.bocamuseum.org.

Cornell Museum of Art and American Culture: Through April 17: *Wild*, features paintings from Plein Air Palm Beach artists. Open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 am to 4:30 pm; 1-4:30 pm Sundays; closed Mondays. Suggested donation: \$5. Call 561-243-7922 or visit www.oldschoolsquare.org for more information.

Cultural Council of Palm Beach County: Through Feb. 20: *Jo Ann Nava*, artwork featuring children and animals, and *Ellen Liman*, still lifes of flowers by the Palm Beach gallery owner; through Feb. 13: *Sandra Thompson*, paintings of Palm Beach. Galleries at the council offices in Lake Worth are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; free admission. Call 471-2901 or visit palmbeachculture.com.

Flagler Museum: Through April 17: *Beauty's Legacy: Gilded Age Portraits in America*, portraiture of the rich and powerful between the Civil War and World War I. Museum prices: Adults: \$18; \$10 for youth ages 13-17; \$3 for children ages 6-12; and children under 6 admitted free. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 561-655-2833 or visit www.flaglermuseum.us.

Lighthouse ArtCenter: Through March 5: *The Manoogian Collection: Two Centuries of American Art*, a collection of American paintings from the 19th and 20th centuries, including works by William Merritt Chase, Childe Hassam and Andrew Wyeth. \$10 for nonmembers, free for members. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call 561-746-3101 or visit www.lighthousearts.org.

Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens: Opens Feb. 26: *Perseverance: Japanese Tattoo Tradition in a Modern World*, featuring the work of seven artists. Through May 8. Museum tickets: \$15, \$13 for seniors, \$9 for children and college students. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays. Call 495-0233 or visit www.morikami.org.

Norton Museum of Art: Opens Feb. 18: *Women Modernists in New York*, works by O'Keeffe, Stettheimer, Torr and Zorach, through May 15. Through April 24: *Njideka Akunyili Crosby: I Refuse to Be Invisible*, paintings by a rising Nigerian artist in her first-ever museum show; through March 20: *Tiny: Streetwise Revisited*, photos by Mary Ellen Mark, who died last year, of a teenage prostitute in Seattle. Admission: \$12 adults; \$5 ages 13-21. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays to Saturdays except Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays; closed Mondays. For more information, call 561-832-5196 or visit www.norton.org.

Society of the Four Arts: Through March 6: *Bill Cunningham: Facades*, showcasing fashion in relation to architecture; *Invitation to the Ball: Marjorie Merriweather Post's Fancy Dress Costumes*, an exhibit of intricate dresses. \$5. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday; 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Call 655-7226 or visit www.fourarts.org.

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Sunday, Feb. 7
Buffalo Philharmonic: JoAnn Falletta returns with her orchestra to the Kravis with the young British violinist Clöe Hanslip as soloist in the Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto. The program also includes the Brahms Second Symphony. 2 pm Sunday, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$35. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Symphonia Boca Raton: Hartford Symphony conductor Carolyn Kuan guest-conducts, joined by pianist Alexander Moutouzkine for the rarely heard *Ballade* by Gabriel Fauré; music by Copland, Poulenc and Mozart round out the program. 3 pm, Roberts Theater, St. Andrew's School, Boca Raton. Call 1-866-687-4201 or visit www.thesymphonia.org.

Monday, Feb. 8
Horszowski Trio: The young trio makes its Florida debut with trios by Beethoven and Tchaikovsky, and American composer Joan Tower's *For Daniel*. Tickets: \$30. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Tuesday, Feb. 9
Neave Trio: The threesome performs trios by Dvorak (No. 3 in F minor) and Erich Wolfgang Korngold (in D, his Op. 1). 7:30 pm, Flagler Museum, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$70 (includes post-concert champagne reception). Call 561-655-2833 or visit www.flaglermuseum.us.

Tuesday, Feb. 9, Sunday, Feb. 14
Symphony of the Americas: James Brooks-Bruzzese welcomes singers Marcin Bronikowski, Donna Balson, Carlos De Antonis and Courtenay Budd in a program of operatic and Broadway selections. 8:15 pm Tuesday, 2 pm Sunday. Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale. Tickets: \$62. Call 954-462-0222 or visit www.sota.org.

Wednesday, Feb. 10
Atlantic Classical Orchestra: Guest conductor David Loebel is joined by violinist Leonid Segal for Ravel's *Tzigane*, on a program that includes music by Rossini, Respighi and Haydn (the *Bear* Symphony). 3 pm, Eissey Campus Theatre, Palm Beach Gardens. Tickets: \$50-\$60. Call 772-460-0850 or visit www.atlanticclassicalorchestra.com.

Sunday, Feb. 14
Modigliani Quartet: The young French quartet has won a host of prestigious awards and has five recordings to its credit. 3 pm, Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$20. Call 561-665-7226 or visit www.fourarts.org.

Sunday, Feb. 21
Amernet String Quartet with Joseph Kalichstein: The formidable Miami-based quartet is joined by the eminent pianist for works by Haydn, Dvořák and Brahms. 3 pm, Society of the Four Arts, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$20. Call 561-665-7226 or visit www.fourarts.org.

Sunday, Feb. 21-Friday, Feb. 26
International Piano Festival: The 10th iteration of this annual gathering at Palm Beach Atlantic University includes master classes, regular recitals and a culminating concerto concert with the Palm Beach Atlantic Symphony. Concerts are Feb. 21, 22, 24 at Rinker Hall, and Feb. 26 at the DeSantis Family Chapel. Tickets: \$15-\$25. Call 803-2970 or visit www.pba.edu/pianofestival.

Tuesday, Feb. 23
Irrera Brothers: Violinist John and pianist Joseph perform music by Grieg (Sonata No. 3), Suk, Vitali, Pärt and Gershwin. 2 pm, Stage West at Duncan Theatre, Palm Beach State College, Lake Worth. Tickets: \$29. Call 561-868-3309 or visit duncantheatre.org.

Bennewitz Quartet: The Czech foursome offers works by Dussek and the Holocaust victim Erwin Schulhoff, and the Quartet No. 15 (in G, D. 887) of Schubert. 7:30 pm, Flagler Museum, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$70 (includes post-concert champagne reception). Call 561-655-2833 or visit www.fourarts.org.

Philadelphia Orchestra: Guest conductor Stephane Denève leads the orchestra in the Eighth Symphony of Dvořák and welcomes Canadian violinist James Ehnes in the Sibelius Violin Concerto on Tuesday night; Wednesday afternoon, he conducts Prokofiev's *Romeo and Juliet* along with music by Berlioz and Mendelssohn. 8 pm Tuesday, 2 pm Wednesday, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$39. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Tuesday, Feb. 23-Friday, Feb. 26
Lynn New Music Festival: Lisa Leonard's annual contemporary music festival features the music of Ellen Taaffe Zwilich. All events are free of charge, and take place at 7:30 pm at the Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall at Lynn. Call 237-9000 or visit events.lynn.edu.

Sunday, Feb. 28
Delray String Quartet: Pianist Tao Lin joins the quartet for quintets by Schumann and Luigi Boccherini. 4 pm, Colony Hotel, Delray Beach. Tickets: \$35. Call 561-213-4138 or visit www.delraystringquartet.com.

Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra: Azeri pianist Farhad Badalbeyli plays the Prokofiev First Concerto under director Dmitry Yablonsky, who also programs the Second Symphony of Rachmaninov. 8 pm, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$39. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Dance

Friday, Feb. 26-Saturday, Feb. 27
Paul Taylor Dance Company: The troupe of one of the last great modern dance masters of the older generation, in their annual appearance at the Duncan Theatre. 8 pm both shows. Tickets: \$45. Call 561-868-3309 or visit duncantheatre.org.

Friday, Jan. 26-Sunday, Jan. 28
Miami City Ballet: The third program of the company's season includes *Year of the Rabbit* (Peck/Stevens), *Sunset* (Taylor/Elgar) and *Bourree Fantasque* (Balanchine/Chabrier). 8 pm Friday, 2 pm and 8 pm Saturday, 1 pm Sunday, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$20. Call 561-832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Jazz

Wednesday, Feb. 10
Delfeayo Marsalis: The trombonist is joined by his father Ellis, along with bassist John Clayton and drummer Marvin "Smitty" Smith. 7:45 pm, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale. Tickets: \$55. Call 954-524-0805 or visit www.goldcoastjazz.org.

Friday, Feb. 12
Carmen Lundy: The Miami-born singer and songwriter is joined in this tour appearance by pianist Patrice Rushen. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$25 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org

Friday, Feb. 19
Bill Mays: The veteran pianist has played for multiple musical legends and comes to town with his trio. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$25 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org

Opera

Thursday, Feb. 11, Saturday, Feb. 13
Norma: Florida Grand Opera's second production is Vincenzo Bellini's 1831 tale of a Druid priestess whose faithless lover falls in love with someone else. Features an interpolated aria for Orovoso by Richard Wagner. With Mlada Khudoley as Norma, Catherine Martin as Adalgisa, Giancarlo Monsalve as Pollione, and Craig Colclough as Orovoso. 7:30 pm both performances, at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts in Fort Lauderdale. Call 800-741-1010 or visit www.fgo.org.

Friday, Feb. 19
Venus and Adonis: John Blow's 1683 entertainment for King Charles II is considered the first English opera. The Florida International University Early Music Ensemble joins forces with Palm Beach Atlantic University, host of the American Musicological Society annual meeting. 7:30 pm, Persson Recital Hall, Palm Beach Atlantic. Free admission.

Friday, Jan. 19 to Sunday, Jan. 21
Don Pasquale: Gaetano Donizetti's raucous 1843 comedy about a foolish old man who wants to marry and finds himself the victim of a subterfuge from his nephew and the woman he loves. With Carlo Lepore, Janai Brugger, David Portillo and Lucas Meachem. 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Kravis Center. Tickets: \$25 and up. Call 833-7888 or visit www.pbopera.org for more information.

Popular Music

Saturday, Feb. 6
Yanni: The Greek-born New Age pianist and composer has a new album, *Sensuous Chill*. At the Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets: \$29-\$129. Tickets available from livenation.com.

Tuesday, Feb. 9
Diana Ross: The singer whose voice helped define what Motown was all about. 8 pm, Hard Rock Live, Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Hollywood. Tickets: \$71-\$91. Visit Ticketmaster or www.seminolehardrockhollywood.com.

Saturday, Feb. 13-Sunday, Feb. 14
Andrea Bocelli: The blind Italian poperaic tenor returns for his sixth annual South Florida Valentine's Day weekend. 8 pm both shows, Hard Rock Live, Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Hollywood. Tickets: \$225-\$555. Visit Ticketmaster or www.seminolehardrockhollywood.com.

Monday, Jan. 22
Kravis Center Pops Orchestra: Michael Feinstein sings the music of Frank Sinatra as part of the centennial celebration of the singer that began last year. Larry Blank conducts. 8 p.m. Kravis Center. Tickets: \$30 and up. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Friday, Feb. 26
Fall Out Boy: The Chicago emo punk quartet comes to town on its Wintour Is Coming tour. Awolnation and Prvis open. 8 pm, Hard Rock Live, Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Hollywood. Tickets: \$40-\$100. Visit Ticketmaster or www.seminolehardrockhollywood.com.

Saturday, Feb. 27
Ladysmith Black Mambazo: The legendary South African a cappella vocal group performs in the Gosman Amphitheatre at the Kravis Center. 7 p.m. Tickets: \$20. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Theater

Opens Thursday, Feb. 4
My Son the Waiter: Subtitled "A Jewish Tragedy,"

Brad Zimmerman's comedy touches on themes of family and artistic aspiration. Through March 27 at the Palm Beaches Theatre, Manalapan. Tickets: \$40-\$65. Call 362-0003 or visit theatre.pbifilmfest.org. Opens Sunday, Feb. 7

Frost/Nixon: Just in time for the 2016 presidential season, Peter Morgan's play about how a British journalist talked a disgraced president out of seclusion for an extraordinary series of interviews. With John Jellison and Peter Simon Hilton. Through Feb. 21 at the Maltz Jupiter Theatre. Tickets: \$55 and up. Call 561-575-2223 or visit www.jupitertheatre.org.

Through Sunday, Feb. 14
Reborn: A psychological thriller by Zayd Dohrm about a sculptor with the unique ability to re-create someone's past. Wednesday to Friday: 7:30 pm; Saturday, 7 pm, Sunday: 2 pm, Black Box Theatre, Arts Garage. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

Other Desert Cities: Jon Robin Baitz's award-winning play about a prominent political family forced by one of its members to face resurfaced secrets. Delray Beach Playhouse, Delray Beach. Tickets: \$30. Call 561-272-1281, ext. 4, or visit www.delraybeachplayhouse.org.

South Pacific: Rodgers and Hammerstein's iconic World War II musical. With Nat Chandler as Emile de Becque. Through Feb. 14. Tickets: \$70. At the Wick Theatre, Boca Raton. Call 561-995-2333 or visit www.thewick.org.

Opens Thursday, Feb. 25
Inherit the Wind: Jerome Lawrence and Robert Lee's 1955 play based on the Scopes creationism trial of the 1920s. Through March 13. Tickets: \$29 and up. Call 561-586-6410 or visit www.lakeworthplayhouse.org.

Through March 6
Long Day's Journey Into Night: Eugene O'Neill's epic drama of the Tyrone family. Tickets: \$64 and up. At Palm Beach Dramaworks, West Palm Beach. Call 514-4042, ext. 2. Or visit www.palmbeachdramaworks.org.

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Community Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 1/29. Please check with organizers for any changes.

FEBRUARY 6

Saturday - 2/6 - Run to the Rescue 5K Run and 1 Mile Walk at Anchor Park, 340 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Hosted by the Harrigan Foundation to help First Responders who suffer from addiction and/or trauma disorders. Sponsored by Palm Partners and Palm Health Care. 6 am registration; 7 am race; 7:15 am/walk. \$35/race; \$10/walk; free/volunteers. 921-6126; runsignup.com/Race/FL/DelrayBeach/HFRuntotheRescue5K

2/6 - Briny Breezes Bazaar/Flea Market at Briny Auditorium. Benefits charity. Furniture, jewelry, clothing, electronics, homemade baked goods, raffles, more. 9 am-2 pm. Free. 450-5688.

2/6 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Held again 2/27. Free. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org

2/6 - American Red Cross Lifeguard Course at Civic Center, 225 NW 12 Ave, Boynton Beach. Pre-course skill assessment required. Exam/certification upon completion. Ages 15+. Every Sat 10 am-5 pm. \$355. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

2/6 - Coral Reef Shark Feedings at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. T-Sat 10:30 am; Sun 1:30 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

2/6 - Nostalgic Delray Art and History Exhibit at Delray Beach Historical Society, 3 NE 1st St. Presented by Delray Beach Historical Society and Robert Ganger. Plein Air Palm Beach paintings. Th-Sat 11am-3pm. Runs through 2/27. \$5 admission. 274-9578; delraybeachhistory.org

2/6 - He Who Seeks Beauty Will Find It: Bill Cunningham's Facades with Valerie Pale, Ph.D. at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 11 am-noon. Free. 655-7227; fourarts.org

2/6 - B.E. Easy Music and Arts Festival 2016 at Bryant Park, Lakeview Avenue & S Golfview Road, Lake Worth. 11 am-11 pm. \$30-\$40/general admission; \$60/VIP Presale; \$10-\$15/After Party. 722-3224; beeasyfestival.com

2/6 - 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, visits to historical and cultural sites. Narrated by live guide. Second Sat year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required: check website for available dates. \$50/adult & senior citizen, free/children under 18 (max 5 children per family.) 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

2/6 - 21st Annual Hanley Center Foundation Family Picnic at International Polo Club, 12750 35th St S, Wellington. Buffet lunch, magic show, creative crafts, silent auctions for kids & adults. Noon-6 pm. \$225/adult (18 & over); \$50/child (ages 4-17); free/children under 3. 841-1212; hanleycenterfoundation.org

2/6 - A Gilded Age Style Lunch in Caf   des Beaux-Arts at Flagler Museum Kenan Pavilion, One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Delicacies and refreshments reminiscent of the elegance of entertaining during the Gilded Age. T-Sat 11:30 am-2:30 pm; Sun noon-3 pm through 3/26. \$22/museum members (includes tax/gratuity); \$40/non-members (includes museum admission, tax/gratuity). Advance purchase recommended: 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us

2/6 - Watercolor Workshop at Green Cay Nature Center Community Room, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Adults. 1 pm. Held again 2/13. \$50/all sessions; \$40/Friends of Green Cay members. 966-7000; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

2/6 - Alligator Feeding at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Every W & Sat 1 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

2/6 - 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/non-residents; 3-month pass: \$40/residents, \$50/non-residents; 6-month pass: \$60/residents, \$70/non-residents. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

2/6 - Bolshoi Ballet: Shostakovich's The Taming of the Shrew (New Production) at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. All performances previously recorded. 2-5 pm. \$20/adults; \$15/students w/ID. 655-7226; fourarts.org

2/6 - Kol Esperanza with Special Guest Sopranos Lev Voce at Kings Point Theatre, 7000 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 2 pm. \$49. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

2/6 - Music for a Sunday Afternoon: African Dance and Drumming Performance at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org

2/6 - Indoor Aquarium Feedings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Daily. 2:30 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

2/6 - Stingray Feedings at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. T-Sat 2:45 pm; Sun 12:30 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

2/6 - Tropical Rum Fest at Meyer Amphitheatre, 104 Datura St, West Palm Beach. 3-10 pm. \$25-\$200. 889-6312; tropicalrumfest.com

Municipal Meetings

- 2/8 & 22 - Lantana** - Second & fourth Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Cir. 7 pm. Agenda: lantana.org
- 2/9 & 23 - Boca Raton** - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W Palmetto Park Rd. 6 pm. Agenda: myboca.us
- 2/12 - Gulf Stream** - Second Friday at Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Rd. 9 am. Agenda: gulf-stream.org
- 2/16 & 3/1 - Delray Beach** - First & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda: mydelraybeach.com
- 2/16 & 3/1 - Boynton Beach** - First and third Tuesday at Boynton Beach City Hall, 100 E Boynton Beach Blvd. 6:30 pm. Agenda: boynton-beach.org
- 2/23 - Manalapan** - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S Ocean Blvd. 9:30 am. Agenda: manalapan.org
- 2/23 - South Palm Beach** - Fourth Tuesday in the South Palm Beach Town Hall Council Chambers, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:15 pm. Agenda: southpalmbeach.com
- 2/26 - Briny Breezes** - Fourth Thursday at Briny Breezes Town Hall, 4802 N Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Agenda: townofbrinybreezes-fl.com
- 3/1 - Highland Beach** - First Tuesday at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda: ci.highland-beach.fl.us

2/6 - Alligator Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Gather around the alligator tank, listen to 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

2/6 - Story Central: Family Storytelling Slam for Adults at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. 4-5:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

2/6 - Snoopy, The Musical at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Every Sat 4 pm through 2/27. \$14.50/adults; \$10.50/children 12 & under. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

2/6 - Five Easy Pieces (R) part of the American Alienation in Film Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 5-7 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

2/6 - A Taste For The Arts Wine Tasting at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. 5-7 pm. \$40. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/6 - Daddy-Daughter/Mother-Son Date Night at Casino Ballroom, 10 S Ocean Blvd, Lake Worth. Ages 3-14 w/parent/guardian. 6-9 pm. \$30/couple; \$15/additional guest. 533-7363; lakeworth.org

2/6 - Malava Malka and Movie Night at Chabad of Delray, 7495 W. Atlantic Blvd. Preceding the film there will be an oral and slide presentation by Chabad Member Yakova Lynn, who edited and then published her late husbands' book entitled "Le Havre - A Riveting Expose For Our World Today," published under his penname Pierre Gerard. Following this presentation will be viewing of the movie

Not Without My Daughter (1991). 6:30 pm. \$15/advance, \$18/at the door. 573-6939; chabaddelray.com

2/6 - Ballet Atlantica Presents Valentine's Variations at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. 7 pm. \$20-\$25. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/6 - FAU Piano Student Showcase at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 297-6124;

fauvents.com
2/6 - Unlikely Heroes at Mizner Park Cultural Arts Center, Studio Theatre 2nd Floor, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. T-Sat 8 pm; W/Sat/Sun 2 pm. Runs through 2/21. \$39.50. 800-595-4849; unlikelyheroesplay.tix.com

2/6 - Penn & Teller at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Mature audience. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/6 - Royal Room Cabaret Performance: Carol J. Bufford at The Colony, 155 Hammon Ave, Palm Beach. 8:30 pm. \$80/cover + \$50 minimum food & beverage. 659-8100; thecolonypalmbeach.com

2/6 - Sick Puppies Improv Comedy Show at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. Every Sat 9-10:30 pm through 2/27. \$15/online; \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com

2/6-7 - Allianz Championship Silver Anniversary at The Old Course at Broken Sound Club, 1401 NW 51st St, Boca Raton. Benefits Boca Raton Regional Hospital. Check website for times/daily activities. \$20-\$450/grounds & special passes; \$25/VIP parking. 241-4653; allianzchampionship.com

2/6-7 - Artists in the Park presented by Delray Beach Art League at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Fine art exhibition/sales. 10 am-4:30 pm. Held again 2/12-14 & 2/20-21. Free. 843-2311; delrayartleague.com/dal

2/6-7 - Boca Raton Museum of Art 30th Annual Juried Art Festival in Mizner Park, Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 392-2500 bocamuseum.org

2/6-7 - Lake Worth Art League Outdoor Show at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave., Lake Worth. 9:30 am-4:30 pm. Held again 3/5-6. Free. 586-4271; lwartleague.org

2/6-7 - Lynn Philharmonia Orchestra No. 4 at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Conductor Guillermo Figueroa. Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 4 pm. \$35-\$50. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

2/6-7 - High Society at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Th/F/Sat 8 pm; Sat & Sun 2 pm. Runs through 2/31. \$29-\$35/show; \$55-\$72/dinner & show packages. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/6-7 - Romance Romance at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Part of Main Stage Series. F&Sat 8pm; Sat&Sun 2pm. \$45. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

2/6-7 - Shout! The Mod Musical presented by Curtain Call Playhouse at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Th/F/Sat 8 pm; Sat/Sun 2pm. Held again 2/11-14. \$15-\$25. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

2/6-8 - 2016 Sogetsu Ikebana Exhibition & Demonstration: World Peace Through Ikebana at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Sat & Sun 10 am-5 pm, M 10:30 am-5 pm. Museum admission \$15/adults, \$13/seniors, \$9/children 6-17, free/children 5 & under; buffet lunch 11:30am-1:30 pm, \$20/advance, \$25/at the door; M Ikebana performance 1:30-3 pm, \$30/advance, \$35/at the door. Space is limited, advance purchase suggested: 278-3614; morikami.org

2/6-11 - 26th Annual The Donald M. Ephraim Palm Beach Jewish Film Festival at multiple locations. 31 movies from around the world. Check website for film schedule/times/locations/prices. 877-318-0071; pbjff.org

2/6-15 - World Series of Poker Circuit Events at Palm Beach Kennel Club, 1111 N Congress Ave, West Palm Beach. Complete schedule/entry fees listing online. 683-2222; wsop.com

FEBRUARY 7-13

Sunday - 2/7 - Live Music on the Intracoastal at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. First Sun noon-3 pm Oct-Feb. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/7 - Free Museum Admission at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Every 1st Sun noon-5 pm. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

2/7 - Bridge Duplicate at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Sanctioned A.C.B.L. duplicate bridge game for the experienced player. Light lunch served. Partners available for singles. Sun 12:30-4 pm (except special events and holidays). \$10/at the door. Reservations or partners: 338-2995; myboca.us

2/7 - Music for a Sunday Afternoon: Argentine Tango Performance at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org

2/7 - Concert: Sharon Ruben, vocalist - part of the Friends Music Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 3-4 pm. Free. Reservations required: 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

2/7 - Rattette Jazz Hot Off The Presses at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 3 pm. \$15. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/7 - An Artists' Panel: Still/Moving at



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2/7 - Concert: Gareth Johnson & Tao Lin - Part of Music At St. Paul's series at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 3 pm. \$20/preferred seating; \$15/regular seating; \$5/students. 278-6003; stpaulsdelray.org

2/7 - Keyboard Conversations with Jeffrey Siegel: The Passionate Love Music of Robert Schuman at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3-5 pm. \$20. 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/7 - Lecture: Executive Legacy: Presidential Influence on the U.S. Constitution by Professor Michael Gearhardt at Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. 3 pm. \$28/non-members; \$10/individual, family & life members. Includes museum admission. 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us

2/7 - Pay Your Age Sundays: Long Day's Journey Into Night by Eugene O'Neill at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. Held again 2/14 & 21. Ages 18-40. \$18-\$40/must show ID. 514-4042; palmbeachdramaworks.org/PayYourAge

Monday - 2/8 - Suits for Seniors Program at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. Donations accepted for suits to equip high school students with the proper image and etiquette for positive growth. Clean business suits for male students graduating from Atlantic Community High School. Drop off at City Hall. Deadline for Class of 2016 is 5/1. 243-7228; jedmondsrealty@gmail.com

2/8 - Pickleball at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Combines badminton and tennis. Adults. M/W/F 9am-1pm. \$5/person; annual passes \$130/resident, \$165/non-resident. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

2/8 - The Custard Heart - part of the Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:45 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/8 - Adult Watercolor Painting Workshop at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Instructor provides class lesson and lecture, emphasis on composition and drawing, then a painting demo. Remainder of class time is one-on-one instruction, finishing with class critique. Ages 18 & up. M or W 10 am-1 pm. Monthly \$33/resident; \$38/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/8 - Fountains Golf Tournament at Fountains Country Club, 4476 Fountains Dr, Lake Worth. Benefits Hospice of Palm Beach County and Hospice by the Sea. 11 am lunch; 12:30 pm shotgun start; cocktails, dinner, comedy show follow. \$175. 346-0652; hpbccf.org

2/8 - Senior Bingo at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults ages 60 & up. Every M&W 11 am-noon. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

2/8 - All I Wanted to Know about Music presented by Friends of the Boynton Beach City Library as part of the Brown Bag Series, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Noon-1 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/8 - Opera Luncheon at Benvenuto Restaurant, 1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Includes three-course gourmet meal. Noon. \$37. 364-0600; benvenutorestaurant.com

2/8 - 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

2/8 - Empowerment Zone at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Coaching in resume writing, networking, interviewing skills. 1-4:30 pm. Held again 2/11, 22, 25 & 29. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

2/8 - Bridge at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Intermediate and advanced. Every M 1-4 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/8 - Creating Occasions to Remember by Annie Falk - Part of Florida Voices Author Series at Society of The Four Arts King Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 1:30 pm. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org

2/8 - Culture & Cocktails: A Conversation with Terry Teachout at The Colony Palm Beach, 155 Hammon Ave. Presented by the Cultural Council of Palm Beach County. 5-7 pm. \$65/advance; \$75/at the door. 472-3330; palmbeachculture.com

2/8 - Lecture: Putting on Wagner's Ring Cycle with Francesca Zambello at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 6-7 pm. \$25/non-members, free/members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/8 - Downtown Lake Worth Food Truck Invasion at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. Second M 6-10 pm. 844-682-7466; foodtruckinvasion.com

2/8 - FAU French Film Festival: Girlhood at Florida Atlantic University Performing Arts Building Room 101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. English subtitles. Discussion by FAU faculty follows. 6:30 pm. 297-0307; cooker@fau.edu

2/8 - Happy Squares Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All skill levels welcome. Ages 18 & up. Every M 6:45-9:15 pm. \$5. 865-2611; boynton-beach.org

2/8 - Needlework Friendship Group at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Bring yarn, needle, crochet hooks; enjoy the friendship. First M 7-9 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

2/8-9 - Apollo Link - Part of the Broadway Cabaret Series at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N. Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. M&T 8 pm. \$54. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

2/8-9 - Kol Esperanza with Special Guest Sopranos Lev Voce at Spanish River Church, 2400 Yamato Rd., Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$49. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

2/8-11 - What I Did For Love!: The Music of Marvin Hamlisch - Part of Musical Memory series at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St, Delray Beach. 2 & 8 pm. Held again 2/15-18. \$30. 272-1281; delraybeachplayhouse.com

2/8-10 - English as a Second Language Conversation at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Practice speaking, reading, writing, listening to English exercises that focus on proper pronunciation/grammar. Every M/T/W 10:45 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/8-12 - Tax Preparation at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. M-F 8:30 am-noon through 4/15. Free. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

Tuesday - 2/9 - Pickleball: Advanced Play at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Adults. Every T/Th/F 9 am-1 pm. Monthly pass \$15/residents, \$20/non-residents; 3-month pass \$40/residents, \$50/non-residents; 6-month pass \$60/residents, \$70/non-residents. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com

2/9 - Socrates Cafe at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every T 10-11:30 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/9 - From a Woman's Perspective: Breathing Lessons by Anne Tyler at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

2/9 - Boca Raton Noon Toastmasters at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy. Improve public speaking, leadership abilities. Every T 12:15-1:15 pm. Free. 251-4164; oastmastersclub.org

2/9 - 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 1-3 pm (high intermediate level), 3-4:30 pm (beginner level). \$6/person. 352-455-5759; boynton-beach.org

2/9 - Chess Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Knowledge of the game necessary. Ages 18 & up. Every T&F 1-4 pm. Annual fee \$20/residents, \$25/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/9 - Resume Coaching Services at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Help with resume; advice to improve employment opportunities. Every Th 1-4 pm through 3/24. Free. Appointments required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

2/9 - Lecture: Cool Tips & Easy Tricks for Managing Your Library Account at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7021; bocalibrary.org

2/9 - Socrates Café at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every T through 2/23. 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

2/9 - A Salute to Great Brazilian Music and Performances at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Part of ArtsSmart Lecture Series. 1:30 pm. \$25. 932-7469; kravis.org

2/9 - Great Books and Their Films with Ronelle Delmont at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. Every T through 3/1. 1:45-3:30 pm. \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

2/9 - Art Insights: Perception and Deception in Art at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 2-3 pm. Held again 2/16 & 23. \$6/members; \$12/non-members. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

2/9 - Guided Tour of the Historic Boca Raton Resort & Club at 501 E Camino Real. Presented by Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum. 1.5-hour walking tour follows the resort's evolution; highlights include Addison Mizner's story, his architectural inspirations, remarkable furnishings. Not recommended for children under 12. Every 2nd and 4th T 2-3:30 pm through May. \$15/non-members; \$10/BRHS members; \$11/valet fee. Advance reservations required: 395-6766; bocahistory.org

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2/9 - Pollock and Politics: What Are We Looking At? with Louis Menand part of the O'Keefe Lecture Series at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members; free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

2/9 - Mike Nichols and Elaine May: A Pioneering Comedy Duo with Dr. Ira Epstein at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. 4:15-6 pm. \$25/advance member, \$30/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

2/9 - I Refuse by Per Petterson - Part of the Evening Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 6 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

2/9 - Lecture: Acting Shakespeare - The Bard Redux with Richard Digby Day at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 6-7 pm. \$25/lecture; \$40/both 2/9 & 2/11 lectures; free/members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/9 - Ukulele Get-Together Workshop at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Bring ukulele; beginners, new learners welcome. Held again 2/23. 6:00 pm. Free. 655-1717; tavitandlynn@gmail.com

2/9 - Interactive Acoustic Music and Art Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Singing, playing, painting. All ages. Second T. 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/9 - Rabbit-Proof Fence (PG) part of the Foreign Film Series by Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6:30-9 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

2/9 - Tim Dorsey speaks and signs his book *Coconut Cowboy* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

2/9 - Elite Soul Line Dancing at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every T 7-8:30 pm. \$6/person. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

2/9 - Night of Inspiration: Women Who Are Leading Our Jewish Community at Olympic Heights Performing Arts Center, 20101 Lyons Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. Free. Reservations required: 852-3173; jewishboca.org/inspiration

2/9-13 - Royal Room Cabaret Performance: Tony Danza at The Colony, 155 Hammon Ave, Palm Beach. 8:30 pm. Held again 2/16-20. T/W/Th \$120/cover + \$50 minimum food & beverage; F/Sat \$140/cover + \$50 minimum food & beverage. 659-8100; thecolonypalmbeach.com

2/9-14 - Motown The Musical at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. T-Sat.: 8pm; W/Sat/Sun.: 2 pm. Tickets start at \$27. 832-7469; kravis.org

Wednesday - 2/10 - Lawn Bowling Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Takes skill and practice. Ages 18 & up. W/F 9-11 am. Annual fee: \$40/residents; \$45/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/10 - Shell Chic Designs with Robin Grubman: Sailor's Valentines at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10 am-noon. \$125/materials included. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/10 - The Rise of ISIS - Part of the Great Decisions group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/10 - Sympli Trunk Show at Evelyn & Arthur, 100 N County Rd, Palm Beach. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 572-0900; evelynandarthur.com

2/10 - Beginners Ikebana Flower Arrangement: Sogetsu School at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Contemporary flower arranging using fresh flowers; 3-week class. W 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Advance registration required: \$30/members; \$35/non-members. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

2/10 - Roger Stone: The Clintons' War on Women at City Fish Market, 7940 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Presented by Gold Coast Tiger Bay Club. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$35/member or first-time guest; \$50/non-member. 852-0000; goldcoasttigerbayclub.com

2/10 - Socrates Cafe at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Philosophical discussions facilitated by Claire Drattell and Don Clare. 11:30 am. Held again 2/24. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

2/10 - Palm Beach State College STEAM Initiative Luncheon at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Keynote speaker: Danica Patrick. Benefits PBSC STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, math) student scholarships, program funding. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$165. palmbeachstate.edu/Foundation/Steam

2/10 - Getting to Know Your New iPad at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave.

Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

2/10 - Scrabble at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 1 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/10 - American Comic Poetry at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of What's on Wednesdays series. 1:30-2:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/10 - 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; sfsccenter.org

2/10 - Sexual Violence in Conflict; The Moral Challenge of our Time at Florida Atlantic University Student Union Live Oak Pavilion, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Speaker: United Nations Under Secretary General Zainab Hawa Bangura. Reception & silent auction follow. Free/lecture; \$35/reception. 297-3865; kwilsonmccoy2016@fau.edu

2/10 - Dinos After Dark at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Dinosaurs Around the World exhibit. Fun night of science, happy hour. Complimentary glass of wine or beer. Guests 21 & older only. 6-8 pm. \$10/members, \$12/non-members. 832-1988; sfsccenter.org

2/10 - Hump of the Hump Happy Hour at Benzaiten Center for Creative Arts, 1105 2nd Ave S, Lake Worth. Second W 6 pm. \$20/person. 508-7315; benzaitencenter.org

2/10 - Dance for the Stage at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Ages 13 & up. Every W 6-7 pm. \$15/class or \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/10 - FAU French Film Festival: The Kidnapping of Michel Houellebecq at Florida Atlantic University Performing Arts Building Room 101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. English subtitles. Discussion by FAU faculty follows. 6:30 pm. 297-0307; cooker@fau.edu

2/10 - Writers' Corner at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Manuscript critiquing by published authors. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/10 - Women's National Book Association Meeting at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 6:30 pm. Free/members, \$10/non-members. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

2/10 - FAU Wind Ensemble and Symphony Band at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/10 - Zephaniah Kingsley Jr. and the Atlantic World: Slave Trader, Plantation Owner, Emancipator with Daniel L. Schafer, Ph.D. - Part of Historical Society of Palm Beach County's Distinguished Lecture Series at 1916 Palm Beach County Courthouse 3rd Floor Courtroom, 300 N Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. Reception and book signing follow. 7 pm. Free/members, \$20/non-members. Reservations: 832-4164, x101; historicalsocietypbcc.org

2/10 - Spain: The Forgotten Alliance, Independence of the United States presented by Martha Gutierrez-Steinkamp, author and Smithsonian scholar; part of the Town Hall Talks Lecture Series at Boca Raton Historical Society, Old Town Hall, 71 N Federal Hwy. 7 pm. \$5/non-members; free/members. Reservations required: 395-6766 x301; bocahistory.org

2/10 - Comic Book & Pop Culture Club at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. Second W 7-8 pm. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org

2/10 - Tom Rush in Concert at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Part of 2015-16 MusicWorks Series. 8-10 pm. \$57-\$77. 243-7922 x1; delraycenterforthearts.org

2/10 - Concert: Hollywood Concert Orchestra - "A Night at the Oscars" at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 8-10 pm. \$40-\$45. 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/10-11 - Auditions for The Pajama Game at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Prepare an upbeat song or sing a song from the show. Bring tracks - no acapella auditions. 7 pm. Free. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/10-11 - PostSecret: The Show at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$30. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/10-11 - Changing the Face of America: The Election of 1912 presented by Stephen Waldman at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:30 pm. \$25. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

2/10-16 - Palm Beach Jewelry, Art & Antique Show at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. W 5 pm opening night/preview party; Th-M 11 am-7 pm; T 11 am-6 pm. \$125/VIP preview party; \$20-\$40/general admission. 822-5440; palmbeachshow.com

Thursday - 2/11 - The Art of Detective Fiction: What Evil Lurks with Dr. Penelope Fritzer at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. Every Th 9-10:45 am through 3/3. \$37/advance member, \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

2/11 - Quilters meet at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest. Share quilting information, 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

2/11 - Norton Goes Retro - and Free - to Celebrate Its 75th Birthday at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Entertainment, activities, special Art After Dark, more. All ages. 10 am-9 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

2/11 - Great Decisions Discussion Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic

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Ave. 10 am. Held again 2/25. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

2/11 - Publix Apron's Cooking School Lecture & Demonstration at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Chef Rey De La Osa. 10:30 am. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

2/11 - Lunch & Learn: Don Pasquale presented by Palm Beach Opera at The National Croquet Center, 700 Florida Mango Rd, West Palm Beach. Noon. \$75. 833-7888; pbopera.org

2/11 - Adult Acrylics Art Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Local instructor teaches basic acrylic painting techniques to beginners; also available for instruction to advanced painters. Call for list of supplies needed. Ages 18 & up. Every Th noon-3 pm. Per class: \$10/residents, \$12/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/11 - 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/non-residents + \$2/game. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/11 - The Buddy Holly Story at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of Movies on Thursdays series. 2-4 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/11 - Lecture: O Sweet Mr. Shakespeare - The Bard Redux with Richard Digby Day at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30-3:30 pm. \$25/lecture, free/members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/11 - 3D Printing Project: Jewelry at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Download, customize everyday household items using 3D design software. Prerequisite 3D Printing Fundamentals class required. Ages 8 to adult. 3-4 pm. Held again 2/25. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

2/11 - Snake Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Hear a short talk about the animal, watch while it is being fed. Every Th 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

2/11 - The New Diaspora: The Changing Landscape of American Jewish Fiction at Florida Atlantic University Social Science Building Room 207, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Speaker: Avinoam Pratt, Center for Judaic Studies, University of Hartford. 4 pm. Free. 297-2979; fau.edu

2/11 - Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's Young Adult Division's Happy Hour at Il Bacio, 29 S.E. Second Ave., Delray Beach. Join a group of Jewish professionals in their 20s, 30s and 40s for

the first gathering of the year. 5:45-8 pm. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. 852-3165 or jewishboca.org.

2/11 - Human Powered Delray Fundraiser at Max's Social House/SoHo, 116 NE 6th Ave. Bike racks available for bike riders. 6-8 pm. Held again 01/14 & 02/11. \$40 (includes appetizers & one wine/beer/cocktail). 501-4332; humanpowereddelray.org

2/11 - The Next Generation Road Rascals Car Show at Lake Worth Casino Building & Beach Complex, 10 S Ocean Blvd. Second Th. 6-9 pm. rstarr2010@gmail.com

2/11 - J. Turner Moore Library Lecture Series: Cellist Yehuda Hanani at 1330 Lands End Rd, Manalapan. With pianist Darren Matias. 6 pm. Free. 383-2541; manalapan.org

2/11 - Flavors of Boca Raton hosted by The Junior League of Boca Raton at The Addison, 2 E Camino Real. Wines, open bar, savory samplings, live music, silent auction, decadent chocolate dessert lounge. Ages 21 & over. 6:30-9:30 pm. \$50/person; \$125/VIP. 620-2553; jlbr.org

2/11 - Palm Beach Watercolor Society Meeting at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Second Th 6:30 pm Oct-May. palmbeachwatercolorssociety.org

2/11 - Open Reading Night at School of Creative Arts/Crest Studios at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Listen or sign up to read from an original work (published or unpublished). All levels welcome. Read for 10-15 minutes then open discussion (not critique). Second Th 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 212-677-4278; oldschoolsquare.org

2/11 - Jazz in the Garden at Boca Raton Museum of Art Outdoor Sculpture Garden, 501 Plaza Real, Mizner Park. The Marshall Turkin Classic Jazz Ensemble. 7-8 pm. Free w/ museum admission: \$12/adults; \$10/seniors; free/members, students w/ID & children 12 & under. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

2/11 - FAU Jazz Band at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/11 - Ocean Ridge Town Hall Lecture Series: The Sunken Treasure of Hernan Cortez at 6450 N Ocean Blvd. Speaker: John Fine. 7 pm. Free. 732+2635; oceanridgeflorida.com

2/11 - Readings in DIRT at Florida Atlantic University Ritter Gallery, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 6 nationally recognized authors read original works; in conjunction with the exhibition *DIRT: Yuta Suelo Udongo Te*. 7 pm. Free. 297-2661; fau.edu/galleries

2/11 - 2016 Happy Chinese New Year Celebration at Florida Atlantic University Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts

Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Featuring Beijing Golden Buddha Jazz Orchestra and local arts groups. 7:30 pm. \$15-\$88. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/11 - Strauss's Die Fledermaus at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Part of Cantorial Soloists Margaret Schmitt's introduction to opera. 7:30 pm. \$10. 276-6161; templesinaipbc.net

2/11-13 - Step-Above Rummage Sale at First Presbyterian Church, 33 Gleason St, Delray Beach. 9 am-3 pm. Free. 276-6338; firtdelray.com

Friday - 2/12 - War and Peace: The Soviet Jewish Experience from World War II until the Demise of the Soviet Union with Dr. Edith Rogovin Frankel at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every F 9-10:45 am through 3/4. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

2/12 - Supervised Bridge Play at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Partners not needed. Adults. Every F 10am-noon. \$10/person. 393-7807; myboca.us

2/12 - Current Events Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every F 10:30 am-noon. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org

2/12 - Balkan by the Beach: International Folk Dance at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Benefit of exercise, pleasure of dancing to beautiful music. No experience or partner needed. Ages 50 & up. Every F 10:30am-1 pm. \$5/residents, \$6/non residents per class. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

2/12 - A Yiddish Panorama: A Thousand Years or More of Yiddish Language and Culture with Riva Ginsburg at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every F 11:15 am-1 pm through 3/4. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

2/12 - 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; billgovetoastmastersclub.com

2/12 - Bob Roberts Society Orchestra at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Full 16-piece big band; variety of tunes for lovers of music and dance. Every Friday 1:30-3:30 pm. \$4. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

2/12 - Intermediate & Advanced Ikebana

Flower Arrangement: Sogetsu School at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Contemporary flower arranging with fresh flowers. 1:30-3:30 pm. Held again 2/19. \$30 + \$20 flower fee. Advance registration required: 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

2/12 - The Tempest by Giorgione - Part of the *Decoding Art Series* at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. 2 pm. \$25. 272-1281; delraybeachplayhouse.com

2/12 - Finding Your Next Good Read at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 2-3 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

2/12 - Woman in Gold (2015 - PG-13) - Part of the Friday Films Series at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30, 5:15 & 8 pm. \$5/adults, free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

2/12 - Skunk Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Short talk about the animal while it is being fed. Every F 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

2/12 - Bonfire on the Beach at Lake Worth Casino and Beach Complex, 10 S Ocean Blvd. 6-9 pm. Held again 2/26. Free. 533-7395; lakeworth.org

2/12 - Love Exhibit Opening Reception at Milagro Center Blueprint Gallery, 695 Auburn Ave, Delray Beach. In partnership with National League of American Pen Women. 6:30 pm. Free. 279-2970; milagrocenter.org

2/12 - The New York Bee Gees: You Should be Dancin' at The Palm Beaches Theatre, 262 S Ocean Blvd, Manalapan. 7 pm. \$29/general admission; \$20/students & seniors. 362-0003; pbifilmfest.org

2/12 - Playwright's Forum: Mall America by Peter Sagal at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab at Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. College of Arts & Letters Lecture Series. 7:30 pm. \$20. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/12 - The Obama Presidency: An Assessment with Dr. Jeffrey Morton at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. College of Arts & Letters Lecture Series. 7:30 pm. \$25. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/12 - PBA Symphony Concert: The King of Instruments at Palm Beach Atlantic University Royal Poinciana Chapel, 60 Cocanut Row, Palm Beach. Directed by Lloyd Mims with Stewart Foster, organ. 7:30 pm. Free/complimentary tickets required: 803-2970; pba.edu

2/12 - Screen on the Green: My Best Friend's Wedding (PG-13) at Waterfront

Commons, 100 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. Second F. 8-11 pm. Free. 822-1515; wpb.org

2/12 - Polo Presents Motown Friday Nights with Memory Lane at The Colony Hotel, 155 Hammon Ave, Palm Beach. Music from the Temptations, Supremes, Gladys Knight & the Pips, Smokey Robinson, Marvin Gaye. Every F 9:30 pm. \$20 cover includes free drink coupon. 659-8100; thecolonypalmbeach.com

2/12-13 - Date Night with Mary Grace and Michael Cartwright at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. 8 pm. \$20. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

2/12-13 - Sympli Trunk Show at Evelyn & Arthur, 277 S Ocean Blvd, Manalapan. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 572-0900; evelynandarthur.com

2/12-14 - The Lady with All The Answers at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. F/Sat 7:30 pm; Sat/Sun 1:30 pm. \$35. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/12-21 - Delray Beach Open (ATP World Tour) at Delray Beach Stadium & Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. World's only 10-day event: ATP Champions Tour 2/12-14 & ATP World Tour 2/14-21. Hosts over 50,000 spectators and 10+ hospitality and special events. The ATP Champions Tour: 2/12 w/ two matches at 6 & 8 pm; 2/13 at 12:30 pm. ATP World Tour matches: 11 am daily 2/15-17; finals 2/21 at 1 & 3 pm. Full schedule online. \$29-\$250. 330-6000; yellowtennisball.com

Saturday - 2/13 - Barrier Free 5K at Barrier Free Park, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Proceeds benefit Congress Avenue Barrier Free Park, designed with needs of children & adults with disabilities in mind; only park of its kind in the county. 7:30 am. 742-6255; boyntonbeachfoundation.org; register: RAPP.com/5k

2/13 - 11th Annual Lake Worth Festival of Trees at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. Tree talks, music, yoga, storytime, crafts, more. Family fare. 9 am-4 pm. Free. 586-1600; lakeworth.org

2/13 - Cahoots Ni Egg at Kravis Center Persson Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 10 am. \$12. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/13 - 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. \$25. Reservations: 279-8883; spadmuseum.com

2/13 - 5th Annual Building Bridges Heart 2 Heart Benefit BBQ Bash! at Elks Lodge, 6188 Belvedere Rd, West Palm Beach. Proceeds help with medical care for 2-year-old Mahniya Humphrey who recently underwent cranial reconstruction surgery. Live music, adoptable dogs, raffles, 50/50 drawing, silent auction, cash bar. 11 am-10 pm. \$25/donation; free/kids under age 12. 932-4922; bbh2h.org

2/13 - Verdi's Otello (Encore) - Part of Met Opera Series at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 1-4:30 pm. \$27; \$15/students w/ ID. 655-7226; fourarts.org

2/13 - Genealogical Society of Palm Beach County Member Meeting at Palm Beach County Main Library Summit Room, 3650 Summit Blvd. Speaker: Maureen McGowan-Singer. 130-3 pm. Free. 616-3455; ancestry@gensocofpbc.org

2/13 - Jamie Porter Comedy Magic Show & You Can Be A Magician With Jamie Porter at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 2 pm Comedy Magic Show; 3 pm magic lessons. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org

2/13 - Mixology: The Craft Spirits Event at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 4-8 pm. \$60/person. 393-7700; myboca.us

2/13 - Art After Dark & Curator's Conversations: Majestic Mountain Retreats at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead insightful discussions about special exhibitions, installations, the Museum Collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free w/museum admission: \$12/adults, \$5/ages 13-21, free/age 12 & younger and museum members. 832-5196; norton.org

2/13 - Eugene Friesen, Cellist at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Special guests Theresa Thomason and Tim Brumfield. 7 pm. \$10. 395-8285; stgregpryepiscopal.org

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2/13 - FAU Choral Ensembles: Love and Romance at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/13 - Valentine Dinner Dance hosted by Knights of Columbus Council #4838 at St. Mark Catholic Church Parish Center, 643 St. Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. \$25. 7 pm. 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com

2/13 - Robert Creighton: Lucky in Love Cabaret Concert at Theatre Lab at Florida Atlantic University Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20. 800-564-9539; fau.edu/theatrelab

2/13 - Improvised Shakespeare at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$40. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

2/13-14 - Valentine's Day Celebration: Romantic Tea-for-two at Flagler Museum Cafe des Beaux-Arts, One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Tea, gourmet sandwiches, scones, desserts served on Whitehall Collection china. Guests receive chocolates, rose, keepsake photo and \$10 gift card for the museum store. Sat 11:30 am-2:30 pm; Sun Noon-3 pm. \$120 per couple/non-members; \$80 per couple/members; includes museum admission, tax, gratuity. Advance purchase recommended: 655-2833; flaglERMuseum.us

FEBRUARY 14-20

Sunday - 2/14 - Valentine's Day

2/14 - Workshop: Mandala in Colored Pencil at Boca Raton Museum of Art School, 801 W Palmetto Park Rd. 10 am. \$60/person+ \$10/materials fee. 392-2503; bocaratonmuseum.org

2/14 - Sado Tea Ceremony Class at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Seishin-an Teahouse, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Unique opportunity to study the traditional art of Sado, The Way of Tea. Attending a Tea Ceremony Workshop is required for those who have never taken a Tea Ceremony Class but wish to start studying Sado. Two lessons per month (2/14 & 21). Individual appointments begin at 10:15 am. \$50/member; \$55/non-member. Advance registration required: 495-0233 x210; morikami.org

2/14 - Valentine's Day Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. 1-3 pm. \$3/advance; \$5/at the door. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

2/14 - Art Show at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 2-4 pm. Free. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

2/14 - Music for a Sunday Afternoon:

Folk/Pop with Friction Farm at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 2-3 pm. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org

2/14 - John Raimondi and Henry Adams, Ph.D: Drawing to Sculpture - Part of the BOCA Talks series at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3-4 pm. \$12/non-members (includes admission); free/members. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

2/14 - Lecture: Plessy v. Ferguson: How the Legal Basis for "Separate but Equal" was Established by Professor William James Hull Hoffer at Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. 3 pm. \$28/non-members; \$10/individual, family & life members; includes museum admission. 655-2833; flaglERMuseum.us

2/14 - Concert: Franco Corso at Boynton Woman's Club, 1010 S Federal Hwy. Benefits Boynton Woman's Club and its charities. 3-4:30 pm. \$20/person. 369-2300; boyntonwomensclub.com

2/14 - Keeping Holocaust Memory Alive to Inspire People to Confront Hatred with Holocaust Survivor Magda Bader at Florida Atlantic University Performing Arts Building Room 101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 4 pm. Free. 297-2979; fau.edu

2/14 - The Music and Times of Duke Ellington: Featuring Marshall Turkin's Classic Jazz Ensemble at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Part of the Live at Lynn American Songbook Series. 4 pm. \$30-\$50. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

2/14 - Valentine's Day Dinner Dance at The Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 6 pm dinner; 8 pm music & show. Four-course dinner starting from \$39.95. 912-0000; paviliongrille.com

2/14 - Alan Parsons Live Project with Special Guests The Orchestra at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 6:30 pm doors open; 7:30 pm concert. \$39.50-\$189.50. 888-929-7849; myboca.us

2/14 - Winds of Romance at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$20. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/14 - Valentine Chocolate Tasting & Candlelight Harp Concert at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 100 N Palmway, Lake Worth. 7 pm. \$25/advance; \$40/at the door. 582-6609; standrewslw.net

Monday - 2/15 - President's Day

2/15 - Emma, Golda, and Ayn: The Legacy of Three Russian Radicals with Dr. Susan Love Brown at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every M 9-10:45 am through 3/7. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

2/15 - Attitude and Style: A Conversation with Iris Apfel, An Interview by Steven Caras at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Part of the ArtSmart Continuing Arts and Education Lunch & Learn Series. 11:30 am. \$85/includes lunch. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/15 - Improv U Workshop: The Zen of Improv at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach, 6-9 pm. \$40/advance; \$50/at the door. 706-5128; info@improvu.org

2/15 - FAU French Film Festival: Hiroshima Mon Amour at Florida Atlantic University Performing Arts Building Room 101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. English subtitles. Discussion by FAU faculty follows. 6:30 pm. 297-0307; cooker@fau.edu

2/15 - Alafair Burke speaks and signs her book *The Ex* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

2/15 - African-American Film Festival: Lilies of the Field (1963) at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7 pm. \$10/night; \$25/entire festival. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/15-16 - Ethan Bortnick and Friends at Spanish River Church, 2400 Yamato Rd., Boca Raton. Held again 2/22-23, 2/29-3/1. 8 pm. \$49. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

Tuesday - 2/16 - Zonta Club of the Greater Deerfield Beach at Duffy's, 401 N Federal Hwy. Every 3rd T 11:30 am. 392-2223; zontadeerfieldbeach.org

2/16 - Gallery Talk: Beauty's Legacy: Gilded Age Portraits in America at Flagler Museum, One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Exhibit runs through 4/17. 12:15 pm. Free w/ museum admission: \$18/adults; \$10/ages 13-17; \$3/ages 3-12; free/members & children under age 6. Reservations recommended: 655-2833; flaglERMuseum.us

2/16 - The Clark Brothers of Cooperstown with Marlene Strauss - Part of the O'Keefe Lecture Series at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members, free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

2/16 - My Grandmother's Letters: Lost and Found Pre-White House Conversation with Harry Truman with Clifton Truman Daniel at FAU Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 4:15-6 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

2/16 - FAU Astronomical Observatory - Public viewing day observations at Florida Atlantic University Science & Engineering Building 4th floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Every 1st F & 3rd T 7 pm. Free. 297-STAR; physics.fau.edu/observatory

2/16 - Underground Library: P.G. Wodehouse & E.F. Benson - The Wit of Farce at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 7-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

2/16 - Youth Touring Concert at Harriet Himmel Theater at City Place, 700 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. Benefits Maltz Jupiter Theatre Goldner Conservatory of Performing Arts. 7 pm. \$10/adults; \$5/students. 748-0036

2/16 - Bill Allred Band at Olympic Heights HS Theater of Performing Arts, 20101 Lyons Rd, Boca Raton. Presented by Swing and Jazz Preservation Society. 7:30-9:45 pm. \$18/members; \$26/non-members. 470-0095; swingjazzfl.com

Wednesday - 2/17 - Coffee with a Cop at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N Ocean Blvd. 7:30-9:30 am. Free. 732-8331; oceanridgeflorida.com

2/17 - Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County Campus Tour at 9901 Donna Klein Blvd, Boca Raton. Park at Federation building; meet at reception desk. History, programs, facilities. 9:30 am-noon. Free. 852-3121; campustours@bocafed.org

2/17 - Project Art Workshop: Release Your Matisse at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Includes understanding basic colors, mixing techniques, application of paint to canvas. All materials provided. 9:30 am-12:30 pm. \$100/residents, \$156/non-residents. 393-7807; myboca.us

2/17 - Field Trip: The Wick Theatre & Costume Museum leaves from Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Includes museum tour, lunch, a cabaret show and round trip motor coach transportation to and from

Patch Reef Park. Light refreshments prior to boarding. 9:45 am check-in. 10:15 am-2 pm trip. \$72/person. 367-7035; myboca.us

2/17 - 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 through 3/16. Individual classes per week: \$12/resident, \$15/non-resident; Full session: \$50/resident, \$62.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

2/17 - The Future of Kurdistan - Part of the Great Decisions group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/17 - The Art of Bird Photography with John J. Lopinot at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Noon-4 pm. Held again 2/24 (6-9 am), 2/25(3-6 pm), 2/26 (noon-4 pm). \$500. 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/17 - A Closer Look: Ralph Earl's Eliza and Celia Smith (1785) at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Talks begin in a gallery, focus on an individual artwork, then move to the museum theater to explore the work's cultural context. 1-2:15 pm. Free w/admission: \$12/adults; \$5/students; free/under age 13 & museum members. 832-5196; norton.org

2/17 - One Woman, Four Decades, Eight Wishes at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of What's on Wednesdays series. 1:30-2:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/17 - Project Space: Jeff Whyman Resurrection of Innocence at Cultural Council, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Reception, talk with the artist. 5-7 pm. Free. 472-3336;

palmbeachculture.com

2/17 - Lecture: Escape: The Heyday of Caribbean Glamour by Hermes Mallea at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30 pm. Free. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/17 - Art Walk Wednesdays Artists Reception at Basil Bar & Grill, Plaza del Mar, 244 S Ocean Blvd, Manalapan. Every 3rd W 6-7 pm through 9/21. Free. 588-2405; facebook.com/dangartists

2/17 - The Audacious Woman: Blaze Your Own Path to Prosperity at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 868-7760; wpb.org

2/17 - Civic Lectures for Savvy Citizens at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 7-8 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

2/17 - The CY Schonberg Concert: Sounds of Sondheim (and Brown) - Part of Music Series at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7 pm doors open, 7:30 pm performance. \$25. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

2/17 - Jeff Harnar at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Part of the Cabaret at Lincoln Center series. 7:30 pm. \$40. 237-9000; lynn.edu

2/17 - Playwright's Forum with Peter Segal of NPR's Wait, Wait, Don't Tell Me presented by FAU's Theatre Lab at Florida Atlantic University Parliament Hall Residence Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20/person; \$5/srudent. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com

2/17 - Jamnasium: Learn & Turn at The

Fieldhouse at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 9-11:30 pm. \$20. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

2/17-18 - Alan B. Larkin Symposium on the American Presidency: The President and American Capitalism Since 1945 at Florida Atlantic University Kaye Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. W 3:30 pm; Th 9am-5 pm. \$35/both dates. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com

2/17-19 - Creative Photography WOW! with John J. Lopinot at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Noon-4 pm. Held again 2/18 (8am-noon) & 2/19 (noon-4pm). \$425. 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/17-19 - An Introduction to Modern American Drama with Murray Biggs at Society of the Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Box lunch included. Every M/W/F 10 am-noon. through 3/2. \$300/8 classes; \$50/lecture. 805-8562; fourarts.org

Thursday - 2/18 - 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

2/18 - National League of American Pen Women Fundraiser Luncheon at Delray Beach Golf Club, 2200 Highland Ave. Guest Speaker: Dr. Caren Neile, Master Storyteller. Noon. \$30. bocapenwomen.com

2/18 - The Sound of Music at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of Movies on Thursdays series. 1:30-4 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

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2/18 - So What Do We Do Now That We Are Here? Early Palm Beach Tourism - Part of the Third Thursdays Series at Richard and Pat Johnson Palm Beach County History Museum, 300 N Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. 3 pm. Free/ members, \$10/non-members. Reservations: 832-4164, x 101; historicalocietypbcc.org
2/18 - Artists' Guild Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony at 512 E Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 6-8 pm. Free. 278-7877; bocaguild.com
2/18 - Artist's Reception with New Works by Abbey Funk, ceramist, at Walker Romaine Gallery, 345 NE 3rd Ave., Delray Beach, 6-9 pm, 716-7709; walkerromainegallery@gmail.com
2/18 - Strauss Dedication & Celebration at

1330 Lands End Rd, Manalapan. 6-8 pm. Free. 383-2541; manalapan.org
2/18 - Exhibition Lecture - O'Keeffe, Stettheimer, Torr, Zorach: Women Modernists in New York at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 6:30 pm. Free w/museum admission: \$12/adults; \$5/ages 13-21; free/12 & under & museum members. 832-5196; norton.org
2/18 - Lantana Town Council Debate at the Lantana Recreation Center, 418 S. Dixie Hwy, Lantana. Incumbent Council Member Malcolm Balfour and newcomer Anthony Arsalini face off. 7 pm. 585-8664; LantanaChamber.org
2/18 - Club Energy with Pure Energy Entertainment at The Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. For families planning upcoming Bar or Bat Mitzvah, Sweet Sixteen or Quince. 7-8:30 pm. 912-0000; paviliongrille.com
2/18-20 - PBA Presents: The Spitfire Grill

at Palm Beach Atlantic University Fern Street Theater, 500 Fern St, West Palm Beach. Music by James Valcq, lyrics and book by Fred Alley, directed by Don Butler. Ages 13 & up. Th/F/Sat 7:30 pm; Sat 2 pm. Held again 2/25-27. \$15/general admission; \$10/seniors 65+; \$5/student w/ID. 803-2970; pba.edu
2/18-21 - Lennon: Through A Glass Onion at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. T-Sat 7:30 pm; W/Sat/Sun 1:30 pm. Held again 2/23-28. \$40. 832-7469; kravis.org
Friday - 2/19 - Boca Express Train Museum Tour at FEC Railway Station Count de Hoerle Pavilion, 747 S Dixie Hwy. Guided tour of two 1947 Seaboard Air Line streamliners listed on the National Register of Historic Places. 1 & 2 pm adults tour; 3 pm Just for Kids Tour. Held again 3/4. \$15/adults; \$10/Boca Raton Historical Society members; \$11/valet fee. Advance registration required: 395-6766 x100; bocahistory.org
2/19 - Boca Chamber's 10th annual DIAMOND Award Luncheon at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E. Camino Real. Recognize a professional woman in South County who contributes to the sparkle of the community by being Dedicated, Inspiring, Accomplished, Motivated, Outstanding, Noble and Driven. 11:45 am-1:30 pm. \$75. 395-4433 or bocaratonchamber.com.
2/19 - Robert + Elizabeth: Dear Love - A Play in Letters by Jerome Kilty at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. 2pm. \$15. 272-1281 x4; delraybeachplayhouse.com
2/19 - Iris (2014 - PG-13) - Part of Friday Films Series at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30 pm. \$5/adults, free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org
2/19 - Artist at Work Series - Andrew Brown: Faux Bois Demonstration at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Demonstration, discussion with the artist about the process, materials, concepts of creating art. 3-4 pm. \$12/non-members; free/ members. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org
2/19 - TEDx Boca Raton: Ingenuity at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real. 15 expert speakers; independently produced event, operating under a license from TED. Discussions, demonstrations, performances by leading thinkers, innovators, artists, philosophers, entertainers. Admission includes food/beverage. 5-10 pm. \$75. 251-7059; myboca.us
2/19 - Happy Hour Friday/Music on the Rocks at Ocean Avenue Amphitheatre, 129

Green Markets

Boca Raton GreenMarket every Saturday, Royal Palm Place Southwest Parking Lot, intersection of S Federal Highway and SE Mizner Blvd. 8 am-1 pm. Free. 368-6875; myboca.us
Delray Beach GreenMarket every Saturday, Old School Square Park, 50 NE 2nd Ave, one block north of Atlantic Ave. Fresh local produce, baked goods, gourmet food items, plants, live music, children's activities. 9am-2pm. 276-7511; delraycra.org
Lake Worth Farmer's Market every Saturday, Old Bridge Park, 10 S Ocean Blvd, Lake Worth. 9 am-1 pm. Free. 547-3100; lakeworthfarmersmarket.com
West Palm Beach GreenMarket every Saturday, 101 S Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach. 9 am-1 pm. Free. 822-1520; wpb.org

E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Food, snacks, beverages available for purchase. Every 3rd F 6-9 pm through Jun. Free. 600-9097; catchboynton.com
2/19 - Evening on the Avenue at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Live music, food vendors, crafts, artists selling their artwork. Every 1st & 3rd F 6-10 pm. Free. 588-8344; lakeworth.org
2/19 - Charles Todd speaks and signs his book *No Shred Of Evidence* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com
2/19 - Violin Master Class with Elmar Oliveira at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu
2/19 - Improv U Workshop: ImprovBoston Show at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Unique approach to improvised musical short-form. 8 pm. \$12. 706-5128; info@improvu.org
2/19-21 - Plain Fun Fest at Old School Square Outdoor Pavillion, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Presented by Plein Air Palm Beach in partnership with Old School Square. F 9 am-noon Paint-out with Critique; Sat 5:30-7:30 pm Plein Air Competition & Awards; Sun 1-3 pm Youth Plein Air. Free. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org
2/19-21 - The Country Wife by William Wycherley at FAU Studio One Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Not appropriate for children under 12. F&Sat 7 pm; Sun 2 pm. Held again 2/26-28. \$20/person; \$15/FAU faculty, staff & alumni; \$12/FAU students. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com
2/19-21 - The Stars of Forever Tango at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. F&Sat 8 pm; Sat&Sun 2pm. \$45. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org
2/20 - The County Wife by William Wycherly at Florida Atlantic University Studio One Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. F/Sat 7 pm; Sat/Sun/ 2 pm. \$420/person; \$12/student; \$15/FAU faculty, staff, alumni. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com
Saturday - 2/20 - 4th Annual Kiwanis Club of Boca Raton Walk for Educational Scholarships to Benefit Homeless Students at Lynn University Campus, 3601 N. Military Tr, Boca Raton. Registration at 8 am, walk at 9 am. Honorary chairs: Jerry and Terry Fedele. 997-2112 or 702-0506; kiwanisclubofbocaraton.com
2/20 - Briny Breezes Hobby Club Craft Show & Sale at 5000 N Ocean Blvd. 9 am-noon. Free. 716-8028
2/20 - Score: 7 Myths About Starting a Small Business at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 10 am-noon. Free. 868-7760; wpb.org
2/20 - Guest Artist Workshop: Paper Cut Art with Hiromi Moneyhun at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Create a unique piece of art. Workshop tools/materials provided. 10:30am-12:30 pm or 2-4 pm. \$50. 495-0233 x210; morikami.org
2/20 - The Science of Chocolate at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Learn how chocolate is made, the chemical properties of chocolate, its potential health benefits. Liquid nitrogen chocolate ice cream, frozen chocolate molds, samples, chocolate fountain, chocolate related crafts, activities. 11 am-5 pm. \$16.95/adults; \$14.95/seniors; \$12.95/children (3-12); free/members & kids under 3. 832-1988; sfsciencecenter.org
2/20 - 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, visits to historical and cultural sites. Narrated by live guide. Every 3rd & 4th Sat year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required: \$50/adult & senior citizen; free/children under 18 (max 5 children per family.) 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org
2/20 - Demonstrations of Sado, The Way of Tea at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Seishin-an Teahouse, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Observe Japanese

sado by the Omote Senke tea group, an ever-changing tea ceremony demonstration rich in sensational subtleties. Noon, 1 pm, 2 pm & 3 pm. \$5 w/paid museum admission: \$15/adults; \$13/seniors; \$11/students w/ID; \$9/children 6-17; free/members and children 5 & under. 495-0233 x210; morikami.org
2/20 - Improv U Workshop: ImprovBoston Show at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Create fully improvised songs in minutes. 3-6 pm. \$50. 706-5128; info@improvu.org
2/20 - 2016 Chinese New Year Celebration presented by the Chinese Cultural Association of South Florida at Olympic Heights Performing Arts Theater, 20101 Lyons Rd, Boca Raton. Celebrate the Year of the Monkey with Dragon and Lion dance, Chinese Kung Fu, traditional Chinese New Year songs, dance performances, Chinese Diabolo performance, amazing Taiko drums. Followed by a Chinese dinner, cultural activities for children and raffle draw. Wear your Chinese costume and join the costume contest. 4-8 pm. \$25/adults; \$15/children 12 & under (includes show and dinner). 445-0608; ccasf.us
2/20 - Spady Living Heritage Festival at the Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. In celebration of Black History Month, featuring live music, food and music and children's activities. 5-10 pm. Free. 279-8883; spadmuseum.com
2/20 - Dinner with the Winemaker at Morton's The Steakhouse, 5050 Town Center Ct #219, Boca Raton. Benefits Hospice of Palm Beach County. 6-9 pm. \$250. 494-6884; hpbpcf.org
2/20 - Formal Evening on The Titanic presented by Casuarina Woman's Club at Lantana Recreation Center, 418 S Dixie Hwy. Dancing, drinks, hors d'oeuvres, door prizes, raffle. 7 pm. \$20/person; \$30/couple. 596-1896; casuarina.wc@gmail.com
2/20 - University Symphony Orchestra "Suite" String Serenades at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 297-6124; fauevents.com
2/20 - Aztec Two-Step at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$40. 832-7469; kravis.org
2/20 - Roberta Rust in Recital at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20. 237-9000; lynn.edu
2/20-21 - 22nd Annual Street Painting Festival on Lake and Lucerne Avenues, downtown Lake Worth. More than 600 artists, live music, restaurants, festival food court, galleries, shops. Free parking throughout downtown. 10 am-6 pm. Free. 790-6200; streetpaintingfestivalinc.org

FEBRUARY 21-27

Sunday - 2/21 - Red, White & Blue Champagne Brunch & Auction at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Speaker: Dr. Robert P. Watson *Unforgettable Moments in Campaign History*. Mimosas, brunch buffet, silent & live auctions. 10:30 am. \$46. 276-6161 x128; templesinaipbc.org
2/21 - iCinema: Under the Bombs at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 2-4 pm. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org
2/21 - Ice Cream Social at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 2-4 pm. Free. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com
2/21 - Choral Gems Concert at Palm Beach Atlantic University DeSantis Family Chapel, 300 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Masterworks Chorus under the direction of Ken Taylor. 3 pm. \$20/advance; \$25/at the door. 845-9696; masterworkspb.org
2/21 - Concert: Bogdan Chruscz, violin, and Yelia Vedra, piano - part of Music At St. Paul's series at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 3 pm. \$20/ preferred seating, \$15/regular seating, \$5/ students. 278-6003; stpaulsdelray.org
2/21 - Laura Mott - Part of the BOCA Talks series at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3-4 pm. \$12/non-members (includes admission); free/members. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org
2/21 - Lecture: Clarence Darrow - The Legal Practice of an Infamous Attorney and American Iconoclast by Professor Andrew Kersten in Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. 3 pm. \$28/ non-members; \$10/individual, family & life

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2/21 - Roots of Classical Music: African-American Heritage at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 3 pm. \$15. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/21 - Master Chorale of South Florida: Broadway Legends at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 4 pm. \$30/advance, \$35/at the door. 954-641-2653; masterchoraleofsouthflorida.org

2/21 - Florida Youth Orchestra at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Features The Principal Orchestra and the Flute Choir. Bring blankets, chairs. Chairs, available to rent (\$5). 4 pm. Free. 393-7827; myboca.us

2/21 - Tenth Annual Palm Beach Atlantic International Piano Festival Opening Concert at PBAU Persson Recital Hall, 326 Acacia Rd, West Palm Beach. 5 pm. \$15/general admission; \$5/student w/ID. 803-2970; pba.edu

2/21 - The Big Picture at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$39. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/21 - Palm Beach Atlantic International Piano Festival Concert II at PBAU Persson Recital Hall, 326 Acacia Rd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$15/general admission; \$5/student w/ID. 803-2970; pba.edu

Monday - 2/22 - Placed on a Pedestal Sculpting Class at Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave, Boynton Beach. Fundamentals of sculpting engage artistic abilities. M through 3/28 or F 2/26-4/1 9-11:30 am; W 2/24-3/30 (no class 3/23) 6:30-9 pm. \$40-\$60/residents; \$50-\$75/nonresidents. Pre-registration required: 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

2/22 - A Woman of Fifty - Part of the Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:45 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/22 - Lecture: Observing Black History Month through Art with Joan Lipton, Ph.D. - Part I: Portrayal of African American Lives and Culture in the 19th Century at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 11am-noon. \$60/four-part lecture series; \$25/per lecture; free/members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/22 - Maintaining Good Health presented by Friends of the Boynton Beach City Library at 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Noon-1 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/22 - Lecture: Dr. Albert Schweitzer: The Whole Man with John Strasswimmer, Ph.D. at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/22 - Heather Coltman and The Amernet String Quartet at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$15. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/22 - African-American Film Festival: Guess Who's Coming to Dinner (1967) at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7 pm. \$10. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/22-23 - Auditions for Black Coffee at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St., Delray Beach. Production dates 5/21-6/5. Positions: 10 men; 3 women. 7:30 pm. 272-1281 x4; delraybeachplayhouse.com

2/22-25 - Wayside House Spring Boutique & Trunk Show at The Fieldhouse at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Proceeds support programs at Wayside House, a Delray Beach women's addiction treatment center. Preview party: M 6-8 pm, \$100/person. Trunk show: T-Th 10 am-5 pm. \$5/daily admission. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

2/22-26 - International Piano Festival Master Classes at Palm Beach Atlantic University Rinker Hall, 326 Acacia Rd, West Palm Beach. Call 803-2422 for daily master class schedule. Free. 803-2970; pba.edu

Tuesday - 2/23 - Adult Multi-Media Art Class at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Water colors, pastel, acrylic; learning design and composition. Every T 9-11:30 am or noon-2:30 pm through 3/29. \$60/residents; \$75/non-residents. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

2/23 - Neil Berg's 107 Years of Broadway at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Two shows: 11 am & 2 pm. \$29. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/23 - Book Discussion: The Light in the Ruins by Chris Bohjalian at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 11 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/23 - Art 101: Women Modernists in New York at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Sessions focus on art represented in the Museum Collection and special exhibitions. 1-3 pm. Held again 3/1, 8 & 15. \$100/members, \$125/non-members. Registration required: 832-5196; norton.org

2/23 - Art, Audience, Excellence:

Thoughts on the Future of the Metropolitan Museum of Art with Thomas Campbell - part of the O'Keeffe Lecture Series at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members; free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

2/23 - Boca Raton: A Brief History with Susan Gillis at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 4:15-6 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

2/23 - FAU French Film Festival: P'tit Quinquin at Florida Atlantic University Performing Arts Building Room 101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. English subtitles. Discussion by FAU faculty follows. 6:30 pm. 297-0307; cooker@fau.edu

2/23 - Spotlight No. 1: Young Composers - Part of Lynn University's 10th Annual New Music Festival at Lynn University Amarneck-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. World premiere of works by composition majors performed by the composers themselves and their peers. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

2/23 - The Event: Celebrating Our Vibrant Jewish Community with Henry Winkler at B'nai Torah Congregation, 6261 SW 18th St, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$95/couvert; \$365/minimum household contribution. 852-5031; kathleenB@bocafed.org

2/23-27 - Royal Room Cabaret Performance: Melissa Manchester at The Colony, 155 Hammon Ave, Palm Beach. 8:30 pm. Held again 2/16-20. T/W/Th \$90/cover + \$50 minimum food & beverage; F/Sat. \$110/cover + \$50 minimum food & beverage. 659-8100; thecolonypalmbeach.com

Wednesday - 2/24 - Adult Oil & Acrylic Painting at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Enhance creativity; reduce stress. Every W 9-11:30 am or noon-2:30 pm through 3/30. \$60/residents; \$75/non-residents. Pre-registration required: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

2/24 - Migration - Part of the Great Decisions group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

2/24 - Discover Boca Raton Public Library's Digital Library at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

2/24 - J. Turner Moore Library Lecture Series: Philip Nicozisis - the Case for Vegan at 1330 Lands End Rd, Manalapan. 1:30 pm. Free. 383-2541; manalapan.org

2/24 - Monumental Dreams: The Life and Sculpture of Ann Norton by Caroline Seebom - Part of Florida Voices Author Series at Society of The Four Arts King Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 1:30 pm. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org

2/24 - World War II in Palm Beach County: Paradise in Peril at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org

2/24 - Bijoux! 2016 Preview Cocktail Party at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Annual exhibition and sale of contemporary art jewelry by international artists. 6 pm. 832-5196 x1212; norton.org/

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2/24 - Technology: Enhancing or Eliminating Humanity? at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 868-7701; wpb.org

2/24 - Meet the Winemaker Cocktail Reception at Morton's The Steakhouse, 777 S Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. Benefits Hospice of Palm Beach County. 6-9 pm. \$75. 494-6884; hpbpcf.org

2/24 - Adult Pottery at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Learn to use a slab roller, coil maker, an electric wheel. Every W 6:30-9 pm through 4/6 (no class 3/23). \$60/residents; \$75/non-residents. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

2/24 - Play Slam Series: Molly's Hammer by Tammy Ryan at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab at Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. College of Arts & Letters Lecture Series. 7:30 pm. \$10. 297-6124; fauevents.com

2/24 - Opera Cabaret presented by Palm Beach Opera at Palm Beach Improv, 550 S Rosemary Ave #250, West Palm Beach. 7:30

pm. \$5. 833-7888; pbopera.org

2/24 - Palm Beach Atlantic International Piano Festival Concert III at PBAU Persson Recital Hall, 326 Acacia Rd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$15/general admission; \$5/student w/ID. 803-2970; pba.edu

2/24 - Master Class with Ellen Taaffe Zwilich - Part of Lynn University's 9th Annual New Music Festival at Lynn University Amarneck-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. World premiere of works by composition majors performed by the composers themselves and their peers. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

2/24 - Robert Klein and Rita Rudner at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$15. 832-7469; kravis.org

2/24 - Concert: The Arturo Sandoval Sextet at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 8-10 pm. \$40-\$45. 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/24-25 - Havana: Capitalist Reforms in a Socialist State: The Obama Diplomatic

Initiative - presented by Dr. Andrew Kahn at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:30 pm. \$25. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

2/24-25 & 27 - Ethan Bortnick and Friends at Kings Point Theatre, 7000 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach. W/Th: 8 pm; Sat: 2pm \$49. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

Thursday - 2/25 - Knit 'N Purl at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Twice monthly class. Rotating facilitators. 10:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

2/25 - Lecture: British Bling: Brilliant and Bitter with Curt DiCamillo at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. The British Crown Jewels 11 am-noon; Jewels of Scandal & Desire 2:30-3:30 pm. \$40/two lectures; \$25/lecture; free/members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

2/25 - Women of Distinction 2016 hosted by Palm Beach Atlantic University at The Breakers, 1 S County Rd, Palm Beach. 11:15 am-2 pm. \$175. 803-2971; pba.edu

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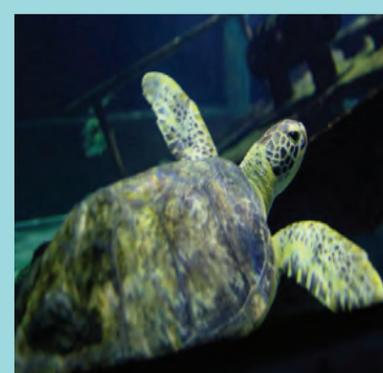
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2/25 - National Music Museum at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of Movies on Thursdays series. 2-4 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
2/25 - Concert: Paul Anthony Duo at Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org
2/25 - Engaging Documentaries: *Revenge of the Electric Car* (PG-13) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org
2/25 - Scott Kirkpatrick: Dively Frontiers in Globalization Lecture Series at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 6:30 pm. \$30-\$50. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
2/25 - DocNights At The Willow: *Inside the Perfect Circle: The Odyssey of Joel Thome* at Willow Theatre, 300 S Military Trail, Boca Raton. All films presented by docmiami.org; films not yet rated. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 7 pm. \$5/person. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org
2/25 - The Jove Comedy Experience at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab at Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. College of Arts & Letters Lecture Series. 7:30 pm. \$15. 297-6124; fauevents.com
2/25 - Spotlight No. 2: Ellen Taaffe Zwilich - Part of Lynn University's 9th Annual New Music Festival at Lynn University, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
2/25 - Bill McGuigan's Rock Legends at Kravis Center Gosman Amphitheatre, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$15. 832-7469; kravis.org
2/25-27 - Jumble Sale at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 5 rooms of bargains and treasures. Th/F 8 am-3 pm; Sat 8 am-noon. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org
2/25-28 - Curtains at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Show runs through 3/27. W/Th/Sat/Sun 2 pm; Th-Sat 7:30 pm. \$70-\$80. 995-2333; thewick.org
2/25-28 - Bijoux! A Contemporary Art Jewelry Sale at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Annual exhibition and sale of contemporary art jewelry by international artists. Th 10 am-9 pm, F&Sat 10 am-5 pm. \$12/adults; \$5/students; free/members and children 12 & under. 832-5196 x1212; norton.org
Friday - 2/26 - Great Books Discussion Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100

W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org
2/26 - *Secrets of Eden* by Chris Bohjalian - Part of the Book Club discussion by Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10:30am-noon. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org
2/26 - *Le Chef* (2012 - PG-13) part of Friday Films Series at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30, 5:15 & 8 pm. \$5/adults; free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org
2/26 - Reunion: The Ultimate 80s Concert at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Debbie Gibson, Flock of Seagulls, Information Society, Wang Chung, Modern English, Nu Shooz. 6 pm gates open; 7 pm concert. Tickets start at \$24.25. 800-745-3000; myboca.us
2/26 - Friday Night with Chelsea White at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. Benefits Dollars 4 Tic Scholars. Comedy show, beer, wine, raffles, silent auction. 6:30 pm. \$45. 487-9526; dollars4ticscholars.org
2/26 - Spotlight No. 3: Penderecki String Quartet - Part of Lynn University's 9th Annual New Music Festival at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
2/26 - Tenth Annual International Piano Festival Concerto with PBA Symphony at Palm Beach Atlantic University DeSantis Family Chapel, 300 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$25/general admission; \$10/student w/ID. 803-2970; pba.edu
2/26 - Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club: Mike Marino & Vincent Pastore at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$45-\$65. 243-7922 x1; delraycenterforthearts.org
2/26 - Sick Puppies Stand Up Show at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. 9-10:30 pm. \$15/online; \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com
2/26-28 - 13th Annual Palm Beach Fine Craft Show at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Juried art & crafts, wearable art & jewelry. Sat 10 am-6 pm; Sun 11 am-5 pm. \$15/general; \$14/seniors; free/children under 12. craftsamericashows.com
2/26-28 - Art of Murder at Boynton Beach Playhouse, 145 SE 2nd Ave. F&Sat 8 pm; Sun 2:30 pm. Held again 3/4-6, 11-12. \$20. 301-5404; stagelefttheatre.net
Saturday - 2/27 - 3rd Annual Library on

the Lawn at West Palm Beach GreenMarket, 100 S Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. 9 am-1 pm. Free. 868-7709; friendswpblibrary.org
2/27 - Illustrated Lecture with Howard Vincent Kurtz at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 11 am-noon. Free. 655-7227; fourarts.org
2/27 - 2nd Annual Festival del Mar at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Celebrates Latino culture and our beautiful oceans. Live music, cultural dance performance, arts & crafts, aquatic touch tank demonstrations, more. 11 am-4 pm. \$16.95/adults; \$14.95/seniors; \$12.95/children (3-12); free/members & kids under 3. 832-1988; sfsccenter.org
2/27 - Tattoo Symposium at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Presented in conjunction with the exhibition *Perseverance: Japanese Tattoo Tradition in a Modern World*. Part I: Tebori Demonstration 12:30-1:15 pm; Part II: Panel Presentation 1:30-3:30 pm. \$7/members; \$10/non-members. 495-0233, x237; morikami.org
2/27 - Master Class with the Penderecki String Quartet at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 1 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
2/27 - Exhibition on Screen: *Vincent van Gogh - A New Way of Seeing* at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. All telecasts previously recorded. 2-3:30 pm. \$15. 655-7226; fourarts.org
2/27 - 2016 South Florida Police K-9 Competition at Boynton Beach High School Sports Stadium, 4975 Park Ridge Blvd. Food & vendor booths, kids activities, exciting competitions. No pets allowed. 2-8 pm. Free. sfpolicek9competition.com
2/27 - Palm Beach County Firefighter Chili Cook-Off at Bryant Park, Lakeview Avenue & S Golfview Road, Lake Worth. 3-8 pm. Free; \$10 armbands for unlimited chili (available while they last). 722-3224; pbcfr-retiree.org
2/27 - Italian Fest at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Authentic Italian, beer & wine, live entertainment, cooking demonstrations, face painting, rides for kids. 4-10 pm. Free. 393-7807; downtownboca.org
2/27 - Laurel Masse at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Wine/champagne/appetizers included. 6 pm. \$50. 395-8285; stgregprysepiscopal.org
2/27 - Benise: Strings of Passion World Tour at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 6:30 pm gates open; 7:30 pm

concert. \$25-\$95. 800-745-3000; myboca.us
2/27 - Mardi Gras Casino Night at American German Club, 5111 Lantana Rd, Lake Worth. 6:30-10:30 pm. \$65/advance; \$70/at the door. 694-7827; annedc@adclaw.net
2/27 - Penderecki String Quartet in Concert at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
2/27 - Benise: Strings of Passion World Tour - World Music and Dance Spectacular at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 6:30 doors open; 7:30 pm concert. \$25-\$95. 800-745-3000; myboca.us
2/27 - Simply Tzfat in Concert at Congregation Anshei Emuna, 16189 Jog Rd., Delray Beach. Sponsored by the Jewish Congregations of Delray Beach. 9 pm. \$22/advance, \$25/at the door. 734-4069; chabaddelray.com
2/27-28 - Artists in the Park presented by Delray Beach Art League at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Fine art exhibition and sales. 10 am-4:30 pm. Held again 3/5-6. Free. 843-2311; delrayartleague.com/dal
2/27-28 - Live at Lynn Series: Women of Ireland at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 4 pm. \$50-\$75. 237-9000; lynn.edu

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Sunday - 2/28 - Walk MS: Palm Beach 2016 at Waterfront Commons, 100 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. am registration; 8:30 am walk. 855-372-1331; fundraisingsupport@nmss.org
2/28 - Sunday Musical Matinee Series: Grace & the Victory Riders Trio at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. \$20/person. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
2/28 - Troy Anderson and the Wonderful World Band - Louis Armstrong Tribute (Rated G) - Part of Big Band Series at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 2 pm. \$25. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org
2/28 - Faculty and Friends: Baroque to Beethoven at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 3 pm. \$15. 297-6124; fauevents.com
2/28 - Lecture: *How the 16th Amendment and the Federal Reserve Act Changed America* by John Steele Gordon at Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. 3 pm. \$28/non-members; \$10/individual, family & life members. Includes museum admission. 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us
2/28 - Special: Richard Ladisky part of Friends Speaker Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 3-4:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org
2/28 - Concert: The Romeros at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3-5 pm. \$20. 805-8562; fourarts.org
2/28 - Masterworks Concert III: 1,001 Nights presented by South Florida Symphony Orchestra at Florida Atlantic University Carole and Barry Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Works by Rimsky-Korsakov and Mendelssohn. 4 pm. \$30-\$60. 954-522-8445; southfloridasymphony.org
2/28 - Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$39. 832-7469; kravis.org
2/28-3/20 - The Devil's Music: The Life and Blues of Bessie Smith at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. W/Th/F 7:30 pm; Sat 8 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$45. 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. 450-6357; artsgarage.org
Monday - 2/29 - The Joys & Trials of Being an Author presented by Friends of the Boynton Beach City Library, part of the Brown Bag Series, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Noon-1 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
2/29 - Jam On The Vine by LaShonda Barnett - Part of the Afternoon Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 1 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
2/29 - Mini-Recital & Master Class with Pianist/Composer Benjamin Warsaw at Lynn University, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 2 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
2/29 - Cercle Francais: French Conversation Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Rotating facilitators. 2 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
2/29 - Wine Appreciation with Athena Yannitsas: Que Syrah, Syrah at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30-7 pm. \$45/class. 805-8562; fourarts.org
2/29 - Silk Screen Party at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 6-8:30 pm. \$25/members; \$35/guests. RSVP required by 2/22: 392-2500; bocamuseum.org
2/29 - FAU French Film Festival: *La French* at Florida Atlantic University Performing Arts

Building Room 101, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. English subtitles. Discussion by FAU faculty follows. 6:30 pm. 297-0307; cooker@fau.edu
2/29 - African-American Film Festival: *In the Heat of the Night* (1967) at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7 pm. \$10. 832-7469; kravis.org
Tuesday - 3/1 - Ikebana Flower Arrangement: Ikenobo School at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Traditional flower arranging with fresh flowers. Every T 1-3 pm through 3/22. \$70/+ \$80 flower fee. Advance registration required: 495-0233; morikami.org
3/1 - Whole Brain Workout presented by Barbara Klau at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute. First of four-part series. Class continues 3/8, 15 & 22. 2-3:30 pm. \$50/four sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
3/1 - Career Transitions at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Use a database that guides you to discover interests, choose a career, prepare a resume, search job openings, more. Prerequisite: some computer/typing skills. Adults. 2-3:30 pm. Free. 393-7021; bocalibrary.org
3/1 - William Ivey Long: Creating Character through Costumes at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. Hosted by Sheryl Flatow. Q&A follows. 2 & 7 pm. \$20. 914-4042; palmbeachdramaworks.org
3/1 - Israel's Nuclear Strategy and U.S. Security with Louis Rene Beres -Part of the O'Keefe Lecture Series at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members; free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org
3/1 - Emotional Intelligence: You Got It! Now Use It! with Dr. Neil Katz at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 4:15-6 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls
3/1 - Ukulele Music Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. First T 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
3/1 - What's The Story? Having Fun Writing Children's Books at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 19 & up. Every T 7-9 pm through 4/5. \$115/resident; \$143.75/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
3/1 - Rave On! The Buddy Holly Experience at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$45. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org
3/1-2 - Evita, First Lady: A Biography of Evita Peron by John Barnes - part of The Talk of Kings Book Discussion Group at Society of the Four Arts King Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. T 5:30-6:30 pm; W 11 am-noon. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org
3/1-5 - Royal Room Cabaret Performance: John Pizzarelli at The Colony, 155 Hammon Ave, Palm Beach. 8:30 pm. Held again 2/16-20. T/W/Th \$100/cover + \$50 minimum food & beverage; F/Sat \$120/cover + \$50 minimum food & beverage. 659-8100; thecolonypalmbeach.com
3/1-6 - Matilda The Musical at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. T-Sat 8pm; W/Sat/Sun 2 pm. Tickets start at \$28. 832-7469; kravis.org
Wednesday - 3/2 - Beginners Ikebana Flower Arrangement: Sogetsu School at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Contemporary flower arranging with fresh flowers. Every W 10:30 am-12:30 pm through 3/23. Advance registration required: \$60/members, \$70/non-members. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org
3/2 - Literary Lectures: Robertson Davies at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org
3/2 - America in Russia from Catherine the Great to Nicholas II at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Part of the ArtSmart Lecture Series. 1:30 pm. \$25. 932-7469; kravis.org
3/2 - Jewish-American Organized Crime: Murder Inc., Arnold Rothstein, and The Purple Gang presented by Stephen Singer, Esq., at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute. First of three-part series. Class continues 3/9 & 16. 2-3:30 pm. \$45/three sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
3/2 - The Great Conductors presented by Rabbi-Cantor Paul Offenkrantz, D.M. at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute. First of three-part series. Class continues 3/9 & 16. 6-7:30 pm. \$45/three sessions. 266-9490;



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3/2 - Cabaret Series: Amra-Faye Wright at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$40. 237-9000; lynn.edu
3/2 - The CY Schonberg Concert: Impressions of French Song (Debussy, Faure and Others) - Part of Music Series at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7 pm doors open, 7:30 pm performance. \$25/event. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com
3/2 - Amra-Faye Wright at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Part of the Cabaret at Lincoln Center series. 7:30 pm. \$40. 237-9000; lynn.edu
3/2 - Jimmy Mazz: Cruisin' Thru the Fifties at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. 8 pm. \$29-\$35. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org
3/2 - Concert: Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana - "Poema de Andalucia" at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 8-10 pm. \$40-\$45. 805-8562; fourarts.org
3/2 - 2016 South Florida Science Center and Aquarium Annual Benefit at The Breakers, One S County Rd, Palm Beach. Guest speaker: Shawn Achor - *The Science of Happiness*. Limited seating. 7 pm. \$500. 370-7738; nihoffman@sfsciencecenter.org
Thursday - 3/3 - Sumi-e Ink Painting at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Floral 10:30 am-12:30 pm; landscape 1:30-3:30 pm. Th through 3/24. Advance registration required: \$55/member; \$60/nonmember. 495-0233; morikami.org
3/3 - Lunch with Liz: Stepping Into Our Greatness at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Based on insights of Ivania Vanzant. 11:30 am-1 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
3/3 - Your Memoir: Writing Your Legacy with Myles Ludwig at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Every Th 2-4 pm through 4/7. \$200/session. 805-8562; fourarts.org
3/3 - Key Global Hot Spots presented by Colonel Al Biegel (Ret.) with Arthur Green at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute. First of four-part series. Class continues 3/10, 17 & 24. 2-3:30 pm. \$50/four sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org
3/3 - Exhibit Opening Reception: Nancy Connors & Agata Ren at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5-7 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeachlibrary.org
3/3 - Music in the Museum: Legends of Vinyl at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 5:30-8 pm. Free w/museum admission: \$12/adults; \$10/seniors; free/members, students w/ID & children 12 & under. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org
3/3 - Lecture: Women on Board: Insider Secrets to Getting on a Board and Succeeding as a Director at Society of The Four Arts, Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Panel discussion; book signing follows. 6-7 pm. \$10/non-members; free/members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org
3/3 - Art After Dark & Curator's Conversations - Edward Hopper's Four Lane Road at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead insightful discussions about special exhibitions, installations, and museum collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free w/museum admission: \$12/adults; \$5/ages 13-21; free/age 12 & younger and museum members. 832-5196; norton.org
3/3 - Mostly Music: Bartok at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Features conservatory's artist-faculty and students. Actors bring the composers to life through reading their letters. 7:30 pm. \$20. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets
Friday - 3/4 - Interior Design Workshop with Kevin Byrne: Designing Your Interiors at Society of The Four Arts Hulitar Art Studio, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Basic interior design principles, theory and conceptual processes with an emphasis on creating functional and stylish spaces. Every F 9:30 am-12:30 pm through 3/18. \$275/workshop. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org
3/4 - Canasta Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basic techniques: how to count points, keep score, play of the hand. Couples and singles welcome. Each player required to purchase four decks of cards (two red, two blue) and a canasta tray and bring to the first class. Every F 10 am-noon through 3/25. \$50/resident; \$63/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.

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3/4 - Lecture: The Wynwood Series with Lacy Davisson Doyle at the Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 11am-noon. \$60/lecture. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org
3/4 - Gemma Boveri (2014 - R) - Part of Friday Films Series at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30, 5:15 & 8 pm. \$5/adults; free/members. 655-7227; fourarts.org
3/4 - Historical Walking Tour meets at Palm Beach County History Museum, 300 N Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. One-hour guided tour showcases the evolution of downtown West Palm Beach buildings and landmarks; includes an historical urban design overview through recent area development. 4 pm. \$5/recommended donation. Advance registration required: 832-4164 x103; historicalsocietypbc.org
3/4 - First Friday Art Walk at Cornell Art Museum at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Current exhibits, 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; oldschoolsquare.org
3/4 - Movies in the Park at Ocean Avenue Amphitheatre, 129 E Ocean Ave. Boynton Beach. Every 1st F Oct-Jun. Food, snacks, beverages available for purchase. 7 pm. Free. 600-9097; catchboynton.com
3/4 - Acoustic Adventures of Richard Gilewitz at Kravis Center Persson Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$29. 832-7469; kravis.org
3/4 - Old World - New World: Camerata Vizcaya at Palm Beach Atlantic University Persson Recital Hall, 326 Acacia Rd, West Palm Beach. Guest artist Roland Schlieder, guitar;

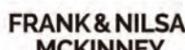
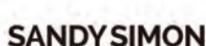
directed by Patrick Clifford. 7:30 pm. Free. 803-2970; pba.edu
3/4-5 - Repertory Dance Theatre Ensemble at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. F/Sat 7 pm; Sat 1pm. \$20. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com
3/4-6 - 50th Annual St Vincent Ferrer Parish Festival at 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Bake sale, carnival rides, raffles, food/beverage for purchase. 5-11 pm F; 11 am-11 pm Sat; 11am-7 pm Sun, Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com
3/4-6 - Better Than Money (Rated PG) presented by The Playgroup at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. F/Sat 8 pm; Sat/Sun 2pm. Held again 3/11-13. \$25. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org
3/4-16 - 10th Annual Festival of the Arts BOCA at Mizner Park Amphitheatre, 590 Plaza Real & Cultural Arts Center, 201 Plaza Real. Check website for schedule and times/tickets. 368-8445 festivaloftheartsboca.org
Saturday - 3/5 - Hunger Walk/5K Run & Kids 1-Mile Fun Run starts and ends at Federal Highway & NE 4th Avenue, Boynton Beach Benefits Community Caring Center of Greater Boynton Beach, Inc. 6:30-11:30 am. \$35/runners; \$20 or donation of canned goods/walkers. 364-9501; cccgbb.org
3/5 - Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation One Walk 2016 for a World Without Type 1 Diabetes at Meyer Amphitheatre, 105 Evernia St, West Palm Beach. 2-mile walk, complimentary refreshments for walkers. 7:30 am registration; 8:30 am walk. Free. 801-7270; jdrf.org/events
3/5 - Community Cookout presented by The Boca Chamber at YMCA of South Palm Beach County, 6631 Palmetto Circle S, Boca Raton. Food/games, bounce house/slides, DJ,

more. Free/admission; \$5/meal ticket. 395-4433; bocaratonchamber.com
3/5 - Tea Ceremony workshop at The Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Seishin-an Teahouse, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Learn the basics of sado - Tea Ceremony - necessary to know in order to either learn more about the aesthetics of sado or better understand and fully enjoy the tea ceremony itself. This workshop is a prerequisite for those who have never taken a tea ceremony class but wish to start studying sado. Advance registration required: \$40. 1-3 pm. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org
3/5 - Puccini's Manon Lescaut - Part of Met Opera Series at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 1-4:45 pm. \$27; \$15/students w/ID. 655-7226; fourarts.org
3/5 - Legally Blonde, The Musical at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Every Sat 4 pm through 4/9. \$14.50/adults; \$10.50/children 12 & under. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com
3/5 - Evening on Antique Row, 3300-3900 Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. Benefits Historical Society of Palm Beach County. Food trucks, musicians, entertainment, antique shop showcases. 6-9 pm. General admission: \$40/advance, \$65/at the door; VIP: \$100/advance, \$125/at the door. 832-4164; historicalsocietypbc.org
3/5 - A Romantic Evening of Chamber Music for Strings and Piano with Dr. Irena Kofman and Benjamin Joella at Florida Atlantic University Barry and Florence Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Annual membership: \$45. 7-8:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at

the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls
3/5 - Sick Puppies Improv Comedy Show at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. 9-10:30 pm. Held again 3/12, 19, 26 & 4/2. \$15/online; \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com
3/5-6 - Saturday Night Fever: National Tour at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Part of the Main Stage Series. Sat & Sun 2 & 8pm. \$45. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org
3/5-6 - 19th Annual Downtown Delray Beach Craft Festival along NE & SE 4th Avenue and Atlantic Avenue. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 746-6615; artfestival.com
3/5-6 - 6th Annual CityPlace Art Fair at 700 S Rosemary Ave. West Palm Beach. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 746-6615; artfestival.com
3/5-6 - And All That Jazz: The Songs of Kander and Ebb at Kravis Center Marshall E. Rinker, Sr. Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Sat/Sun: 7:30 pm; Sat: 1:30 pm. \$40. 832-7469; kravis.org
3/5-6 - Playwright's Forum: Fulfillment Center by Deborah Zoe Laufer at Florida Atlantic University Theatre 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. College of Arts & Letters Lecture Series. Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$20. 297-6124; fauevents.com
3/5-12 - 8th Annual Kultur Festival: A Celebration of Jewish Music & Arts at Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Rd. Showcasing FAU Libraries' Special Collections through the talents of guest artists, distinguished scholars, critically-acclaimed musicians, including the 25-piece Klezmer Company Orchestra (KCO), the library's professional ensemble-in-residence. Full schedule available online. 877-311-7469; fauevents.com



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