

Along the Coast

Barrier island fire district plan gaining steam

By Dan Moffett

When Gulf Stream Town Manager Bill Thrasher started studying the idea of bringing six barrier island towns together to provide their own fire-rescue services last year, he thought there was “no better than a 20 percent chance” anything would come of it.

Thrasher believes that number has improved dramatically in recent weeks,

however. “I think it’s gone up to 50 percent,” he says now.

You can attribute the change to an unlikely source: Delray Beach, which currently provides services to Gulf Stream and Highland Beach.

In February, Delray Beach city commissioners rejected a tentative fire-rescue agreement with Highland Beach and added a 20 percent administrative fee to the proposed

contract, effectively increasing the town’s bill by \$660,000 a year.

“We thought we had an agreement with them in December,” Town Manager Beverly Brown said. “Then we find out that they want to charge us another 20 percent. It was a surprise.”

Delray Beach’s abrupt shift gave the six coastal communities the living example of
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Delray Beach



The American Legion Post 65, in Delray Beach, was built in 1921.

Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

Nearly 100, Post 65 struggles to stay afloat

By Ron Hayes

Drive by just a little too fast and you will probably miss it.

Slow down and look to your left. There. Huddled among the much younger offices and condos in the 200 block of Northeast Fifth Avenue in Delray Beach, the Milton-Myers American Legion Post 65 is a Mission-style building with white stucco walls, a tar and gravel roof and, gracing a parapet above the front doors, the American Legion insignia, also stucco.

Built in 1921, it is the oldest American Legion post in Florida that has always been an American Legion post.

Now it’s struggling to remain one. “We need about \$6,000 a month,” says Gary Cisco, 69, the post’s finance director. “We’re cutting expenses by about a third to eliminate items.”

It’s closed on Sundays and Mondays now, and the cleaning service comes once a month instead of weekly. The television over the bar offers fewer channels, and the bartenders had to take a cut in pay. The \$5 soup and sandwich lunch on Wednesdays and \$10 dinners on Friday nights bring in a little.

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Snowbird Season



Beachgoers crowd the shore along Delray Beach in February. Even beyond the beaches, the signs of 2016’s tourist season are hard to miss. According to the Palm Beach County Tourist Development Council, visits to Palm Beach County rose to a record 6.6 million in 2015, up from 6.3 million the year before. That translates into \$46 million in bed taxes, \$7.6 billion in economic impact and more than 66,000 jobs. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

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Heroin linked to rising drug death toll

By Mary Hladky

The number of drug overdose deaths has surged in Palm Beach County, jumping 62.8 percent over the last three years.

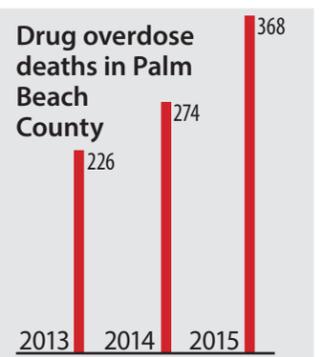
The number of people who died from overdoses rose from 226 in 2013 to 368 last year, according to data released in late February by the Palm Beach County Medical Examiner’s Office.

The overdose death increase in Palm Beach County mirrors a national escalation that resulted in 47,055 deaths in 2014.

“It is a crisis,” said James Hall, a Nova Southeastern University epidemiologist who studies substance abuse and drug outbreaks. “More people are dying from drug overdoses than traffic accidents in the United States.”

The county medical examiner’s data list 21 overdose deaths in Boca Raton in 2015, 27 in Boynton Beach, 25 in Delray Beach and 41 in West Palm Beach. These 2015 death tolls could increase when pending toxicology reports are completed.

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SOURCE: PBC Medical Examiner

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Area golf courses using less free labor.
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Rare turtle recovering

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Mizner Park turns 25
Center transformed downtown Boca Raton.
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Harbour's Edge resident fighting hunger, one bowl at time

By Rich Pollack

It was Hans Christian Andersen's *The Little Match Girl* that first touched Peg Ekberg's heart and led her to a lifetime of helping others.

"I can't stand to see someone else hurting," she says.

Ekberg, who turns 94 this month, has been helping people in need through her volunteer efforts since she was a child, when she collected money for struggling neighbors, one quarter at a time.

Today, she is playing an important role in raising money for the Palm Beach County Food Bank through the Empty Bowls project, a nationwide effort to fight hunger. Supporters pay \$25 each for their choice of a hand-crafted ceramic bowl and to share a simple lunch of soup, bread and a cookie with like-minded community members.

The bowls came from the Outlaw Pottery and Art Studio in Cocoa and were purchased by the Food Bank.

Ekberg first got involved in the project three years ago through her church, Bethesda-by-the-Sea Episcopal Church in Palm Beach.

A year later, the Delray Beach resident started an Empty Bowls drive in her Harbour's Edge community, which last month drew nearly 100 residents and raised close to \$4,000.

While recognizing the impact one can have assisting others, Ekberg says that she gets a lot of personal satisfaction from supporting organizations that serve those in need.

"To be able to help others is probably the best thing that can happen in your life," she says. "It's what keeps me going."

In addition to her support for the Palm Beach County Food Bank, the local organization that benefits from the Empty Bowls project, Ekberg continues to volunteer with both Planned Parenthood and the League of Women Voters, organizations she has supported for close to 75 years.

"They tell me I may be the longest member of the league in Florida," she says.

A former resident of Gulf Stream who came to South Florida 30 years ago, Ekberg has served on the boards of both organizations and has served as the president of the



Delray Beach resident Peg Ekberg started an Empty Bowls drive at her Harbour's Edge community.

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Palm Beach County Planned Parenthood chapter.

She has been active at Bethesda-by-the-Sea, serving on the church's outreach committee, which she has chaired in the past.

When the church got involved in the Empty Bowls project, Ekberg was tapped to find 250 volunteers to help.

She didn't have any problems getting recruits.

"I am an old lady and people were afraid to say 'no,'" she says.

Ekberg later was asked to coordinate the baking of hundreds of cookies handed out to everyone who purchased a bowl.

Seeing the success of the effort in Palm Beach inspired her to bring the Empty Bowls project to Harbour's Edge.

She contacted the senior living community's activities director, Judy Stauffer, and chef Tim D'Antuono, who both greeted the idea

enthusiastically.

That first year, 60 Harbour's Edge residents participated, each buying a bowl and then sitting down in the dining room for a bowl of soup prepared by the kitchen staff. The event raised about \$2,500.

In addition to raising money, the event helped raise awareness of the hunger issues in Palm Beach County. Ekberg had brought in Perry Borman, executive director of the Palm Beach Food Bank, and also spoke to the residents herself.

"I want people to understand that those who are poor are not lazy bums," she says.

This year, the team at Harbour's Edge agreed to host the Empty Bowls program, even though the kitchen and dining room are being renovated. Instead, tables were set up in a makeshift dining room and supporters gathered together over a lunchtime meal.

"You look around the room and you get the warmest feeling because you know everybody cares," Ekberg says.

"I think everybody who was there feels better knowing that they're part of something that's helping others." ★

Editor's Note

Civil, open discourse necessary to democracy

I was raised in Illinois. The Land of Lincoln. I have heartland values.

Maybe that's why this election year has been so disturbing to me. It seems I'm just not angry enough or afraid enough to embrace the hate-filled mentality that has gripped the American political psyche.

In my Midwestern heart I've always believed that democracy embraces different groups, interests and opinions; that its elected officials hold ongoing discussions with their constituents and follow the rules of law to sort through passion-filled rhetoric and reach compromise without abandoning civility.

I was taught the alternative of democracy was dictatorship or governance by cabal. Those are frightening options to consider.

When casual discussion turns to the theatrics of national politics, I tend to get on my soapbox and suggest we all turn off the TV and focus on what's happening locally. That's what matters, I say. The important politics are local politics. In a small town it's important to be neighborly about our disagreements.

I'm not so sure anymore. It seems to me that even some local elections have become mean-spirited.

Through the years, I've observed small-town elections influenced by behind-the-scenes politics. No surprise. And new or unknown candidates have always made a sitting commissioner nervous. That's to be expected.

But when an elected commissioner actively and publicly campaigns against one of its colleagues, it

raises more than eyebrows. It calls out questions about transparency. Why is a 5-0 vote so important? Good question.

Maybe Ocean Ridge should have made a call to Boca Raton before embarking on unified public endorsements against a sitting commissioner.

Remember Boca Raton's 2012 TV commercials? The questions they raised about Sunshine Law violations? The re-election of the commissioner in an apparent backlash to this unified, public endorsement of his competition?

In Boca Raton, vocal and well-organized groups have grown out of the distrust of a commission that felt the need to push for a 5-0 vote. These groups have not been afraid to sue the city when they felt their rights were violated. They have remained vigilant.

This is the natural outcome of elected officials forgetting that their jobs require listening to different groups, interests and opinions.

Call me Midwestern, but I still believe open discourse is as essential to democracy as the right to vote. And last time I looked, we all still had that right. Use it.

Lantana, Ocean Ridge and South Palm Beach will hold municipal elections during the March 15 presidential preference primary. Delray Beach will have two referendum items on the ballot.

For more information see pages 16-18.



Mary Kate Leming, Editor

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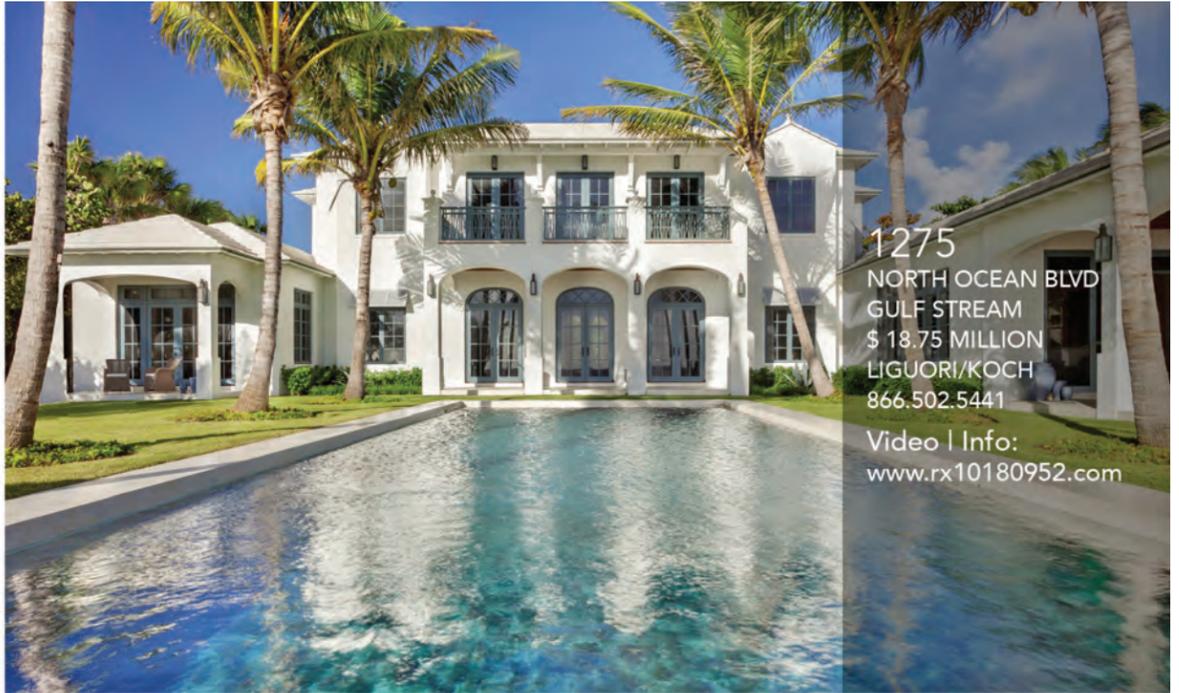
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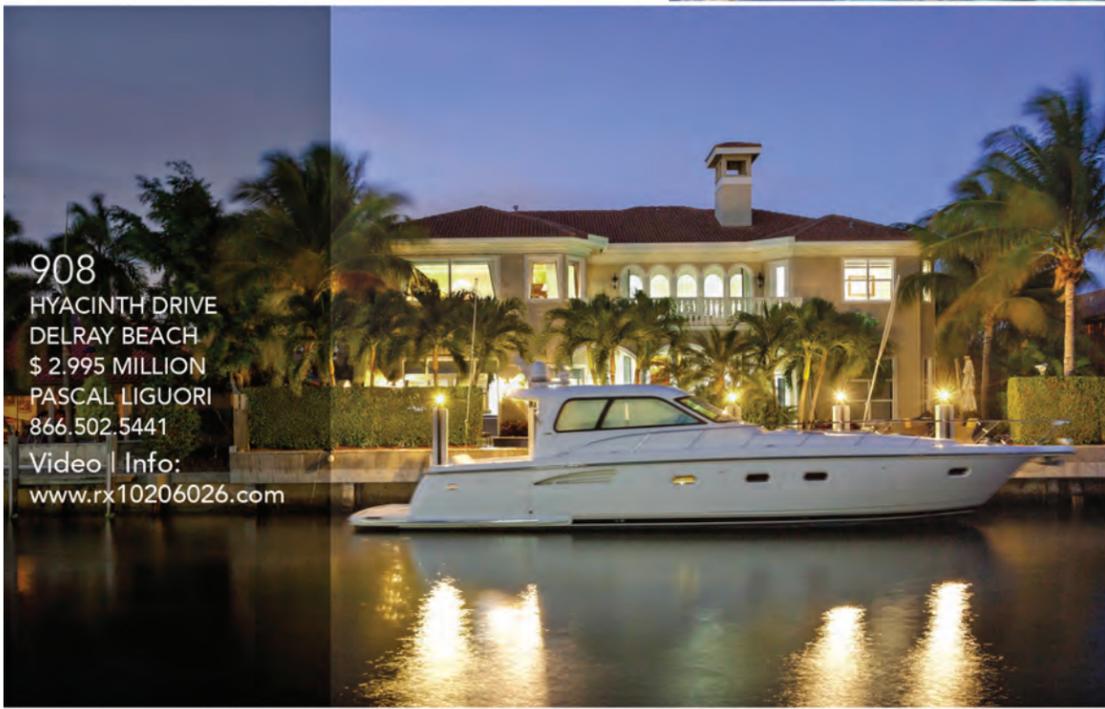
A story in the February edition erroneously described Ocean Ridge Town Attorney Ken Spillias' compensation. Spillias was paid a \$90,000 annual salary, after working previously on a \$7,000 monthly retainer. Also, Glen Torcivia formerly worked for five years as an assistant attorney for Palm Beach County.

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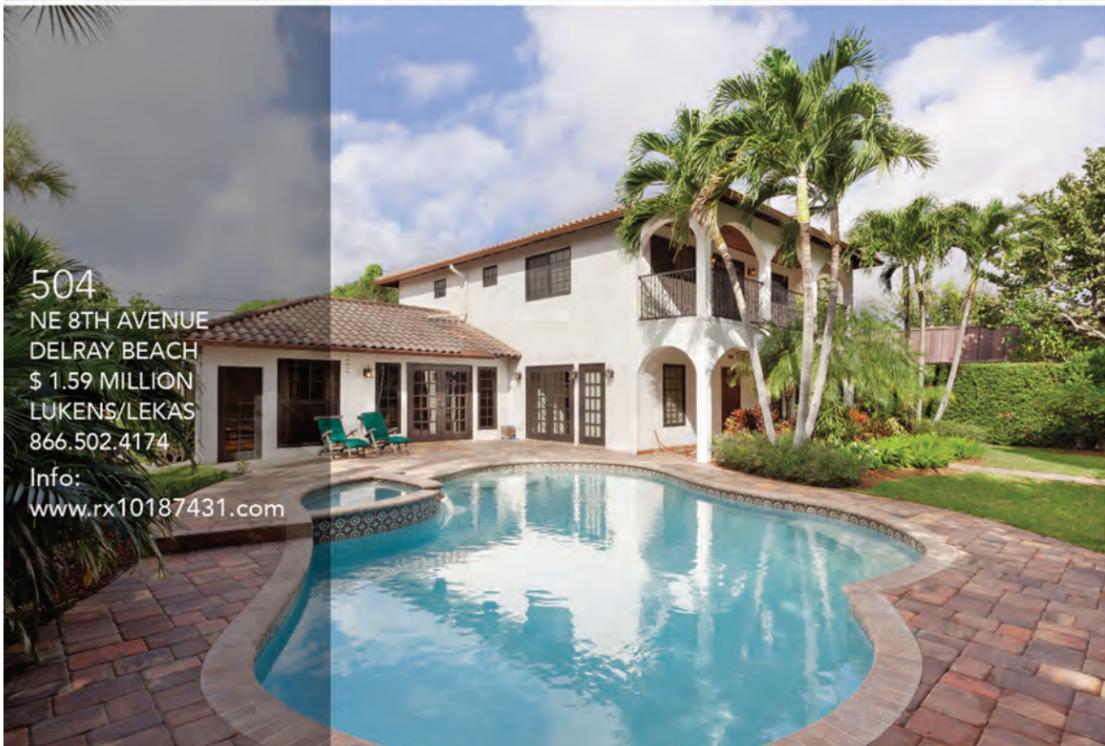
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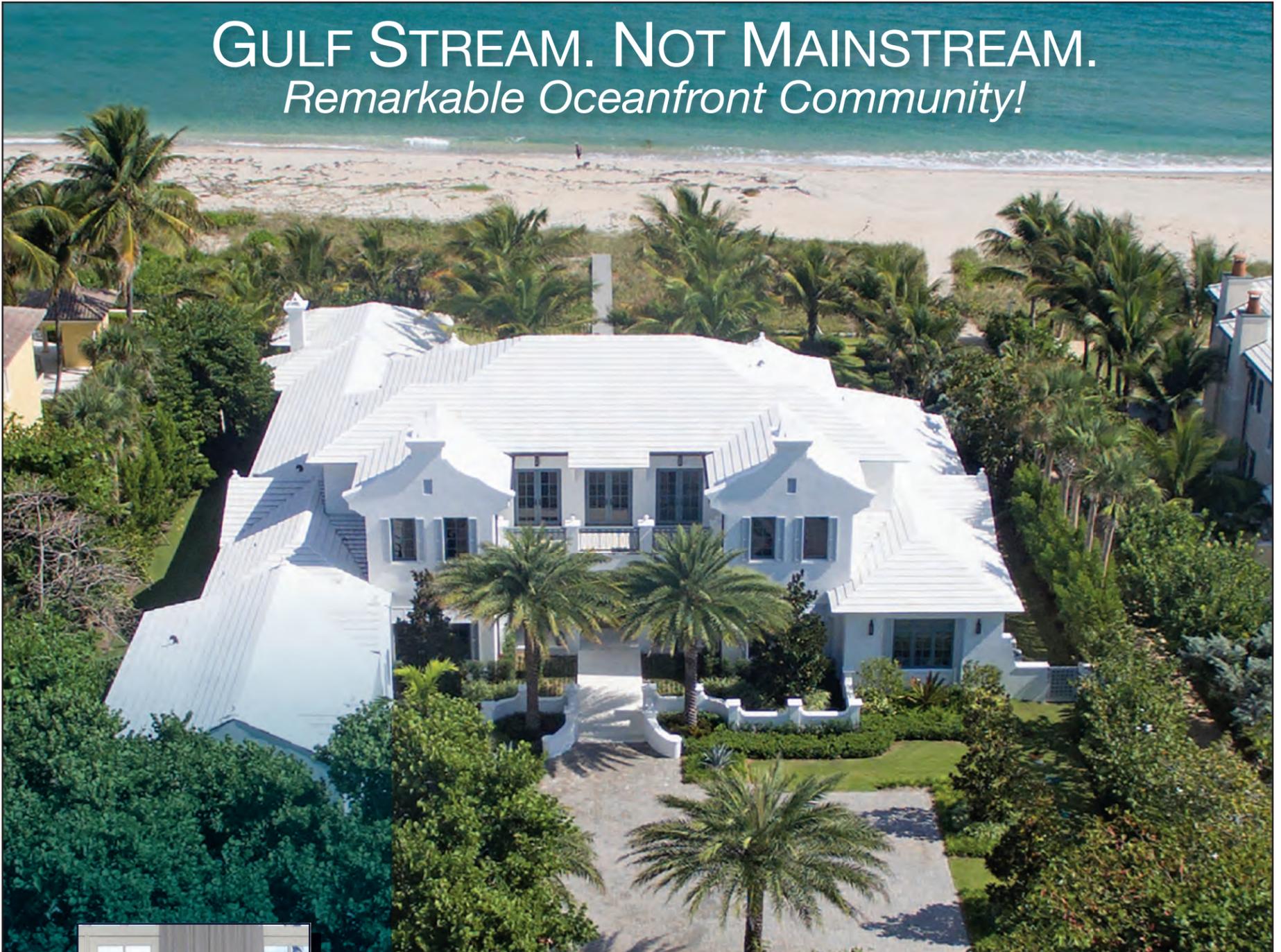
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Treatment for a rare sea turtle

Kemp's ridley with bitten flipper recuperates at Gumbo Limbo

By Sallie James

A critically endangered Kemp's ridley sea turtle that nearly became a shark's lunch is the newest star at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, where he's recovering nicely under the care of dotting volunteers.

"He either would have gotten really sick and not survived or his flipper would have fallen off," Whitney Crowder, sea turtle rehabilitation coordinator for Gumbo Limbo, said as she helped another worker lift the 40-pound creature onto an examination table so she could cleanse his wounds. "I've seen a lot worse. He's pretty lucky."

"Bruce," named after the devilishly grinning shark in the movie *Finding Nemo*, escaped his hungry pursuer but suffered a nasty flipper bite that required 10 stitches, along with some deep gashes. He arrived at Gumbo Limbo on Feb. 1 after being discovered struggling in the waters near Florida Power & Light's nuclear power plant in Port St. Lucie.

Bruce's road to recovery may take several months, but his cure is about as sweet as it gets. The rare sea turtle is healing with the help of raw honey. But he's not eating the sticky stuff, he's wearing it. Gumbo Limbo workers pack raw honey into Bruce's wounds daily, where it's left for 20 minutes to promote natural healing, explained David Anderson, marine turtle specialist.

"Raw honey acts as a natural medicine, an antifungal and antibiotic. It will draw all the infection out of the wound," Anderson said.

Bruce's rescue comes at the start of sea turtle nesting season, which begins in March and continues through October.

The facility's turtle rehabilitation center has 11 recovery tanks currently occupied by six green sea turtles, two hawksbills and three loggerheads in addition to Bruce, who will be released back into the wild when he's healthy enough.

The Kemp's ridley is the smallest and most critically endangered sea turtle species. It is typically found in the Gulf of Mexico and nests in a large group known as an arribada, Spanish for "arrival by sea," on beaches in Mexico and Texas. Full-grown adults weigh 75 to 100 pounds with shells that range from gray to olive.

For now, Bruce is taking it easy in a spotless, 12-foot-diameter tank that's pumped with fresh seawater 24 hours a day. He dines on squid and fish and regularly draws "oohs" and "aahs" from admiring nature center guests.

"It must have been hard for him because his arm was hurt,"

Sea Turtle Day

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Elliott Levine, 9, of Atlanta, said as he peered intently into Bruce's tank to catch a glimpse of the turtle's stitched flipper. "He's very cute."

The injured turtle's luck wasn't all bad.

After he was carried through the intake canal leading to the power plant, Inwater Research Group biologists, whose job is to watch for injured wildlife, promptly plucked him from the

water.

Research biologist Cody Mott spied Bruce and knew he needed medical attention. After assessing the turtle's injuries, he contacted the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which located an open tank at Gumbo Limbo.

"We don't see [Kemp's ridley turtles] frequently on Florida's east coast," Mott said. "The most we have ever had in a year is seven. The majority of cases that go to rehab aren't anything to do with the power plant. We just happen to opportunistically catch them."

That small number of Kemp's ridleys compares to approximately 200 to 400 loggerheads and 200 to 400 green sea turtles that make their way into the waters near



Whitney Crowder and David Anderson check on Bruce's wound. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

the power plant, he said. He noted that an estimated 90 percent of the sea creatures that end up near the power plant are uninjured and released safely into open waters without incident.

"Anytime we have the

opportunity to make sea turtle conservation real to people, it helps the conservation cause," said environmental specialist Steve Weege, also of the Inwater Research Group. "This gives an opportunity for people to see a rare sea turtle." ★

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Gulf Stream

Two litigious residents fail to agree on settlement talks

By Dan Moffett

Lawyers for the town of Gulf Stream and those representing Martin O'Boyle and Chris O'Hare continue to exchange jabs about who's willing to make peace and who isn't.

O'Boyle and O'Hare have filed at least 40 lawsuits against the town over some 2,000 public records requests,

claiming officials have violated the state's Sunshine Law in one way or another.

Robert Sweetapple, the Boca Raton attorney whom the town hired as its lead counsel, says it's been impossible to negotiate a settlement with the two men since hostilities began in 2013.

"It's a little difficult to take serious any statements that these individuals want to talk

and settle in light of their past conduct, and that when we tried to do that, we were immediately sued," Sweetapple said, pointing to similar lawsuits O'Boyle has filed in New Jersey, Tennessee and around Florida.

Shortly after an attempt to negotiate with O'Hare last year in "a confidential meeting," Sweetapple says, The O'Boyle Law Firm filed suit against him, Mayor Scott Morgan, and Town Attorney John Randolph and his law partner Joanne O'Connor. The suit claimed the meeting was another Sunshine violation.

"I expect that every time I speak the truth I'll be sued for defamation," Sweetapple told town commissioners on Feb. 12.

Jonathan O'Boyle, Martin's son and a Pennsylvania lawyer

affiliated with the O'Boyle firm, says Sweetapple and town officials have their own version of the truth about negotiating and aren't willing to fight in court either. Sweetapple and O'Connor insist the town is seeking trial dates for all the cases.

"First off, the town has its pants on fire," Jonathan O'Boyle said in an email to *The Coastal Star*. "They have just begun filing tons of motions to change their defensive positions in every case. If granted, this will set the clock back to (zero) and we will have to start all over again. This is the second time they have done this. They started in 2014 and successfully played transfer games and asked the courts many times for leave to change their strategy and reset the clock. The town wants to delay,

make no mistake."

O'Boyle disputes Morgan's claim that the town has been willing to negotiate all along and is stipulating only that a settlement must include dropping all lawsuits.

"This statement is blatantly false," O'Boyle said. "Morgan has been saying drop all of your lawsuits if you want to even come to the table to negotiate. As in, 'I will not see you unless you disarm.'"

The town's attorneys say they were ready to come to the table late last year, but the other side canceled at the last minute. Sweetapple says that instead of negotiating, the O'Boyles and O'Hare are responsible for sending hundreds of new public records requests by automated email to Randolph, O'Connor and their colleagues at the Jones, Foster, Johnston & Stubbs law firm.

On Jan. 20, O'Hare appeared in Town Hall before Special Magistrate Gary Brandenburg for a code enforcement hearing over a long-running dispute with the town over a roof for O'Hare's home.

O'Hare asked the magistrate for a continuance, saying he needed to hire a lawyer and that stress and family issues had interfered with his preparation. After Brandenburg denied the request, O'Hare complained of chest pains and asked for medical assistance. Delray Beach emergency medical technicians responded to a 911 call and took him to a local hospital, where he was treated and released.

"We believe that the episode that took place today was a ruse," Town Attorney Randolph told Brandenburg, who replied that he had no choice but to postpone the hearing, for a fourth time, to March 7.

"I am slowly working through my condition," O'Hare said. "My doctors have instructed me to avoid all town stress and stay away from Town Hall. I have tried to do just that."

O'Hare said he will continue to battle the town. "As much as I hate all of this, these issues are bigger than me or the town. I have no choice but to fight; I consider it a civic duty to fight and you can be sure I will fight no matter what the cost to me."

In other business, commissioners unanimously approved a policy motion that changes the limit on public comments from five minutes to three.

"I think most municipalities, almost all of them, allow comments in the two- to three-minute range," Morgan said.

The change doesn't affect agenda items, which have no time limit on comments. ★

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Gulf Stream

Compromise wins support for Gulf Stream-inspired records bill

By Dan Moffett

An important compromise in the Legislature appears to have allayed opposition to a controversial bill aimed at stopping people who exploit the state's public records laws to shake down government entities for money.

Under changes to the proposed legislation worked out in mid-February, judges still would be required to grant attorney fees to plaintiffs in lawsuits when governments are found to have violated public records laws. However, judges also would be allowed the discretion to deny the attorney fees if the court finds a suit was intended to harass, intimidate or mislead government officials into violating the law.

In other words, people who act in bad faith when making public records cases shouldn't expect to win court costs and fees.

The proposed legislation, SB 1220 sponsored by Sen. Rene Garcia, R-Hialeah, comes in response to the legal wars in the town of Gulf Stream, where residents Martin O'Boyle and Chris O'Hare have filed some 2,000 requests for public records and 40 lawsuits against the government during the last two years.

Vice Mayor Robert Ganger testified before a legislative committee in January and told lawmakers Gulf Stream needed relief from the onslaught of requests and suits that is breaking the town's budget.

"The court today has no discretion and because we technically didn't comply, they awarded legal fees," Ganger said. "It's killing us."

Robert Sweetapple, a Boca Raton attorney hired by the town, in court documents has accused O'Boyle and O'Hare of "a concerted pattern of abusive conduct directed at a local government," a charge the two men deny.

Sweetapple says Gulf Stream's plight is an ominous example of what could happen to other governments and public agencies anywhere in Florida.

"Give me 10 lawyers and 10 word processors and I can shut down the entire state," he said of the potential damage from public records abusers.

An earlier version of SB 1220 removed the requirement that judges award attorney fees to prevailing plaintiffs, leaving it up the judge's discretion in each case. The amended version allows the judge to grant fees and court costs if the judge finds the government or agency

violated the law, and the plaintiff acted in good faith and gave five days' notice before suing.

Garcia said he approved the changes to his bill "to address concerns that the language will cut off access to public records." Open government advocates argued that citizens with legitimate complaints would be reluctant to take on governments if they knew they would have to pay lawyers out of their own pockets.

The Florida League of Cities has supported Gulf Stream and Garcia's bill. The First Amendment Foundation and its president, Barbara Petersen, opposed the first

version, arguing that it went too far in trying to rein in a "small group of people, particularly when compared to the vast majority of citizens who simply want access to the public records they seek."

Petersen had proposed creating a public officer to referee public records disputes between citizens and governments before lawsuits get filed, but lawmakers didn't embrace the idea.

Both the League of Cities and the First Amendment Foundation have expressed support for the bill's revised version, which could come to a vote before the legislative session is scheduled to end March 11. ★

Letters to the Editor

Greenway belongs in unpopulated area

Is Delray Beach sure it wants an "Urban Appalachian Trail"?

If you have ever been on the actual Appalachian Trail, you would find that the users are hardy, backpacking, great folks who live in tents/sleeping bags, dig holes for latrines, eat prepared rations and really enjoy the outdoor life, some for a year at a time.

Might the East Coast Greenway trail belong more in remote, unpopulated areas?

Let the East Coast Greenway be directed to the beautiful scenery of our wildlife preserves, saving a whole lot of money, plus offering all of the open space that is really required for such a trail.

Another location just might be along railroad rights of way, which should be perfect, as it would beautify those desolate looking areas.

Not sure what Resolution No 71-015 is, other than a misguided nightmare. Might there be a negative economic benefit from "long distance travelers"?

We already have sidewalks and bike lanes in Delray Beach that have been built at great expense and serve local residents very well. Anyone who wants to go outside can already do so.

Has the East Coast Greenway trail really been thought through?

Fred Taubert
Delray Beach

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Along the Coast

FIRE DISTRICT

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how dependent they are on other governments for essential services and how shifting political winds can change the game at any time.

The growing worry along the barrier islands is that the providers from the mainland — Delray Beach, Boynton Beach and Palm Beach County — will choose to balance their budgets by slapping fee increases on the affluent coastal communities.

“It’s almost reverse discrimination against wealthy people,” Thrasher said.

Delray Beach’s reversal touched off a firestorm in Highland Beach. The town had pulled out of the exploratory group studying the fire district’s feasibility late last year, but rejoined soon after the contract agreement fell through. Then Highland Beach residents’ participation spiked in an online survey gathering opinions on the district idea.

In fact, Matrix Consulting Group, which ran the survey, received more responses (96) from Highland Beach than anywhere else.

Ocean Ridge was second with 84, followed by Gulf Stream (62), Briny Breezes (19), South Palm Beach (16) and Manalapan (3).

Matrix said 69 percent of all the respondents said they were either very interested or extremely interested in the six towns uniting to provide their own fire-rescue services. Most respondents (62 percent) said they supported providing both fire and emergency medical services, and the idea of inter-local assistance and joint fire stations had high support at 74 percent and 63 percent, respectively.

Perhaps most significant, a majority of respondents (55 percent) said they were willing to pay more to provide their own protection and of those 88.4 percent preferred doing it through a barrier island district.

Matrix, based in Keller, Texas, is expected to submit a report on the feasibility of the idea by the end of March.

But just getting the cooperation needed from the mainland to complete the study has become a problem in itself.

The consultants say Palm Beach County has balked at providing fire-rescue data for the communities it serves — Manalapan, South Palm Beach and the unincorporated “county pocket” between Briny Breezes and Gulf Stream — and telling the study group it wants an \$800 fee to produce the numbers.

Thrasher said the towns are willing to pay the money. But the county’s intransigence has added to momentum to support for a new district.

“Once we get the data from the county, we will push hard to complete the study as rapidly as possible,” said Robert Finn, a Matrix consultant. “But this all hinges on the county.” ★

Highland Beach and Delray Beach may resume talks about fire service

By Rich Pollack

After a month of contentious comments, with each side taking offense by what was said by those on the other side of the Intracoastal Waterway, Delray Beach and Highland Beach may be going back to the negotiating table in an attempt to hammer out a mutually agreeable fire-rescue service agreement.

In a reversal of tone from where it was just a month ago, Delray Beach City Commissioners agreed at its March 1 meeting to try to restart negotiations with Highland Beach.

“Providing we can reach an agreement where the city is made whole financially, I suggest we give it another try,” Delray Beach Mayor Cary Glickstein said.

The reception Delray Beach’s outstretched hand receives, however, may not be a warm one.

Highland Beach town commissioners are still reeling over what they say is the heavy-handed way their larger neighbor handled the negotiations.

Delray Beach currently provides fire and rescue services to Highland Beach, staffing a rescue wagon and a ladder truck at a fire station owned by Highland Beach.

The 15-year agreement between the two municipalities expires at the end of September 2017.

Negotiations had been ongoing for months and Highland Beach had agreed to a new contract. Last month, however, in a move

that surprised the smaller town’s leaders, Delray Beach commissioners rejected the proposed new agreement unless a 20 percent administrative fee was included on top of a \$3.3 million annual charge.

That infuriated several Highland Beach commissioners, who called the move immoral and instructed their staff to begin looking at alternative fire-service options. They ranged from contracting with Palm Beach County Fire Rescue to starting a town fire department.

The abrupt change of course for the Delray Beach City Commission at its March 1 meeting may have been sparked by information showing the rescue wagon, owned by Highland Beach and staffed by Delray Beach personnel for which Highland Beach pays, responds to about 35 calls per month in nearby areas of Delray Beach.

“The notion that Highland Beach gets more out of this than we do is not factually accurate,” Glickstein said.

Other commissioners, concerned that response times to residents living east of the Intracoastal Waterway would be longer if the city no longer served Highland Beach, agreed with Glickstein.

They rejected a recommendation by City Manager Don Cooper to sever fire-service ties with the smaller community. In his recommendation, Cooper had said he thought the priority needed to be on improving the services Delray Beach provides to its own residents.

Glickstein and the other commissioners, however, said they see a benefit to their residents in continuing the Highland Beach contract.

“We’re neighboring communities and we need to work together,” Glickstein said. “There’s a history and a bigger picture here that none of us had the benefit of hearing about. This is a relationship worth saving.”

Following Delray Beach’s decision to invite them back to negotiations, Highland Beach officials said they are still continuing to explore options and renewing negotiations with Delray Beach was one more option to consider.

“We’ve had a long-standing relationship with Delray Beach and our residents are happy with the service and with the personnel,” Town Manager Beverly Brown said. “I sure hope we can work something out.”

Brown thinks if the Highland Beach Commission agrees to go back to the table to negotiate, things could go better this time around because both groups are better informed.

“We both know more about costs and revenues, and about response times and service areas than we did before,” she said.

Highland Beach Commissioner Lou Stern said he is open to once again consider receiving fire rescue service from Delray Beach.

“It would be a shame if our relationship came to end on bad feelings,” he said. “We should keep an open mind.” ★

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Delray Beach Fire Rescue chief announces plans to retire in May

By Willie Howard

Delray Beach Fire Rescue Chief Danielle Connor will retire May 31 after more than 22 years with the department, including more than five years overseeing the city’s fire-rescue department.

“After five-plus years as fire



Connor

chief, I have been presented with an opportunity that I simply cannot pass up,” Connor said in a Feb. 24 memo to fire-rescue personnel.

Connor did not respond to requests for comment following her announcement to her staff and to City Manager Don Cooper.

Cooper said Connor cited the need for more personal time in her decision to retire from the department, which provides fire and rescue services to Delray Beach, Highland Beach and Gulf Stream.

Connor started working for Delray Beach Fire Rescue in 1993 and served as firefighter, paramedic, driver engineer, lieutenant, division chief and assistant chief before becoming chief.

Connor became acting chief of the department in the fall of 2010, when former Chief David James was unable to

serve because of an illness. She formally assumed James’ role as chief in December 2011, following his resignation.

“I will forever be thankful to the city of Delray Beach and its residents for the opportunity to serve as the leader of the fire department,” Connor wrote in a Feb. 24 memo to the city manager.

Cooper said in late February that the city had already begun the search for a new fire-rescue chief and will follow standard procedure by considering applicants from inside the department before conducting an outside search.

Cooper said he would like to interview applicants in April and hire a new chief by early May, if possible, to facilitate a smooth transition.

“My hope is to have somebody on board before she leaves,” Cooper said. “She’s going to be missed.” ★

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Transport fee revenue questioned in fire-rescue contract

By Rich Pollack

Should Delray Beach knock \$175,329 off a \$3.2 million annual fire-service contract with Highland Beach because the rescue vehicle owned by the coastal town is being used to transport Delray Beach residents to the hospital?

Highland Beach commissioners and their town attorney think so.

As Highland Beach and Delray Beach wrangled over a proposed contract in which Delray Beach would continue to provide personnel for the small town's fire station, questions arose as to who should get to keep the fees Delray Beach charges to residents transported in the back of Highland Beach's rescue wagon to a hospital.

Under the current agreement signed by both Delray Beach and Highland Beach almost 15 years ago, Delray Beach Fire-Rescue personnel staff a fire station and ambulance owned by Highland Beach.

The agreement specifies that all hospital transport fees paid by Highland Beach residents or their insurance companies following a call for a medical emergency should go to Delray Beach.

What the agreement doesn't address, however, is who should receive the money paid by Delray Beach residents who are transported by Highland Beach's rescue wagon.

According to numbers provided by Delray Beach to Highland Beach, almost 400 of the 517 patients taken to the hospital by the Highland Beach-based ambulance were not Highland Beach residents. In all, Delray Beach received about \$130,462 in revenue as a result of those calls. The city also received about \$44,866 for transporting Highland Beach residents.

"Based on the information Delray Beach recently provided, it appears that personnel and

equipment Highland Beach is paying 100 percent for is being used 75 percent of the time in Delray Beach," Highland Beach Town Attorney Glen Torcivia said. "It appears that Highland Beach is now subsidizing Delray Beach."

Delray Beach officials pointed out that the agreement between the two cities allows Delray Beach Fire-Rescue to use the Highland Beach-based truck to respond to calls within the Delray Beach city limits.

But the question of who should keep the fees received as a result of calls from outside the Highland Beach town limits hadn't surfaced until after Delray Beach city commissioners asked for an additional 20 percent administrative fee before they would agree to renew the agreement, claiming the city was losing money by providing the service to the town.

In his letter to Delray Beach City Attorney Noel Pfeffer, Torcivia is asking for reimbursement of all transport fees collected during fiscal 2015.

"It would appear that Highland Beach should receive a credit for the full amount of revenue (\$175,329) received by Delray Beach," he wrote.

So far, Torcivia said, Delray Beach has not responded to his request. At least one city commissioner, Mitch Katz, said he needs more information from the city attorney's office and from the finance department before drawing any conclusions.

Having fire-rescue vehicles transport patients to a nearby hospital instead of waiting for an ambulance is a common practice in South Florida as well as in other parts of the country, according to Robert Finn, a senior manager with the Matrix Consulting Group.

That firm is conducting a study to determine the feasibility of a barrier-island fire district that would include Highland Beach and several other coastal communities in Palm Beach County.

Finn said the agreement between Delray Beach and Highland Beach is also common practice within the industry.

"Whoever is providing the service generally keeps the revenue," he said.

That's the case in neighboring towns.

Currently, the city of Boynton Beach provides fire-rescue service to Ocean Ridge and Briny Breezes and keeps fees charged to residents of those towns who are transported by paramedics. During the last fiscal year, Boynton Beach transported 110 patients from those two communities to the hospital.

In Manalapan and South Palm Beach, Palm Beach County Fire Rescue provides fire and emergency medical services. The county took 232 patients from South Palm Beach to the hospital and transported 133 patients from Manalapan during the last fiscal year.

Delray Beach also provides fire and rescue service to Gulf Stream, however transport numbers were not available. In all cases — with the exception of Highland Beach — the agency providing service owns the rescue wagon used to transport patients.

The practice of having three paramedics assigned to a rescue vehicle helps make transportation of patients by fire and emergency medical service providers feasible.

"That's more common in Florida than anywhere else," Finn said. ★



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American Legion Post 65 was built in 1921 and formally dedicated on Nov. 11, 1922, four years to the day and hour after the end of World War I.

LEGION

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"Some winter months we're making the \$6,000," Cisco says, "but it's still difficult to stay above ground."

On Feb. 2, they signed up for GoFundMe.com, a fundraising site that will take 8 percent of any money donated.

"Money will be used to help pay everyday operating expenses," the post promised potential donors. "Slowing participation has made it hard to keep up with financial demands."

And now, on a pleasant Saturday evening in February, the Legionnaires are holding yet another fundraiser. The bar is packed and the \$20 raffle tickets for a 55-inch TV are selling, but not fast enough. The patio grills in back fill the air with sweet smoke.

That's Post Commander Walter Sykes, 61, carving the 65-pound pig he donated.

"We're hoping this fundraiser is going to be a big shot in the arm for us," he says.

Come on in. Have some pork. Drink a beer and meet the men and women of Post 65. They are friendly. They are patriotic. And like the local post they love, they are old, or getting there, and younger vets are not lining up to join.

When Don Stubblefield, 78, was the post's commander from 2009 to 2012, he could claim 240 active members. Now they're down to about 160.

"The young guys who are getting out of the military don't want to join for some reason," he lamented amid the din of the drinking, dining crowd at the bar. "I ask them and they say, 'It's a bunch of you old guys telling war stories.' I tell them, 'We want you in here telling your war stories.'"

Membership is not difficult. Dues are only \$30 a year, and any veteran of the U.S. Army, Marine Corps, Air Force, Navy or Coast Guard is eligible.

Still, the younger vets aren't joining, and Post 65 is not alone. In 1946, as World War II ended, the American Legion could boast 3,325,000 members. Between 2000 and 2012, national membership dropped to fewer than 2.4 million, and the number of operating posts fell from 14,700 in 2000 to under 13,800 in 2013.



A plaque notes the Legion post's designation as a historic site.

Tony Zunker left the Marines in 1991.

"I got married and had a family and I had other things to do than join a veterans organization," he says. "Being younger, it seemed like it was for someone older than I am."

Three years ago, at the urging of friends, Zunker paid the \$30 annual dues. Today, he's the post's vice commander and, at 48, one of the youngest and most active members.

"There's a camaraderie in the military that's unlike any other job you'll ever have, and I found the camaraderie here that I'd missed for so many years," he says. "I've tried to get people my age to join and it's just not there."

Post chartered early

Now slip around to the side of the building where the front portico meets the main wall. Just above the ground, barely legible beneath the whitewash, you'll find:

In Honor Of The Delray Boys Who Served In The World's War. Dedicated By Milton Myers Post No. 65, American Legion, Nov. 11, 1922

In March, 1919, Col. Theodore Roosevelt Jr. and other members of the American Expeditionary Force met in Paris to establish an organization that would serve veterans returning from World War I, and on Sept. 16, Congress granted the group, now called the American Legion, an official charter.

A year later, in November 1920, Post 65 received its charter, and a year after that this building was erected by a local contractor named John I. Thieme with help from the 15 founding members.

The formal dedication came at 11 a.m. Nov. 11, 1922 — four years to the exact time, day and hour when the Armistice ending World War I was signed.

The first commander was Albert L. Miller, a local barber who went to France with the 24th Infantry Florida Division



THEN: Barber Albert L. Miller (on left), the post's first commander, photographed at the family business in about 1912. His mother, Mary, is sitting on the steps, and his father, Albert F. Miller, is on the right fixing the bike. Photo provided



NOW: Tony Zunker, USMC, a member of the American Legion Post 65, grills burgers and hot dogs during a recent fundraising pig roast. The post is housed in a historically registered building in Delray Beach. As most Legion posts around the country are struggling to survive, they are having fundraisers to foot the associated costs. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



Barbara Gardiner, left, Sandi O'Neill-Shine and Ken Van Arnhem talk during a fundraising pig roast at the American Legion Post 65. O'Neill-Shine shows off a 1948 photo of her uncle, Elvin Schutz, an Army colonel during World War II.

and organized Post 65 when he came home.

Two years later, he founded Boy Scout Troop No. 1 and served as its Scoutmaster for the next 25 years. Today, the post still sponsors the troop, now No. 301, at Veterans Day and Memorial Day observances.

Miller went on to open the Dolphin Sport Shop on Atlantic Avenue, where he kept a barber chair in back to accommodate customers. He died in 1960, but his family remains in the area, operating Miller & Sons Office Furniture. His grandson, John Miller, is chairman of the city's historical preservation board.

And Milton-Myers? Army Pvt. Marvin W. Milton of Delray Beach died of pneumonia on Sept. 30, 1918. He

was 28.

Army Private Joseph L. Myers of Delray Beach died of cerebrosplinal meningitis on Jan. 2, 1918. He was 24.

They have been dead for nearly a century, and the American Legion Post that preserves their memories is selling pork dinners and raffling TV sets to stay alive.

As of Feb. 23, the GoFundMe site had raised \$110 from only two donors.

"Last call for raffle tickets!" Joanie Vertefeuille of the Ladies Auxiliary calls, holding a roll of red tickets over her head as she moves through the bar. Twenty bucks for a chance at the TV, five for one of the gift baskets of shortbread and wine. "Last call for tickets!"

'We've Got Your Back'

Milton-Myers Post 65 is not fancy. It's nearly a hundred years old, and you can tell. Over the back door hangs the plaque announcing its 1995 listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Beside the door is a small homemade sign that says, "We've Got Your Back, American Legion Post 65, Delray Beach."

There's a dartboard and a jukebox, a neon Budweiser sign and, on the south wall, a big patriotic painting of an eagle.

In the corner a wheelchair sits alone, with a note on the seat: "Free to a good home."

And over the bar a scrolling sign is promoting tonight's fundraiser. "We need the help," it says, sliding by again and again, "Now is the time ... We need the help ..."

In the end, the Saturday night pig roast and raffle brought in \$1,948, Zunker reported. Probably a little more, once the bar tabs and donation bottle are tallied.

"Is it gonna be enough?" Post Commander Sykes says, even as the dinners are still being served and the raffle tickets hawked. "No, it's never enough."

"We got to do another fundraiser." ★

To give to Post 65's campaign, visit www.gofundme.com/53msxm8c or the post's Facebook page at Milton Myers Delray.

Delray Beach

Three former city employees facing fraud charges

By Jane Smith

Three former Delray Beach employees were arrested recently, charged with using a company that billed the city for goods that were never delivered, according to the State's Attorney Office.

The three were longtime employees with the city before they resigned last year when their departments were under investigation. In mid-February, they were charged with an organized scheme to defraud Delray Beach of more than \$50,000 and grand theft of more than \$100,000.

The three men arrested are: Orlando Serrano, 46, who worked for the city for nearly 19 years and resigned his post as a traffic maintenance supervisor in March 2015; Cesar J. Irizarry, 51, who was a treatment plant operator for about 25 years before he resigned in August; and Howard Bellinger, 51, who worked for the city for about 24

years before he resigned from his post as streets and traffic superintendent in August.

Serrano and Irizarry were released on \$30,000 bond while Bellinger was released on \$20,000 bond.

Bellinger was to be arraigned March 1 and Irizarry on April 7. Serrano's arraignment date of March 1 was canceled. A new date was not set.

Prosecutors say the fraud occurred in this manner:

American Traffic Products & Services Inc. provided street signs, street sign posts and diamond asphalt and concrete saw blades to Delray Beach. But the city didn't know that Serrano and Irizarry owned and operated the company, a violation of the city's code of ethics.

Bellinger's role required him to approve invoices for the streets and traffic divisions.

The city made 59 purchases from American Traffic Products

for \$230,540.59 since 2007, prosecutors found. But because of record retention limits, investigators could review only purchase orders going back to Oct. 1, 2009. The amount of purchases reviewed was for \$158,139.21. Prosecutors found a total loss of \$133,444.87 to Delray Beach.

The company's address was the same as Irizarry's home address in suburban Boca Raton, state records show. According to records subpoenaed from JP Morgan Chase Bank related to American Traffic Products, Irizarry is the company's director and Serrano is an authorized signer and the contact person on the account.

Bellinger is not listed in the corporate records or bank accounts of American Traffic Products.

Between Oct. 6, 2009, and Oct. 28, 2014, the city paid \$132,846.71 for sign equipment from American

Traffic Products, but received only signs and posts worth \$24,694.64. That resulted in a \$108,152.07 loss for Delray Beach, prosecutors found.

During that time period, Irizarry and Serrano withdrew a total of \$112,920.39 from American Traffic Products' bank account, with \$51,480.39 withdrawn by Irizarry and \$61,440 withdrawn by Serrano. Some of that money, \$27,560, was deposited into Bellinger's personal bank account, prosecutors found.

Bellinger separately ordered \$7,582.80 from that company on Oct. 8, 2009, for thermoplastic striping materials and reflective glass beads. The city paid for the items, which it never received, prosecutors found.

Ten days later and through Oct. 24, 2011, Bellinger ordered the same thermoplastic striping materials, used for street markings, from Star Seal of Florida for \$8,540.55. The city

paid that invoice, resulting in a double payment.

Between Oct. 7, 2010, and Feb. 13, 2014, Bellinger ordered 200 gallons of liquid road tack from American Traffic Products. The city paid \$9,520, but the road tack was not delivered. During a similar time frame, Bellinger then ordered the liquid road tack from Star Seal of Florida. The city paid that bill totaling \$9,535.20.

Bellinger also ordered diamond saw blades from American Traffic Products for \$7,920 between Oct. 10, 2012, and March 21, 2014. The city paid the bill, but it never received the saw blades. But between June 28, 2012, and Sept. 25, 2014, Bellinger ordered diamond saw blades from National Diamond Enterprises for \$8,690.40. The city paid the bill for the saw blades that it received.

None of the former employees could be reached for comment. ★

Jacquet preparing for state House run

By Jane Smith

Delray Beach City Commissioner Al Jacquet has his eyes on the soon-to-be-vacated state House District 88 seat, currently held by Bobby Powell Jr.

Powell has indicated he will run for the new state Senate District 25 that was created through court-ordered redistricting.

If Powell makes that switch, that would clear the way for Jacquet's state run.

So far, he is unopposed for the House District that begins

in Riviera Beach and ends in Delray Beach.



Jacquet

to run for that seat when qualifying opens during the third week in June.

The City Commission then may ask for applicants to fill

Jacquet filed to open a campaign account in early January for the state House seat. He won't have to step down from the City Commission until he files

the remainder of Jacquet's term. He is up for re-election in March 2017.

Jacquet could not be reached for comment. In January, he raised \$20,050 with more than 40 percent coming from builders and developers.

He was first elected to the Delray Beach City Commission in March 2012 to fill the remainder of the term when Commissioner Fred Fetzter resigned for health concerns the previous June. Jacquet was re-elected in March 2014.

Under the city's charter section on term limits, Jacquet would be able to run for re-election in 2017 because he would not reach his sixth year as a commissioner until 2018. The city charter allows for him to complete that term.

On the City Commission dais, Jacquet's state run comes up at most meetings.

In early February when state Sen. Maria Sachs tried to get portions of Atlantic Avenue renamed for dedicated Democrats without notifying the county, Delray Beach or their officials, city

commissioners expressed outrage. Because of the outcry, Sachs pulled the renaming of Atlantic Avenue from the bill.

Commissioner Jordana Jarjura said, "Commissioner Jacquet, when you get elected to the state, you'll make sure that no bills go through that affect Atlantic Avenue."

Jacquet said, "That is why it's important to start on the local level. You learn home rule is very important. As to the street renaming, I agree that home rule — rules." ★

CRA keeps arts-support project in-house

By Jane Smith

A Delray Beach agency scrapped responses from two potential partners and decided to go forward alone to turn its Arts Warehouse into an arts incubator.

"My position is that we made a promise to the artists," said Paul Zacks, a board member of the city's Community Redevelopment Agency. He made those comments at the agency's first February meeting when the board discussed the two responses received on its Arts Warehouse.

Neither response fit the request, said Thuy Shutt, CRA assistant director.

The Institute for Civic Achievement Inc. is run by Tom Fleming. He described his firm's role as "facilitating the role of developers," but he did not provide financial details of how that would happen.

The other respondent,

SW Artist Alley LLC, is run by lawyer Joe White, whose company had outbid the CRA on the Artists Alley warehouses last year. After buying them, he raised the rents so that the space was not affordable to many artists. His latest plan calls for razing the CRA's Arts Warehouse and creating a 30,000-square-foot art-themed project called Artist Alley.

White did not provide any specifics about how it would be managed. As to the financing, he wrote, "I have the financial resources to advance this project."

His architect, George Brewer, told the CRA board members, "There's no question that artists need to be supported ... our project will provide the foot traffic."

But artists and their supporters disagreed.

"The bottom line is: Do you have a commitment to the arts or to a high-rent development," said Susan

Romaine, an artist in the Pineapple Grove Arts District, just north of Atlantic Avenue and home to many artists.

Palm Beach County Tax Collector Anne Gannon, a board member of the Pineapple Grove Arts District, said, "Arts bring a huge amount of economic impact.

... Let's help our artists."

The board voted 6-0 to close the partnering process, focus on renovating the warehouse and start a search for a management company. Board member Cathy Balestriere was absent.

The CRA has nearly all the permits needed to renovate

the warehouse that it bought for \$1 million.

"I'm struggling with spending \$2.5 million for this when West Atlantic needs it," CRA Board Chairman Reggie Cox said before voting to support it. "I want a connection with the West Atlantic neighborhood." ★



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Delray Beach

Commission sets agenda for Arts Garage improvements

By Jane Smith

The popular Arts Garage venue received reprieves recently from two Delray Beach agencies, but the nonprofit organization can no longer rely just on its programming.

The organization needs a strategic plan, city commissioners and their Community Redevelopment Agency board members said.

In its short history, the

Arts Garage has developed a loyal base of fans who love the intimate setting of a small performing and visual arts space. The organization remains dependent on city tax dollars for its below-market rent of \$800 a month for 10,000 square feet where it serves as the gateway to the Pineapple Grove Arts District.

In addition, the Community Redevelopment Agency supplies about 18 percent of

the Arts Garage's \$1.5 million budget.

The Arts Garage ran afoul of the CRA last fall when it failed to produce an audit of the previous financial year showing the Delray Beach money was segregated from the money used in its Pompano Beach operations. The CRA withheld the fourth-quarter payment for the last financial year.

Eight days later at the CRA board meeting, longtime Arts Garage board member Robert Schmier described the financial situation as "a severe cash crunch." Executive Director Alyona Ushe said the organization is operating day to day and needs the money to help pay for the audit.

The following Friday, the CRA board held a special meeting to release the fourth-quarter payment of \$68,750. Before the CRA makes an allocation in its current financial year, it wants to see an audit of the last financial year, a long-term lease with the city, separate accounts for the Arts Garage's Delray Beach and Pompano Beach locations, and a strategic plan.

The Arts Garage has relied on the generosity of its volunteers and board members, including Schmier. He loaned the organization \$68,000 without interest in the summer of 2014 while it waited for payment from the city's CRA, according to the organization's tax return. The loan was repaid that October.

He also donated \$6,000 during that year. The tax return listed \$80,000 as the salary for Ushe, the Arts Garage executive director.

Recent renovations costing more than \$50,000 were done for free by Chuck Halberg, a general contractor who volunteered his services, according to the Jan. 15 letter sent to the City Commission. Schmier and his wife also

agreed to pay \$25,000 for new lighting and sound equipment, the same letter said.

The Arts Garage had a March 15 deadline from the city to buy its space for \$2.5 million. The city didn't hear from the Arts Garage staff until the city manager sent a letter in early January asking for a written reply. Its executive director said the organization wanted a 10-year lease at the same rental rate with an option to buy.

That letter set up a Feb. 16 confrontation with the Arts Garage on the City Commission agenda.

"The Arts Garage created a silo in Delray Beach," Commissioner Jordana Jarjura said, "and became a competitor when it partnered with Pompano Beach."

She said the City Commission is accused of using "taxpayer dollars to support a private club."

Mayor Cary Glickstein added, "We are here because the Arts Garage failed to perform."

He said that he believes the arts can be an economic driver. "It was a terrible idea to sell the space to a law firm when we need public gathering places," he said. "I support what the ideal represents to the town in the branding opportunity for the arts."

Glickstein pointed out that 35 people either quit the Arts Garage staff or were fired in the past few years, which he called an "exploitation of human capital."

Glickstein said he talked with the auditors who called the Arts Garage finances in 2013 and 2014 a "train wreck."

Commissioner Mitch Katz said his wife is a member of the Arts Garage guild and volunteers for it. Later he said they both pay to be guild members, but they don't partake of any benefits listed on

the Arts Garage website.

Commissioner Al Jacquet wants to see a change in the board composition of the Arts Garage. "Then you could offer more programming that attracts people different than yourselves," he said.

In January, the Arts Garage had started a social media campaign urging its supporters to sign a petition to save it and email the city commissioners asking them to renew its lease.

Commissioners said they received hundreds of emails.

The emails said the city is attacking the arts. But the city gave the Creative Collaborative Community, which oversees the Arts Garage, ample opportunity to grow, Jarjura said.

The collaborative was supposed to be an umbrella group for Delray Beach arts groups; instead, it morphed into the Arts Garage board and burned more bridges than created collaborations, the mayor said.

Commissioners finally agreed to offer a month-to-month lease for six months while the Arts Garage board comes up with a plan to address specific issues:

- Provide quarterly updates to the city about how it will solve financial problems raised by its auditor.
- Seek city approval before subletting its space.
- Add minority members to its all-white board.
- Provide an out clause for the commission.
- Expand its programming to attract a more diverse audience and youths citywide.
- Consider other uses in its space, including a small independent bookstore.

If all that were accomplished, then the commission would consider offering a shorter-term lease, between three and five years. ★



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Delray Beach

Firm breaks down property values in CRA's eight zones

By Jane Smith

Delray Beach's long-awaited property value analysis put numbers on what most people in the city already knew: The downtown core area saw the biggest gain in the past 30 years — at \$649 million.

Chris Wallace, president of Munilytics Inc., said the next two areas were the beach area, at \$222.3 million, and North Federal Highway corridor, at \$157 million.

"We don't recommend pulling any areas out. You need income from them to do projects in other areas," said Wallace, whose firm won the bid last year to analyze the property values.

Despite opposition from the City Commission, the city's Community Redevelopment Agency board members decided to analyze the income and expenses in each of its eight areas. The expense breakdowns will be available on March 24.

At the agency's first February meeting, Wallace also told board members, "There is a disconnect between what the city thinks you are doing and what you are doing. Plus, the city is not executing on its end," leading to delayed projects.

In the current financial year, the CRA has nearly \$8 million in projects that it could not finish in the previous year.

As part of the CRA analysis, Wallace's firm also interviewed most of the city commissioners and

Downtown, beach areas lead growth over past 30 years

Delray Beach CRA area values (in millions)

Area	1985 base year taxable value	2015 taxable value	County share-2015	Delray Beach share-2015	Total taxes for CRA-2015
Beach	\$47.2	\$269.4	\$1.0	\$1.5	\$ 2.5
Downtown	\$19.2	\$668.3	\$2.9	\$4.4	\$ 7.3
West Atlantic	\$18.3	\$ 72.6	\$.25	\$.36	\$.61
Northwest	\$18.0	\$ 31.5	\$.06	\$.09	\$.15
N. Federal Highway	\$36.9	\$193.9	\$.71	\$1.1	\$ 1.8
Northeast	\$31.3	\$108.2	\$.35	\$.52	\$.87
Osceola Park	\$26.9	\$ 94.9	\$.31	\$.46	\$.77
Southwest	\$47.8	\$119.2	\$.32	\$.48	\$.80
Totals	\$245.6	\$1,558.1	\$6.0	\$8.8	\$14.8

Source: Munilytics Inc.

department heads. "The commission regrets not holding the joint workshops more frequently," Wallace said.

Just two were held between the City Commission and CRA board last year. The joint workshops need to be institutionalized, Wallace said, and the CRA board members agreed. The next one is planned for April, but no date has been set.

"The city holds all the cards," Wallace said. "We heard over and over about the alleys, streets, sidewalks that are not getting done." The city and CRA are working on a joint plan that shows missing sidewalks and alleys so that they can be completed.

"But you also have to keep the rents high (in the downtown and at the beach) because you need to keep

the customers coming," he said. He recommended reducing the city and county contributions instead of eliminating an area.

When Delray Beach created its CRA district in 1985, a base taxable value was set for each area. Any amount above the base went to the CRA, with the city contributing 60 percent and the county 40 percent. In recent years as the size of the check that the city writes has grown to more than \$8 million, Delray Beach has talked about pulling one or two areas out of the CRA district and into its own tax base. Most recently, the city is exploring reducing its contribution while trying to hold onto the county share.

During public comments, County Tax Collector Anne Gannon explained the reason northwest area values were



low. The area has mostly single-family homes whose owners have homestead exemptions. The homeowners also hold onto their properties for a long time, allowing them to enjoy the annual property tax increase limit of 3 percent.

CRA board member Paul Zacks was pleased with the analysis. "Everyone likes the report," he said. "We were criticized early on for spending the money." ★



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Election

Ocean Ridge, South Palm, Lantana holding municipal races

The presidential preference primary will take place on March 15, and the towns of Ocean Ridge, South Palm Beach and Lantana will also hold their elections on that date.

The municipal elections are nonpartisan, meaning voters of any party are eligible to vote in their city of residence. Polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Absentee ballots were mailed on Feb. 12, but people interested in voting absentee have until March 9 to request a ballot. The ballots must be

returned to the Supervisor of Elections Main Office by 7 p.m. on Election Day.

Voters interested in making their choices before Election Day may do so during early voting, which takes place from March 5 through March 13. All of the county's 13 locations will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Visit www.pbcelections.org for more information about absentee ballots, early voting locations or other election questions.

— Staff Report

Delray Beach

City voters to decide two questions

Delray Beach will hold a special election in conjunction with the presidential preference primary on March 15 to present two ballot questions to the city's voters. One ballot question asks voters if they want to change the city charter and the other asks whether voters want to repeal the act that created the city's civil service code.

The charter currently does not provide for the appointment of an internal auditor. Under the proposed charter amendment, the City Commission would have the discretion to appoint an internal auditor, to serve at the pleasure of the City Commission, to review the business practices, procedures, internal controls and procurement practices of the City of Delray Beach.

creating the civil service code for the city employees.

Florida law requires a referendum to change any rights of municipal employees contained in a special law. This proposed repeal would allow the City Commission to amend its civil service code by ordinance rather than holding a referendum and submitting a local bill to the Florida Legislature.

For additional information about these ballot questions, visit www.mydelraybeach.com

Ballot Question #1:

Charter Amendment
— Authority to appoint internal auditor

Ballot Question #2:

Repeal of special act

Ocean Ridge

Publisher takes on finance specialist

OCEAN RIDGE TOWN COMMISSION

These candidates are competing for a two-year term on the Ocean Ridge Town Commission.



Lynn Allison
(incumbent)
Age: Did not disclose
Education: Bachelor's degree in psychology with a minor in sociology, American University; master's degree in social work, Howard University; Ph.D. in administrative management, Walden University

Marital Status: Married, three children
Employment: President and founder, International Enterprise Development Inc. — performs economic development in the field of micro financing

Political/Community Service Experience: Town commissioner of Ocean Ridge for the last 12 years, elected four times

Important Issues: Stormwater management, infrastructure, increasing the town's reserves, maintaining the current property tax rate, construction of pedestrian crosswalks, town signage upgrades

Quote: "Right now we want to maintain Old Ocean Boulevard as a two-way street, despite the desire for those in the town to make it one-way. We also want to maintain our beaches and minimize bad behavior at those beaches by increasing police protection."

— Election profiles compiled by Steven J. Smith



Steve Coz
Age: 58
Education: Bachelor's degree in English, Harvard University; postgraduate study at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard

Marital Status: Married, three children
Employment: President of Coz Media Group, a publishing company

Political/Community Service Experience: President, Ocean Ridge Dunes Preservation Society; member, Board of Adjustments; member, Planning and Zoning Commission; honored by *Time* magazine as one of 25 most-influential Americans of 1997

Important Issues: Overdevelopment, increased population, traffic safety, fire rescue, beach preservation

Quote: "I've been a resident of Ocean Ridge since 1985 and an active participant in town meetings since 2006. My overriding issue is preserving Ocean Ridge's quality of life. We have tremendous population pressures over the bridge with Boynton Beach, which has flat-out said they want to develop that entire corridor along the west side of the Intracoastal Waterway with housing, condos, etc. That puts tremendous pressure on Ocean Ridge's infrastructure, including its traffic and its lifestyle. It creates a safety issue for the town. That's something that needs a long-range plan put in place for how Ocean Ridge is going to deal with that population pressure."

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Lantana

Retired writer/producer faces young lawyer

LANTANA TOWN COUNCIL, GROUP 2

These candidates are competing for a three-year term on the Lantana Town Council. Lynn J. Moorhouse was re-elected unopposed to the Group 1 seat in December.



Anthony Arsali

Age: 29

Education: Bachelor's degree in political

science and criminology, University of Florida; J.D., University of Virginia Law School

Marital Status: Married, no children

Employment: Attorney, Arsali LLC

Political/Community Service Experience: No experience holding public office

Important Issues: Land development

Quote: "This community has provided so much for me and my wife and we want to give back. We want to make sure this community stays like the one we grew up in. My wife and I are planning a family here and I hope we'll stay here for many, many years. I think it's important that the community comes together to have a vision for what our future holds. A lot more could have been done with the Water Tower Commons and the Cenacle projects — which have been approved by the Town Council — if we had a vision for this town; if we had connected those projects better to our downtown area on Ocean Avenue and linked our town together in one vision that the community sees as where we want to go and how we're going to go there."



Malcolm Balfour

(incumbent)

Age: 78

Education: Mississippi State, New

York University, Palm Beach State College; degrees in English and sociology

Marital Status: Married, two children, three grandchildren

Employment: Retired freelance writer and television producer

Political/Community Service Experience: Member since 2013, Lantana Council; Lantana Nature Preserve Commission

Important Issues: Responsible development, education, beach renourishment

Quote: "I've lived in Lantana for 44 years. I want to keep Lantana as a very successful small town. It's important to keep on top of the people who are building the biggest transformation we've ever had — the development of Water Tower Commons and the Cenacle property. We've fought to keep the height of these buildings to five stories. We don't want Lantana to become another Boynton Beach. As for the future, I'm going to fight in every way that I possibly can to restore our beaches that have washed away."

Candidates give views of town's potential

By Willie Howard

Lantana Councilman Malcolm Balfour and challenger Anthony Arsali shared their views on the state of the town, including plans to develop the former A.G. Holley hospital site, during a Feb. 18 candidate forum at the town recreation center.

Arsali, a 29-year-old lawyer, said residents need a fresh voice on the council and more community involvement in planning the town's future, while Balfour, a 78-year-old retired journalist, said residents should be pleased with the current Town Council and its recent work to attract new development.

"It's a very, very healthy town," said Balfour, who has lived in Lantana since 1972 and was first elected to the council in 2013. "I've never seen a better town council than the Lantana Town Council."

Balfour said residents should be proud of work that the mayor and council did to put the A.G. Holley site back on the tax rolls and attract a private company to develop it.

The council recently approved a site plan for Water Tower Commons, a mixed-use development planned for the site that will include stores and

restaurants along Lantana Road and dwellings on the north side of the property.

Balfour said residents should be pleased with the new baseball and soccer fields, built at no cost to the taxpayers, that replaced old fields demolished along with the 1950s-era tuberculosis hospital.

"I think most people in Lantana are highly satisfied," Balfour said, noting that the council held the town tax rate at \$3.24 per \$1,000 taxable value, even when property values were depressed following the housing bust.

But Arsali, who moved to Hypoluxo Island in 2014, said the Town Council can do better and needs to start with a town vision developed by the community.

"We need a jolt of energy," Arsali said. "We need a new voice on our Town Council."

Arsali said the town needs more homeowners and fewer renters as well as a transportation system, such as a trolley, that would connect residential areas to Lantana Beach and the restaurants and shops along Ocean Avenue.

He said the council should push for fewer apartments and more owner-occupied dwellings at Water Tower Commons.

A site plan for the residential

portion of the project is expected to come before the council later this year.

"It's a shopping center," Arsali said, referring to the plan for Water Tower Commons. "All I'm suggesting is we could have put a little more thought into it."

Arsali said stricter code enforcement should be used to clean up the look of the town. Balfour said the town's code enforcement officers are "on the ball."

Both men acknowledged that parking along Ocean Avenue is a problem.

Balfour's Group 2 seat will be the only one on the March 15 ballot. Nobody challenged Councilman Lynn Moorhouse for the Group 1 seat, so he was automatically re-elected to another three-year term.

Council members earn \$400 a month. The council recently approved a salary increase that will boost their monthly pay to \$600 beginning in March 2017.

Forum moderator David Arm, president of the Greater Lantana Chamber of Commerce, urged the 50 or so people attending to vote on March 15 and to encourage their neighbors to vote, too.

A second debate was scheduled for March 2 at Heroes Sports Bar & Grill.★



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Delray Beach

Atlantic Crossing site plan decision delayed

By Jane Smith

The City Commission agreed by a 3-2 vote to pull the latest Atlantic Crossing site plan from its March 1 agenda.

Commissioners Shelly Petrolia and Mitch Katz voted no because they want to have a hearing on giving two alleys to the Atlantic Crossing project on which there are plans to build.

The latest site plan will be sent to the city's review board to discuss at a special meeting on March 7. Then the commission will take up the revised site plan on April 5.

The Harbour House Homeowners Association had triggered the review.

Harbour House sent a letter on Feb. 25 objecting to the commission reviewing the revised site plan without input from the city's Site Plan

Appearance and Review Board.

The developers' law firm reluctantly agreed.

"Process does matter," said Bruce Leiner, Harbour House president.

"It's been a contentious issue," said Commissioner Al Jacquet. "The community wants input."

The latest site plan for the \$20 million mixed-use project now shows a two-way access road off Federal Highway into the garage, a circular internal valet loop, a more defined loading dock area and safer, raised crosswalks.

In late February, the Atlantic Crossing team sent a large postcard to Delray Beach voters urging them to say: "Yes to Atlantic Crossing!" and avoid a potential "\$40 million judgment."

Atlantic Crossing developers

sued Delray Beach 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.

Mayor Cary Glickstein is concerned about a potential multimillion-dollar jury award that Delray Beach taxpayers may face. He called an impromptu meeting in late February of former elected and community leaders, town elders and friends from different parts of the city. They provided a longtime local perspective without a connection to the Atlantic Crossing project, he said.

"I value their objectivity and insight," he said. "I called them together not to hear my thoughts, but rather for me to

hear from them."

The lawsuit is so complex that a jury might not be able to understand the city's position that it still owns two alleys and one block of Northeast Seventh Avenue needed for the Atlantic Crossing project. Instead, the jury may focus on the unapproved site plan, awarding multiple millions in damages to the developers.

The proposed 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 Cos. 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.

Atlantic Crossing's team continues to try to reach an amicable settlement with the city, said Don DeVere, vice president of Edwards Cos.

In January, the city's Review Board rejected a modified site plan that showed two options: a one-way or a two-way drive into the garage.

The city's traffic engineering consultant said the roads created too much internal conflict along Northeast Seventh Avenue without benefiting the traffic flow inside the project. The alternate routes were designed in June at the behest of the City Commission.

The city and the developers sent a joint motion to the federal court asking for the stay to be extended until April 5.★

South Palm Beach

Council is developing five-year plan

By Dan Moffett

South Palm Beach council members are preparing to boldly go where no town official has gone before: five years into the future.

New Town Manager Bob Vitas is helping the council develop a long-term plan that tries to capture what life in the town might look like in 2021. This is a major departure for a town that typically has run itself on a year-to-year basis.

"It's the first time any of us have ever seen this in the town," said Councilwoman Stella Gaddy Jordan.

"Historically, we have not had any plans," Vitas said. "None to my knowledge."

To remedy that, the council spent four hours brainstorming with Vitas during a special workshop on Feb. 18, trying to chart a course for South Palm Beach into the next decade.

"How to prioritize — that's the key to the whole thing when it comes to strategic planning," Vitas said. "And always remember the first law of prioritization: If everything is a top priority, run to the nearest exit, don't walk."

It wasn't surprising that beach renourishment ranked at the top of the list. South Palm Beach is working with federal, state and county officials to install groins to protect the town's eroding beachfront, but "visible action" isn't likely to happen until at least 2018, Vitas said.

What to do about the structural deficiencies in Town Hall and deciding what police and fire services are needed five years out also ranked high on the council's list.

Improving communication with residents through website and social network connections

is another goal, pushed by Councilman Robert Gottlieb.

Vice Mayor Joe Flagello said the town should consider going directly to residents through a survey and asking their opinions about the town's future.

"It was very participatory," said Mayor Bonnie Fischer of the workshop. "We were all given the opportunity to give some feedback, and we did."

Vitas said during the Feb. 23 town meeting that he intends to meet individually with each council member during the next month to hear more ideas, and then bring back a completed five-year plan for the council to revise and then approve.

"This is going to give us an excellent road map," Vitas said. "We'll know what priorities to focus on."

In other business:

- Vitas said he expects the demolition of the Oceanfront Inn to accelerate during March, and he thinks the structure will be completely torn down "by Easter."

After that, developer Gary Cohen's construction plans are largely unknown, though the town has given him the go-ahead to build a six-story, 33-unit condo building. "He hasn't said anything to us," Fischer said. "But an empty lot is better than what we have now."

- On Feb. 4, 97 residents gathered at Mario's Ocean Avenue restaurant in Lantana to celebrate the town's 60th anniversary of incorporation in 1955. "It was absolutely magnificent," said Lucille Flagello, who helped organize the event for the Community Affairs Advisory Board. "I received 29 phone calls from people who couldn't stop talking about how delicious the food was."★

Engineer challenges 2 incumbents

SOUTH PALM BEACH TOWN COUNCIL

These three candidates are competing for two seats on the South Palm Beach Town Council. Each seat carries a two-year term.



Robert Gargano

Age: 68

Education: Ph.D. in chemical engineering,

University of Connecticut

Marital Status: Divorced, one child

Employment: Semi-retired owner of an IT consulting firm that installs software in the public sector

Political/Community Service Experience: No experience holding public office

Important Issues: Waste Management contract, beach renourishment

Quote: "The people on the current Town Council are nice people, but they don't have the time or qualifications to do the job. They're in over their heads. They just signed a 10-year contract with Waste Management, whose profit margin is going to go from 10-50 percent over the next 10 years. The profit margins in this contract can only go up. I don't think anybody on the Council actually read that contract or did their homework. They need to be looking out for the taxpayers of our town and they're looking out for everyone but the taxpayer. Also there is a beach renourishment project coming in and there's not one member on the Town Council who has a scientific background."



Robert Gottlieb

(incumbent)

Age: 75

Education: Bachelor's degree in

business administration, University of Miami

Marital Status: Single

Employment: Retired owner of a yarn business, Gottlieb Brothers

Political/Community Service Experience: Member since 2005, South Palm Beach Town Council; board member, Palm Beach County League of Cities; member, Palm Beach Impact Fee Committee

Important Issues: Beach renourishment, tax relief
Quote: "I care about this town. I have owned property in South Palm Beach since the early '70s. I also care about our beaches. We are currently working with the county on an environmental impact study. When that is completed, the [U.S. Army Corps of Engineers] will approve it and we will put groins — hard structures that will hold the beach in place — on the beach and cover them with sand. I'm also against raising taxes and I'm in favor of lowering the millage rate next year. It's time to give back to the citizens."



Stella Gaddy Jordan

(incumbent)

Age: 76

Education: Studied at

Florida State University

Marital Status: Widow, three children

Employment: Retired first vice president for Sun Trust Bank of Tampa Bay

Political/Community Service Experience: Member since 2010, South Palm Beach Town Council; member, Independent Referendum Oversight Committee for the Palm Beach County Board of Education

Important Issues: Real estate development, fiscal responsibility

Quote: "The top of my to-do list is to prioritize all of those issues that are within our town and begin an action plan for them. At this point we have a new town manager and so we have the right management, and Council, in place to begin moving in that direction to better improve those areas of the city that need it — particularly beach restoration and financial accounting. We need to take better control of our incoming and outgoing expenses. We have no debt, but we need to reserve appropriately."

Briny Breezes

French researcher collecting WWII stories from U.S. vets

By Steve Pike

A hero is hard to define and more difficult to find. But Florent "Flo" Plana's definition of a hero is simple: someone who helped liberate his French homeland.

Over the past seven months, from coast to coast, Plana has found more than 170 men who fit his description of a hero. All of them have one life-defining event in common: World War II.

Traveling in an RV that he bought on Craigslist and painted with the question, "Do You Know a World War II Veteran?" written on its side, the 25-year-old Frenchman is detailing on video the war experiences of U.S. WWII veterans with the goal of someday opening a WWII museum in Normandy, France.

"We're in process of buying the building in Sainte-Mère-Église. It was the first village liberated," Plana said. "But we need \$300,000 to buy it, so we're working with grants and donations and the French government."

Briny Breezes resident Ed Manley knows all about the town of Sainte-Mère-Église.

A 22-year-old private in the 101st Airborne, 502nd Parachute Regiment, which saw some of the most ferocious fighting of the war, Manley jumped into Normandy — near Utah Beach — on D-Day. He was part of an 11-man team whose objective was to destroy four coastal guns that overlooked Omaha Beach.

On Feb. 23 at his home in Briny Breezes, Manley described to Plana his experiences on that fateful June 6, 1944, and in its aftermath — from jumping from only 400 feet above the Normandy beaches, then on



ABOVE: Florent 'Flo' Plana and cameraman Hugo Le Gourrierc record Ed Manley as he talks about photographs from his days in the service during World War II. **LEFT:** The RV in which Plana travels to interview World War II veterans. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

to Holland and finally the Battle of the Bulge, where he was wounded in each leg and captured. He later escaped from Germany's Stalag 12A prison camp.

Like each of his comrades in arms, Manley, now 94, waves off the slightest suggestion that he is a hero.

But his definition of a hero unintentionally proves that's exactly what his is.

"A hero is a guy who does something intentionally to help out somebody else," Manley said.

To Manley, that best describes Johnny Marsh, a young farm boy-turned

ssoldier, who came to his aid when Manley was in a field, pinned down by German sniper fire.

"He was hit by a 20mm round that exploded in his body," Manley told Plana. "He raised his rifle and said, 'God, I don't want to die.' He was dead before he hit the ground."

It's for the Johnny Marshes of the war that Plana, funded by donations, is on his American sojourn to tell their stories. Plana first learned of Americans' sacrifices to his country when at the age of 9, he visited the American Cemetery above Omaha Beach — hallowed and haunting ground where more than 9,000 markers stand in remembrance.

"They are all heroes to me," said Plana, whose grandfather was imprisoned in a German labor camp and whose great-grandfather, a veteran of WWI, fought with the French underground in WWII.

"Only if they did nothing more than their jobs, they're heroes because they gave us the freedom we have now," Plana said. "They came to a country 6,000 kilometers away that they didn't know anything about and couldn't speak the language."

There is no accurate number of how many D-Day troops are still living, but the Veterans Affairs Department estimates that only 1 million men and women who served in the war survive. Plana is working with a group called Veterans Back to Normandy to raise money to take about 20 D-Day veterans, including Manley, to Normandy the first week of June for the 72nd anniversary of the invasion.

"They're heroes because they did something important for France and Europe and the Pacific," Plana said. "I think we should work not to forget what they did. Preserving their memories is very important." ★

To help support the Veterans Back to Normandy fundraising campaign visit: www.youcaring.com and search for "Support Veterans so they can Participate in the Celebrations."

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Delray Beach

City addressing water issues on Marine Way

By Jane Smith

Marine Way property owners are seeing the city's efforts to cure problems caused by extreme high tides.

The Delray Beach road, which has been restricted to residents' vehicles since November, will get a new water main on the western edge, under an emergency order approved in mid-February by the City Commission.

The existing water main along the eastern edge was only 24 inches below grade, though city standards call for at least 30 inches. That section of the road is deteriorating from tidal action and the wake from boats passing nearby in the Intracoastal Waterway. If a heavy truck were to travel on Marine Way, the water main could burst, making repairs difficult and cutting off drinking water to eight single-family residences.

The commission approved an emergency contract for \$98,634 with AKA Services, which is performing similar work for the Tropic Palms upgrade project. The cost will cover 432 linear feet of 8-inch pipe.

The new water main should be in place in 30 days, said John Morgan, Environmental Services director.

The city already has an engineering study underway on the 600-foot seawall along Marine Way and the 704-foot dock at the City Marina. The commission approved spending \$28,850 to the Wantman Group in early February. The study will be completed by the beginning of June, according to the terms of

the contract.

In the meantime, Morgan will meet with the property owners in the Marina Historic District in March to tell them about a 2008 study done to connect Marine Way with Veterans Park. If there's consensus, Morgan said, he will move forward with a plan to limit vehicles on Marine Way to residents, public safety and trash removal. The plans also call for a wider walkway.

"Then we'll try to find money to do the project," he said.

In other business at its mid-February meeting, the City Commission:

- Authorized spending \$39,096 to the Wantman Group for design services of a failing seawall at the southeast corner of the Island Drive bridge and Intracoastal Waterway. Morgan assured Mayor Cary Glickstein it was a city-owned seawall and that some of the damage was caused by a city-owned tree. The contract calls for a completion date in early June.

- Agreed to put quiet zones at most of the 12 FEC railroad crossings in the city. The county's Metropolitan Planning Organization will pay for the upgrades, while the city shoulders the annual maintenance cost. The quiet zones are needed because of the anticipated 32 passenger trains, now called Brightline, which will run daily in 2017 between Miami and Orlando.

Also outside the city's control are the location and size of cell phone towers in the railroad's right of way so that Brightline passengers can have continuous Wi-Fi service along the route. ★

New beach area irrigation pipes to provide reclaimed water

By Jane Smith

More barrier island property owners will be able to use reclaimed water next year for their sprinkler systems.

In April, Delray Beach contractors will begin working in the area between Casuarina Road and Poinsettia Road, a roughly .7-mile stretch. The area north of Casuarina to George Bush Boulevard is finished, with customers already receiving service.

The \$2.2 million project involves tearing up the streets to install 5,300 linear feet of 4-inch pipe, 6,000 linear feet of 6-inch pipe and 3,000 linear feet of 10-inch pipe, according to Scott Solomon, the city's water, sewer and network manager. The project will take a year to finish.

Property owners will be required to hook up to the

system and allow workers to install separate meters for the reclaimed water, Solomon said. He estimates that up to 150 meters will be installed.

Using reclaimed water to irrigate landscape will save the property owners money, he said. The city's water rates have a tiered pricing structure. Solomon gave these rates: Reclaimed water costs \$1 per thousand gallons for the first 25,000 gallons compared with drinkable water that costs \$1.25 per thousand gallons for 4,000 to 12,000 gallons and \$2 per thousand for 13,000 to 25,000 gallons. The more water used, the higher price paid per thousand gallons.

Property owners need to use special precautions with the reclaimed water.

"Don't aim it at your swimming pool or use on vegetation that will be consumed," Solomon said. ★

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Along the Coast

Delray police now carry nasal spray antidote for heroin overdose

By Rich Pollack

As heroin use increases in South Florida, the number of overdoses and related deaths in Delray Beach also has exploded at a staggering rate.

In 2015, Delray Beach police recorded 144 apparent heroin overdoses and 10 apparent heroin deaths. In just the first two months of this year, the number of opiate-related overdoses has already reached at least 77 and related deaths have climbed to 10, matching last year.

Delray Beach police say the city, with its large recovery population, has recently become ground zero in Palm Beach County for heroin usage. A number of factors, including dealers from elsewhere hoping to lure users with free doses, are responsible.

Now, the Police Department has a new tool to use in efforts to prevent overdose deaths, thanks to a grant that will make it possible for police officers to carry doses of naloxone — a reversal agent for opioids — that can be administered through a nasal spray.

“This is another tool officers can use to save a life,” Delray Beach Police Chief Jeff Goldman said. “It’s another enhancement for our officers and for our community.”

Heroin overdoses on rise in Delray Beach

Heroin overdoses
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 Flakka
 Meth
 Pills
 Other

SOURCE: Delray Beach Police Department as of Feb. 28



Sold under the brand name Narcan, naloxone can almost immediately reverse the effects of a heroin overdose, reviving an unconscious heroin user in just minutes — sometimes in just seconds.

“This naloxone is magic,” says Delray Beach Police spokeswoman Dani Moschella.

Naloxone is not new in South Florida or Palm Beach County. It is being used nationwide, is available with a prescription in Florida and is becoming available over the counter in more and more states.

Delray Beach Fire Rescue has been using it in the injectable form for decades.

So far this year, in fact, paramedics have administered naloxone 77 times.

Thanks to a grant from Evzio, maker of a single-use naloxone auto-injector, Delray Fire Rescue will be provided with 200 auto-injector kits, each with two doses of naloxone. The Fire Department will then pass on the nasal-spray naloxone kits it currently has in stock to the Police Department.

Paramedics will still respond to every overdose call and will be using the faster-acting and stronger injectable naloxone if they arrive before police.

“Oftentimes a police officer will get to a scene before the fire rescue,” Goldman said. There are also instances where it may not be safe for paramedics to enter a scene before it is cleared by police.

As a result of the grant —

an effort led by the Delray Beach Drug Task Force in coordination with Delray Beach Fire Rescue and the Delray Beach Police Department — the Delray Beach Police Department will become only the second department in the state to have sergeants on every shift equipped with and trained to use naloxone nasal spray. Sarasota County officers had them first.

Goldman said that having naloxone available for use by police officers is just one tool to help reduce heroin-related deaths. Others include public education and enforcement of existing laws.

Moschella and retired Delray Beach police Officer Jeff Messer — a member of the

Drug Task Force — are making presentations to those in the city’s recovery community aimed at letting people know that under Florida’s Good Samaritan Law, they can stay and get help for someone overdosing without having to worry about facing drug possession charges.

Suzanne Spencer, executive director of the Delray Beach Drug Task Force, sees the increased use of naloxone by police and paramedics as an important step but believes follow-up is also critical.

“We know we have an antidote that can save lives, but then what?” she asked. “How do we get those receiving naloxone help so this won’t happen again?” ★

HEROIN

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The rising death toll is linked to the growing use of heroin.

The top four drugs found in the bodies of Palm Beach County overdose victims last year were morphine, heroin, cocaine and fentanyl. Heroin metabolizes in the body into morphine. Dealers often mix heroin with fentanyl, a powerful synthetic painkiller that increases potency and reduces the dealers’ costs.

“This is one of the worst epidemics I have seen, comparable to cocaine in the 1980s,” Palm Beach County Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Michael Bell told WPTV-Channel 5 in February. “I think the combination of mixing fentanyl with heroin is what is causing the epidemic.”

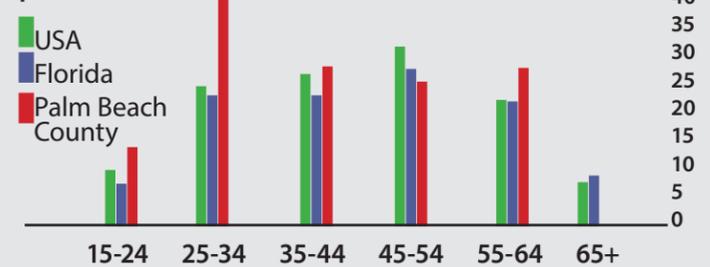
The trend has the full attention of law enforcement. “Heroin and heroin laced with fentanyl is our No. 1 drug threat from a public safety point of view,” Palm Beach Sheriff’s Office spokeswoman Teri Barbera said in an email.

In late February, West Palm Beach police said that heroin had killed 11 people in just more than two months, while the use of flakka, dubbed “\$5 insanity,” has declined.

“There’s been a replacement of flakka with heroin,” said Capt. Brian Kapper in a *Sun-Sentinel* report. He called the increase in heroin seizures, overdoses and deaths “shocking.”

The decrease in the use

2014 drug overdose deaths per age group (per 100,000)



of Chinese-manufactured flakka, which causes delirium, delusions, violent fits and aggression, follows the Chinese government’s October decision to ban flakka and 115 other synthetic drugs after pressure from the U.S. and other governments.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention minced no words in a January report: “The United States is experiencing an epidemic of drug overdose deaths.”

Since 2000, drug overdose deaths have increased 137 percent, including a 200 percent increase in the deaths involving opioid pain relievers and heroin. Heroin overdose deaths increased 26 percent from 2013 to 2014 and more than tripled since 2010. From 2000 to 2014, nearly 500,000 lives were claimed.

Midwestern and Northeastern states have been particularly hard hit, along with Alabama, Georgia, New Mexico and North Dakota.

While the impact on Florida is serious, it is less severe than in some other states. Florida drug overdose deaths increased

4.8 percent in 2014, far below the two states with the highest increases — 125 percent in North Dakota and 73.5 percent in New Hampshire, according to the CDC.

Addicts find alternatives

Yet Palm Beach County’s death rate is higher than the state average and Miami-Dade County’s. The rate was 20 per 100,000 population in 2014, while the statewide rate was 13.2 and Miami-Dade’s was 8.

Nationally and locally, overdose deaths affect all age groups. In 2015, the newly released county medical examiner’s data show 10.9 percent of those who died were 15-24, 30.1 percent were 25-34, 24.9 percent were 35-44, 16.1 percent were 45-54, 13.7 percent were 55-64 and 4.4 percent were 65 or over.

Males die more frequently from drug overdoses than women. In Palm Beach County in 2015, 69.9 percent of the victims were men and 30.1 percent were women.

The vast majority of last year’s Palm Beach County victims — 92.4 percent — were white, with blacks trailing at 4.9 percent and

Hispanics at 2.2 percent.

Heroin’s roaring comeback as a killer locally is a result of the crackdown on pill mills that handed out prescriptions for highly addictive painkillers like oxycodone. Florida was hard hit by this scourge, with people from other states flocking here to stand in line for prescriptions.

As pill mills were driven out of business beginning in 2011, the price of prescription drugs on the illicit market increased dramatically. “Heroin became the cheap alternative to prescription opioids,” Hall said.

That history also explains why so many white men die of overdoses now.

“White males were predominantly using opioids,” said Jeff Kadel, executive director of the Palm Beach County Substance Awareness Coalition. Addicted but cut off from their usual supply, they turned to another drug.

The heroin business has changed as well. Since the 1990s, most of the heroin east of the Mississippi came from Colombia. “What we have seen in recent years is a dramatic increase in heroin production in Mexico, as well as refining of production methods,” Hall said.

To increase the potency, heroin is mixed with fentanyl that is produced in clandestine labs in Mexico or China.

Fentanyl, up to 100 times more powerful than morphine and 30 to 50 times more potent than heroin, is even passed off as heroin because its euphoric effects are very similar,

according to the substance awareness coalition.

“Newer, more potent heroin cut with fentanyl is a far more dangerous and deadly addiction,” Hall said.

More treatment needed

About 100,000 people are in treatment at the many rehab centers or sober houses in Palm Beach County and recidivism rates are high, Kadel said. That shows up in the overdose death statistics, he said.

If people in treatment stop using drugs for a time, the tolerance they have built up decreases, Hall said. “If they go back to using the same amount, that can lead to an overdose death.”

While the Florida Legislature has taken steps to eliminate pill mills and doctor shopping, it has reduced funding for treatment, Hall said.

“Florida’s failure was it ignored the demand side and expanding treatment opportunities,” he said. “We are not getting rid of this until we expand treatment programs” and allow insurance to pay for it.

Kadel, who heads a federally funded prevention organization, would like to see greater focus on prevention. “As a prevention organization, we are concerned (Congress) tends to throw money at the problem rather than trying to prevent the problem. I am hopeful some dollars will be sent to the prevention field.” ★

Researcher Michelle Quigley contributed to this story.

Lake Worth

Renovation plan for historic Gulfstream Hotel approved

By Jane Smith

One of the owners of the historic Sundry House in Delray Beach recently received approval to renovate the historic Gulfstream Hotel in Lake Worth.

The combined planning and historic preservation meeting, held Feb. 17, means the Gulfstream project won't have to be reviewed by the Lake Worth City Commission.

The city's Historic Resources Preservation Board was able to review only three of the seven issues in a session that lasted nearly six hours. The remaining four issues will be heard at the March 9 meeting.

They include: razing two rundown historic homes to make way for the new hotel annex; adding a 6,500-square-foot, one-story building on the southeast side of the Gulfstream Hotel; and building the five-story hotel annex that will be 65 feet tall and a two-story parking garage with rooftop parking on the hotel's west side. The garage can accommodate 145 cars.

Board Vice Chairman Darrin Engel stepped down from the dais because his employer, REG Architects, recently was hired by the

development team to be a consulting architect.

The project will be done in phases, with the Gulfstream Hotel finished first. Amenities will include a champagne room and a rooftop bar.

Restoring the hotel to its 1925 grandeur will result in 18 fewer rooms for a total of 87 rooms. The still-to-be-approved addition will provide kitchen facilities and have a rooftop pool, deck and pedestrian walkway to the hotel annex.

Most of the 24 people who commented want to see the Gulfstream reopened. It's been closed for more than 10 years.

Some residents who live in nearby condos were concerned about the noise level of the rooftop deck and wanted to know the hours it would operate.

Others were concerned about the parking, especially when the Gulfstream hosted a wedding or other big event. Bonnie Miskel, the land-use attorney for the project, said the owners would agree to do a parking study six months after receiving the last permit for the hotel annex.

Rick Gonzalez of REG Architects said another floor could be added easily to the parking garage.



Renderings show the Gulfstream in perspective, above, and in a Lake Avenue streetscape. Courtesy of JRA Architects, Louisville, Ky.

Gonzalez also praised his employer, Hudson Holdings. "Florida is so lucky to have Hudson Holdings here from Chicago. They will bring back economic vitality to Lake Worth," he said.

In May 2014, Hudson Holdings teamed with Carl

DeSantis, founder of Rexall Sundown vitamins, to buy the Gulfstream Hotel for \$7.22 million. The hotel was placed on the National Register in 1983.

In Delray Beach, Hudson Holdings partnered with Marshall Florida Holdings in

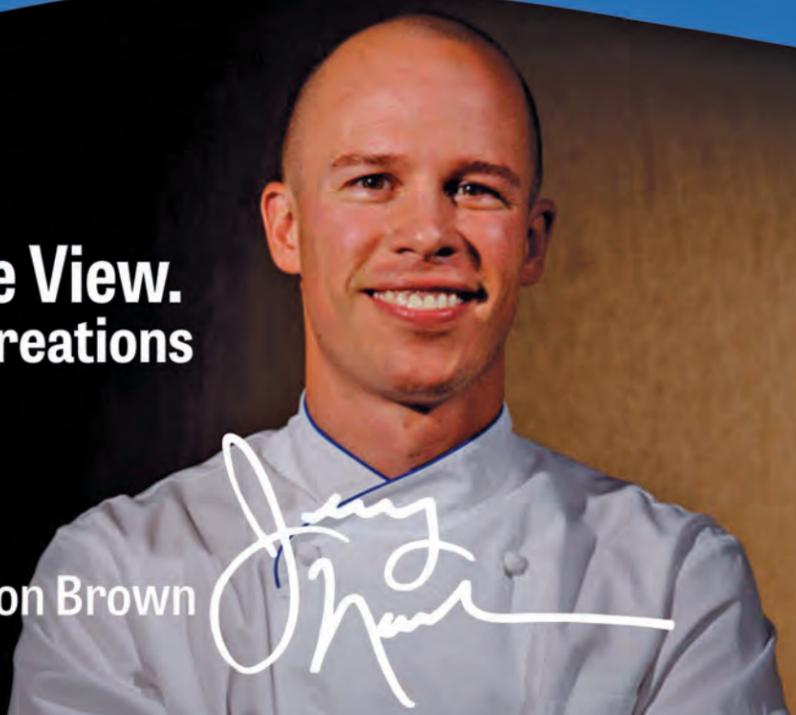
July 2014 to pay \$17.5 million for land on South Swinton Avenue that includes the historic Sundry House.

For the property, now known as Swinton Commons, the development team is seeking Delray Beach approval to move eight historic homes and demolish eight others. Gonzalez also is the consulting architect for that project. ★



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Boynton Beach

Riverwalk plans hitting some snags

By Jane Smith

The owner of Riverwalk Plaza expected a quick approval of its redevelopment application in Boynton Beach, but it's slogging through the process.

City staff compiled 132 comments to Isram Realty's December application. At the behest of Mayor Jerry Taylor, the two sides met on Feb. 11. Taylor did not see his early intervention before the city staff report was complete as unusual. "I didn't do anything special," he said.

The Isram representatives told city staff, "We thought you liked our plan."

"They were under the opinion that the design and extra height was supported by staff," said Michael Rumpf, the city's planning and zoning director, after the first meeting. "But we said the city has design requirements."

A second, technical meeting was held in mid-February on the details for the mixed-use development. The former Winn-Dixie shopping center at the southeast corner of Federal Highway and Woolbright Road is slated to house a 10-story, U-shaped apartment building with 326 units.

It also 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-thru lane. The Wells Fargo bank branch will remain, along with a Walgreen's drug store and Jo-Ann Fabric and Craft Store in a separate building.

Walgreen's has 42 years left on its lease if the drugstore chain exercises all of its options, said Steven Wherry, Isram's land-use attorney.

The plaza also contains the Bond and Smolders coffee shop/bakery, Josie's Ristorante & Pizzeria, Sushi Simon and Rice Fine Thai & Asian Fusion that Isram will either relocate within the new project or buy out their leases.

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."

But Isram objects to redesigning the whole project, because of the cost involved, Wherry said. "We need to build higher to allow upper floors to get an ocean view," he said.

Wherry also said the tall building would not block anyone's views or create shadows on nearby properties. As to the precedent it would set for others who want to construct tall buildings along the Intracoastal, he said residents can vote out the commissioners who approve those plans.

Isram will submit an addition that calls for a 4,500-square-foot retail building just north of Walgreen's on Federal to



Early sketches of the project show a public linear park along the Intracoastal Waterway. **Rendering provided**

address the staff's concerns about limited retail along Federal, Wherry said.

The developer also will create a public linear park along the Intracoastal Waterway, Wherry said. Art festivals and other similar activities could be held there, he said.

The Florida Coalition for Preservation, a grass-roots group that promotes responsible development, held two meetings in late February for members of its newly created Boynton Coalition for Responsible Development. The Boynton Coalition represents 3,500 Intracoastal residents. The meetings focused on the Riverwalk Plaza redevelopment.

Wherry and Mati Rikman, Isram president, saw the flyers about one meeting at the Crown Colony Clubhouse and decided to attend, Wherry said. They tried to stay in the background, but Kristine de Haseth, executive director of the Florida

Coalition, noticed them.

When asked why 10 stories, Wherry said, "The city is asking for it. They want a high-density building filled with people who will use mass transit."

The other choice, Rikman said, would be to have a Whole Foods or other grocery store as a tenant there, which the Boynton Coalition members liked, according to de Haseth.

Isram Realty will keep tweaking its plan for the 10-story apartment building with the hopes of going to the city's Planning and Zoning Board in May and then onto the City Commission in June.

If its current plan is not approved, Wherry said, Isram has a backup measure: Company founder and Mati's father, Shaul Rikman, said he would freshen up the grocery store to find a new tenant, restripe the parking lot and let his grandchildren worry about it. ★

Classic Car Show

Plaza del Mar, Manalapan – Feb. 27



Nearly 200 members of the Palm Beach County Classics Car Club brought their vintage treasures — including the '57 Chevy convertible at right — to the Plaza del Mar shopping center in Manalapan to help South Palm Beach celebrate its 60th anniversary.

ABOVE: South Palm Beach Councilman Woody Gorbach (center) with wife, Lois, and son, Donald, gets close to a 1932 Ford. Gorbach, who helped organize the event for the town, said the overflow turnout was 'far more than we expected.' **Photos by Cheryl Blackerby/The Coastal Star**



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Ocean Ridge resident Beth Sloat's *Blue*, a 24-inch by 24-inch oil.

Art show to hang in Town Hall

By Lucy Lazarony

For the second year in a row, an art exhibit will be on display at Ocean Ridge Town Hall during March.

"It will be in Ocean Ridge for the entire month," says organizer Nancy Flinn. "We're lucky. We're going to have a curator from the Norton Museum be a judge and I'm very pleased about that."

The 27-piece exhibit includes oil and acrylic paintings, pastels and mixed media pieces. Samantha Niederman, curatorial assistant to the education and American art departments at the Norton Museum of Art, will judge the show. Ocean Ridge artist Max Matteson will hang the show.

Participating artists are from across South Florida.

"It's not just the barrier island by any means," Flinn says.

Flinn says she decided to organize the art exhibit in Ocean Ridge as a way of giving back to her hometown.

The paintings are for sale, and a percentage of the price of each painting sold benefits Ocean Ridge. Five paintings sold in last year's art show.

"The percentage goes right into art in public places for Ocean Ridge," Flinn says.

Having an art exhibit in Ocean Ridge helps to spread awareness of the art scene and attracts visitors to Town Hall.

"Last year, at least 50 people came through a week specifically to take a look at the art," Flinn says.

Flinn, who has lived full-time in Ocean Ridge since 2006, is a member of the Delray Art League and paints watercolors as a hobby.

"I enjoy what it can do for me on a personal basis, the joy of creation, and the various subjects you can choose to paint," Flinn says. "It's a wonderful retirement habit."

Flinn, who is on the board for the Arts Garage in Delray Beach, enjoys working with and supporting fellow artists.

"I need to be associated with creativity because that's what fuels me," Flinn says. "My skills are organizing and promoting and marketing." ★

The Ocean Ridge art exhibit is available for viewing in Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N. Ocean Blvd., Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Briny Breezes

Planning board to study truck limits on Old Ocean

By Dan Moffett

As it waits to take ownership of Old Ocean Boulevard from the state, Briny Breezes is turning to its Planning and Zoning Board to develop new rules for the road.

Town Attorney John Skrandel told council members during their Feb. 25 meeting that he expects state officials to transfer the deed to Old Ocean to the town by the end of March, ending a clerical oversight that likely dates to the 1940s.

With ownership, the town also assumes responsibility for maintaining the road. Council members have expressed concern that construction projects in Ocean Ridge could send heavy trucks down Old Ocean and damage the pavement.

The council wants the planning board to research

possible restrictions the town might put on traffic to protect its iconic seaside boulevard. Planning board Chairman Jerry Lower said it probably makes more sense to limit the number of axles on trucks rather than set weight restrictions, because the town has no scales with which to monitor cargo loads.

Police Chief Hal Hutchins told the council that when the planning board convenes this month, it should use the opportunity to take a look also at parking on Old Ocean and make recommendations for possible improvements.

"If you're asking P and Z to look at restrictions on the roadway," Hutchins said, "you can ask them to look at the total use of the roadway, too — not just weights on trucks." ★

Editor's note: Planning board Chairman Jerry Lower is publisher of The Coastal Star.

Along the Coast

Towns renew license-plate cameras study

By Rich Pollack

Advances in technology are helping to breathe new life into plans by local law enforcement agencies to install license-plate recognition cameras along State Road A1A, despite a Florida Department of Transportation ban against placing the cameras on state rights of way.

Ocean Ridge Police Chief Hal Hutchins and Highland Beach Police Chief Craig Hartmann say both their departments have begun looking into the possibility of placing license-plate recognition cameras on public or private property beyond the state rights of way. The Delray Beach police department is also studying the issue.

"We believe the technology may have advanced to the point where we no longer need to position equipment on the right of way," Hutchins said. He is quick to point out there are many variables that could factor into whether the cameras available are a good fit for Ocean Ridge or other coastal communities that may want to install them.

Both Hutchins and Hartmann, along with representatives of Delray Beach, have spoken to several camera vendors that can scan license plates from farther off the road than those placed closer to the roadway and have plans to speak with several others.

Hartmann said representatives of one company

have already visited Highland Beach and demonstrated the effectiveness of their license-plate scanning systems when they are placed beyond the state right of way.

But it may take a while before license-plate scanners are being used in any of the communities.

"We're being very cautious," Hutchins said. "This isn't a silver bullet."

The concerns, he said, are accuracy and effectiveness.

"We're concerned about accuracy based on specific positions," he said.

Cameras misreading a tag because of how the cameras are positioned could possibly lead to a significant number of false positive detections, which law enforcement representatives said would be unacceptable.

The chiefs say it is also important to consider environmental conditions, such as obstacles that could interfere with a camera's ability to read a tag at night, before making a decision on whether or not to move forward.

License-plate recognition systems work by scanning tags of passing cars and comparing that information to tag numbers in databases set up by law enforcement agencies. If a tag registered to a stolen vehicle is spotted by the system, for example, an alert is sent to a dispatcher who verifies the information and then notifies officers on patrol.

Along the coast in southern Palm Beach County, law

enforcement agencies had previously formed a task force led by then-Ocean Ridge Police Chief Chris Yannuzzi to explore the possibility of working together to bring license-plate recognition systems to A1A.

The plan was derailed and put on hold in late 2014 when state DOT officials ruled that the cameras were not permitted on state rights of way.

License-plate scanners are still being used in other areas in South Florida on roads that are not designated as state highways, and DOT officials have allowed municipalities that had installed cameras prior to the ruling — including Manalapan and Palm Beach — to keep those cameras.

Hutchins said that as of now, each department is working independently to determine if the new technology would make the cameras useful in their communities. Still, the departments are in communication with one another and sharing information they gather.

Once research is completed, Hartmann and Hutchins plan to bring their findings to their respective commissions for approval.

In the interim, the chiefs are continuing to speak with vendors across the nation to see if there is a system that is a good fit for state roads in their communities.

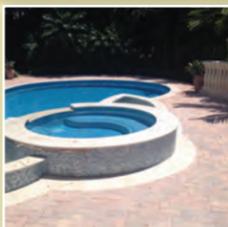
"This isn't just a local phenomenon," Hutchins said. "There are a lot of vendors who have products we could use." ★

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MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Kim Beaumont

Most people dread the tax season, but one of Kim Beaumont's favorite things to do is "a big, juicy, complicated tax return, with all kinds of problems."

"I'm an analytical person, a problem solver," said Beaumont, a certified public accountant with more than 30 years of experience and a practice in Boynton Beach. "I think I've done well at it because those are some of my better traits."

These traits also serve her well in her role as treasurer of Impact 100 Palm Beach County, a charity that awards grants to local nonprofits. "It's just a fabulous group of dynamic women," Beaumont said.

Each member of Impact 100 donates \$1,000 per year, and collectively they fund \$100,000 grants to initiatives that are voted on by the members at their annual awards event.

In 2015, four \$100,000 grants were awarded and the two remaining finalists each received \$18,000. This year's deadline for new memberships is March 31, in order to participate in the April 19 vote and awards ceremony. The goal this year is \$500,000.

"A lot of women are busy, so the concept of one meeting, one vote, \$1,000, is very interesting to them," said Beaumont. "Their heart and passion for it is just contagious."

Beaumont, who resides in Ocean Ridge with her husband, David, and their two daughters, helped start the Boynton Beach YMCA in 2000, and has been a supporter of Bethesda Hospital.

She also served for six years as treasurer of Old School Square cultural arts center in Delray Beach, and was a board member and committee chair of the Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce.

"As a volunteer, what I bring to the table is my ability to handle finances, as well as a practical, big-picture approach to handling the challenges and accomplishments," Beaumont said.

Beaumont, 54, spent her adolescent years helping out on the family farm in Jupiter, where she learned the value of hard work. She and her six sisters, along with their father,



Kim Beaumont's CPA practice is in Boynton Beach. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

did everything from milk the cows to build barns for the animals.

Her mother volunteered as the leader of the 4H Club for the Jupiter Farms area, taking her own children, as well as about 20 other local children, to county fairs all over the state. "She was always a very hard worker, a great example," Beaumont said.

From her parents Beaumont also learned about giving. "They didn't have a lot of money, but they always gave to the church and to different organizations, no matter what," Beaumont said. "I always saw that, and they always preached it, and they were always helping their neighbors."

From time to time, they also took in foster children.

Beaumont is a fifth-generation Floridian. Her family history includes, on her mother's side, the Butts family, who at one time owned most of west Boca and were major green bean farmers, and on her father's side, the first governor of Florida after the Civil War.

Her father only recently moved off the family farm in Jupiter, and the 100-acre property will be added to the

River Bend Park. Their house (where Burt Reynolds filmed *The Muddening*) will be turned into a nature center.

"I feel so blessed in my own family — I love my job, husband, kids — and because there's so much need in this world, you make the time to give back," said Beaumont. "It hasn't always been easy, but I feel called to do that, and an obligation. And the more people we get giving, the better the world will be."

— Marie Puleo

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

A: I was born in Delray Beach and lived by the beach until I was 9. We spent many days at the beach swimming, turtle hunting, having cookouts and bonfires. I have six sisters and many cousins that lived locally so there was always someone to play with. At age 9, we moved to the Jupiter Farms area.

We had horses, cows, pigs, chickens, etc., and participated in 4-H showing our animals at county fairs around the state. My sisters and I had a lot of responsibility taking care of our animals, including building the fences and barns

to house them. My parents made us do it all so we learned at a very young age how to work hard and be responsible.

I have been back in the Delray area for over 30 years and I love it.

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

A: I graduated from FAU with an accounting degree in 1983 and passed the CPA exam the first sitting. I have been practicing public accounting since 1983 focusing on tax planning and preparation for individuals, business, estate and trusts. I love what I do and I am very proud that all of my staff have been with me for 20 years or more.

Q: What advice do you have for a young person selecting a career today?

A: Select something you will enjoy, but be realistic about the job opportunities.

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

A: My husband and I love the ocean, boating and scuba diving.

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

A: My neighbors and living by the beach.

Q: What book are you reading now?

A: I am an avid reader. I enjoy fiction and nonfiction, and of course my tax journals. I just started *Being Mortal*, by Atul Gawande.

Q: What music do you listen to when you need inspiration?

A: Pandora, rock 'n' roll and I enjoy the '70s dancing music. When I want to relax, I like soft rock.

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

A: My parents are both very hard-working people with tremendous integrity and they have influenced me the most. They always told me I could do or be whatever I wanted, if I was willing to work for it, and I found that to be true. Also, my husband; he is much more laid back than I am and helps me stop working and play.

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

A: Meryl Streep. I just love her as an actress and she is so versatile. She can play me as a beach bum and a cowgirl with a successful career.

Q: Do you remember how young you were when you did your first work for a charity? What was it and how did you become involved?

A: As a 4-H member we did a lot of community service. When I was age 12, we took some of our horses and cows to Jupiter Elementary School and shared them with the kindergarten and first-grade children. We let them pet the animals, milk the cow, talked about caring for the animals and answered their questions.

One child asked if I fed the cow a Hershey bar would it produce chocolate milk. They were so cute.

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Manalapan

By Dan Moffett

After first taking a hard look at the numbers, Manalapan commissioners said they like what they see in a proposed sale of the town's water utility system to Boynton Beach.

"I think this is an exciting development that has a lot of potential," Mayor David Cheifetz said of the deal.

Boynton Beach utilities director Colin Groff told commissioners that not only is the deal feasible, but also it could be completed as early as Oct. 1.

"We don't see anything that would hold us up," Groff said. "It's just a matter of sitting down and doing the work."

The acquisition proposal calls for Boynton Beach's taking over the entire Manalapan system — the

water plant, pipes, customers in Hypoluxo and even the utility employees, who would go on the city's payroll.

The benefits to Manalapan are cheaper water and a much-needed overhaul to an aging infrastructure. Under the proposal, the overwhelming majority of Manalapan customers would see their monthly bills decrease, most of them dropping by about 15 to 20 percent. Boynton Beach would take over the costly replacement of decades-old pipes along A1A, and because of its size, the city utility says it has the resources to ensure reliable service is maintained.

The benefit to Boynton Beach is more paying customers, which means more revenue. The city utility has grown to 102,000 customers and can easily absorb the roughly 900 that Manalapan

serves, Groff says.

Both the city and the town will benefit from the economies of scale that the merger could deliver.

There are several issues that will have to be resolved for the deal to go forward, however. Chief among them is what to do about the hit Manalapan's largest water users are likely to take.

Because the town would be converting from a flat-rate fee scale to a tiered schedule under which customers pay higher rates for higher levels of use, as many as 10 customers could see their bills go up by about 50 percent. These are homeowners along the ocean with large properties to irrigate who typically use 30 to 40 times more water than the average household.

Groff told commissioners

during the Feb. 23 meeting that the city might be able to soften the blow for these mega-users by helping them switch to more efficient irrigation methods or reclaimed water.

Another issue is deciding what to do with about \$2 million that's sitting in Manalapan's utility reserve fund. Some or all of it could go toward driving rates down.

Cheifetz told Commissioner Clark Appleby, a financial consultant, to review the numbers and report to the commissioners during the March 22 town meeting, when they are expected to formally approve or reject the deal.

In other business, Vice Mayor Peter Isaac said problems with Florida Power & Light threaten to delay

completion of the Audubon Causeway bridge project for "one to three months."

Isaac said FPL didn't show up as promised in mid-February to move power poles from one side of the bridge to the other. Until that happens, workers can't continue construction and may have to move on to other jobs to keep busy.

"FPL required eight weeks to move two poles 20 feet," Isaac said. "Not hardly a beacon of productivity and efficiency. I've run projects all over the world. I could get this done in Nigeria. But Florida Power & Light? Absolutely not. Probably one of the most inefficient companies I've ever come across."

Isaac said the project still could be completed by the end of July as hoped, if FPL cooperates. ★

Along the Coast

By Ann Henson Feltgen

Improving grade crossings and laying new tracks will continue to pose traffic delays and detours this spring, as All Aboard Florida readies train tracks for its Miami-to-Orlando express service, set to begin in mid-2017.

Brightline, the new name given the \$3 billion service, will ultimately comprise 10 seven-car trains, each with 356-passenger capacity, running 32 daily trips along the Florida East Coast tracks shared with freight lines. New track will be added to connect Cocoa to Orlando. The trains will travel up to 125 mph.

According to Ali Soule, spokeswoman for All Aboard Florida, every grade crossing from Miami to Cocoa will be upgraded with new steel rail, thousands of concrete ties, new signals and crossing bars that will help keep pedestrians and automobiles safe and allow uninterrupted sleep for nearby neighbors by eliminating the need for trains to sound horns at crossings.

Construction is already underway in West Palm Beach and Lake Worth, according to All Aboard Florida's timeline.

One of the areas most affected by this construction will be downtown Delray Beach, where its popular main street entertainment area, East Atlantic Avenue, is bisected by the tracks. Work there is scheduled for mid-April and will continue through June, but is subject to change.

Laura Simon, executive director for the Delray Beach Downtown Development Authority, said the impact to businesses, especially those closest to the railroad tracks, will be felt.

Expect road closures at train crossings

"We were able to go through the impacts of the Federal Highway project, so I think we will be OK," she said. "But the business community does not yet have this on their radar, the restaurant and retail industries are day-to-day driven."

She added that her agency will keep the public and business community informed and that while there will be impacts, they would suffer through it.

Soule urges residents to consult All Aboard Florida's website for the most recent construction schedule at AllAboardFlorida.com/construction/grade-crossings.

She said the company works closely with local municipalities, county and state agencies as well as transit agencies, the Florida Department of Transportation and areas stakeholders to notify them of upcoming closures.

To date, Soule said 45 grade crossings have been updated between Miami and West Palm Beach. The work includes laying a second set of tracks next to the existing track in the crossings. The new tracks are stubbed into the original track at a later date.

All 109 crossings in Palm Beach County will become quiet zones. Funding came from the Palm Beach Metropolitan Planning Agency, Soule said.

Additional track improvements along the 66.5 miles of track between Miami and West Palm Beach total approximately \$154 million.

As the crossing and rail improvements are underway, train stations also are being constructed in Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach. And the trains themselves are being built.

Siemens is constructing the trains at its manufacturing

plant in Sacramento, California, with the first train to be delivered in Florida this year. According to Siemens officials, the trains will feature high performance, be energy efficient and employ the industry's latest technologies.

The West Palm Beach station under construction is downtown between Datura and Evernia streets, which have been permanently closed

at the site. The 60,000-square-foot station not only connects Brightline but also existing local transportation, and is just blocks from Tri-Rail and Amtrak.

As part of its agreement with West Palm Beach, All Aboard Florida also will build an apartment and retail complex adjacent to the station. ★

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Along the Coast

I-95 lane shifts, lane closures coming

By Steve Plunkett

Construction of the new Spanish River Boulevard interchange on Interstate 95 in Boca Raton will hit the two-thirds completion mark sometime this month, while work to improve the interchange at Woolbright Road in Boynton Beach is just getting underway.

Both projects are scheduled to be finished in summer 2017.

At Spanish River, 11 of the project's 13 bridges are under construction, and "mechanically stabilized earth," or MSE, walls are being built. Ponds are being excavated, new ramps are being constructed and work continues on widening, paving and drainage operations on the interstate between Glades Road and Congress Avenue.

The biggest change will be

lane shifts the week of March 6 to permit work on the median, said Andrea Pacini, a Florida Department of Transportation spokeswoman. The lanes in both directions will be moved over between Spanish River Boulevard and Yamato Road, she said.

Pacini said Spanish River Boulevard will be entirely closed to traffic between Broken Sound Boulevard and Airport Road the week of March 6 from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

"We now have to demo the other half of the Spanish River bridge," she said.

The Spanish River interchange, with a \$68.8 million price tag, will be Boca Raton's fifth entrance/exit on I-95.

While work goes on, the interstate between Glades Road and Congress Avenue may also have up to three lanes closed, as

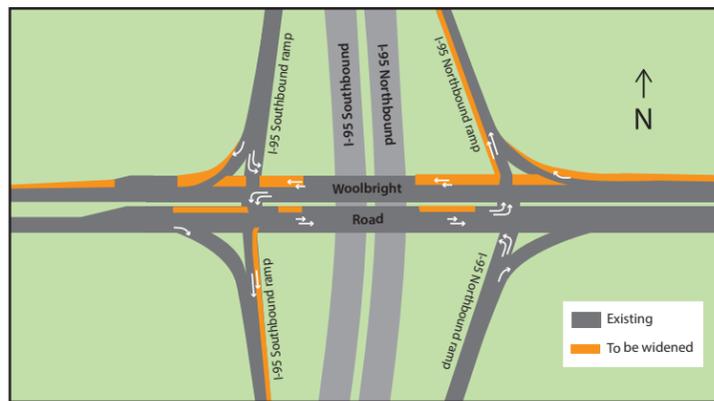
needed, from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday. The southbound I-95 entrance ramp from eastbound Yamato Road may also be closed as needed during those times. The project area is 2.5 miles long.

In Boynton Beach, nightly lane closures of Woolbright Road began the week of Feb. 28, Pacini said. One lane in each direction is closed from 9 p.m. to 4 a.m. Sundays through Thursdays, she said. The closures will continue through March.

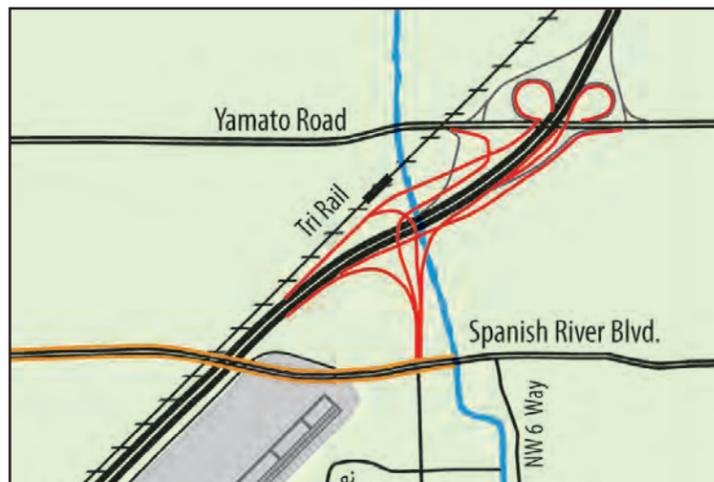
Woolbright will be widened from Southwest 18th Street on the west side of I-95 to Southwest Second Street on the east. Plans call for twin left-turn lanes in both eastbound and westbound directions onto the interstate, widening the northbound ramp to receive the eastbound turn lanes and transition to one lane, and rebuilding the south exit ramp to allow traffic to flow freely onto westbound Woolbright.

The \$9.1 million project stretches over 0.9 mile of Woolbright.

Farther off on the horizon are improvements to the I-95 interchange at Linton Boulevard in Delray Beach, scheduled to take place in 2019. But on March 15 the state DOT will hold a public information workshop on its plan at the Delray Beach Public



Improvements at Woolbright Road and I-95 are about to begin.



Creating a new I-95 interchange for Spanish River Boulevard means some ramps at Yamato Road will be redone. The work is to be finished by the summer of 2017. **File Graphics**

Library, 100 W. Atlantic Ave. The workshop will be in an open-house format from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the first-floor, large conference room.

The \$11.2 million project will widen the on-ramps and move them closer to I-95, and add bike lanes to Linton Boulevard, among other changes. The work

is expected to begin in spring 2019 and be finished by fall 2020.

The workshop is meant to let people comment on the proposed design and the social, economic and environmental effects of the planned improvements. ★

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Delray Beach

Commission moves to end 'puppy mill' sales in city

By Jane Smith

The city is moving closer to banning the sale of dogs from puppy mills.

On March 1, Delray Beach

commissioners unanimously approved the first step by restricting dog and cat sales to rescue groups only.

City Attorney Noel Pfeffer said that dogs bred in puppy

mills may be licensed, but the puppies are not raised in humane conditions.

"The purpose and the cure is to reduce the supply chain," he said.

He talked about Palm Beach County cases where similar ordinances were upheld.

Commissioners thanked him for the presentation, and members of the audience applauded after the vote.

But the law would penalize the only pet store in its downtown: Waggs to Riches pet boutique on Atlantic Avenue.

Opened in October 2006, Waggs sells tiny designer dogs such as shih tzus, toy poodles and Chihuahuas.

People come into the store and often don't leave without paying thousands for a designer dog and the accouterments needed to live an upscale life: rhinestone-studded collars and blinged-out doggy strollers.

Waggs' owner could not be reached for comment.

When the new law is approved, Waggs would have six months to sell off its inventory of designer dogs or face a \$400 penalty for each violation. ★

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Along the Coast

More stringent criteria used for beach water tests

By Cheryl Blackerby

Lantana Beach was the first beach in Palm Beach County to get a "No Swimming Advisory" from the Florida Department of Health shortly after new, more stringent criteria for beach water testing went into effect Jan. 1.

But the January bacteria levels were so high, Lantana Beach also would have been closed to swimmers under the old guidelines.

The new criteria for tests for enterococci bacteria were recommended by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency after recent epidemiological studies showed disease risks from water with high bacteria levels are higher than previously thought.

"High levels of enterococci can indicate an increased risk of gastrointestinal illness, as well as infections in open wounds, and ear and eye infections," said Tim O'Connor, spokesperson for the Florida Department of Health Palm Beach County.

Lantana Beach's advisory was lifted a few days later when bacteria levels dropped.

Because winds were high, the bacteria could have come from a cruise or cargo ship emptying a bilge in the Gulf Stream, although it's a rare occurrence, O'Connor said.

High bacteria levels are generally associated with mammals, including people and wildlife, heavy recreational usage, spillage brought in by high seas or polluted runoff from inland lakes and waterways following heavy rains. It could even come from passing whales, he said.

Septic tanks have not been a problem, he said. "We really don't find seepage. It's more likely general runoff."

The wading lagoon at

DuBois Park in Jupiter got a no-swimming advisory in February, which lifted when bacteria levels dropped a few days later. It was the second beach to be closed to swimmers since the guidelines were put in place.

The Department of Health staff in Palm Beach County tests 13 beaches from Boca Raton to Jupiter every two weeks for enterococci bacteria and assigns designations of poor, moderate or good ranges.

"The new testing criteria lowered the level of enterococci bacteria about 25 percent," O'Connor said. Under the new standards, no-swimming advisories are expected to increase from less than 5 percent of beaches tested to about 8 percent, he said.

"Beaches that were in the moderate range may now be in the poor range," he said.

The new no-swimming advisory has been lowered from 104 or greater enterococci CFU (colony forming unit) per 100 milliliters of marine water to 71 or greater enterococci CFU per 100 milliliters. It is estimated that 36 of 1,000 people get ill from exposure to water with bacterial counts at or greater than 70 CFU per 100 milliliters.

Lantana Beach's sampling showed bacterial levels in the water to be at 350 colonies per 100 milliliters of marine water, putting it in the poor range under both old and new guidelines.

Swimmers can monitor the water quality of beaches at www.flhealthpalmbeach.org.

If swimmers feel ill after swimming, they should contact their doctors or tell emergency room doctors that the illness may have come after swimming. Swimmers may also want to shower immediately after swimming. ★



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Obituaries

Kersen De Jong

By Dan Moffett

MANALAPAN — Kersen De Jong was the most controversial citizen in Manalapan because that's what he wanted to be.



Born in the Netherlands, De Jong said he believed it his duty as a naturalized American to speak out

whenever he found injustice. And in Manalapan, he thought he found it a lot.

His criticism of the town was public and spirited, and his complaints went beyond the spectrum of routine municipal governance. De Jong complained to federal agencies about Manalapan's attitudes toward race and people with disabilities, and criticized the behavior of police, administrators, elected officials and neighbors with equal fervor.

Blood pressures rose across the dais when De Jong took the microphone at a town meeting.

During one recent crusade, he closed emails with a favorite quotation from Roger Baldwin, a founder of the American Civil Liberties Union: "So long as we have enough people in this country willing to fight for their rights, we'll be called a democracy."

Mr. De Jong died Feb. 17 after a brief illness while vacationing in Hawaii. He was 65.

"The greatest thing Kersen did for Manalapan was to stand up and get the town to do the right thing for disabled people," said Howard Roder, a former commissioner, who credits De Jong with forcing officials to make the Town Hall and library comply with federal disability standards.

"He also is responsible for getting more handicapped parking spaces at Plaza del Mar," Roder said. "As far as I'm concerned,

he tried to do what was best for Manalapan. Kersen should be congratulated and praised."

Mr. De Jong's empathy for people with disabilities came at a high cost and was intimately understood. When he was 26, he lost both his legs in a car accident in Manhattan. Friends say he adjusted quickly to walking with artificial legs. In Manalapan, he often came to meetings sitting on a skateboard, paddling it into the room with his hands.

A true patron of the arts, Mr. De Jong and his partner of 37 years, Phillip Perkins, were known for parties with classical music performances at their Lands End Road home.

Mr. De Jong's love of music led to associations with the Boys Choir of Harlem and the Chicago Boys Choir. He started a foundation called the Netherlands American Community Trust to help young artists. Mr. De Jong was the managing director of the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce in the United States.

Friends say he was a consummate networker, who hired many Dutch interns to give them a start in his adopted country.

He was a member of the board of governors for the Roosevelt Institute and a judge on the United Nations Franklin D. Roosevelt International Disability Rights Award Advisory Board.

Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands granted him a knighthood in the Order of Orange-Nassau to recognize his contributions to Dutch-American relations.

"It's time to light a candle, say a prayer and wish him well on the next part of his journey," said former Manalapan Vice Mayor Louis DeStefano.

De Jong is survived by Perkins and a brother, Martin. The family requests donations to Shake-a-Leg, Miami, instead of flowers.

Martin L. Gross

OCEAN RIDGE — Martin L. Gross of New London, N.H., and Ocean Ridge died Jan. 26, in Ushuaia, Argentina, following a stroke suffered en route to Antarctica. He was 77 years old.

Mr. Gross and his wife, Deirdre, became winter residents of Ocean Ridge in 2014, after renting several houses in Ocean Ridge the previous three years. Over the past several years, one of Mr. Gross' happiest endeavors was building a warm winter getaway in Ocean Ridge. He loved living in a house designed by his wife and conveniently located across the street from his dearest friends, Peter and Jean Burling.

Mr. Gross' adventures began in New York City, where he was born on Oct. 22, 1938. As a young child, Martin and his older brother, Woolf, were dispatched to summer camps and later to working cattle ranches in Utah during the summer months to escape the polio outbreaks that plagued New York City in the years following World War II.

After high school, Mr. Gross headed north to Cambridge, Mass., where he attended both Harvard College and Harvard Law School, graduating from the latter in 1964. His fondest memories of his law school years were not his classes (he didn't figure out how to do well on his exams until his third year), but the weekends he spent in Newburyport, Mass., with his good friend Will Rogers, whose family adopted Martin and treated him as their own.

Before embarking on his first job as a law clerk in New Hampshire, Mr. Gross and his first wife, the late Caroline Lord Gross, purchased a VW pop-up camper and drove to Alaska with Martin's mother, Harriet. Harriet slept in the camper; Martin and Caroline slept outdoors in a tent. After several weeks of abysmal weather, the camper was coated with a thick layer of adobe-colored mud. When the trio returned to Concord and washed the car for the first time, it was in pristine condition. Thereafter, Martin never worried much if his car was dirty.

Following his clerkship, Mr. Gross joined the Concord law firm of Sulloway & Hollis PLLC, from which he retired (while maintaining senior counsel status) in 2015 after more than 50 years of distinguished service to his clients and to the New Hampshire Bar.

As with everything else in life, Mr. Gross viewed the practice of law as an adventure. He delighted in besting his adversaries and often developed long and lasting friendships with them. His in-house writing boot camps were legendary, and his wit and charm were ever present at the office and in the courtroom.

While working full-time as a Sulloway lawyer, Mr. Gross served three terms as the mayor of Concord and could often be seen spending his lunch hours walking the length of Main Street between Capitol Street and McDonald's in the south end, chatting with his constituents. Mr. Gross so enjoyed these daily jaunts that this pattern continued long after his tenure as mayor had ended.

While a young lawyer at Sulloway, Mr. Gross developed a real talent for cooking. This was driven by necessity since Caroline's busy schedule at the state House meant she was often home late. Undeterred by a complete lack of training (and by a lifelong aversion to cookbooks), Mr. Gross channeled his inner top chef and produced thousands of wonderful meals for friends and family. Over the years, the informal "Sunday suppers" he enjoyed with his close friends Malcolm and Susan McLane, Liz and Dennis Hager and other dear Concord friends were a social staple.



winter residents of Ocean Ridge in 2014, after renting several houses in Ocean Ridge the previous three years. Over the past several years, one of Mr. Gross' happiest endeavors was building a warm winter

In addition, following his induction into the Snowshoe Club, Mr. Gross spent several years preparing delicious meals (usually involving pork tenderloin or chicken) with his Snowshoe Club cooking partner, John Swope. Though not a baker, Mr. Gross loved dessert. His favorite after-dinner treat was a mini Dove bar (only 60 calories!), which he would consume in a single bite.

Six years after the loss of his beloved Caroline in 1993, fate intervened and Mr. Gross met his second wife, Deirdre Sheerr-Gross, a New London architect. The meeting occurred at Chicago's O'Hare airport, where both were waiting to board a flight back to New Hampshire. It would turn out to be a kismet flight on United Airlines (friendly skies indeed!) with Deirdre in seat 2B and Martin (who always flew coach and never paid for upgrades) in seat 3B directly behind Deirdre. Seeing that seat 2A was open, Mr. Gross leaned over and graciously asked Deirdre, "Can I buy you dinner?"

They have been having dinner together ever since. This episode gave Mr. Gross plenty of fodder for his expansive repertoire of bad puns — "United" Airlines, 2B or not to be — and Martin made the most of it. Six months later, in July 2000, he and Deirdre were married. On the day before their wedding, Deirdre gave Martin the car of his dreams — a Porsche Boxster — and Martin delighted in telling everyone that the car was a gift from his girlfriend.

During their 15-year marriage, the couple traveled the world. Despite temporary setbacks (Martin's surgeries, lost luggage, etc.) they visited South America, Africa, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Central America and multiple European countries. This past September, in homage to Mr. Gross' mud-laden Alaska road trip of the early 1960s, the couple rented an Airstream trailer and toured Grand Teton and Yellowstone parks; they did not have to sleep outdoors.

In January, the couple left for Antarctica, a trip that was to be Martin's last great adventure. While southbound on his way to Antarctica on a cruise ship he suffered a stroke and had to be transferred to a passing northbound vessel. That ship docked in Ushuaia (the cruise's point of origin), where Mr. Gross underwent surgery to relieve a subdural hematoma. Despite excellent care and a successful surgery, Mr. Gross contracted an infection from which he did not recover.

Mr. Gross loved the spontaneity and unpredictability of travel. He would have appreciated the irony of his last great adventure.

Mr. Gross is survived by his wife, Deirdre Sheerr-Gross, of New London; his brother, Woolf Gross (spouse Lucy) of Arlington, Va.; a nephew, William Gross, of Arlington, Va.; two cousins, John and Charles Gross, both of New York City, and his brother-in-law, affectionately referred to as "hermano west," Hugh McCrystal (spouse Polly).

In addition, Mr. Gross is survived by dozens of close friends including his childhood friend Peter Soloman (whom Martin always introduced as "the man I've never not known"), Will and Sherry Rogers and their two daughters, Anne and Catherine (who were Martin's goddaughters and who lovingly called him "Uncle Martin"), Peter and Jean Burling, Rick and Karla Karash, Alex Bernhart and Myra Mayman, Merwyn and Carol Bagan, and others too numerous to name.

A celebration of his life was held in Concord on March 2 at the Capital Center for the Arts.

Obituary submitted by the family

Along the Coast

More safe roads enforcement coming to A1A

By Rich Pollack

Motorists traveling along State Road A1A in southern Palm Beach County from March 7 to 13 may be seeing more flashing emergency lights as the South Florida Safe Roads Task Force conducts another in a series of concentrated education and enforcement efforts.

Officers from several coastal communities, as well as from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office and the Florida Highway Patrol, will be out in force that week to highlight the importance of motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians all sharing the road and following safety laws. Authorities will be issuing verbal and written warnings as well as citations, but the focus is on raising awareness and ensuring

that those walking, bicycling or driving on A1A understand and follow applicable laws.

"This campaign's main purpose is education," says Highland Beach Police Lt. Eric Lundberg, one of the task force founders who is helping coordinate the upcoming effort. "Our goal is to restore compliance with Florida laws and protect everyone on the road."

Lundberg did not say specifically when law enforcement agencies in Palm Beach County and north Broward County will be conducting saturation efforts, but the task force previously has focused on weekend mornings and Tuesday and Thursday evenings. "Those are the times when motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians have the most interaction," he said. ★

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Lantana

Town seeks a way around trucks parking on both sides of street

By Mary Thurwachter

At both its meetings in February, the Lantana Town Council grappled with on-street parking woes on Hypoluxo Island.

The council proposed a solution in January to mandate parking on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd-numbered days, and on the even-numbered side on even-numbered days.

Then, after further consideration, members proposed the odd/even rule on

a yearly basis: park on the odd-numbered side of the street on odd-numbered years and on the even-numbered side on even-numbered years.

But by the council's second meeting in February, that ordinance, too, was dismissed.

The proposed laws were meant to address mainly lawn maintenance and construction vehicles parked on both sides of roads.

Mayor Dave Stewart said he has heard many complaints from drivers who have to zigzag around parked trucks.

The town had also heard from Fire Marshall 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."

Several residents said negotiating around large vehicles parked on both sides of the road was a recipe for disaster.

At the Feb. 22 meeting,

Stewart said he and Town Manager Deborah Manzo had toured the problem area and found the difficulties mainly were from construction vehicles on site for months at a time.

"This yearly thing is not gonna work," Stewart said. It would mean building cranes stretching across the street.

Residents like Michele Fritts agreed. "It would be awfully hard to have cranes across the street," she said. "The main problem on the south end (of Hypoluxo Island) is the flow of traffic. We are in favor of having one way in and one way out. That wouldn't help the north end of the island, however."

Another Hypoluxo Island resident, Media Beverly, also asked that the right-turn-only sign be returned at the intersection of northbound South Atlantic onto Southeast Atlantic. "That helped a lot," she said.

"I know firsthand that there were minimal traffic issues when most southbound traffic used Southwest Atlantic and most northbound traffic used Southeast Atlantic," Beverly said. "It was easy — one way in and one way out. But after the town removed the long-standing right-turn-only sign at

the intersection of northbound South Atlantic onto Southeast Atlantic, most northbound vehicles now turn left onto Southwest Atlantic, creating more congestion on Southwest Atlantic.

"The solution is simple," she said. "Let's install traffic counters, as was done before (which resulted in the permanent speed cushions), to determine if Southwest Atlantic Drive is truly overburdened with vehicular traffic, more so than Southeast Atlantic Drive."

Stewart said that to put up the requested traffic sign required a traffic study, something the town has been discussing.

Erica Wald, who also lives on Hypoluxo Island, talked about maneuvering around trucks parked on both sides of the road.

"When there's an obstruction, there's a car coming at me and I have to back up," she said. "Sometimes there's a standoff. Sometime there's going to be a head-on collision. I absolutely agree we need to put up a one-way sign."

With both proposals falling flat, it's back to the drawing board for the on-street parking issue. ★

Council votes to abolish Nature Preserve Commission

By Mary Thurwachter

At the recommendation of Town Attorney R. Max Lohman, the Lantana Town Council voted Feb. 22 to dissolve the Lantana Nature Preserve Commission.

Lohman said the commission (members are appointed by the town) and the Friends of the Lantana Nature Preserve Committee (a nonprofit organization) frequently duplicate efforts and that only one of the groups was necessary. There are some common members

to both groups and only one is covered by Sunshine Laws regarding open meetings.

Lohman said the town was trying to protect itself and members of the two groups from getting into trouble with the Sunshine Law.

"I've had some calls on this and some members didn't understand the nature of the Sunshine Law," said Vice Mayor Malcom Balfour, a former chairman of the Lantana Nature Preserve Commission whose wife, Ilona, serves on both committees. He said

the matter was due more discussion. But Lohman said everyone would have a chance to voice opinions on the matter on March 14, when the ordinance will have a second reading and public hearing.

The Nature Preserve, a coastal hammock between The Carlisle senior living facility on East Ocean Avenue and the Intracoastal Waterway, was created by a 1997 ordinance. The Carlisle pays the town \$40,000 a year to maintain the park. No money comes from the town's general fund to pay for its maintenance. ★



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Business Spotlight



Owners Sean Iglehart and Clint Reed opened Sweetwater Bar & Grill in 2011 in Boynton Beach. This month they are opening Saxon, which has a different flavor. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Sweetwater's success prompts owners to open new bar next door

By Thom Smith

"Hey, let's open a bar!" Giving the frivolous Judy Garland-Mickey Rooney concept of, "Hey, let's put on a show!" a 21st-century twist, entrepreneurial neophytes Sean Iglehart and Clint Reed decided to pursue their dream.

Sweetwater wouldn't be just any bar. It would specialize in rare whiskeys and craft cocktails. Bartenders would become showmen. And they would open, not in Delray Beach or Boca Raton, but Boynton Beach, in, of all places, Las Ventanas, at the corner of Federal and Woolbright!

That was April 2011. Customers drove from Jupiter and Miami, sometimes waiting two hours or more to sip a Blind Swine (sous vide hickory-smoked bacon, bourbon and rye, bitters and salted barrel-aged maple syrup) or munch on grilled Spanish octopus with yogurt, crispy chickpeas, dehydrated olives and almonds.

Iglehart, a Florida native from Gulf Stream's first family of high-goal polo, was a busboy and barback before studying design in college. He hated sitting at a computer. "East Coast mutt" Reed, born in Virginia and raised in Miami, worked in finance — Barclays, Bank of America — before hooking up with Iglehart at Falcon House in Delray.

Each brought different skills to the bar, Reed the numbers, Iglehart the creative side.

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* Earl Grey-infused gin: 3 tea bags per liter of gin. Let sit for 24-72 hours, agitating regularly.

have worked if we didn't share the vision," Iglehart said. "He got where I was coming from and saw there was a huge void. When we opened, only a couple of places in Miami were really serious about it. There was nothing like it in this county, or Florida for that matter.

"People thought we were nuts. We weren't doing Atlantic

Avenue, but I knew if we created a great product in an awesome atmosphere with good customer service, we could get it done."

Las Ventanas lacks the draw of Mizner Park and the diversity of Atlantic Avenue, but the location has its pluses. As Iglehart notes, Sweetwater is just across the Intracoastal from Gulf Stream, Ocean Ridge and Manalapan. Delray Beach, Boca Raton and West Palm Beach are minutes away, and nowhere else in Florida is I-95 closer to the beach.

Popularity, however, has two edges. Two-hour waits aren't acceptable for customers or for Iglehart and Reed. Their solution? Open another bar next door — in Iglehart's view, "another room to the house."

Saxon, after the Germanic tribes that overran Western Europe, will open in March with happy hour and late-night menus, a different look and a focus on presentations by servers instead of bartenders. Libations will be more European — think 1920s Paris — absinthe, gins and brandies, fortified wines.

Iglehart is confident: "I was thinking about what we've accomplished over the last five years, all the people who've enjoyed the atmosphere and the cocktails. It's super rewarding. Plus it's cool that we've inspired others to do the same.

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Business Spotlight

Boston Proper brand sells (again), stays in Boca

In January, the Florida-based women's clothing retailer **Boston Proper**, a division of **Chico's FAS**, was acquired by **Brentwood Associates**, a Los Angeles investment firm (the terms of the deal have not been disclosed).

The sales history went like this: Chico's FAS, which bought Boston Proper for around \$205 million in 2011, had announced that it planned to sell Boston Proper's direct-to-consumer side of the business and close its 20 stores last August.

In November, Chico's FAS signed a non-binding letter-of-intent to sell the business; closed the stores in December and on Jan. 19, announced that it had completed the sale.

Over the years, Boston Proper (previously the **Mark Group**, previously **Mark, Fore & Strike**) has gone from sporty, to preppy, to a smattering of everything, to saucy. What will its new vibe be? California dreamin' denim? Boho hipster chic?

In its press release, Boston Proper's president and chief merchandising officer, **Sheryl Clark**, who'll be staying on with Brentwood, had this to say about Boston Proper's "wear it like no one else" approach:

"Everyone changes. We've changed. Our customer has changed. The world has changed. But our core attitude



Olive Belcher (with her daughter Brittany) used the Out of the Box food truck to cater the preview of a listing at Boca Bay Colony. Photo provided

is still there. We've started the conversation with our customers, and they're eager to join us on this journey of growth and rediscovery."

All that change, though, was not positive. Chico's FAS noted it wanted to focus on its other three brands: Chico's, **White House Black Market** and **Soma**. But also, it admitted Boston Proper did not meet its expectations.

At this point, Boston Proper plans to refocus on building its brand directly to consumers

through its print, digital and social channels. Headquarters will remain in Boca Raton, and a staff of 70 will stay on.

But for Floridians, Boston Proper is a trip down Memory Lane. Here's some history from newspaper and online sources:

Chico's FAS started out as Chico's in 1972, in a Sanibel shop owned by **Marvin** and **Helene Gralnick**.

Delray Beach's **Michael Tiernan** of the (then) **Mark Group**, whose brands were **Mark, Fore & Strike** and

Charles Keath, bought Boston Proper's customer list and its name out of bankruptcy in 1990 for \$125,000 from the **Saudi International Bank**. Focusing on this new division, by 2004, **Mark, Fore & Strike** and **Charles Keath** were sold, and the **Mark Group** changed its name to **Boston Proper**.

And a tidbit stretching further back: **Mark, Fore & Strike** was cofounded in 1951 by **J. William Tiernan**. Son **Michael** started its mail order business in 1977.

In January, Naples-based furnishings retailer **Clive Daniel Home** opened a 70,000-square-foot showroom at 1351 Boca Raton Blvd. in Boca Raton. The retailer, with a staff of 30-plus professional interior designers, also offers specialized hospitality services for lobbies, clubhouses, restaurants and hotels.

The showroom features a live demonstration kitchen, an accessory shop, a design studio, a resource room, and **The Chat Room**, a community room available for local businesses and organizations to hold seminars, social gatherings and fundraisers.

Have starry-eyed guests coming to town? They are in luck. Some of our local coastal hotels and restaurants are **Forbes Travel Guide**

2016 award winners. Five-Star hotels include **Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa** and **Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach**. **The Breakers Palm Beach** was awarded four stars. **Eau Spa** was named a Five-Star Spa and **Palm Beach Spa** at **Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach** was awarded four stars. Four-Star restaurants include **Café Boulud Palm Beach** and **Jove Kitchen & Bar**, which is in the **Four Seasons Resort Palm Beach**.

Through an association agreement, **Brown Harris Stevens** acquired **Manatee Cove Realty** on Feb. 26.

This is the second acquisition for **Brown Harris Stevens**, which has been in Palm Beach since 1998; the company had acquired **Barrett Welles Property Group** late September 2015.

Manatee Cove Realty presents a good fit, and will strengthen **Brown Harris Stevens'** presence in the county, says **Brown Harris Stevens'** broker and executive vice president, **Ava Van de Water**, who oversees the company's three offices in Palm Beach.

"We are thrilled to have **Manatee Cove Realty**, **Jennifer Spitznagel** and all her great agents as part of the **Brown**

Harris Stevens family."

Brown Harris Stevens, a luxury real estate firm that dates back to 1873, has offices in New York City, The Hamptons, Palm Beach and Miami. It's owned by **Terra Holdings**, the parent of a group of nine real estate companies with more than \$7 billion in annual residential sales.

Spitznagel founded **Manatee Cove Realty** in 1998 in Plaza del Mar, Manalapan, and moved her office to Lake Worth in 2011. Focusing on central Palm Beach County, primarily in the coastal area, **Manatee Cove Realty** has 14 agents and approximately 40 listings.

"We were recently in discussions with **Brown Harris Stevens** and all the pluses were there for us to bring the two companies together," **Spitznagel** says. "Many of our clients are second-home buyers from New York, where **Brown Harris Stevens** has a strong network, so this seemed like a very good combination for us to better service our clientele."

Manatee Cove Realty will change its name to **Brown Harris Stevens**; it will keep its current office at 619 Lake Avenue; its agents will stay on, and they will be joined by additional agents. **Spitznagel's** title will be director and **Van de Water** will be the managing broker.

At an awards brunch at the **Delray Sands Resort, Lang Realty** recently recognized its top agents and teams. Among them were several area agents: **Diamond Star** award winner **Olive Belcher**; **Diamond** award winner **Julie Giachetti**; **Ruby** award winner **Michael Mullin**; **Emerald** Award winners **Warren Heeg, Mary Windle, Caron Dockerty, Donald Gorbach** and **Diane Duffy**; and **Emerald Team** award winners **Michael Gallacher** and **Anne Bernet**.

At its brokers' open preview in February — when the **Olive Belcher Team** rolled out its listing of a **Boca Bay Colony** lot at 854 NE 75th St., Boca Raton — it rolled in the food, catered by **Out of the Box** food truck. The result? A great response and great turnout. While agents and neighbors enjoyed a gourmet lunch and drinks, they got to view the large interior-point parcel at the end of the cul-de-sac, with 240 feet of water frontage and an eastern exposure.

Real estate agent **Polly Schiff** has moved to **Boca Raton Coldwell Banker Previews'** Boca Resort & Beach office. She moved from **Miami Coldwell Banker Previews**, where she was a luxury Realtor for 28 years.

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Jessica Rosato, an agent with **Nestler Poletto Sotheby's International Realty**, has selected the **Achievement Centers for Children & Families** in Delray Beach.

Recently, members of the **Realtors Commercial Alliance** were recognized for their accomplishments and contributions to the commercial real estate industry.

Christina Morrison, certified property manager of **Carmel Real Estate & Management**, was named 2015 RCA Realtor of the Year for the time she contributed to the Alliance, her service on various committees at the state level, and her community involvement in Delray Beach. **Blair Lee** with **Lighthouse Realty Services** was presented with the Retail Deal of the Year Award for the sale of two buildings at 1830 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. **Alan Steinberg**, of **Keyes Commercial North**, was presented with the Business Brokerage Deal of the Year Award for the sale of the **Miracle Car Wash** in Boca Raton.

In February, the **American Humane Association** announced the launch of the **Lois Pope LIFE Center for Military Affairs** in Palm Beach. Its programs and initiatives include: **K-9 Battle Buddies**, which facilitates reunions of military dogs and handlers, sends care packages to active-duty military dog teams, and provides veterinary care for retired war dogs; **Wags4Patriots**, which provides returning veterans with service dogs; **Operation Purple**, which sends registered therapy dog teams to the **National Military Family Association's** camps for kids with deployed parents; and the **Red Star for Warriors** program, which redeploys veterans to protect and serve on the home front in times of crisis. **Boca Raton Airport Authority Executive Director Clara Bennett** was appointed to the board of directors of the **Gold Coast Tiger Bay Club**.

South Florida Legal Guide named **Gladstone & Weissman, P.A.** a Top Law Firm in 2016; principals **Peter L. Gladstone** and **Jeffrey A. Weissman**, Top Lawyers in 2016; and partners **Denise L. Jensen**, **David L. Hirschberg** and senior associate **Heather L. Apicella**, Top Up and Comers in 2016. The firm's main office is at 101 Renaissance Centre, 101 N. Federal Highway, Suite 702, Boca Raton.

by the audiences of Palm Beach County's 19 largest cultural institutions totaled \$538.3 million last year, according to survey results disclosed by the **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County** in February.

The culture-related spending supported 11,795 county jobs, generating \$226 million in resident household income, \$22.1 million in local government revenues, and \$25.9 million in state government revenues. The survey also revealed that tourists constituted more than 64 percent of the spending and that the majority were visiting specifically to experience the county's arts and cultural opportunities.

The **Boca Chamber's Golden Bell Education Foundation's** new chairman is **Chuck Stout**, executive vice president of **CBIZ Benefits & Insurance**

Services Inc. Other new board members include: **Mary Sol Gonzalez** from **Image360**, **Andy Thomson** from **Proskauer Rose LLP**, **Jennifer Jager** from **Plum Productions**, **Lise Orr** from **Minuteman Press**, and **Tara Ryan** from **Modernizing Medicine**.

Boca Raton Airport Authority Executive Director Clara Bennett was appointed to the board of directors of the **Gold Coast Tiger Bay Club**.

In January, international fitness model **Lisa**



Armoyan

was named president of **TransMedia Models and Talent**, a new division of the Boca Raton-based **TransMedia Group**. She will also manage the firm's

collaboration with the network **My Jam TV**.

This year's 40th anniversary of **American Red Cross Designers' Show House** is sure to set spectators' hearts afire. More than a dozen designers decorated the historic **North Station**, former fire station No. 3, in West Palm Beach's Old Northwood neighborhood.

Built in 1938 on a half-acre, it was renovated into a four-bedroom Art Moderne-style home. It's open through March 26, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays and noon to 4 p.m. Sundays. Admission is \$35. Groups of 10 or more may contact Brianna.Sidman@redcross.org for special rates.

On March 5, the **Community Caring Center of Greater Boynton Beach** holds its 2016 annual Hunger Walk/5K Run/Kids Fun Run. Registration is at 6:30 a.m. at

511 NE Fourth St., Boynton Beach. The race starts at 7:30 a.m. with the Kids Fun Run following immediately. Registration for the walk begins at 8:30 a.m. The price for the 5K Run and Kids Fun Run is \$40. Walkers are asked to bring a donation of nonperishable food items and/or \$20. For information, call 386-4261.

All proceeds from a tennis tournament at the **Boca Raton Resort & Club**, from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. March 6, will benefit the **Boys & Girls Club of Boca Raton**. All levels of play are welcome. The fee for players is \$100 and \$50 for spectators. For information, call 683-3287 or visit www.bgcpcb.org.



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Around Town

March 2016

The Coastal Star

MIZNER PARK TURNS 25



Courtesy of the Boca Raton Historical Society



TOP: The Boca Raton Mall in the '80s. ABOVE: Cars turn onto Plaza Real in Mizner Park, which replaced the mall in 1991. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

When it opened in 1991, the shopping complex transformed Boca Raton's downtown into an urban hub

By Mary Thurwachter

With gurgling fountains, inviting gazebos, alfresco (and indoor) dining options, the Boca Raton Museum of Art, an amphitheater that hosts major concerts and community events, and dozens of shops, Mizner Park remains a popular destination for locals and visitors alike. But this shopping center, which is 25 years old this year, is more than just a pretty face.

Mizner Park, off Federal Highway a block north of Palmetto Park Road, has had a big impact on stimulating growth in downtown Boca Raton. Before it was built, there were only 73 housing units in downtown Boca Raton and office rents were the lowest in the county. Those numbers changed drastically after 1991 with the development of Mizner Park, the 29-acre mixed-use

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April 13: The Center for Creative Education will celebrate its 21st birthday with the introduction of a groundbreaking new educational program at Northmore Elementary School in West Palm Beach. Time is 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$300 per person or \$2,750 for a table of 10. Call 805-9927, Ext. 150, or visit www.cceflorida.org. **ABOVE:** Co-Chairs Mario Nievera and Maura Ziska Christu. **Photo provided**

Circle of Hope Gala
Quail Ridge Country Club, Boynton Beach



March 12: Women's Circle will celebrate empowerment and support education, job assistance and literacy for women. Time is 6 p.m. for cocktails and 7:30 for dinner. Cost is \$100. Call 244-7627, Ext. 105, or visit womenscircle.org. **ABOVE:** (l-r, seated) Carole Howison, co-chairwoman Veronica Comrie, executive director Sister Lorraine Ryan and Sister Joan Carusillo, (standing) raffle chairwoman Jo-Ann DiLorenzo, welcome co-chairwoman Margot Watson, event director Linda Chapley, welcome co-chairwoman Marge Blanz, silent-auction committee members Mary Ellen Courier and Jane Adams, Sister Philo Morris and Rosemarie Brady. **Photo provided**

Philanthropy Calendar

Pay it Forward

Pay it Forward celebrates the many philanthropic events in our community. Events are current as of 2/29. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH

Saturday - 3/5 - Historical Society of Palm Beach County's Evening on Antique Row on Dixie Highway in West Palm Beach. Stroll stores filled with great finds and enjoy music, cocktails, food trucks and shopping. 6-9 pm. \$65. 832-4164, ext.106 or hspsc.org.

3/5 - Bascom Palmer Eye Institute's 35th-annual Evening of Vision Gala at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. Support the institute that serves as the Department of Ophthalmology for the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine. 6:30 pm. \$600. 515-1527 or bascompalmer.org.

3/5 - Bethesda Hospital Foundation's Bethesda Ball at The Breakers, One South County Road, Palm Beach. Celebrate one of the oldest galas in the county at the 61st annual fundraiser, which this year has the theme "Palm Beach Revisited, an Evening on Island Time." 6:30 p.m. cocktails, 7:30 p.m. dinner. \$375. 737-7733, ext. 84445 or bethesdahospitalgoundation.org.

Monday - 3/7 - Armory Art Center's Mad Hatter goes Bollywood: A little trip to India at Club Colette, 215 Peruvian Ave., Palm Beach. Create your own hat and come adorned in the brightest, boldest colors inspired by the country. 11:59 am-2 pm. \$295. 832-1776 or armoryart.org.

Thursday - 3/10 - Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County's Love of Literacy Luncheon at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd., West

Palm Beach. Ring in the 25th year of the always-well-attended fundraising event that features a special guest speaker. 11:30 am. \$125. 279-9103 or literacypsc.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 bgcpsc.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 in Wonderland* and learn proper table etiquette during a Gilded Age-style gathering. 10 am. \$30 members, \$45 nonmembers. 655-2833 or flaglermuseum.us.

3/12 - Gratitude House Gala at Four Seasons Palm Beach, 2800 S. Ocean Blvd. Listen to the stories of award-winning songwriter Paul Williams and Hollywood screenwriter Tracey Jackson during a touching evening addressing addiction and recovery. 6 pm. \$300. 833-6826 or gratitudehouse.org.

3/12 - Women's Circle Circle of Hope Gala at Quail Ridge Country Club, 3715 Golf Road, Boynton Beach. Welcome spring with this evening celebration. 6 pm cocktails, 7:30 pm dinner. \$100. 244-7627, ext. 105 or womenscircle.org.

Ext.106 or palmbeachdramaworks.org
3/12- KidSafe Foundation's Shine The Light Gala at Woodfield Country Club, 3650 Club Place, Boca Raton. Honor guest speaker and celebrity journalist Chris Hansen while enjoying cocktails, dinner, dancing and live and silent auctions. 7-11 pm. \$150. 855-844-7233 or kidsafefoundation.org.

Wednesday - 3/16 - Jewish Women's Foundation of South Palm Beach County's 2016 Granting Wishes Cocktail Reception at Boca Rio Golf Club, 22041 Boca Rio Road, Boca Raton. Meet Marci Shimoff, author of *Chicken Soup for the Soul*, during an elegant evening of cocktails and hors d'oeuvres as the organization's grants are announced. 5:30 pm. \$85. 852-3188 or jewishboca.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 South 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 arcpsc.org.

Saturday - 3/19 - Benzaiten Center for Creative Arts, Glasstronomique Gala: An Artful Affair to Remember at 1105 Second Ave. South, Lake Worth. Peruse the art, listen to the flute and watch a glass-blowing demonstration at the annual feast for the senses. 6-10 pm. \$250. 508-7315 or benzaitencenter.org.

Sunday - 3/20 - Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League's Off the Leash at Club Colette, 215 Peruvian Ave., Palm Beach. Support unwanted pets at a casually chic soiree that features dinner and dancing. 6 pm. \$250. 472-8845 or peggyadams.org.

Friday - 3/25 - Arts Garage's Grunge & Glamour's Casino Royale at 180 N.E. First St., Delray Beach. Celebrate the fifth anniversary of the performing-arts halls with cocktails, music, dancing and casino games. 6:30-11 pm. \$100. 450-6357 or artsgarage.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 - Rotary Club Downtown Boca Raton's Honor Your Doctor Luncheon at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive, Boca Raton. Celebrate medical heroes and raise money for the Helen M. Babione Medical Scholarship. 11:30 am. \$125. 299-1429 or rotarydowntownbocaraton.org.

3/31 - Hôpital Albert Schweitzer Haiti's White Hot Night at The Breakers, One South 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.

APRIL

Friday - 4/1 - Alzheimer's Association's

Honor Your Doctor Luncheon
Boca West Country Club, Boca Raton



March 31: Rotary Club Downtown Boca Raton will commemorate National Doctors' Day by recognizing physicians and celebrating health care excellence. Time is 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$125. Call 299-1429 or visit rotarydowntownbocaraton.org. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Rotary President Jon Kaye, honorary advisers Helen Babione and Janice Williams, event Chairman Alan Kaye and Honorary Chairwoman Elaine Wold. **Photo provided**

Grand Awards Ceremony
Lynn University, Boca Raton



April 19: Impact 100 Palm Beach County, a women's charitable organization, will fund nonprofit initiatives in South County through grants in arts and culture, education, environment, family, health and wellness. Time is 6 p.m. Cost is free for members. Call 336-4623 or visit www.impact100pbc.com. **ABOVE:** Co-Presidents Karen Sweetapple and Susan Duane. **Photo provided by Sherry Ferrante Photography**

Promise Garden Luncheon at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive, Boca Raton. An opportunity for business, community and government leaders to come together in support of the cause and 2016 season. 11 am-1:30 pm. \$100. 496-4222 or 302-2725 or 2016promisegardenluncheon.eventbrite.com.

4/1 - National Jewish Health's New Directions for Women at The Polo Club of Boca Raton, 5400 Champion Blvd. Raise funds for the leading respiratory hospital in the nation during a luncheon featuring Jane Brody, a columnist for *The New York Times*. 11 am-2 pm. \$100. 477-5400 or flnewdirectionsforwomenluncheon.com.

4/1 - National Society of Arts and Letters' Florida East Coast Chapter's Red Rose Gala at The Mar-a-Lago Club, 1100 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach. Get ready to be inspired at the 34th annual extravaganza featuring performances by more than 100 young artists. 6-10 pm. \$500. 391-6380 or nsallfloridaeast.org.

Friday - 4/8 - The Children's Healing Institute's Paris in Spring at Chez L'Epicier, 288 S. County Road, Palm Beach. Enjoy delicious *cuisine française* and support *les enfants de* Palm Beach County at a luncheon featuring a guest speaker, raffle and silent auction. Noon-2 pm. \$120. 687-8115 or childrenshalinginstitute.org.

4/8-9 - Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum's Boca Bacchanal at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, and private homes in the city. Enjoy fine wine tastings from vintners around the world, delectable cuisine from more than 30 restaurants and a craft-beer garden. 7 pm both days. \$125 for Bacchanalia, \$325 for vintner dinners. 395-6766, ext. 101 or bocabacchanal.com.

Saturday - 4/9 - Lupus Foundation of America, Florida Chapter's Butterfly Bash at Delray Dunes Golf and Country Club, 12005 Dunes Road, Boynton Beach. Help the organization expand its mission of improving the quality of life for those affected by lupus through advocacy, education, research and support. 6:30-10:30 pm. \$200. 279-8606 or lupusfl.org.

Sunday - 4/10 - Tri-County Animal Rescue's Doggie Ball at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Drive, Boca Raton. Save canines and felines by attending one of the season's best

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parties, featuring dinner and dancing, live and silent auctions and a band. 5:30 pm. \$250. 581-8110 or tricountyhumane.org.

Wednesday - 4/13 - Center for Creative Education's Spring Luncheon at a private home on Palm Beach. Mark the agency's 21st birthday with a program at Northmore Elementary School in West Palm Beach. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$300 per person, \$2,750 for table of 10. 805-9927, Ext. 150 or cceflorida.org.

Thursday - 4/14 - Women of Tomorrow Mentor & Scholarship Program's Palm Beach County Wine Dinner at The Addison, Two E. Camino Real, Boca Raton. Attend the annual affair and help support mentoring programs for at-risk teenage girls. 6:30 pm. \$250. 371-3330 or womenoftomorrow.org.

Saturday - 4/16 - Boca Helping Hands' Monopoly Event & Casino Night at Via Mizner Golf & Country Club, 6200 Boca Del Mar Drive, Boca Raton. Roll the dice at the 10th annual evening of music, entertainment, auctions, gaming, cocktails, dinner and, of course, Monopoly. 6 pm. \$150. 367-1193 or bocahelpinghands.org/monopoly.

Wednesday - 4/20 - Milagro Center's The 2016 SuperSTAR Spectacular Showcase: "Music, Magic, and Miracles" at ArtsGarage, 180 NE First St., Delray Beach. Watch magic tricks by illusionist Gary Midnight and musical performances by the agency's children while participating in a silent auction and artwork for sale. 7-9:30 pm. \$75. 279-2970 or milagrocenter.org.

Thursday - 4/21 - Place of Hope's Garden Party Angel Moms Brunch and Benefit at Boynton Woman's Club, 1010 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Join supporters of the agency's Leighan and David Rinker Campus for a lovely event featuring a festive brunch and spring blooms. 11 am. \$125. 483-0962 or placeofhoperinker.org.

Saturday - 4/23 - Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center Schoolhouse Bash at 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach. Enjoy live music, food and beverages, a silent auction, celebrity emcee and more to maintain and upgrade museum exhibits. 6:30 pm. \$75. 742-6780 or schoolhousemuseum.org.

To submit your event, contact Amy Woods at flamywoods@bellsouth.com.



Pay it Forward

Boys & Girls Club dinner to honor Seagate exec

By Amy Woods

The Naoma Donnelley Haggin Boys & Girls Club of Delray Beach last year tapped Jerry Lower and Mary Kate Leming, publisher and editor, respectively, of *The Coastal Star*, with the youth-development organization's community-partner award.

This year, the title goes to Tony Wilson, CEO of Seagate Hospitality Holdings, owner and operator of The Seagate Hotel & Spa.

"The award is given to recognize a community member and/or company that has worked closely with the Boys & Girls Club of Delray Beach to help the club achieve its mission," board Chairman Tom Stanley said.

The Coastal Star was recognized for its coverage and sponsorship of the club, while The Seagate Hotel & Spa is in the limelight for accommodating the annual Holiday Trunk Show. The club annually brings its three-day fundraiser to the downtown destination in December, when more than 30 vendors set up shop in the lobby to offer an array of gift items for sale to the public.

"He has generously, over a number of years, allowed us



Event Co-Chairs (l-r) Beau Delafield, Patsy Randolph, John Lynch and Kirsten Stanley, with board Chairman Tom Stanley. Photo provided

to host the Boys & Girls Club trunk show," Stanley said of Wilson. "We basically get the venue for free."

The 2016 honor will be bestowed at the Be Great Celebration Dinner on March 11. The ceremony will honor

not only The Seagate Hotel & Spa but also the Youth of the Year, someone who has made significant strides in personal achievement such as learning a skill or participating in a program.

"The goal is that, when the

If You Go

What: Be Great Celebration Dinner
When: 6:30 p.m. cocktails, 7:30 dinner March 11
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kids come to the club, they learn how to be productive," Stanley said. "We're just helping to mold them to be better individuals. That's really the main goal, no matter what they do in life."

In its fourth year, the Be Great Celebration Dinner will add a new element to the evening — a locally produced video highlighting club activities and featuring interviews with Director Janice Clemmons. The five-minute film was made by Lynn University communications students, led by Andy Vermes, technical support coordinator.

"It kind of narrows down what goes on day-to-day at our club and helps us explain what our needs are, as well," Stanley said. "We just want to walk everybody through it. It's a great mission — to keep kids in school, off the streets and out of trouble." ★

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"Bethesda is responsive to our needs and the needs of the community. We must be responsive to its needs, too."

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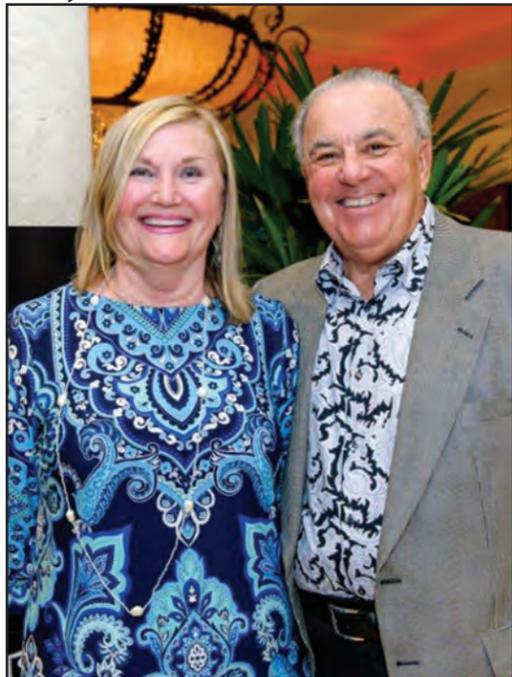
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Celebrations

Laugh With the Library, Chapter 10

Delray Beach Marriott – Feb. 5



Who had the last laugh at Laugh With the Library, Chapter 10? The Delray Beach Public Library did, netting more than \$111,500. The special anniversary of the event was punctuated by a record audience, the most comedians and the largest number of sponsors. Bobby Collins headlined the event. **LEFT:** Sponsors Virginia and Harvey Kimmel. **Photo provided**

OPAL Awards

Boca West Country Club, Boca Raton – Jan. 16



The Rotary Club of Boca Raton's Outstanding People and Leaders event recognizes city residents who have demonstrated a commitment to serve the community through educational, governmental, philanthropic and professional endeavors. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Neil Saffer; Dr. Kathy Schilling, this year's winner in Medicine and Healthcare Leadership; and Peter Baronoff. **Photo provided**

Fundraising reception

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton – Jan. 13



The advisory board of FAU's Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters welcomed Hal Linden, musician and star of Broadway, film and television, to a benefit for programs and scholarships at both the College of Arts and Letters as well as the School of the Arts. Linden was presented with the Making Waves Award. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Nancy Greenberg; Marta Batmasian, a member of the School of the Arts Advisory Board; Heather Coltman, dean of the College of Arts and Letters; Linden; and Marny Glasser, chairwoman of the School of the Arts Advisory Board. **Photo provided by Jeffrey Tholl Photography**

Dinner dance

Club Colette, Palm Beach – Jan. 21



The Center for Family Services celebrated the efforts of many at the fourth annual fundraiser for those in need – themed "A Magical Evening." The honored recipients for 2016 included Dr. Roy Cacciaguida, Herme de Wyman Miro, Donna Mulholland and Beth Pine. **ABOVE:** de Wyman Miro and Lois Pope. **Photo provided**



Check presentation

The Little Chalet, Boca Raton – Jan. 29

The Spirit of Giving Network received \$5,255.81 from the restaurant during its grand opening, when it earmarked all proceeds from desserts for the nonprofit, which supports needy children and families. **LEFT:** (l-r) Executive Director Karen Krumholtz and board President Ann Rutherford accept the check from Ricky Marcellini of The Little Chalet. **Photo provided**



STEAM luncheon

Kravis Center, West Palm Beach – Feb. 10

Boca Raton philanthropist Yvonne Boice pledged during the annual Palm Beach State College event that her family foundation will endow a \$150,000 scholarship fund for women studying science, technology, engineering, art or math. The announcement drew a round of applause from the audience of more than 500. **LEFT:** Ava Parker and Boice. **Photo provided**

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Culture & Cocktails

The Colony, Palm Beach — Feb. 8

More than 120 attended this season's third Culture & Cocktails event, featuring a conversation with Terry Teachout, a critic, librettist and playwright. Teachout was interviewed by William Hayes, producing artistic director of Palm Beach Dramaworks. **RIGHT:** (l-r) Susan Hayes, Janet Smith and Diane Berk. **Photo provided by Corby Kaye's Studio Palm Beach**



Celebrations

Ribbon-cutting ceremony

Genesis Community Health, Boca Raton – Feb. 4



A new medical center has opened — a nonprofit health clinic dedicated to serving patients of all economic levels. The facility offers family care, routine check-ups, testing and urgent care for under-insured patients and those with no insurance. It also provides dental services and school- and sports-required exams. More than 50 guests took tours and enjoyed refreshments. **ABOVE:** James Gavrilos and Isabelle Paul. **Photo provided by Studio Palm Beach**

Manalapan library dedication

Robert & Eugenia Strauss Lecture Hall, Manalapan – Feb. 18



The Robert & Eugenia Strauss Lecture Hall was dedicated with the unveiling of a large portrait of the Strausses with their beloved pets in front of their landmark Manalapan home. The portrait and expanded lecture hall are a gift from their daughter, Kimberly Strauss, and the family's foundation. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Manalapan Mayor David Cheifetz, Strauss and Larry and Roberta Mambrino. **Mary Kate Leming / The Coastal Star**

Donald M. Ephraim Palm Beach Jewish Film Festival

Kravis Center, West Palm Beach – Jan. 20



More than 900 movie buffs were on hand for the opening night of the 26th annual big-screen affair, the first feature of which was *Dough*, starring actor Jonathan Pryce and directed by John Goldschmidt. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Festival advisory committee members Jay Rosenkranz, Paula Lustbader, Linda Rosenkranz, Naomi Weissenberg, Marjrie Konigsberg, Donald Ephraim, Renee Walden, Vivian Lemelman, Ronald Sider and Ellen Wedner. **Photo provided by Corby Kaye's Studio Palm Beach**

Caribbean Cowboy Ball

Red Reef Park, Boca Raton – Jan. 30

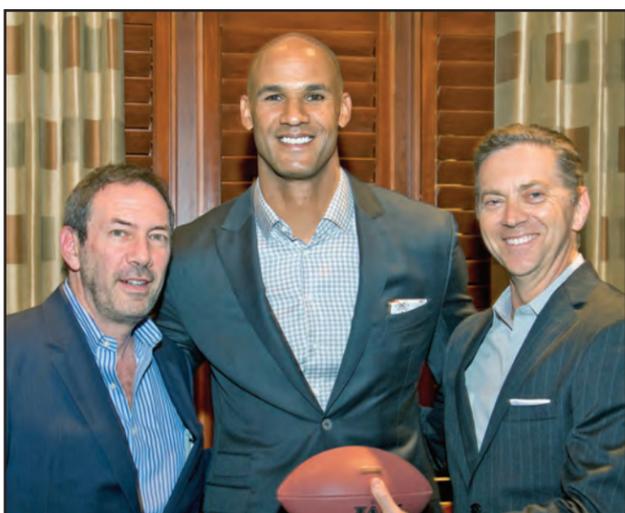


The George Snow Scholarship Fund's 23rd annual fundraiser attracted more than 450 cowpokes and raised \$88,000-plus to assist worthy students in the community. **LEFT:** Mary Ann Crabb and Pat Thomas. **Photo provided**

Men's Night Out

Woodfield Country Club, Boca Raton – Jan. 12

Men who care about sports as well as their community came together to raise funds for the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County. Four-time NFL All-Pro legend Jason Taylor shared his journey from football to philanthropy during a VIP meet-and-greet. **RIGHT:** (l-r) Chuck Lichtman, Taylor and Greg Gefen. **Photo provided**



Valentine's Day pool party

Turtle Beach, Ocean Ridge – Feb. 14



About 30 people turned out for the annual Valentine's Day party at the Turtle Beach community in Ocean Ridge, where there was an abundance of food and laughter. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Party organizers Gail Bartelli, Gillian McMullin and Maureen Darcy. **Photo provided**

Around Town

Cole sisters call tribute at Grammys 'Forgettable'

Forgettable. **Timolin** and **Casey Cole** had such high hopes. The Grammy Awards show was going to honor their sister, **Natalie**. Her unexpected death New Year's Eve had left a big hole in their lives and those of music lovers around the world, and the tribute dug it even deeper.



Death played a prominent role in the Feb. 15 show, with salutes expected for Cole, the **Eagles' Glenn Frey**, **David Bowie**, **Maurice White** of **Earth, Wind & Fire**, **B.B. King** and **Motorhead's Lemmy Kilmister**.

First up was **Lady Gaga** with a high-energy, over-the-top paean eight-song medley to Bowie, complete with flaming red hair. The Eagles with **Jackson Browne** saluted Frey with *Take It Easy*. With *The Thrill Is Gone*, former Grammy winners **Bonnie Raitt** and **Gary Clark Jr.** joined first-time multiple winner **Chris Stapleton** to say farewell to B.B.

Before announcing song of the year, **Stevie Wonder** and **Pentatonix** offered an a capella rendition of *That's the Way of the World* for Maurice White. Wonder got a big laugh when he joked that only he could read the winner — the card was in

braille. The award went to **Ed Sheeran's Thinking Out Loud**. Though **Motorhead**, founded in England half a century ago, was considered a seminal influence on heavy metal and punk, it won only one Grammy. Yet Kilmister received the full treatment, courtesy of the Hollywood Vampires — **Alice Cooper**, **Joe Perry** and **Johnny Depp**. Yes, that Johnny Depp, who cut his show biz teeth playing in bands in Broward County.

Into the memorial clips and still nothing — **Celine Dion's** husband, **Rene Angelil**, **Lesley Gore**, **Ben E. King**, **Chris Squire** from **Yes**, **Paul Kantner** from **Jefferson Airplane**, **Lynn Anderson** and many others. Finally, the last clip — the *Unforgettable* video. Forty-five seconds of Natalie singing in a virtual duet with her legendary father, **Nat King Cole**, who died in 1965. The original video of Nat singing was recorded in 1951. The duet, cut in 1991, won three Grammys, including Song of the Year.

Those Grammys had special significance because they marked Natalie's triumphant recovery from drug addiction and cemented her place among the great pop singers.

Nevertheless, Cole's sisters, who live in Boca Raton, thought more would have been done, and should have been done, declaring the 45-second video

Grand reopening of Toscana North fitness center

Toscana North, Highland Beach – Feb. 12



Toscana North in Highland Beach held a grand reopening party on Feb. 12 for its renovated fitness center. The fitness center acquired state-of-the-art cardio and strength equipment. **ABOVE:** Linda Schmer, Nancy Wilkinson and Paulette Dale, residents of the building. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

“a forgettable tribute.”

“Words cannot express the outrage and utter disappointment at the disrespectful tribute, or lack thereof ...,” they said in a written statement.

“It's very bittersweet,” Timolin said. “We were hoping that there will be some sort of actual tribute to her fitting of her artistry and stature. She had 21 Grammy nominations and nine wins. She was such a force in the music industry and she transcended genres. ... I think

she should be recognized for the impact she has had.”

The show's producer, **Ken Ehrlich**, who attended Natalie's funeral in Los Angeles, countered that he had spoken with Timolin before the show and thought the family was OK with the clip. They discussed a live performance, he said, but the last 45 seconds of that clip “where her father throws her a kiss, she throws him a kiss, and then she turns to the audience and throws everybody a kiss” was the perfect ending to the farewell segment.

“I hadn't looked at that clip in several years,” Ehrlich added, “but when I saw it again, I knew it was right.”

As the situation cooled, the sisters tempered their comments, stressing that Natalie be remembered not for a brief TV salute but rather for her work and her music.

That hole left by Natalie posed major problems for the **Boca West Foundation**. She was scheduled to headline an April 5 lawn concert at the sprawling development that would raise money for 22 children's programs, including **Nat King Cole Generation Hope**, which provides musical opportunities to children who don't have the resources.

But the show must go on, so organizers got together with Timolin and Casey and found a last-minute replacement. Ladies and gentlemen, the Queen of Soul, **Aretha Franklin!** For tickets, \$175, call 213-8209 or info@natkingcolegenhope.org.

The show will go on, too, at **Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre** in West Palm Beach on March 25. **Earth, Wind & Fire** continues its tour and no doubt will celebrate its leader and founder, Maurice White, with more than a few horn flourishes, enhanced by the presence of a second headliner, **Chicago**. A cool mix of *Got To Get You Into My Life*

and *You're the Inspiration*. Hot show.

Unfortunately, the show is over at **Jazziz Nightlife** in Boca. **Michael Fagien's** dream combination of classy supper club with classy music at the south end of Mizner Park is history after barely two years.



Fagien

Fagien, however, can fall back on his day job — he's a radiologist — and he still has *Jazziz* magazine, which boasts a readership of more than half a million and gives readers two compilation CDs with each quarterly issue.

Imagine if some headliners at the 10th annual **Festival of the Arts Boca** had seized the opportunity to drop by and perhaps sit in at *Jazziz*. The festival will showcase the musical talents of **Herb Alpert** and **Lani Hall** (March 6), **Joshua Bell** (March 16) and the Grammys' newest and youngest star, **Joey Alexander** (March 11).

Nominated for Jazz Instrumental Album and Improvised Jazz Solo, Alexander didn't win an award, but his 70 seconds of improvisation on the Steinway won a standing ovation.

Alexander is all of 12. Born in Bali, he first caught the attention of jazz great **Herbie Hancock** four years ago during Hancock's visit to Indonesia for **UNESCO**. A year ago, his family moved to New York so he could pursue his muse. During a segment on *60 Minutes* in February, **Wynton Marsalis**, director of **Jazz at Lincoln Center**, just shook his head as he declared Alexander a prodigy in the true sense of the word.

Another standing ovation ... for **Kathi Kretzer-Sayler**. She's

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been selling pianos in the area since 1985 — her store now is in Jupiter — but her mission is much greater than sales. For



Kretzer-Sayler 12 years, the **Kretzer Kids**, a group of gifted young musicians, have played more than 50 concerts a year in nursing homes, hospitals and similar facilities. Since 2002, her **Music for the Mind** program has provided more than 10,000 young musicians the opportunity to perform monthly concerts at **CityPlace** while raising more than \$550,000 to support music programs in the schools. **Keyboard for Kids**, soon to begin at the **Center for Creative Education**, will provide group piano lessons for 72 inner-city schoolchildren.

In return, the **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County** is honoring Kretzer-Sayler with its **Muse Award** as Outstanding Civic Leader. She and other recipients will be honored during a special awards program and show at the **Kravis Center** on March 31. (For tickets: www.palmbeachculture.com/muse)

We hardly knew ya. More than three years ago, **Kevin James**, who's been doing pretty well as a mall cop, began buying up property on A1A across from the beach at the north end of Delray, paying just under \$23 million. He was Delray's



James new favorite son, dining along Atlantic, posing for selfies, showing up with the kids at **St. Vincent Ferrer Church**.

But on Feb. 22, the entertainment press blurted that James is selling the estate

— a main house and guest apartment totaling more than 26,000 total square feet, eight bedrooms and nine full baths and three half baths, pool, tennis court, finished basement, gym, spa and massage suite, children's playroom, walk-in wine cellar. It all fits on 2.77 acres. Only drawback: It isn't on the water. Still he wants \$28.8 million.

No word on his post-Delray plans, but maybe he's headed up to Manalapan. It offers more privacy, but still offers an easy drive to dining and entertainment spots and airports. Plus his bud **Billy Joel** owns three properties there: his residence on the ocean, and two others on the Intracoastal. The Intracoastal estate and the lot are on the market for a reported \$29 million. And it boasts 150 feet on the waterway!

In 1959, **Bethesda Memorial Hospital** began accepting patients in Boynton Beach, the county's first hospital south of West Palm Beach. It opened with 70 beds, 32 physicians, 65 employees and a foundation that had already been raising money for three years.

On March 5, the **Bethesda Hospital Foundation** will flash back to those days of early rock 'n' roll, when cars had fins bigger than the marlins caught offshore, telephones were black and had dials and presidential candidates were chosen at conventions. The theme for the 61st annual ball at **The Breakers** is "Palm Beach Revisited, An Evening on Island Time."

Palm Beach is famous the world over for its charity galas, but it wasn't the first. Boynton Beach, surprisingly, was a year ahead with the Hospital Ball held at what was then the Boca Raton Hotel & Club.

"I was told that everything was handmade," Bethesda communications director **Paula Henderson** said. "They did pots of flowers for their

centerpieces."

Nationally known entrepreneur and philanthropist **Warren G. Grimes** served as chair for the inaugural in 1955 and again a year later. Palm Beach's first bash, the **Heart Ball**, was held on Valentine's Day in 1956. **Perry Como** and **Dinah Shore** served as king and queen.

For several years, something fishy has been going on in Boynton Beach, thanks to **Tim Collins** and his dad, **Tim**. They own **The Fish Depot**, one of the few genuine fresh seafood markets in South Florida. Whole fish, fillets, steaks, fresh-made salads, shellfish, shrimp — you name it, they sell it in what was once an old restaurant with a faux windmill on the roof at 1022 N. Federal Highway.

But for a while now, young Tim has been getting a little antsy: Let's open a restaurant, he prodded the older Tim. Only one problem, they needed a location. He didn't have to go far to find it. Six blocks south on an alley just west of Federal, the owners of the **Backyard Lounge** were looking for a tenant. The deal was cut and in mid-February **The Twisted Fish** was in the boat.

The tiki hut atmosphere bar and live entertainment will remain, but Tim and Tim intend to emphasize fresh seafood and the raw bar.

Rumors are hot around Boynton Beach that Pro Football Hall of Famer and TV sports personality **Michael Irvin** is part of a group interested in opening an upscale soul food restaurant on South Federal. Stay tuned.

Florida's longest dining table returns to Delray Beach March 21. Guests will pull up to a table stretching five blocks along Atlantic Avenue for the eighth annual **Savor the Avenue**. Four-course meals with appropriate



Dwayne 'The Rock' Johnson and Zac Efron turn Boca Raton into California for the movie *Baywatch*. Photo provided

wines will be offered by 18 restaurants.

The menus can be viewed at bocamag.com/savor; reservations must be made with each restaurant no later than March 18. The **Delray Beach Historical Society** will receive \$3 for each reservation.

South Inlet Park in Boca Raton was closed in late February. No riptides, no man-o-war, no tar. It was lights, camera, hunks as a film crew shot scenes in and around Boca Raton Inlet for *Baywatch*, the movie version of the '90s TV series.

The TV series may have been a California phenomenon, but the movie stars **Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson**, who happens to live in Broward County.

The plot, according to Internet Movie Database, has two unlikely prospective lifeguards vying for jobs alongside the buff bodies who patrol a beach ... in California?

Joining Johnson are **Zac Efron** and 5-foot-8-inch **Alexandra Daddario**, in the female lead of "Summer," which Johnson has promised will be "iconic." *Billions* actress **Ilfenesh Hadera** plays Johnson's love interest while **Kelly Rohrbach**, *Sports Illustrated* Swimsuit Rookie of the Year in

2015, fills the Pamela Anderson role. **Seth Gordon** (*Horrible Bosses*) directs.

According to a lifeguard at South Inlet Park, shooting was going smoothly as the crew shot a scene where Johnson's character rescues a kite surfer who crashes into the jetty rocks. But when a windsurfer, apparently oblivious to the moviemaking onshore, lost control of his board and floundered, the director had to yell "Cut!" No harm done but filmmakers must have total control, so the hapless windsurfer's intrusion will end up on the cutting room floor.

By the way, the guy hitting the water to "rescue" the movie kitesurfer was not Johnson. That was **Tanoai Reed**, stunt doubling for The Rock since his film debut in *The Scorpion King* in 2002.

Born in Honolulu, Reed, like Johnson, played college football — at the University of Hawaii — and is a live ringer for Johnson, who happens to be his cousin.

Look for a May 2017 release.



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Dining

A piece of heaven in Lantana

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The Plate Jerk Oceano on the right night, it's the place to be.

For those who thought Dak Kerprich's had gone by the wayside in Lantana when he opened Swell Pizza in Delray Beach, he's back.

According to his brother Jay, Kerprich has given up his Swell Pizza space and pies are reappearing at Oceano.

Pizza is not always on the menu, but when it is, what a



Scott Simmons/The Coastal Star

glorious thing it is.

We ordered a Red Pizza, with a wonderfully smoky roasted tomato sauce, lots of onion and plenty of mild heat courtesy of the smoked chili oil that infused the pie.

Good, and, for a change, pizza that's good for you.

Let's talk about that crust, too. As always, Kerprich's crusts are lighter than air — he adjusts his recipe according to the weather conditions.

This one was no exception, and it's why his pizza just may be the best in the area.

— Scott Simmons

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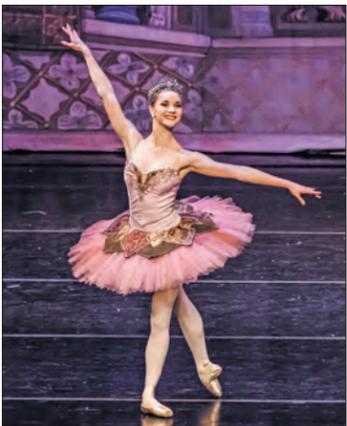
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Art

Nigerian artist's works explore the 'third space'

By April W. Klimley
ArtsPaper Art Writer

It isn't often that an artist comes along who says something new in an original way. But that's just what Nigerian-born artist Njideka Akunyili Crosby has done. Her colorful mixed-media artwork makes big statements about the dualities of life, while intriguing the eye with their abstract structure and decorative rivers of transfer prints.

Each monumentally sized painting lets the viewer glimpse a special moment — usually in a domestic scene where people are meeting, talking, or just reflecting, in a setting from the country of Crosby's birth, Nigeria. It's almost as if the viewer were spying on the people — or a room waiting for people to arrive — in the same way Vermeer let us glimpse his wealthy patrons at home in the 17th century.

The Norton Museum is offering an exceptional opportunity to see the first survey exhibition of Crosby's work. Titled *I Refuse to Be Invisible*, this exhibition features 16 large-scale, early and recent mixed-media works made up of painted and collaged elements on paper. It is a major achievement for Cheryl Brutvan, the Norton's curator of contemporary art,



5 Umezebi Street, New Haven, Enugu (2012), by Njideka Akunyili Crosby. This painting is part of an exhibit of Crosby's work at the Norton Museum of Art. **Njideka Akunyili Crosby**

who identified this 33-year-old rising star and brought her to West Palm Beach. Crosby is the youngest artist to receive the Norton's Recognition of Art by Women (RAW) award that began in 2011 and was made possible by the Leonard and Sophie Davis/MLDauray Arts Initiative. The Crosby exhibit runs through April 24. The depth inherent in Crosby's work is immediately

apparent in *Nwantinti* (2012), a painting named after a love song from Crosby's youth. You will find the painting on the left wall as you walk into the exhibition. It shows a man sprawled out on his back on a bed, relaxing, with his head in a woman's lap. We are watching one of those special, private moments Vermeer captured so many centuries ago. Everything is silent. The

canvas is almost entirely red and black except for the blue in the transfers — the small pieces of fabric and paper that ripple through the painting almost like a river toward the back of the room. It's actually a self-portrait of Crosby and her husband, Justin Crosby, who is white, and expresses the duality Crosby strives to

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Music

Jazz piano prodigy plays beyond his years, peers

By Bill Meredith
ArtsPaper Music Writer



Joey Alexander will appear at Festival of the Arts Boca. **Photo provided**

Most people who watched the venerable CBS program *60 Minutes* on Jan. 3 probably weren't blind, and didn't tune in right in the middle of a playing segment by jazz pianist Joey Alexander.

But if those possibilities aligned, anyone listening would've heard a musician playing with the creativity, dexterity and improvisational

skills of jazz keyboard legends from Art Tatum and Thelonious Monk to Chick Corea and Herbie Hancock.

That alone makes Joey — who performs March 11 as part of the Festival of the Arts Boca — special, but why was he featured and interviewed for the program by Anderson Cooper? Primarily because he's only 12 years old. He's also shown wowing the crowd in 2014 at Jazz at Lincoln Center's annual gala in New York City

at age 10. If you're rolling your eyes, you probably didn't see this segment, and/or you've figuratively heard this tune before. Prodigies come and go in all musical genres, and in jazz, they tend to be pianists. Two who've emerged in the 21st century are 29-year-old, Soviet-born Eldar Djangirov, who started performing in the United States at age 10;

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achieve on many different levels — in this case, race, gender, and cultural background, to name just a few.

“The idea of dualities comes up on so many levels,” says Crosby. “In spaces and movement. With movement and people, I want you to get a glimpse into something that’s happening.”

Crosby achieves this goal in virtually all her paintings, even the still life further to the left, *Tea Time in New Haven, Enugu* (2013). It shows a room with a table set for a teatime meal waiting for the guests to arrive. Two other paintings illustrate this feeling of immediacy: the center panel of the triptych on the back wall of the room, and the painting of Crosby dancing with her husband.

The exhibition title is taken from the title of the 2010 dance painting. At first, that painting looks so abstract that it takes a minute to identify both Crosby and her husband. The vividness of the colors makes the paler parts of the painting fade into the background; so it’s hard to tell just who is invisible.

The triptych’s center panel also contains a scene that makes you feel you are watching a private, but important moment. It was inspired by the first time Crosby’s husband met her family in Nigeria. In it, the family is sitting around a table casually, and a standing woman looks down at her husband. You see concern and tenderness in her glance. This painting is entitled *I Still Face You* (2015).



Njideka Crosby says she wants the viewer “to get a glimpse into something that’s happening.” Photo by April W. Klimley

Crosby’s artwork takes traditions of classical Western academic art and combines them with so many other media techniques and Nigerian settings that it almost seems as if she has created a new visual language. That language includes some photorealism, since her figures are originally photographed. She poses models carefully and then arranges the figures she has selected on her canvas in a way that tells the story she wants to tell, combining the bigger shapes with transfers of

paper and cloth, frequently a special kind of Nigerian cloth with portraits printed on it. This combination gives her paintings unique visual impact — an abstract quality from afar, an emotional revelation when looked at more closely, and multiple additional stories that unfold when you examine the pieces of transfer printing up close.

With this unusual technique, Crosby is able to capture a variety of dualities drawn from her own memories of Nigeria combined with

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elements of her life in the West. She reaches for a new level of visual communication, which the colonial theorist Homi B. Bhabha has called “the third space” — a point of overlap and mixing of cultural influences specific to diaspora communities.

Her paintings show not just the dualities between men and women, one country and the other, but also of social class, and of political oppression. Deep disappointment over the recent history of Nigeria comes into focus in the two paintings on view from her series “The Beautiful Ones.” Despite being the largest country in Africa (by population), Nigeria did not achieve independence from its colonial rulers until 1960. That event was followed by years of political corruption and turmoil, much to the disappointment of Nigerian citizens.

The two wistful-looking girls in the paintings are two of Crosby’s sisters at an earlier age. The title of the series comes from a popular West African novel, *The Beautiful Ones Are Not Yet Born* by Ghanaian writer Ayi Kwei Armah. It’s hard to tell whether Crosby believes these young people are part of a new generation that will be considered

“beautiful” or still part of one disappointed, and still struggling against violence and corruption.

Crosby herself has both transcended her origins and built on them. She comes from the city of Enugu, in Enugu state, which is in southeastern Nigeria. Her family started out poor with six children. But when she was in her teens her mother got a job in Lagos, the financial capital of the country, where Crosby attended a private school.

When she was 17, she came to the United States to attend Swarthmore College, Pennsylvania Academy of Art and then Yale University School of Art. It wasn’t until she began studying with Randall Exon at the Pennsylvania School of Art that she definitely decided to devote her life exclusively to art. Before that she had considered becoming a doctor as had three of her siblings.

“I took multiple classes with him,” Crosby explains. “I saw that this was possible, not just a hobby... And I realized that the starving artist was a myth.”

“I also realized that by being an artist I could be a person who makes a difference,” she adds. This is certainly what her art does — not just through its beauty, but also in the way it conveys multiple messages. It looks deep inside the souls of people to get to their essence in a way not found in much of today’s representational art.

Crosby says that every time she creates a new painting, she wants to conquer a new challenge. She wants to build on traditional figurative painting to find a voice of her own and go as far as she can. Why does she use so many techniques? Photography, acrylic, oil, collage, transfer prints? “Form follows content,” she explains, “I place different elements where they should be and they all come together.”

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Joey Alexander, just 12 years old, typically gets standing ovations for his performances. Photo provided

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released his first CD in 2001, and earned a 2009 Album of the Year nod in *Jazziz* for his *Virtue* CD; and 23-year-old American Matt Savage, an autistic whiz who started his recording career before age 10, and whose latest effort is *It's My Request: Live at Bar Request*.

There's a major difference, though, between these jazz musicians and the Indonesian Alexander, who was born on the island of Bali. Both Djangirov and Savage had to be indoctrinated into improvisation, the lifeblood of the genre, following early studies of the more exacting forms of classical music.

Joey studied neither jazz nor classical music. As detailed on *60 Minutes*, parents Denny and Fara Alexander gave up on his brief classical studies once they realized his gift for improvisation.

"When I'm on stage, I never plan, you know, I'm going to do this," he told Cooper. "But of course, you have a concept of what you're going to do."

"So every time — it might be different?" Cooper asked. "It sounds really hard."

"It is kind of hard," he replied.

Classical and jazz are thus more demanding than forms of popular music. But Joey already knows how to keep things in perspective.

"You have to work really hard," he says. "But also have fun performing; that's the most important thing."

Joey's parents allowed the phenom to start performing live in Bali when he was 6 years old. The closest he came to jazz lessons came at age 8, when prominent Indonesian pianist and educator Indra Lesmana allowed him to repeatedly sit next to him at the piano bench at his own Jakarta nightclub.

"He was very gifted," Lesmana says, "and clearly had a huge potential to become a great musician."

Those abilities made Joey the youngest performer ever at the 2015 Newport Jazz Festival. He also released his debut CD, *My Favorite Things*, on the Harlem-based Motema label last year. It received two Grammy nominations, one for Best Jazz Instrumental Album and one for Best Improvised Jazz Solo for Joey's performance on John

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Coltrane's *Giant Steps*. Among several standards including the title track, there's even an original, *Ma Blues*, written by Joey at the ripe old age of 10.

Yet prodigies are usually judged by their technique and tone, if not their emotional heft, or lack thereof. And with Joey, that technique and tone get displayed through flurries of notes that dazzle the listener. So some critics cite him as a prospective cautionary tale.

"He's not a fully formed musician yet," cautions Jason Olaine, who produced *My Favorite Things*. "We don't know who he's going to turn out to be."

It's possible that he might turn out to be bored because his natural abilities make things too easy, and/or that the public gets bored if, at age 22, he's still a standout pianist but no longer a prodigy.

The 2014 Jazz at Lincoln Center performance, Joey's U.S. debut, was orchestrated by trumpeter and JALC artistic director Wynton Marsalis — perhaps the world's best-known jazz musician and one not prone to praise of other veteran musicians, let alone child performers.

"I've never heard anyone who could play like him," Marsalis says. "And no has heard a person who could play like him. Oh man, somebody 12 playing like that. Why? We don't — we don't know why."

Joey didn't even break a sweat while performing last month at the Grammy Awards in Los Angeles. And though he didn't win an award, he lost to jazz giants in guitarist John Scofield and bassist Christian McBride. He was also, of course, the youngest nominee.

Gary Walker, artistic director at New York City jazz radio station WBGO, also testified on *60 Minutes*.

"At any age, his language is pretty special," Walker says. "But at the age of 12, you almost think, 'You know, I might even believe in reincarnation.'"

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Behind 'Curtains' is a silly, fun mashup of mystery, musical and western genres

By Hap Erstein
ArtsPaper Theater Writer

In the out-of-town tryout within the musical *42nd Street*, the leading lady merely breaks her ankle. In the tryout depicted in *Curtains*, a so-so show from 2007 by the renowned composer-lyricist team of John Kander and Fred Ebb, the leading lady is murdered offstage during the curtain calls.

That fictional leading lady, Jessica Cranshaw, is a classic triple threat — she can't sing, dance or act — so none of the cast is very broken up by her untimely demise. But her death brings to the theater Boston homicide lieutenant Frank Ciofi, a stagestruck detective as intent on fixing the show-within-the-show as he is in tracking down Cranshaw's killer.

Curtains, which earned three Tony Awards but only managed to run a year on Broadway, is now on view at The Wick Theatre, one of the few regional theaters to tackle the show post-New York.

Kander and Ebb built their reputation on such dark, cynical musicals as *Cabaret* and *Chicago*, while *Curtains* is comparatively lightweight. What's more, the general opinion of the score is that it is sub-par for the songwriters. "I don't disagree with you 100 percent on that," says Clayton Phillips, who directs the Wick's production. "But I would never say that to John (Kander)," a personal friend of the director.

"I called John when I knew I was doing this and I asked his advice on how to do it best. He said, 'Just make sure you don't go camp on it.' He felt that in New York they went a little too far," says Phillips. "So we play the real story for real and when we go into the musical comedy moments, it really is a whole



The cast of *Curtains*. Photo provided

different level."

Curtains goes back and forth between the murder mystery and scenes from the musical about to open, 'Robbin' Hood of the Old West,' a show reminiscent of Rodgers & Hammerstein's *Oklahoma!*

"The show within the show is this homage to *Oklahoma!*, but it's also got a little bit of *Scarlet Pimpernel* in there, a little bit of *The Lone Ranger* and then a touch of *Guns Smoke*," explains Phillips.

Featured as Lt. Ciofi is Tony Edgerton, who has a real affinity for the role. "I can relate greatly to being a working-class, everyday guy who has this secret love for musical theater, because that's who I am," he says.

Many of the show-business characters in the show are based on real figures from the theater. According to Phillips, the songwriters of "Robbin' Hood" — Aaron Fox (Michael Ursua) and Georgia Hendricks (Julie Kleiner) — are fictional versions of Kander and Ebb. And The *Boston Globe* theater critic, Daryl Grady, is a stand-in for the much reviled John Simon.

Playing Grady is busy South Florida actor Cliff Burgess, who rarely performs

IF YOU GO

Curtains runs through March 27 at the Wick Theatre, 7901 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. Tickets: \$70-\$80. Call 995-2333.

in musicals. "I came into this, after reading the script, and feel it is *Noises Off* meets Agatha Christie meets a musical. I don't look at it as light or frilly. There's so many layers that I would never have thought would be in this kind of musical."

The idea for *Curtains* came from Edgar-winning writer Peter Stone (*Charade*, 1976), who died in 2003 without a completed script. So Rupert Holmes (*The Mystery of Edwin Drood*) was called in to the project and, when Ebb died a year later, helped finish the lyrics as well.

With such deaths of the creative team hovering over *Curtains*, you would think the show might be somber in tone, but Phillips calls it "a silly, fun show."

"You don't have to think too hard, you don't have to work too hard, you can just have fun. It's like an insider's joke to theater."

ArtsPaper News

Kravis Center's new organ debuts in March 9 concert

Fulfilling a long-held vision for the venue, the Kravis Center will debut its new digital organ in an 8 p.m. concert March 9 featuring the celebrated young organist and composer Cameron Carpenter.

Built by the Needham, Mass.-based organ maker Marshall & Ogletree, the organ, named Opus 11, is a cousin to Opus 8, a traveling digital organ with which Carpenter has been out on tour. Unlike a pipe organ, a digital organ uses recorded samples for the sounds it produces.

The \$1.5 million organ is being donated to the Kravis as part of a \$5 million gift made to the Kravis Center 20 years ago by its prime motivator, arts philanthropist Alexander W. Dreyfoos Jr. He has asked that it be named the George W. Mergens Memorial Organ in honor of Dreyfoos's late business partner, with whom he created the video color negative analyzer; this innovation won their firm, Photo Electronics, an Academy Award in 1971.

"George loved the organ," Dreyfoos said last month. Mergens, who was 57, died in July 1986 of injuries suffered when he was struck by a car while riding his bicycle in Palm Beach.

Carpenter, who appeared

at the Festival of the Arts Boca in 2013, will perform the Organ Concerto of Francis Poulenc and the organ part of the *Organ Symphony* (Symphony No. 3 in C minor, Op. 78), of Camille Saint-Saëns, the best-known such work in the repertoire. He'll be accompanied by the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra.

A graduate of the Juilliard School, Carpenter has long been an evangelist for the digital organ. Marshall & Ogletree built the Opus 8, known as the International Touring Organ, to his specifications.

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Don Pasquale (Palm Beach Opera, Kravis Center, Feb. 21)

Palm Beach Opera's second mainstage production of the season, *Don Pasquale*, showcased in deeply satisfying fashion the improvement in vocal casting this company has demonstrated in recent years.

In a charming, smart production reset in the 17th century and borrowed from Glimmerglass Opera, Palm Beach Opera gave Donizetti's 1843 comic romp everything it needed, from stellar singing to clever staging that was beautifully accompanied and conducted. It's hard to see how it could have been much better.

Italian bass Carlo Lepore was the embodiment of the title role. Never overdoing it, he was completely believable as an older man who finds himself not nearly as in charge as the thought he was, and someone who learns painful lessons about his viability as a romantic object. His strong, dark, bounteous voice was as deftly deployed in comic as well as sentimental moments.

Soprano Janai Brugger, making her debut in this role, was a wonderful Norina. Her bel canto flourishes sounded easy and effortless, a natural expression of the character.

She was a good actress, persuasive as a domestic tyrant and winning as a lover; her duet with Ernesto (*Tornamir a dir*) was sung in remarkably smooth hand-in-glove style in which the two voices never left each other's figurative side.

American tenor David Portillo was an excellent Ernesto, with an ardent, almost-tragic sound to his voice that worked well to bring out the intensity of the character. In the final duet with Norina, his voice gained even more warmth as the lovers' thirds entwined.

American baritone Lucas Meachem was a first-rate Doctor Malatesta, a role that in some ways is the most demanding: It requires vocal athleticism that spares no quarter, and a busy acting load as a man heavily involved in both sides of the comedy. His well-rounded, firm voice has enviable agility, and he was a fine actor, clearly enjoying his time on the stage and making the most of good set pieces.

The production design by Allen Moyer was gorgeous, with candles at the bottom of the stage like the theaters of the time, extravagantly lovely costumes, and a muted lighting scheme that gave the whole production a feeling of intimacy and fantasy that expertly lured in its audience. — Greg Stepanich

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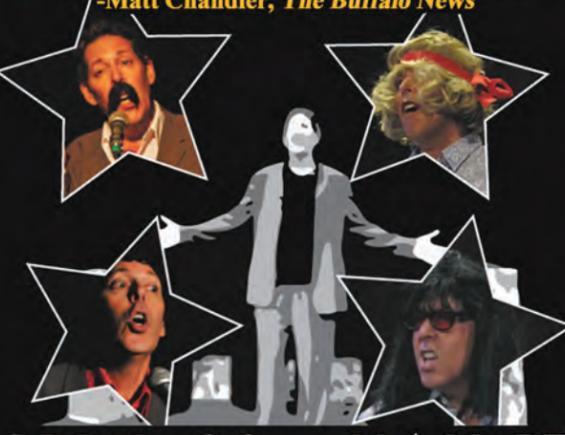
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Long Day's Journey Into Night (Palm Beach Dramaworks, through March 6)

There is something about the great works of American drama that brings out the best in Palm Beach Dramaworks, as exemplified by its powerful, impeccably performed production of Eugene O'Neill's masterwork, *Long Day's Journey Into Night*.

The autobiographical play is a take on O'Neill's formative years and the dysfunctional family environment from which he — barely — survived.

Initially in the plot, despite the challenges the family faces, there is optimism. Perhaps Mary Tyrone (Maureen Anderman), the often-absent matriarch, has finally kicked her crippling morphine habit. Maybe the coughing spells of younger son Edmund (Michael Stewart Allen) do not point to a diagnosis of consumption, with its almost inevitable fatal result. And James Tyrone (Dennis Creaghan) might be able to break the combative cycle of resentment that so defines his relationship with son Jamie (John Leonard Thompson).

But over the course of one single day, that optimism will turn to harsh, downbeat reality "written in tears and blood," as O'Neill put it.

Director William Hayes has cast a quartet of performers of presence and power. As usual, the Dramaworks design team deepens the production with evocative visuals.

That three-and-a-quarter-hour day calls for stamina on both sides of the footlights, but it is a journey full of rewards.

— Hap Erstein

Race (opened Feb. 19)

As expected, Stephen Hopkins' biopic of Jesse Owens (Stephan James) is

full of suspenseful action on tracks and fields, Olympic and otherwise. The refreshing surprise of *Race* is that it's a more important film than it needed to be regarding ethics, morality, identity, politics, history and, yes, race.

Race is set during the four years between Owens' acceptance at Ohio State University and his history-making performances at 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin: bread lines at home, Naziism abroad. We get the requisite training montages and trailer-ready bromides, but Holden, along with screenwriters Joe Shrapnel and Anna Waterhouse, respect the interesting times of their runner's ascent. They quickly expand the story's scope to include potent scenes in the smoke-filled offices of the U.S. Olympic Committee in New York, where a clutch of gray-haired WASPs must decide whether the U.S. should pull out of the '36 Games to protest the Third Reich's treatment of Jews and gypsies.

Jeremy Irons' diplomat Avery Brundage believes the best way to protest Naziism is to send athletes to Germany and bring them home with gold medals. William Hurt's Jeremiah Mahoney believes that a refusal to participate provides the U.S. with the moral high ground. Like many debates in *Race*, there is no right answer.

Owens continues to face moral quandaries, all the while building trust and empathy with his white coach, Larry Snyder (a sensational Jason Sudeikis), a former runner whose career was cut short.

Despite Owens' successes, the Nazis' future atrocities hang over everything — as they probably should. But Hopkins' film is thankful for any victories, large and small — whether they are of mind, body or spirit. — *Palm Beach ArtsPaper staff*



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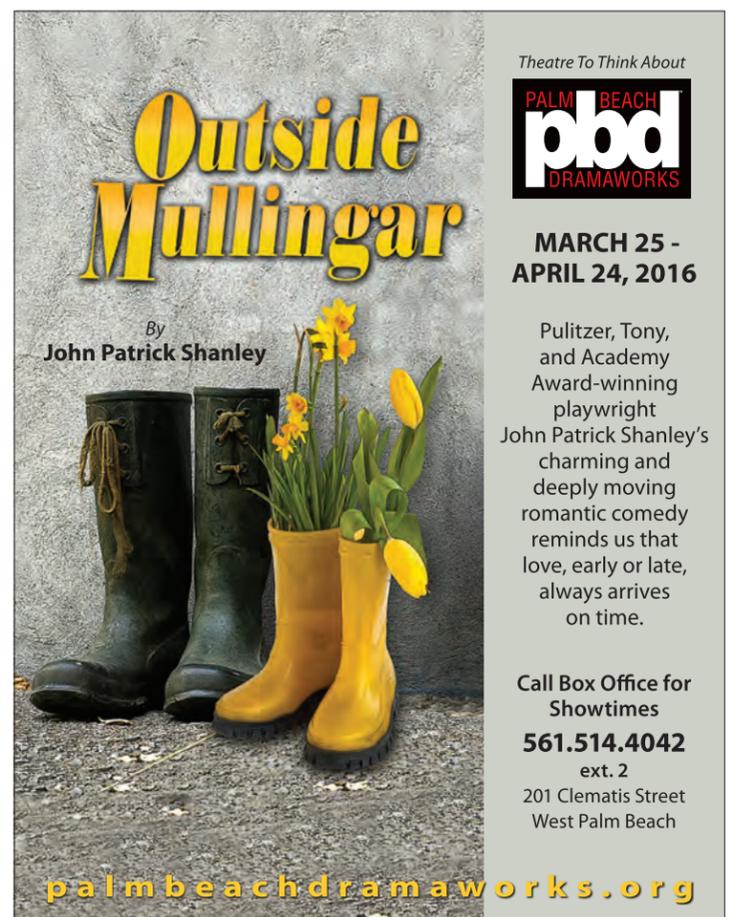


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Ballet Palm Beach creates dance take on 'Great Gatsby'

By Greg Stepanich

Just before Nick Carraway meets Jay Gatsby in his big mansion on West Egg, the party his neighbor is throwing for a large number of people is in full Roaring Twenties swing.

And inevitably, that means dancing, from “old men pushing young girls backward in eternal graceless circles” to “a great number of single girls dancing individualistically,” all of it part of the atmosphere of moneyed excess and youthful abandon that plays such an important part of the backdrop of F. Scott Fitzgerald’s iconic Jazz Age novel, *The Great Gatsby*.

“Making this, I have spent a lot of time thinking about how we do yearn for things,” says Colleen Smith, artistic director of Ballet Palm Beach. “We yearn for stuff we can’t have, that isn’t even good for us.”

Smith has incorporated that into *Gatsby*, a new full-length ballet based on the Fitzgerald novel, which will premiere March 18 and 19 at its home venue at the Eissey Campus Theatre at Palm Beach State College in Palm Beach Gardens. Smith loves “to make new work,” and *Gatsby* joins recent creations of hers such as *Wonderland*, based on Lewis Carroll’s *Alice* novels; *Simple Symphony*, set to Benjamin Britten’s work of the same name; and *Fish Tales*, a series of seaside vignettes choreographed to ballet music by Mozart.

The 16-person ballet, which is in two acts and lasts about 80 minutes, is an all-adult show, unlike most of this company’s work, which features children. Six main players dance out the novel’s tragedy, and the corps de ballet consists of eight flappers who also move scenery.

The music for *Gatsby* is a combination of period music, including songs Fitzgerald mentions such as “Ain’t We Got Fun?” and “The Sheik of Araby,” plus performances by Fats Waller and Django Reinhardt, along with the Clarinet Concerto of Aaron Copland and *City Scenes*, a jazz suite for four clarinets by the British teacher and composer Terence J. Thompson.

The clarinet, indeed, takes

IF YOU GO

Gatsby is set for 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 18, and 4 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Eissey Campus Theatre, Palm Beach Gardens. Tickets: \$17-\$37. Call 207-5900 or visit www.balletpalmbeach.org.

on an important musical significance.

“The clarinet is the unifying theme throughout the whole ballet,” Smith said. “When Nick is the key player in a scene, there’s just that clarinet quartet. When *Gatsby* is moving, and he’s the primary character in a scene, it’s a fully orchestrated work.”

Among the performers taking part in the show are French-born dancer Jessica Dandine as Daisy opposite native Floridian Tyveze Littlejohn as Gatsby; Reinhard von Rabenau, who like Fitzgerald is from Minnesota, dances the role of Nick / Fitzgerald, and Leah Heller will be seen in the role of Jordan Baker.

Smith created this ballet in collaborative fashion, working with dancers with whom she shares a vast knowledge of movement vocabulary.

“I can say to them: ‘This movement needs to go down against the floor, I need you to turn and touch his face, and he’s going to lean down toward you and kiss you. Now we’re going to put that in ballet movement,’” Smith said.

“And that’s how we make the work.”

Smith also conceived the entire look of the production, which she thinks is an important part of bringing out the novel’s special character, and began putting it together by thinking from scratch about the best way to craft a communicative vehicle.

“How am I going to elicit the right feeling from the audience and do justice to the beautiful words he chooses?” she said.

Excerpts from the ballet were first seen in public at the end of last month, when Ballet Palm Beach dancers joined the Palm Beach Symphony for an outdoor concert at the Meyer Amphitheatre that also featured Prokofiev’s *Peter and the Wolf*.

Boca Ballet Theatre marks 25 years with dance stars it fostered

By Dale King

Boca Ballet’s executive director, Dan Guin, feverishly pulled together copies of *Dance Magazine* covers from the past several years that were strewn across his desk.

“He performed here,” he said, poking his finger at the photo of a familiar dance artist. “She did, too,” he said, pointing at another.

Guin repeated this action again and again until he singled out 27 noted dancers who had gained fame either before or after leaving their mark at Boca Ballet Theatre.

“Miami City Ballet,” he said, slyly, “has two.”

He and his wife, Jane Tyree, co-artistic directors of the Boca Raton-based dance company, are preparing to bring some of their charges home to celebrate the troupe’s 25-year anniversary. A major gala featuring performances by national and international stars is scheduled March 19.

Guin, a North Carolina boy, and Tyree, born in Alabama, met in the early 1980s at Gus Giordano Jazz Dance in Chicago, where she was executive director, scholarship director and ballet instructor.

“She was my boss in Chicago,” said Guin, who had used his ballet and jazz dance training in concerts and commercial work. “We performed together in ‘Carmina Burana.’ I asked her afterward if she wanted to go for a drink. She said she had just gotten a case of red wine and invited the dancers. I guess everyone else had plans.”

Actually, Guin had a plan of his own — and the couple married in 1987. They set off to find dance work in various places, with diverse levels of success, until they arrived in Boca Raton around 1990. Late that year, the Boca Ballet was chartered. Before reaching Boca, they landed jobs with a dance company in South Carolina that “imploded. We were let go — on Christmas morning. We found ourselves without normal jobs.”

If You Go

The Boca Ballet Theatre gala, starring Sarah Lane, Cassandra Trenary, Grayson Davis and Roman Zhurbin of American Ballet Theatre, and Megan Fairchild, Gonzalo Garcia and Daniel Ulbricht of New York City Ballet, is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at Spanish River High School, Boca Raton, followed by a post-performance celebration. Tickets: \$45. Call 995-0709 or visit bocaballet.org.

Eventually, they wound their way to Orlando, which brought them close to Boca Raton. “We did a show for Kelly Services at the Boca Resort,” Guin said. They would also star in a performance at the opening of the first amphitheater in Mizner Park.

In the summer of 1993, “I signed a contract to be artistic director, and to do three shows a year — ‘Nutcracker,’ a full-length ballet and a mixed repertory ballet.”

Today, BBT has grown and flourished. A 12,000-plus square foot facility on Northwest 6th Avenue houses all day-to-day operations, including a school, rehearsals and box office. There are storage rooms for costumes, props and set construction. The building also houses three professionally equipped and air-conditioned studios.

In addition to teaching about 400 children and adults, Boca Ballet Theatre offers its “First Step Program” — a special dance project for children in the Boca Raton Housing Authority homes.

Another Boca Ballet effort involves working with people who have Parkinson’s disease. Called BBT4PD, it offers classes to more than 60 people with the ailment. A “Share the Joy” program will be held April 2, pairing Parkinson’s patients with Boca Ballet students in a moving tribute to their courage.

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(Note: Events are listed through April 1 and were current as of Feb. 26. Please check with the presenting agency for any changes. Ticket prices are single sales. Most of the presenting organizations offer subscription plans.)

Art Exhibits

Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens: Opens March 9: *Art in the Family Tree*, works members of the Phipps and Guest families; through May 15. Main gardens are open Wednesday to Sunday 10 am to 4 pm. Admission: \$10, \$8 for students. Call 561-832-5328 or visit www.ansg.org.

Armory Art Center: Through March 19: *Add Some / Take Some*, a juried abstract art show curated by ArtsUnited, an LGBT art group; opens March 25: Armory Faculty Show, annual exhibit of works by Armory teachers, through April 15. 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: *3X Warhol*, three exhibits featuring work by the iconic Pop artist; one exhibit, *Warhol on Vinyl: The Record Covers 1949-1987*, runs through April 10; two others, *Warhol Prints from the Collection of Marc Bell*, and *Bob Colacello: In and Out With Andy*, run through May 1. 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 March 12: *Woman: Untitled*, multimedia works by 14 women artists; through March 26: *Raheleh Filsoofi and Sibel Kocabasi*, works by two prominent local artists. 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, including works by John Singer Sargent and Daniel Huntington. 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 Manogian Collection: Two Centuries of American Art*, a collection of American paintings from the 19th and 20th centuries. March 10-13: *Plein Air Festival*, fresh plein air paintings by 50 leading artists. \$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: Through May 8: *Perseverance: Japanese Tattoo Tradition in a Modern World*, a look at the influence of *ukiyo-e* paintings on the world of Japanese tattoo art, featuring the work of seven artists. 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: Closes March 20: *Tiny: Streetwise Revisited*, photos by Mary Ellen Mark, who died last year, of a teenage prostitute in

Seattle. Through April 24: *Njideka Akunyili Crosby: I Refuse to Be Invisible*, paintings by rising Nigerian artist, through May 15: *O'Keeffe, Stettheimer, Torr, Zorach: Women Modernists in New York*, early 20th-century works by American women artists, and *Still / Moving: Photographs and Video Art from the DeWoody Collection*, provocative contemporary works by artists including Marilyn Minter and Jamie Johnson. 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. Admission for Palm Beach County residents is free every Saturday. For more information, call 561-832-5196 or visit www.norton.org.

Society of the Four Arts: Opens March 19: *Power & Piety: Spanish Colonial Art*, paintings, furniture and precious metals from the 17th to the 19th centuries in the Americas; *Invitation to the Ball: Marjorie Merriweather Post's Fancy Dress Costumes*, an exhibit of intricate dresses, both through April 17. \$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 for more information.

Books

Thursday, March 10
James Grippando: The attorney and thriller writer signs *Gone Again*. 7 p.m. Murder on the Beach, Delray Beach. Call 561-279-7790 or visit www.murderon-thebeach.com.

Thursday, March 17
Caren Hackman: The Palm Beach Gardens graphic artist is the guest at the National League of American Pen Women's fundraiser luncheon at the Delray Beach Golf Club. Tickets: \$30; call 561-243-7385.

Cabaret

Friday, March 4 to Saturday, March 5
John Pizzarelli: The splendid jazz guitarist and smooth crooner. Tickets: \$120, \$50 minimum for

food and beverage. Call 561-659-8100 or visit www.thecolonypalmbeach.com.

Tuesday, March 8, to Saturday, March 12
The Lettermen: The veteran vocal trio, in a return appearance at The Colony. Tickets: \$80 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; \$100 on Friday and Saturday. \$50 minimum for food and beverage. Call 561-659-8100 or visit www.thecolonypalmbeach.com.

Tuesday, March 22, to Saturday, March 26
Jane Monheit: The very fine jazz singer first drew wider notice in the Thelonious Monk Competition. Tickets: \$75 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; \$95 on Friday and Saturday. \$50 minimum for food and beverage. Call 561-659-8100 or visit www.thecolonypalmbeach.com.

Classical Music

Sunday, March 6
Alexander Wu: The pianist performs a concert called "Back to the Future," featuring music by Bach, Debussy, Ellington, Gershwin and Brubeck. 3 pm, Norton Museum of Art. Tickets: \$5. Call 832-5196 or visit www.norton.org.

Monday, March 7
Russian National Orchestra: Violinist Stefan Jackiw solos in the Prokofiev Second Concerto under conductor Kiril Karabits, who also leads Borodin's *In the Steppes of Central Asia* and the suite from Igor Stravinsky's *The Firebird*. 8 pm Sunday, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$35. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Thursday, March 8
Meccore Quartet: The Polish string quartet closes this season's Flagler Museum series with music by Beethoven (No. 4 in C minor), Haydn and Sibelius. 7:30 pm, Flagler Museum, Palm Beach. Tickets: \$70 (includes post-concert champagne reception). Call 561-655-2833 or visit www.flaglERMuseum.us.

Wednesday, March 9
Atlantic Classical Orchestra: Guest conductor Rei Hotada is joined by pianist Jon Nakamatsu for the Beethoven Fourth Piano Concerto on a program that includes the Shostakovich Ninth Symphony. 3 pm, Eissey Campus Theatre, Palm Beach Gardens. Tickets: \$50-\$60. Call 772-460-0850 or visit www.atlanticclassicalorchestra.com.

Cameron Carpenter: The sensational young American organist inaugurates the Kravis Center's new digital organ in an appearance with the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra; he'll play Poulenc's Organ Concerto and the Saint-Saëns Third Symphony. Organist Matthew Whittaker is a special guest. 8 pm, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$15. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Thursday, March 10; Sunday, March 13
Delray String Quartet: The quartet performs works by Mozart (No. 16 in E-flat, K. 428), Mendelssohn (Op. 44, No. 1), and Brahms (Hungarian Dances). 7:30 pm Thursday, All Saints Episcopal Church, Fort Lauderdale; 4 pm, Colony Hotel, Delray Beach. Tickets: \$30-\$35. Call 561-213-4138 or visit www.delraystringquartet.com.

Monday, March 14
Axiom Brass: The quintet in residence at Boston's Tanglewood Institute. 7:30 pm, Rinker Playhouse, Kravis Center. Tickets: \$30. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Saturday, March 19-Sunday, March 20
Lynn Philharmonia: Guillermo Figueroa leads mezzo Becky Robinson in Berlioz's song cycle *Les Nuits d'Ete* in a program that includes Berlioz's *Marche Hongroise*, Saint-Saëns's *Danse Macabre* and the second suite from Maurice Ravel's *Daphnis et Chloe*. 7:30 pm Saturday, 4 pm Sunday. Tickets: \$35-\$50; call 237-9000 or visit www.lynn.edu.

Sunday, March 20, Tuesday, March 22
Symphonia Boca Raton: Pianist Misha Dichter performs Beethoven's First Piano Concerto in a concert led by Gerard Schwarz; also included is Beethoven's *Coriolan* overture, Charles Ives's *The Unanswered Question* and the Mendelssohn Fourth Symphony (*Italian*). 3 pm Sunday, Roberts Theater, St. Andrew's School, Boca Raton; 8 pm Tuesday, Eissey Campus Theatre, Palm Beach Gardens. Call 1-866-687-4201 or visit www.thesymphonia.org.

Thursday, March 24
Cicely Parnas: The rising young cellist (granddaughter of Leslie) performs in solo recital in the last of three Chamber Music Society of Palm Beach concerts at the Eissey Campus Theatre. 7 pm. Tickets: \$30-\$40. Call 207-5900 for tickets or more information.

Wednesday, March 30
Navah Perlman: The pianist and daughter of Itzhak appears in recital. 2 pm, Stage West at Duncan Theatre, Palm Beach State College, Lake Worth. Tickets: \$29. Call 561-868-3309 or visit duncantheatre.org.

Dance

Saturday, March 12
Joffrey Ballet: The great Chicago company stops in West Palm Beach on its Florida tour. 8 pm, Kravis Center. Tickets start at \$30. Call 561-832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Friday, March 18-Saturday, March 19
Limón Dance Company: The troupe that embodies the legacy of Mexican-born dancer José Limón marks its 70th anniversary with stagings of some of its own historic works. 8 pm both shows. Tickets: \$45. Call 561-868-3309 or visit duncantheatre.org.

Ballet Palm Beach: Colleen Smith's company offers *Gatsby*, a world premiere ballet based on F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*. Tickets: \$17-\$37. Call 207-5900 or visit www.balletpalmbeach.org.

Saturday, March 19
Boca Ballet Theatre: Dan Guin and Jane Tyree's company marks its 25th anniversary with a one-night gala featuring American Ballet Theatre and New York City Ballet guest stars. 6 pm, Spanish River High School, Boca Raton, followed by post-performance celebration. Tickets: \$45. Call 995-0709 or visit bocaballet.org.

Film

Friday, March 18
Embrace of the Serpent: In Ciro Guerra's 2015 black-and-white epic, the last member of an Amazonian tribe makes friends with two white scientists over

a period of 40 years as the region's culture is slowly destroyed. At Living Room Theatres, Boca Raton. Call 561-549-2600 or visit www.livingroomtheaters.com. Friday, Feb. 25
Look at Us Now, Mother! Gayle Kirschenbaum's documentary about her difficult, strained relationship with her mother. At Living Room Theatres, Boca Raton. Call 561-549-2600 or visit www.livingroomtheaters.com.

Jazz

Saturday, March 5
Jason Marsalis: The vibraphone player and youngest member of the illustrious New Orleans musical clan. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$25 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org

Wednesday, March 9
Ed Calle Big Band: The Venezuelan tenor saxman has a vast resume of major gigs and playing partners. 7:45 pm, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale. Tickets: \$55. Call 954-524-0805 or visit www.goldcoastjazz.org.

Friday, March 11
Vinicius Cantuaria: The Brazilian guitarist and master of bossa nova jazz performs with his quartet. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$25 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org

Friday, March 18
Frank Vignola and Vinny Raniolo: Two young masters of the jazz guitar in concert together. 8 p.m. Tickets: \$25 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org

Opera

Friday, March 18 to Sunday, March 20
Ariadne auf Naxos: Richard Strauss's 1916 opera within an opera in which a mythological tale is embedded in a story about a young composer's new work. With Wendy Bryn Harmer, Brian Jagde, Irene Roberts, and Kathleen Kim; conducted by Andreas Delfs. 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, March 5
Rib Roundup: Country station WIRK 103.1-FM hosts an all-day concert featuring Hunter Hayes, Frankie Ballard, Parmalee, Michael Ray, Granger Smith, Dylan Scott and Chris Lane At the Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. 12 pm. Tickets: \$25-\$50. Tickets available from livenation.com.

Sunday, March 6
The Steve Miller Band: Guitarist and songwriter Miller formed his band 50 years ago in San Francisco and created some of the most familiar hits of the 1970s. 8 pm, Hard Rock Live, Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, Hollywood. Tickets: \$40-\$80. Visit Ticketmaster.com or www.seminole.com

Friday, March 25
Chicago and Earth, Wind and Fire: The two veteran 1970s giants arrive on their Heart and Soul 2.0 Tour. At the Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. 12 pm. Tickets: \$18.95-\$118. Tickets available from livenation.com.

Tuesday, March 29
Johnny Mathis: The legendary vocalist is celebrating 60 years in the business. 8 p.m., Kravis Center. Tickets: \$30. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Wednesday, March 30
Kravis Center Pops Orchestra: Michael Feinstein welcomes Maureen McGovern and Debbie Boone as special guests to a concert of music from Hollywood. 8 p.m. Kravis Center. Tickets: \$30 and up. Call 832-7469 or visit www.kravis.org.

Theater

Opens Tuesday, March 8
Kiss Me, Kate: Cole Porter's brilliant take on Shakespeare's *Taming of the Shrew*. Through March 27 at the Maltz Jupiter Theatre. Tickets: \$55 and up. Call 561-575-2223 or visit www.jupitertheatre.org.

Through Sunday, March 13
Inherit the Wind: Jerome Lawrence and Robert Lee's 1955 play based on the Scopes creationism trial of the 1920s. Shows at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets: \$29 and up. Call 561-586-6410 or visit www.lakeworthplayhouse.org.

Opens Friday, March 25
Outside Mullingar: John Patrick Shanley's play about two Irish families fighting over a piece of land and the love story that it holds. Through April 24. Tickets: \$64 and up. At Palm Beach Dramaworks, West Palm Beach. Call 514-4042, ext. 2. Or visit www.palmbeachdramaworks.org.

Through Saturday, March 26
The Devil's Music: The Life and Blues of Bessie Smith: Angelo Parra's biographical overview of the great early 20th-century blues singer. With Avery Sommers. Through March 26. At Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Tickets: \$30-\$45. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

Opens Saturday, March 26
Smoke: Kim Davies' play about a man and a woman who meet at a party in Harlem and trade mind games. Through April 17. Wednesday to Friday: 7:30 pm; Saturday, 7 pm, Sunday: 2 pm, Black Box Theatre, Arts Garage. Tickets: \$30-\$45. Call 561-450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

Little Shop of Horrors: Alan Menken and Howard Ashman's cult favorite musical about a man-eating plant from outer space and a hapless florist's clerk. Through April 10 at Delray Beach Playhouse, Delray Beach. Tickets: \$30. Call 561-272-1281, ext. 4, or visit www.delraybeachplayhouse.org.

Through Sunday, March 27
Curtains: Kander and Ebb's 2007 musical murder mystery about a Broadway star murdered during her first curtain call. Tickets: \$70. At the Wick Theatre, Boca Raton. Call 561-995-2333 or visit www.thewick.org

My Son the Waiter: Subtitled "A Jewish Tragedy," Brad Zimmerman's comedy touches on themes of family and artistic aspiration. At the Palm Beaches Theatre, Manalapan. Tickets: \$40-\$65. Call 362-0003 or visit theatre.pbilmfest.org.

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Running is refuge through family hardships

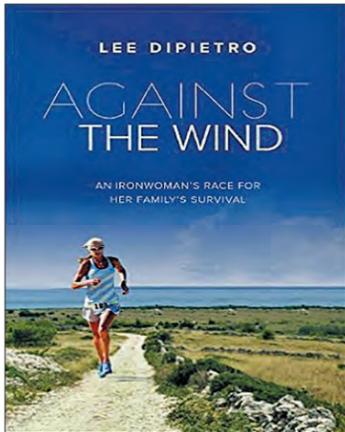
By Steve Pike

"If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward."
— Martin Luther King Jr.

True to Dr. King's words, Lee DiPietro knows only one direction — forward. It's what's guided her through more than 30 years of racing — and winning — some of the world's most grueling events, from marathons to ironman triathlons.

Whether it's running along A1A near her home in Ocean Ridge, along the rugged shoreline in her family's summer home in Newport, R.I., or doing the ironman race in Hawaii, DiPietro knows only head-on forward motion, even if it means pushing her lean, 6-foot frame against the wind. And, as DiPietro explains in her book *Against the Wind*, against the odds.

In the 267-page book (her first), published by Skyhorse Publishing, DiPietro details her love of running, but more important, her love of family, and how each helped sustain



her through her husband Lee's battle with cancer and at the same time, her eldest son Tim's rehabilitation from an off-road vehicle accident that nearly cost him his legs and his life.

The book is available on Amazon.com and at Barnes & Noble, as well as at Gulf Stream Pharmacy and the Boynton Beach Postal Center on East Woolbright Road.

Against the Wind is an inspiring story of one woman's determination to hold herself and her family together during a time — from 2010 through much of 2011 — that threatened to crumble them. DiPietro tells much of the story through emails she sent and received during those tough

times. For a first-time author, DiPietro is a terrific storyteller.

"As the emails began to spread and be forwarded to family and friends, people kept writing me back saying I should write a book because (the emails) were so touching and beautiful," said DiPietro, who won the women's division of the 2008 Palm Beach Marathon at the age of 50.

"They thought it would just help people know that you can face so many things and get through it."

Most of those people don't have the same refuge that DiPietro has in her running, but the message, she said, is still the same.

"Running is where I go for my strength," DiPietro said. "But whether it's running, writing or something else, find whatever you can to keep motivating you to put one foot in front of the other. You can find a place to find your inner strength. You can't look back and ask why something happened. There always is something in your life that you can find, you just have to find it."

Even if it means running against the wind. ★

Author espouses universal enlightenment

By Steve Pike

Ann Purcell remembered the first time she met the maharishi Mahesh Yogi in Seelisberg, Switzerland, in 1974.

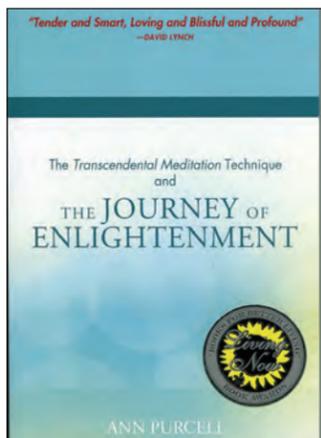
"I had to walk up eight flights of stairs to get to a meeting room," said Purcell, whose book *The Transcendental Meditation Technique and the Journey of Enlightenment* was published last May and is available through her website (www.enlightenmentforeveryone.com) and Amazon.com.

"I had no idea of protocol or anything. I remember myself walking into the room and immediately calming down. I became very quiet.

"The maharishi was very concerned about my mother because my father had just passed away. I was only 20 years old and he wanted my mother's blessing (for her daughter to continue teaching and learning). That made a big impression."

The maharishi, who died in 2008 at the age of 90, made an impression on millions, from the Beatles and Beach Boys to mere mortals and their journeys to enlightenment through transcendental meditation. It's what the maharishi called, "the glory of the nature of the self."

Purcell's book, published by Green Dragon Press of Lake Worth, chronicles her journey from growing up in Delray Beach to her introduction to TM as a freshman at Alvsco College in Oxford, England, to



becoming a full-time teacher of transcendental meditation since 1973.

"It's actually the most practical state of living," Purcell said of TM. "It's not just something to enjoy, but a state where people can accomplish the maximum in life."

Purcell, who splits her time between Delray Beach and Livingston Manor, N.Y., has taught TM around the world. She also has worked on curricula and course development for universities and continuing education programs. She has a bachelor's and a master's of the science of creative intelligence from

Maharishi European Research University in Seelisberg, and a PhD in supreme political science from Maharishi University of World Peace, Vlodrop, Netherlands.

The book is Purcell's second attempt to write about (and defend) the world and benefits of TM.

Purcell originally tried to publish it two years ago under the title *Let Your Soul Sing: Enlightenment is for Everyone*, but the publisher suggested including transcendental meditation in the title.

The decision paid off, as it received a Books for Better Living Silver Award from IndependentPublisher.com in 2015.

Purcell refers to the book as "timeless" in its message to get across her points that enlightenment is a "possibility for everyone" and should be the most "natural state" that everyone can achieve.

Like transcendental meditation itself, Purcell's book may not be for everyone, but it's a good glimpse into a world that most people don't understand. ★

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TOP: Looking south from Mizner Park toward what is now the Bank of America tower at 150 E. Palmetto Park Road. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

ABOVE: The tower stands prominently on the Boca Raton skyline while Mizner Park is under construction around 1990. **Courtesy of the Boca Raton Historical Society**

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project with shops, restaurants, offices and apartments.

By 2002, there were 689 housing units and more than 900 being built downtown. Office rents were the highest in South Florida, according to the records at the Historical Society of Palm Beach County.

The 14-fold increase in assessed property values from 1990 to 2002 improved the city's tax base. In 2005, after property values rose again, Mizner Park started paying for itself.

"Mizner Park was highly controversial in the beginning, but it rolled with the punches and kept up with the times," said County Commissioner Steven Abrams, who was on the City Council when the shopping center was built.

"Today, nearly everyone points to Mizner Park as an example of good urban design," he said. "It was one of the first New Urbanist projects in the country, and yet after all these years, it is still a very popular destination."

But how did it all begin?

In the 1980s, according to the Historical Society, local builder Tom Crocker worked with Boca's Community Redevelopment Agency to replace the old Boca Raton Mall. Residents voted to spend \$50 million in infrastructure improvements and \$68 million in bond financing to help the project get off the ground.

The controversies Abrams referred to resulted in higher local taxes, lawsuits and heavy

debt, as well as new state laws and restructuring city government.

But the shopping center was recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for removing blighted property and creating a dynamic community gathering place.

"Boca Raton residents love to take their out-of-town guests to Mizner Park to show it off," Abrams said. "Mizner Park has also hosted many fine cultural and community events over the 25 years."

The old Boca Raton Mall, torn down to build Mizner Park, opened in 1974 and survived only for 15 years. The mall housed the city's first escalator. Stores included Jefferson's department store, a movie theater, Orange Bowl beverage shop, Walgreens Drug (with a restaurant), Rock of Ages Records and a Bavarian restaurant.

Crocker bought the old mall in 1988 with the intention to raze it to make room for Mizner Park.

Today, Mizner Park includes 236,000 square feet of retail space; 267,000 square feet of office space; luxury rental apartments; town homes; and cultural arts space and a 5,000 capacity amphitheater.

Andrew McKinney, general manager of Mizner Park, said that although definite plans to mark the 25th anniversary have not been made, they are being considered.

"We're aware of the milestone and we're discussing plans," he said in late February. ★

Shopping Hot Spots

Five not-to-miss places at Mizner Park

Story and photos by Mary Thurwachter

Mizner Park, with its Spanish-styled courtyard, 44 shops and restaurants, art museum, amphitheater, iPic Theater, fountains and large gazebos, has been around for 25 years and continues to enjoy wide appeal. Visitors can view art, attend concerts, take cooking classes, furnish their homes with beach-themed decor, score fashionable clothes and shoes, and mull over what to see next while dining on a gourmet lunch or dinner. Here are five places not to miss:



Lord & Taylor

It's hard to miss Lord & Taylor at the south end of Mizner Park. It is the center's largest and only two-floor store. Opened in 2013 and known for its dress department, this department store, at 202 Plaza Real, has all the luxury brands, from Michael Kors to DKNY. There's even a men's lounge with comfy couch and big-screen TV for husbands waiting on their shopping spouses, and a complimentary personal stylist service so you can get advice to suit your style and tailored to your taste. We like how well the store uses a collection of artsy, long-legged mannequins to display fashions.



Our Boat House III

Homeowners who seek to capture the drama and mood of the sea to create their own sea-inspired retreat won't want to miss Our Boat House III, a showroom at 42 Plaza Real that's filled with nautical furniture, lighting and home accents. You'll see how adding pops of watery blues, sandy neutrals and seaglass green can create a beachy, relaxed feel. You'll also see how a giant seahorse made of reclaimed wood, or huge wooden letters on the wall urging folks to "BE SALTY" can set a cool coastal tone for your home.



Max's Grille

There is no shortage of good restaurants in Mizner Park, but we like Max's Grille, at 404 Plaza Real, because the food (brunch, lunch, dinner) is good and the location is ideal for people-watching, sometimes even famous people-watching. Long before Adele was chanting "Hello from the other side," she could be found chowing down at Max's, which has been in Boca since 1991. Try the blackened salmon quesadilla with goat cheese, scallions, spinach and roasted corn guacamole. Yum!



Sloan's

It's hard not to be drawn in by the delightful aroma of freshly baked waffle cones, cookies and brownies. We couldn't resist. And, yes, the chocolate cookie dough ice cream in a waffle cone is worthy of the caloric splurge! This place has real candy (in bulk) and eye candy, too. The walls are pink, chandeliers are twinkling and the toy trains are chugging. Owners say this shop, at 329 Plaza Real, is where fantasy becomes reality — and it is, at least in the sweet dreams department!

Sur la table

A cook's playground, Sur la table, at 438 Plaza Real, is stocked with kitchen tools, dinnerware, premium cookware and specialty food. Another big draw are the cooking classes that share recipes and techniques on how to make everything from Thai to Texas barbecue. Students get to eat what they make, of course, and go home with class recipes, a list of needed tools and helpful notes.



This is the fourth in a series of five shopping areas The Coastal Star will feature this season. Next up: Royal Palm Place in Boca Raton.

Community Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 5

Saturday - 3/5 - Hunger Walk/SK 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. 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. Register to raise funds. 801-7270; jdrf.org/events

3/5 - Woodcrafter's Show & Sale at the Briny Breezes Community Center, 5000 N. Ocean Blvd. Briny wood artists display their works. 9 am-noon. Lunch sold 11 am-1 pm, raffle and silent auction at 1 pm at auditorium. Free. 279-7864.

3/5 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Whitehall Ave. Every Sat. 10 am. Free. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org

3/5 - Paper Shredding Fundraiser at Cason United Methodist Church, 342 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 10 am-1 pm. \$5/box or 1/4 of onsite container. 706-9618; casonumc.org

3/5 - 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

3/5 - Digital Photo Editing: Basics at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 8 to adults. 11am-12:30 pm or 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

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. 11 am-3 pm. Free/admission; \$5/meal ticket. 395-4433; bocaratonchamber.com

3/5 - A Gilded Age Style Lunch in Café 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

3/5 - Women Modernists Symposium at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Held in conjunction with special exhibition *O'Keeffe, Strettheimer, Torr, Zorach: Women Modernists in New York*; leading scholars examine the intersection of gender and modernism from diverse points of view to broaden understanding of issues raised by the exhibition. Noon-1 pm check-in; 1-5 pm symposium. Free w/admission. Registration required: 832-5196 x1113; norton.org

3/5 - 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

3/5 - Pickleball at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults. M-F 9-11:30 am, F 6-8:30 pm, Sat 1-4 pm. Monthly pass: \$15/residents, \$20/ non-residents; 3-month pass: \$40/residents, \$50/ non-residents; 6-month pass: \$60/residents, \$70/ non-residents. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - Tea Ceremony Workshop at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Seishin-an Teahouse, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. 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. \$40. 1-3 pm. Registrations: 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

3/5 - Repertory Dance Theatre Ensemble at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 1 pm & 7 pm. \$20. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com

3/5 - 3rd Annual Superheroes Scavenger Hunt at PNC Bank Corporate Office, Courtyard, 205 Datura St, West Palm Beach. Benefits Families First of Palm Beach County. 1:30 pm registration; 2-5 pm scavenger hunt. 5-7 pm celebration & awards at Roxy's Rooftop, 309 Clematis St. \$140/ team (2-4 people); \$35/person (children 12 & under accompanied by 2 adults free). 721-2887; familiesfirstpbc.org

3/5 - Ins & Outs of Online Dating presented by Dr. Dale Koppel at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/5 - National League of American Pen Women Boca Branch Book Talk at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 2 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/5 - Indoor Aquarium Feedings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; an adult must accompany children. Daily. 2:30 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

3/5 - 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

3/5 - Our Story Unfolds: Women Untitled at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Avenue, Lake Worth. Panel lecture moderated by Dorothea Grace Lemeh. Part of Woman: Untitled Lecture Series. Limited seating. 3 pm. \$10/non-member. RSVP: 472-3336; palmbeachculture.com

3/5 - 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

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; historicalsocietypbcl.org

3/5 - Opening Reception: 2nd Annual Collaborations and Mixed Mediums: A Charitable Fine Art Exhibition at Marjorie S. Fisher Gallery at Center for Creative Education, 425 24th St, West Palm Beach. Exhibition runs through 4/23, regular gallery hours. 6-8:30 pm. \$10/ donation. 805-9927

3/5 - A Romantic Evening of Chamber Music for Strings and Piano with Dr. Irena Kofman and Benjamin Joella at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 7-8:30 pm. \$45/annual

Municipal Meetings

3/7 - Ocean Ridge - First Monday at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N Ocean Blvd. 6 pm. Agenda: oceanridgeflorida.com

3/8 & 22 - Boca Raton - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W Palmetto Park Rd. 6 pm. Agenda: myboca.us

3/11 - Gulf Stream - Second Friday at Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Rd. 9 am. Agenda: gulf-stream.org

3/14 & 28 - Lantana - Second & fourth Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Cir. 7 pm. Agenda: lantana.org

3/15 - Delray Beach - First & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda: mydelraybeach.com

3/16 - Boynton Beach - First and third Tuesday at Boynton Beach City Hall, 100 E Boynton Beach Blvd. 6:30 pm. Agenda: boynton-beach.org

3/22 - Manalapan - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S Ocean Blvd. 9:30 am. Agenda: manalapan.org

3/22 - South Palm Beach - Fourth Tuesday in the South Palm Beach Town Hall Council Chambers, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:15 pm. Agenda: southpalmbeach.com

3/24 - Briny Breezes - Fourth Thursday at Briny Breezes Town Hall, 4802 N Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Agenda: townofbrinybreezes-fl.com

membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/5 - Hooked by Gillian Grattan at Art Studio, 1201 N Federal Hwy, Delray Beach. Presented by Irish Theatre of Florida. 8 pm. \$20. 210-7920; itofl.com

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 - Lake Worth Art League Outdoor Show at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. Local artists. 9:30 am-4:30 pm. Held again 4/2-3. Free. 586-4271; lwartleague.org

3/5-6 - Artists in the Park presented by Delray Beach Art League at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St. Fine art exhibition and sales. 10 am-4:30 pm. Held again 3/12-13, 19-20. Free. 843-2311; delrayartleague.com/dal

3/5-6 - 50th Annual St Vincent Ferrer Parish Festival at 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Bake sale, carnival rides, raffles, food/beverage for purchase. 11 am-11 pm Sat; 11am-7 pm Sun, Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

3/5-6 - Art of Murder at Boynton Beach Playhouse, 145 SE 2nd Ave. F&Sat 8 pm; Sun 2:30 pm. Held again 3/11-12. \$20. 301-5404; stagelefttheatre.net

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 & 8 pm. \$45. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

3/5-6 - Better Than Money (PG13) at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. F/Sat 8 pm; Sun 2 pm. Held again 3/11-13. \$25. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

3/5-6 - 19th Annual Downtown Delray Beach Craft Festival at NE & SE 4th Avenue and Atlantic Avenue. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 746-6615; artfestival.com

3/5-6 - Matilda The Musical at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Sat 8pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. Tickets start at \$28. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/5-6 - 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

3/5-6 - 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. Runs through 3/16. 368-8445 festivaloftheartsboca.org

3/5-6 - Playwright's Forum: Fulfillment Center by Deborah Zoe Lauffer 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, the library's professional ensemble-in-residence. Full schedule available online. 877-311-7469; fauevents.com

3/5-3/13 - Early Voting Begins at 13 Palm Beach County locations. 10 am-6 pm. pbelections.org

3/5-26 - 40th American Red Cross Designers' Show House at 3601 Poinsettia Ave, West Palm Beach. Located in the Old Northwood neighborhood, the historic North Station, former fire station #3 for the City of West Palm Beach. M-Sat 10 am-4 pm; Sun noon-4 pm. \$35. 650-9131; redcross.org/DesignerShowHouse2016

MARCH 6-12

Sunday - 3/6 - Autism Speaks Walk at Meyer Amphitheater, 105 Evernia St, West Palm Beach. 8:30 am registration, resource fair, children's activities & entertainment; 10 am walk. 465-0050; autismspeakswalk.org

3/6 - Basics of Sushi Workshop at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Oki Education Studio, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Hands-on workshop led by a sushi chef; learn basics of sushi making, cultural information about sushi; enjoy the creations. Bring a sharp 7-8" knife, cutting board (approximately 10"x15"), apron, dish towel. Advance registration required: 10 am-noon. \$70. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

3/6 - 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/month (3/6 & 20). Individual appointments begin at 10:15 am. \$50/ member; \$55/non-member. Advance registration required: 495-0233 x210; morikami.org

3/6 - Tennis Tournament at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E Camino Real. Benefits Boca Raton Boys & Girls Club. 11:30 am-3:30 pm. \$50/spectators; \$100/players. 683-3287; bgcprbc.org

3/6 - Artist Talk with Sculptor Robert St. Croix at Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens, 2051 S Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. Noon. \$10/adults; \$8/seniors; \$7/ child/student. 832-5328; ansgr.org

3/6 - Free Museum Admission at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Every 1st Sun noon-5 pm. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/6 - Bridge Duplicate at 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

3/6 - Stephanie Murphy-Lupo speaks and signs her book *All Aboard! A History of Florida's Railroads* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 2 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/6 - Footsteps of Peace: Uruhu Baba Musical Performance at Temple Beth El, 2815 N Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. Original musical production celebrates world peace, freedom, human dignity. Host: Tania Rogers, WPTV. Benefits The Braille Club of Palm Beach County and Save the Chimps. 3 pm. \$35/adults; \$15/students. 413-244-7234; footstepsofpeace.com

3/6 - Lecture: The Sherman Act, the Interstate Commerce Act and Baseball by Professor Nathaniel Groll 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

3/6 - Klezmer Company Orchestra Bernstein's Jeremiah Symphony + Klezmer Jazz 8th Annual Kultur Festival at Florida Atlantic University Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd. Part of 8th annual Kultur Festival. 3 pm. \$20-\$45. Full schedule available online. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/6 - Frida Kahlo Lives! at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 100 N Palmway, Lake Worth. A music theatre piece celebrates Women's History Month. 4 pm. Free. 582-6609; standrewslw.net

3/6 - Linda Freeze in Concert at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Accompanied by Tom Bates. Reception follows. 4 pm. Free-will offering. 954-947-1951; fumbcb.com

3/6 - The Music and Times of Stephen Foster and Harold Arlen 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

3/6 - The Prester Piano Duo Recital at Steinway Piano Gallery, 7940 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 4 pm. \$20. 982-8887; steinwaybocaraton.com

Monday - 3/7 - 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/residents, \$165/non-residents. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

3/7 - Adult Watercolor Painting Workshop at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Instructor provides class lesson, lecture and 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

3/7 - 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

3/7 - Vintage Radio & TV Shows with Commercials presented by Friends of the Boynton



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3/7 - Mah Jongg at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Intermediate and advanced. Every M 12:30-3:30 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/7 - Empowerment Zone at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Coaching in resume writing, networking, interviewing skills. Every M&Th 1-4:30 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/7 - Bridge at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Intermediate and advanced. Every M 1-4 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/7 - Lecture: Vissi D'Arte Vissi D'Amore: The Controversial Art and Tragic Life of Maria Callas with John J. Pohanka at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2-4 pm. \$10/non-members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/7 - Virginia Dynasty Presidents: Washington, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe presented by Dr. Ronald Feinman at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute. First of four-part series. Class continues 3/14, 21 & 28. 2-3:30 pm. \$50/four sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/7 - 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

3/7 - Needlework Friendship Group at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Bring yarn, needle, crochet hooks; enjoy friendship. First M 7-9 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

3/7 - Culture & Cocktails: A Conversation with Gilbert C. Maurer 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

3/7 - Middletown at Lynn University World Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. With Dan Clancy; Peter Pileski, director. Part of Jan McArt's New Play Readings Series. 7:30 pm. \$10. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

3/7 - Jewish Roots & Turkish Blues with Shtreiml & Ismail Fencioğlu at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd. Part of 8th annual Kultur Festival. 7:30 pm. \$15. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/7-8 - Jerusalem Tenors at Spanish River Church, 2400 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Held again 3/14-15, 21-22. 8 pm. \$49. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

3/7-8 - Lee Roy Reams at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$54. 243-7922 x1 or oldschoosquare.org

3/7-9 - English as a Second Language Conversation at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Practice speaking, reading, writing, listening to English exercises; focus on proper pronunciation/grammar. Every M/T/W 10:45 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/7-11 - Tax Preparation at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. Every M-F 8:30 am-noon through 4/15. Free. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

Tuesday - 3/8 - 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 for positive growth. Clean business suits for male students graduating from Atlantic Community High School. Drop off at City Hall, with Jennifer Costello, Community Improvement Liaison. Deadline for Class of 2016 is 5/1. 243-7228; jedmondsrealty@gmail.com

3/8 - Socrates Cafe at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every T 10-11:30 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/8 - Brooklyn with Ronelle Delmont at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:45 am. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/8 - From a Woman's Perspective: The Liar's Club by Mary Karr at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Opera Luncheon at Benvenuto Restaurant,

1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Includes three-course gourmet meal. Noon. \$37. 364-0600; benvenutorestaurant.com

3/8 - 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

3/8 - Couples Round Dance at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Learn figures and routines to waltz, swing, foxtrot. Ages 18 & up. Every T 1-3 pm (high intermediate level), 3-4:30 pm (beginner level). \$6/person. 352-455-5759; boynton-beach.org

3/8 - 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

3/8 - Resume Coaching Services at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Help with resume; advice to improve employment opportunities. Every Th through 3/24. 1-4 pm. Free. Appointments required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Socrates Cafe at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Note: location change: library used as voting site 3/8 & 3/15. Philosophical discussions. 1:30-3 pm. Held again 3/15. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/8 - 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. Reservations: 395-6766; bocahistory.org

3/8 - A Troubled World with Michael Hayden at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of the O'Keefe Lecture Series. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

3/8 - The Buddha In the Attic by Julie Otsuka - Part of the Evening Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 6 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/8 - Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's Business & Professional Division's Networking Happy Hour at DaVinci's of Boca, 6000 Glades Road. Join Jewish entrepreneurs from a wide array of fields for a night of cocktails, connections and premium networking. 6 pm. \$18. 852-3128 or jewishboca.org/bphappyhour

3/8 - Ukulele Workshop for Beginners & Players at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Bring ukulele; beginners, new learners welcome. 6 pm. Held again 3/22. Free. 655-1718; tavitandlynn@gmail.com

3/8 - Interactive Acoustic Music and Art Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Singing, playing, painting. All ages. Every 2nd T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/8 - 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

3/8 - Travel Through Time and Space: A Piano Concert with Dr. Sofiya Uryvayeva at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 7-9 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/8 - Laugh Your Tuchas Off with Avi Libermann at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd. Part of 8th annual Kultur Festival. 7:30 pm. \$15. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

Wednesday - 3/9 - Deadline to request Absentee Ballot for Presidential Preference Primary & Municipal Elections. pbelections.org

3/9 - The United Nations - Part of the Great Decisions group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/9 - The New India: Narendra Modi and the Rise of Hindu Nationalism with Andrew Kahn at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:45 am. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/9 - Soul Line Dancing at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 10:15-11:15 am. \$10/session. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/9 - Field Trip: Exploring Antique Row with Kevin Byrne at Society of The Four Arts, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Walking tour, al fresco luncheon in an authentic provencal garden surrounded by 16th-20th century garden ornamentation/statuary. Arrive 15 min prior to departure: 10:30 am depart from Four Arts; 4 pm return. \$100/includes transportation, tour, lunch. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/9 - Socrates Cafe at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Philosophical discussions facilitated by Claire Drattell and Don Clare. Every W 11:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/9 - Dr. Pierre Chanover: Hidden Child of France Holocaust Survivor 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

3/9 - Mac Computers 101 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. Every W noon-1:30 pm. Free. 544-8578; bocalibrary.org

3/9 - 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

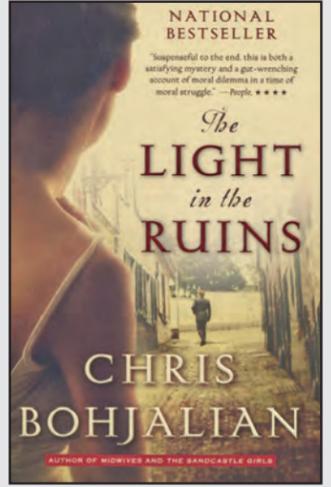
3/9 - Scrabble at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 1 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/9 - Confessions of a Slut at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of What's on

Read Together Palm Beach County and Love of Literacy Luncheon

Kravis Center, West Palm Beach

March: Everyone in Palm Beach County is invited this month to read the same book at the same time. This year the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County has selected *The Light in the Ruins* by Chris Bohjalian. To get your business or book club involved, visit LiteracyPBC.org for a discussion guide and ways to obtain a copy. The coalition's 25th annual Love of Literacy Luncheon will be held at 11:30 a.m. March 10 at the Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion. Bohjalian is featured speaker. Tickets are \$150. The Read Together Finale event with the author will be March 31 at the Harriet Himmel Theater at CityPlace in West Palm Beach. This event is free and open to the public. Call 279-9103 or visit LiteracyPBC.org.



Wednesdays series. 1:30-2:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/9 - Yiddish, Blues, Blacks & Jews at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library, 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd. Part of 8th annual Kultur Festival. 2 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/9 - Silver Science Days at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Special afternoon for adults and retirees. Ages 62 & up. Every 2nd W 2-5 pm. \$10. 832-1988; sfsciencecenter.org

3/9 - Divided by a Common Language: Appreciating British and American Cultural and Language Differences with Dr. Herbert Shapiro at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member, \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/9 - SheBelieves Cup at Florida Atlantic University Stadium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Elite international women's soccer event. 5 pm France vs England; 7:30 pm United States vs Germany. \$28-\$250.00. 800-745-3000; ussoccer.com

3/9 - Dance for the Stage at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Ages 13 & up. Every W 6-7 pm. \$15/class; \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

3/9 - 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

3/9 - They Dared to Dream: Florida Women Who Shaped History by Doris L. Weatherford - Part of the Historical Society of Palm Beach County's Distinguished Lecture Series at the 1916 Palm Beach County Courthouse 3rd Floor Courtroom, 300 N Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. Reception and book signing follow. 7 pm. \$20/non-members. Reservations: 832-4164, x101; historicalsocietypbc.org

3/9-10 - Dysfunction in Washington: History, Causes, Solutions presented by Dr. Robert Watson at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:30 pm. \$25. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

3/9-10 & 12 - Jerusalem Tenors at Kings Point Theatre, 7000 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. W/Th 8 pm; Sat 2pm. \$49. 800-716-6975; spanishriverconcerts.com

3/9-13 - Becoming Dr. Ruth: An Unexpected Journey at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. W-Sat 7:30 pm; Th/Sat/Sun 1:30 pm. \$39. 832-7469; kravis.org

Thursday - 3/10 - Executive Women of the Palm Beaches Leadership Institute Breakfast at West Palm Beach Marriott, 1001 Okeechobee Blvd. Speaker: Senator Maria Lorts Sachs. 7:30 am registration; 8 am program. \$20/EWPB member; \$25 guest. Registration: 868-7070; expb.org/calendar

3/10 - 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

3/10 - Great Decisions Discussion Group: 2016 Briefing Book at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Held again 3/24. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/10 - Knit 'N Purl at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Rotating facilitators. 10:30 am. Held again 3/24. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/10 - 25th Annual Love of Literacy Luncheon at Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Speaker; David Baldacci. 11:30 am. \$150. 279-9103; literacypbc.org

3/10 - 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

3/10 - Senior Bridge at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Experienced players welcome. Partners not needed. Every Th 1-4 pm. Annual fee

\$15/residents +\$1/game; \$20/non-residents + \$2/game. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/10 - Winston Churchill's Family Members with Myrna Goldberg at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:45 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member, \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/10 - Anna Karenina, Part I at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of Movies on Thursdays series. 2-4 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/10 - Tea & Talk with Marlene Strauss: The Life & Times of Andy Warhol at Saks Fifth Avenue on Two, 5800 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Hosted by Boca Raton Museum of Art. 2-4 pm. \$5/ members; \$75/guests. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/10 - Love, Loss and What I Wore by Nora & Delia Ephron at Levis Jewish Community Center Sandler Center, 21050 95th Ave S, Boca Raton. Th/ Sat 7:30 pm; Th/Sun 2 pm. Held again 3/12-13. \$23-\$36. 558-2512; levisjcc.org

3/10 - Lecture: 50 Acres: In Zeze's Garden with Paul Lange at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30-3:30 pm. \$10/non-members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/10 - The Life, Times, and Legacy of Author Harry Golden with Kimberly Marlowe Hartnett at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/10 - Bean Scene Sunset Marketplace at Secret Garden Cafe, 410 E Boynton Beach Blvd. Fresh food, produce, jewelry. 4-6 pm. Held again 3/24. Free. 877-1411; beanscenefflorida@gmail.com

3/10 - Boynton Beach Young Professionals Mixer: The Perfect Party at Atlas Party Rental, 1926 High Ridge Rd. Light bites, cocktails, design competitions, a DJ, goodie bags for first 30 people. Open to all Young Professionals (under age 40) in the Boynton Beach area. 5:30-7:30 pm. Free. 732-9501; boyntonbeach.org

3/10 - J. Turner Moore Library Lecture Series: James Gabler: Dine with Thomas Jefferson and Fascinating Guests at 1330 Lands End Rd, Manalapan. Reception follows. 6 pm. Free. 383-2541; manalapan.org

3/10 - The Next Generation Road Rascals Car Show at Lake Worth Casino Building & Beach Complex, 10 S Ocean Blvd. Every 2nd Th 6-9 pm. rstarr2010@gmail.com

3/10 - AFWC Wine Carnival & Consumer Challenge at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Benefits the Children's Museum. 6:30-9 pm. \$50/advance; \$60/at the door. 558-2345; americanfinewinecompetition.org

3/10 - Palm Beach Watercolor Society Meeting at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Every 2nd Th 6:30 pm Oct-May. palmbeachwatercolorssociety.org

3/10 - 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; oldschoosquare.org

3/10 - Feelin' Groovy: The Lives and Sounds of Simon and Garfunkel with Joan Friedenberg and Bill Bowen at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 7-9 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/10 - Ocean Ridge Town Hall Lecture Series: The War in Vietnam, Caring For The Wounded at 6450 N Ocean Blvd. Speaker: Al Naar. 7 pm. Free. 732-2635; oceandridgeflorida.com

3/10 - Yiddish Opera and Chazanut with Anthony Mordechai Tzvi Russell at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd. Part of 8th annual Kultur Festival. 7:30

OLD SCHOOL SQUARE CREST THEATRE

Broadway Cabaret Series
LEE ROY REAMS
March 7 & 8
Monday and Tuesday, 8 pm
This Tony and Drama Desk nominated Broadway star is known for his roles in HELLO, DOLLY!, 42nd STREET, and THE PRODUCERS.



Robert D. Chapin Lecture Series
KENNETH T. WALSH
March 17
Thursday, 2 pm
An award-winning political journalist and author, Walsh will discuss his latest book, *Celebrity in Chief: A History of Presidents and the Culture of Stardom*.



Catch A Rising Star Comedy
JUDY GOLD
March 24
Thursday, 8 pm
A two-time Emmy winner, Gold is a veteran of stand-up comedy and known for her edgy wit, sharp timing and infamous crowd work.



Broadway Cabaret Series
BRENDA BRAXTON
March 28 & 29
Monday and Tuesday, 8 pm
A Tony Award nominee for her leading role in SMOKEY JOE'S CAFE, Braxton also starred opposite Usher in CHICAGO and was featured in DREAMGIRLS, JELLY'S LAST JAM, LEGS DIAMOND and CATS.



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pm. \$15. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/10 - Itzhak Perlman: 20th Anniversary of In The Fiddler's House at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8 pm. Tickets start at \$39. 832-7469; kravis.org

Friday - 3/11 - Supervised Bridge Play at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. 2 hours of supervised Bridge play. Partners not needed. Adults. Every F 10am-noon. \$10/person. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/11 - Great Books Discussion Group: Great Conversations Six at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every F. 10 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/11 - Current Events Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every F 10:30 am-noon. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/11 - 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 10:30 am-1 pm. \$5/ residents, \$6/non residents per class. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/11 - Bill Gove Golden Gavel Toastmasters Club at Duffy's Sports Grill, 4746 N Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Every F noon-1 pm. \$12/ lunch or \$5/soft drink cash only. 742-2121; billgovetoastmastersclub.com

3/11 - Maria Callas and Tosca: An Intimate Look at the Artist and the Role of a Lifetime with Giuseppe Albanese at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:45 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/11 - 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 F 1:30-3:30 pm. \$4. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

3/11 - How to Write the Perfect Online Profile presented by Dr. Dale Koppel at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/11 - Joe Papp's Yissih Awakening: Tales of Hoffman with Miriam Hoffman at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd. Part of 8th annual Kultur Festival. 2 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/11 - 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

3/11 - The Road Less Traveled: Stephen Sondheim's Musical Theater with Joe Scott at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/11 - Beauty in Movement: The Elegance of Japanese Dance at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Journey to the world of Japanese dance. Elegant movements of classical dance accompanied by the tranquil melodies of the koto, the Japanese zither. 6 pm doors open; 7 pm/ show begins. \$10/members; \$15/non-members. Advance ticket purchase required: 495-0233 x 237; morikami.org

3/11 - 2nd Annual Boynton Beach Blarney Bash at Ocean Avenue Amphitheatre, 129 E Ocean Ave. Live music, kids activities, leprechauns, more. 6-10 pm. 737-3256; catchboynton.com

3/11 - Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach County: Annual Ima-makers Exhibition at Florida Atlantic University University Galleries, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 6:30-9:30 pm. Free. 297-2966; fau.edu/galleries

3/11 - Roger McGuinn in Concert at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Part of the 2015-16 MusicWorks Series. 8-10 pm. \$57-\$77. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

3/11-12 - Delray Beach St. Patrick's Festival & Parade at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave. Parade led by South East Florida Honor Flight/ WWII Vets. Music, dance, food/beverage available for purchase. Sat 5-10 pm festival; Sun 11 am-7 pm festival; Sun 2-4 pm parade. stpatrickparade.com

3/11-12 - Seasons in the Sun Spring Craft Show 2016 at Boca Train Depot, 474 S Dixie Hwy. Hosted by Southern Handcraft Society Boca Raton Chapter. F 5-8 pm; Sat 9 am-2 pm. Free. 732-2597; shsboca.com

Saturday - 3/12 - Neighborhood Rummage Sale at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. 8 am-1pm. 742-6243; boynton-beach.org

3/12 - Exhibition: Photography: Irene Hill, The Art of Seeing at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Exhibit runs through 5/14. Library hours. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/12 - Dollhouse Miniatures Show & Sale at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 NW Crawford Blvd. Make & take demos, raffles, food for purchase. Benefits Kids in Distress and AVDA. 9 am-3 pm. \$5/ adults; \$2/children under 12. 781-322-0007; risko@bellsouth.net

3/12 - Boating & Beach Bash for People with Disabilities at Spanish River Park, 3001 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Largest family fun day in the nation for people with special needs and their caregivers. 10 am. Free. 715-2622 or boatingbeachbash.com

3/12 - Ride & Remember Trolley Tour departs from Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 2-hour tour focuses on 5 historic districts. Second Sat 10 am-noon. \$25. Reservations: 279-8883; spadymuseum.com

3/12 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Lake Worth and Lantana conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave. 4-hour tour

includes bus and walking tour, food sampling and visits to historical and cultural sites. Narrated by live guide. Second Sat year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required: check website for available dates. \$50/adult & senior citizen; free/children under 18 (max 5 children per family). 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

3/12 - Introductory Japanese Language Intensive Workshop: Kanji at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Workshop concentrates on written form of the Japanese language, covers reading and writing of kanji (Chinese characters) used in Japan. Learn the writing form and stroke order through classroom exercises. Students are expected to write basic kanji accurately; students at any level may take this course. Materials: black liquid ink, Canson Biggie Newsprint Pad (18x24 inches, 100 sheet pad). 1-5 pm. Held again 3/26. \$80. Advance registration required: 495-0233; morikami.org

3/12 - Artists at Work: Karla Walter Ceramic Demonstration at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Lecture and demonstration. Limited seating. 3-4 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/12 - In Defense of Curatorial Complexity at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Avenue, Lake Worth. Karen J. Leader, Ph.D., Asst Professor of Art History, FAU. Part of Woman: Untitled Lecture Series. Limited seating. 3 pm. \$10/ non-member. RSVP: 472-3336; palmbeachculture.com

3/12 - Neshama Carlebach and Josh Nelson at Congregation B'nai Israel, 2200 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm pre-show cocktails/light bites/entertainment; 8 pm concert. \$36/general; \$65/ Balcony; \$65-\$150/sanctuary. 241-8118; cbiboca.org

3/12 - Jewish Melodies in Jazztime: Brian Potts Vibraphone Quartet at Florida Atlantic University Wimberly Library 5th Floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of 8th annual Kultur Festival. 7:30 pm. \$15. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

3/12-13 - Live at Lynn Series: Hooking Up with The Second City 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/tickets

MARCH 13-19

Sunday - 3/13 - Daylight Savings Time

3/13 - Brotherhood Sunday Breakfast at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Expert speaker panel on the Affordable Care Act. Hosted by Temple Sinai Brotherhood. 9:30 am. \$8. 276-6161 x133; templesinaipbc.com

3/13 - Shred Event/Mission Trip Fundraiser at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, 33 Gleason St. 10 am-noon. \$5/carton. 276-6338; firstdelray.com

3/13 - Nihongo: Japanese Language Levels I-IV at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. 8-week course covers effective conversational Japanese plus reading and writing skills. Every Sun through 5/15. Level I class 10:15-11:15 am; Level II class 1:20 am-12:20 pm; Level III class 12:20-1:20 pm; Level IV class 1:20-2:20 pm. \$80/members; \$90/non-members. Advance registration required: 495-0233; morikami.org

3/13 - The Way of Taiko: The Heartbeat of Japan at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Theater, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Introduction to the history of taiko. Learn to understand sounds and movements, how to connect nature and the meaning of body movement, become familiar with the way of taiko, learn how to drum. Conducted by top performers from South Florida's Fushu Daiko. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes; jewelry is not recommended. 11 am-1 pm or 2-4 pm. \$50. Advance registration required: 495-0233; morikami.org

3/13 - 10th Annual St. Patrick's Day Charity Parade on Lake Avenue at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Benefits Wheels for Kids; a customized wheelchair will be donated to a child in need at the event. Live music, food, kids carnival, entertainment. Noon-10 pm. Free. 752-0799; wheelsforkids.org

3/13 - Poetry Workshop with Visiting Poet Kimberly Burwick at Old School Square Classroom 6, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Part of Palm Beach Poetry Festival. 1 pm. \$10. palmbeachpoetryfestival.org

3/13 - Gold Coast Band Concert at Boynton Beach High School Auditorium, 4975 Park Ridge Blvd. 2:30 pm. \$7/adults, \$3/age 16 & under. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

3/13 - Concert: Camerata del Re: Art of the Keyboard Concerto - Part of Music At St. Paul's 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

3/13 - Music in the Museum: Yasa Poletaeva, violin and Darren Matias, piano at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Limited seating. 3-4 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/13 - Quintessential Trios: Quint, Grabiec, and Robbins Perform Rachmaninoff, Dvorak, and Shostakovich at Palm Beaches Theatre, 250 S Ocean Blvd, Manalapan. 5 pm. \$40. 362-0003; palmbeachestheatre.org

Monday - 3/14 - Sacred Heart School Pro-AM Heroes Golf Tournament at Breakers West, 1550 Flagler Pkwy, West Palm Beach. Lunch/awards follow. 7:30 am registration; 9 am tee-off. \$250. 582-2242 x102; sacredheartsschoolakeworth.com

3/14 - Steven Spielberg as Historian: Movies as Historical and Cultural Records with Dr. Burton Atkins at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU

Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:45 am. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/14 - Workshop with Artist Alexander Shundi at Society of The Four Arts Hulitar Art Studio, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Every M/W/F 10 am-1 pm through 4/1. \$450/nine classes. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/14 - My Wife is a White Russian - Part of the Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:45 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/14 - The Jews of Jamaica presented by Winston Aarons at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute. First of three-part series. Class continues 3/21 & 28. 10:30 am-noon. \$45/ three sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/14 - FAME: The Andy Warhol Story at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Claire Clum, Museum Director of Education. Buffet lunch follows, then view exhibition. 11 am-1:30 pm. \$45. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/14 - A Musical Delight presented by Friends of Boynton Beach City Library as part of the Brown Bag Series, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Noon-1 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/14 - Jihad with Dr. Mehmet Gurses at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/ eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/14 - Jewish Genealogy with Mark Fearer at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:45 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/ eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/14 - Wine Appreciation with Athena Yannitsas: Do You Speak Vino? Wines from Spanish-Speaking Countries 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

3/14 - Dog Obedience Classes at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Every M through 4/18. Beginner 6-7 pm; Intermediate/ Games 7-8 pm. \$95/residents; \$119/non-residents. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/14 - Downtown Lake Worth Food Truck Invasion at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. Every 2nd M 6-10 pm. 844-682-7466; foodtruckinvasion.com

Tuesday - 3/15 - Presidential Preference Primary & Municipal Elections - Polls open 7 am-7 pm.

3/15 - Israel, Islamists and Salafi-Jihadists: The Growing Terror Threat? with Dr. Robert G. Rabin at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:45 am. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/15 - Zonta Club of the Greater Deerfield Beach at Duffy's, 401 N Federal Hwy. Every 3rd T 11:30 am. 392-2223; zontadeerfieldbeach.org

3/15 - Saxophone Goes Vocal: Favorite Melodies from Operas, Operettas and Musicals with Andrea Gilbert at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:45 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/15 - Still Alice with Lisa Genova at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of the O'Keeffe Lecture Series. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

3/15 - Margaret Sanger: A Life of Conviction and Controversy with Ronelle Delmont at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/15 - Public Information Workshop: I-95 at Linton Boulevard Interchange Improvements at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Open house to allow interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the proposed design, social, economic, environmental effects of proposed improvements. 5:30-7:30 pm. (954) 777-4577; maria.formoso@dot.state.fl.us

3/15 - Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's Business Casual: Liquid Assets at Barrel of Monks, 1141 S. Rogers Circle, Boca Raton. Enjoy engaging and enjoyable experiences while building new personal and professional alliances with other women in the community. 6 pm. \$36 covert. 852-3128 or jewishboca.org.

3/15 - FAU Astronomical Observatory - Public viewing day 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

3/15 - Music for the Mind: Mozart & The Movies Piano Concert at Harriet Himmel Theater, 700 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. Benefits Lighthouse for the Blind of the Palm Beaches. 7-9 pm. \$10/adults; \$5/student w/ID. 586-5600 x3248; lighthousepalmbeaches.org

3/15 - The Madonnas of the Uffizi at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Dr. Emily Fenichel. 7 pm. Free. 395-8285. stgregorysepiscopal.org

3/15 - Dave Gible & The Tue. Night Big 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

3/15 - Alchemy: Open Mic/Talent Showcase at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$10. Held again 3/29. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

Wednesday - 3/16 - Project Art Workshop: Release Your Matisse at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. 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

3/16 - Is the Pursuit of Happiness a Trap? The Pros and Cons of Pursuing Happiness with Dr. Bert Diament at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:45 am. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/16 - Climate Change - Part of the Great Decisions group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/16 - Can You Believe Your Eyes? What Visual Illusions Can Teach Us About Our Brains with Dr. Oge Marques at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1-2:45 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/16 - Great American Song Book 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

3/16 - Woman in Gold: Klimt and Adele Bloch-Bauer with Dr. Barbara A. Falletta at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/ eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/16 - 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

3/16 - Angle Uncorked: Winemaker Dinner at Angle Restaurant at Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa. Silver Oak Winemaker Nate Weis. 6:30 pm reception; 7 pm dinner. \$205 (does not include tax/gratuity). 540-4924; anglerestaurant.com

3/16 - The Power of Song: How Folk Songs Led the Way Through the Civil Rights Movement with Jerry Gray at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 7-9 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/16 - Africa USA: Boca Raton's Forgotten Attraction of the 1950s at Boca Raton Historical Society, Old Town Hall, 71 N Federal Hwy. Presented by Ginger Pedersen & Shirley Schneider, family of Africa USA owner John Pedersen; part of Town Hall Talks Lecture Series. 7 pm. \$5/non-members. Reservations required: 395-6766 x301; bocahistory.org

3/16 - The CY Schonberg Concert: The German Song Cycles of Mahler, Schubert, Schumann and Brahms 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;



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3/16 - Bridge & Tunnel by Sarah Jones at B'Nai Torah, 6261 SW 18th St, Boca Raton. Starring Karen Stephens. Shari Upbin, Director. 7:30 pm. \$25/congregational members; \$36/non-members. 392-8566; bnai-torah.org

3/16 - Community Cabaret at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Calling all singers, dancers, musicians, stand-up comedians; performers must register in advance. 7:30 pm. \$5. 347-3900; willowtheatre.org

Thursday - 3/17 - St. Patrick's Day 3/17 - United States and the Morass in the Middle East with Dr. Robert G. Rabil at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every Th through 4/14 (no lecture 3/24). 10-11:45 am. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/17 - 15th Annual Delray Beach Home Tour in the Lake Ida Neighborhood, Delray Beach. Benefits Achievement Centers for Children and Families. Complimentary luncheon, parking, trolley service. 10 am-4 pm. \$100. RSVP by 3/9: 266-0003; achievementcentersfl.org

3/17 - Publix Apron's Cooking School Lecture & Demonstration: St. Patrick's Day at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Chef Rey De La Osa. 10:30 am. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/17 - National League of American Pen Women Luncheon at Delray Beach Golf Club, 2200 Highland Ave. Guest Speaker Caren Hackman, Fine Arts/Graphic Design Discussion. Noon. \$30. bocapenwomen.com

3/17 - St. Patrick's Day Party at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. 1-3 pm. \$3/advance; \$5/at the door. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

3/17 - J. Turner Moore Library Lecture Series: Jessica Klewicki Glynn Palm Beach Chic at 1330 Lands End Rd, Manalapan. 1:30 pm. Free. 383-2541; manalapan.org

3/17 - Kenneth T. Walsh at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Part of Robert D. Chapin Lecture Series. 2-4 pm. \$30-\$45; oldschoolsquare.org

3/17 - Lecture: If These Walls Could Talk with designer Richard Keith Langham at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30-3:30 pm. \$25/non-members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/17 - Puddle Jumpers of Lantana: The WWII History of the Civil Air Patrol's Coastal Patrol Base 3 at Richard and Pat Johnson Palm Beach County History Museum, 300 N Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. Part of Third Thursdays Series. 3 pm. \$10/non-members. Reservations: 832-4164, x101; historicalsocietypb.org

3/17 - Normandy: The Untold Tragic Story of the Most Majestic Ocean Liner with Rene Silvin at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3:45-5:30 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/17 - Concert: Paul Golden at Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/17 - Lecture: New Hope from Remote Pacific Islands: Searching for Alzheimer's and ALS Cures with Paul Alan Cox, Ph.D. at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 6-7 pm. Free. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/17 - Handheld Stories Silent Auction at Boheme Bistro, 1118 E Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Handheld Stories, small local non-profit, raising funds to bring a film workshop to the Lakota Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. 6-9 pm. Free. 350-9317; handheldstories.com

3/17 - Art Boca Raton Vernissage Preview Party at International Pavilion of the Palm Beaches at Research Park at Florida Atlantic University, 3450 NW 8th Ave, Boca Raton. Benefits Boca Raton Museum of Art School. Cocktails, dinner-by-the-bite. 6-10 pm. \$150-\$250. Invitation only: 392-2500 x208; bocamuseum.org

Friday - 3/18 - Lecture: Photo Apps for Beginners at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11am-12:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

3/18 - Box Lunch with The Symphonia at Unitarian Church, 2601 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Conductor Gerard Schwarz and piano soloist

Misha Dichter. 11:30 am. \$35. 866-687-3848; thesymphonia.org

3/18 - Boca Express Train Museum Tour at FEC Railway Station Count de Hoerne Pavilion, 747 S Dixie Hwy. Guided tour of two 1947 Seaboard Air Line streamliners listed on National Register of Historic Places. 1 & 2 pm adults tour; 3 pm Just for Kids tour. Held again 4/1. \$15/adults; \$10/BRHS members; \$11/valet fee. Advance registration required: 395-6766 x100; bocahistory.org

3/18 - 7th Annual PEEPS Show Opening Reception at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Exhibit runs through 4/6. 6 pm. Free. 215-205-9441; flamingoclaystudio.org

3/18 - 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

3/18 - Happy Hour Friday/Music on the Rocks: Professor Pennygoode's Mighty Flea Circus at Ocean Avenue Amphitheatre, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Food, snacks, beverages available for purchase. Every 3rd F 6-9 pm through Jun. Free. 600-9097; catchboynton.com

3/18 - Open Mic Night at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. Palmbeachculture.com

3/18 - Dinner & Dancing on the Water - Presented by the Town of Lantana at Bicentennial Park, 321 E Ocean Ave. Buffet-style dinner under the stars, live music. Cash bar. 7 pm. \$15. 540-5000; lantana.org

3/18 - Send In The Queens at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. 8 pm. \$35. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

3/18 - Ariadne auf Naxos Cast Party presented by Palm Beach Opera at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 10 pm. \$125 (does not include opera performance ticket). 833-7888; pbopera.org

3/18-19 - 2nd Annual Bacon & Bourbon Fest at the Outdoor Pavilion at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Noon-11 pm. \$20-\$300. 279-0907; delraybaconfest.com

3/18-19 - Steve Ross in Ridin' High ... The Music of Porter, Astaire and Coward at Kravis Center Persson Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 7:30 pm. \$35. 832-7469; kravis.org

3/18-21 - Art Boca Raton Contemporary Art Fair at International Pavilion of the Palm Beaches at Research Park at Florida Atlantic University, 3450 NW 8th Ave, Boca Raton. 60-65 dealers showcasing contemporary, modern and emerging art, sculpture, photography, works on paper, installations. 11 am-6 pm. \$20/1-day; \$25/multi-day. 305-490-4584; artbocaraton.com

Saturday - 3/19 - On the Road: Winston Art Group Appraisal Day at Florida Atlantic University Parliament Hall Theatre Lab, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Verbal appraisals of art, antiques, decorative arts, furniture, jewelry, vintage. Photographs of large pieces of furniture acceptable. 9 am-2 pm; \$45/item. 297-2337; fau.edu/artsandletters

3/19 - All People's Day Diversity Festival at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Dance performances, music, interactive and merchandise booths, international cuisine. 9:30-11 am kid's workshop (ages 4-11); 11 am-5 pm main events. Free. 495-9818; allpeoplesday.com

3/19 - Exhibition: Power & Piety: Spanish Colonial Art at Society of The Four Arts O'Keeffe Gallery, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Runs through 4/17. M-Sat 10 am-5 pm; Sun 1-5 pm. \$5/gallery admission; free/children 14 & younger. 655-7226; fourarts.org

3/19 - Meet the Orchestra: The Symphonia at Saint Andrew's School Roberts Theater, 3900 Jog Rd, Boca Raton. Interact with 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

3/19 - 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 (no tour 3/26/16). Reservations required: \$50/adult & senior citizen; free/children under 18 (max 5 children per family.) 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

3/19 - Women Today Luncheon at Lynn University, Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 11 am-3 pm. \$20/general

public; \$10/students & faculty w/ID. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

3/19 - 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 sensual 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/children 5 & under. 495-0233 x210; morikami.org

3/19 - Charity Luncheon & Wine Tasting at Floridian Community Bank, 4850 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Benefits Multiple Sclerosis Foundation. Designer jewelry, fine art, raffles. 12:30-2:30 pm. Free. RSVP required: dawn@sparkleoflife.com

3/19 - Blue Velvet (R) part of American Alienation in Film Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 4-6:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/19 - Cheryl Hollon & R.J. Harlock speak and sign their books *Shards of Murder* and *A Cold White Fear* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 6 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/19 - Exhibition Opening Reception: 4 Visions Fine Art Photography at Rolando Chang Barerro Fine Art Gallery, 711 Lucerne Ave, Lake Worth. Exhibit runs through 4/8. 6 pm. Free. RSVP: 521-1199; RCBfineart@gmail.com

3/19 - Two On Tap: A Tribute To Song And Dance presented by EPIC Arts Management, LLC at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Rated G. 8 pm. \$25. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

3/19 - Pop, Rock & Doo Wopp Live with Bobby Rydell, Shirley Alston Reeves, Emil Stucchio & The Classics, The Flamings, and The Mysicis at Florida Atlantic University Kaye Performing Arts Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 8 pm. \$39-\$72. 800-564-9539; fauevents.com

3/19-20 - PrideFest 2016 at Bryant Park, 30 S Golfview Rd, Lake Worth. Parade, live entertainment, vendors, food. Sat/Sun noon-6 pm. Parade Sun 11:30 am. Per day: \$8/advance; \$10/at the gate. 533-9699; compassglcc.com

3/19-20 - Lynn University's Philharmonia Orchestra No. 5 at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Conductor Guillermo Figueroa. Works by Berlioz, Saint-Saens and Ravel. Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 4 pm. \$35-\$50. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

MARCH 20-26

Sunday - 3/20 - Sunday Musical Matinee Series: Davis & Dow at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. \$20/person. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/20 - Boca Talk: Bob Colacello: In and Out with Andy at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3 pm. \$5/museum members; \$10/non-members; \$5/students w/ID. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

3/20 - Concert: Roberta Rust at Boynton Woman's Club, 1010 S Federal Hwy. Proceeds benefit Boynton Woman's Club and its charities. 3 pm. \$20/person. 369-2300; boyntonwomensclub.com

3/20 - Keyboard Conversations with Jeffrey Siegel: Musical Pictures at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 3-5 pm. \$20. 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/20 - Passionate Piano at Steinway Piano Gallery, 7940 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Catherine Lan, piano. Presented by Brandeis National Committee. 4 pm. \$20/Brandeis members; \$25/guests. 998-7784; steinwaybocaraton.com

3/20 - Bob Perlow's Tales from Hollywood at Palm Beaches Theatre, 250 S Ocean Blvd, Manalapan. 5 pm. \$30-\$50. 362-0003; palmbeachestheatre.org

3/20 - Gregg E. Brickman speaks and signs her book *Illegal Intent* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

Monday - 3/21 - Psychology Myths Debunked: Facts vs Fiction with Dr. Myles Cooley at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every M 10-11:45 am. through 4/11. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/21 - Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis: The Subtle Staying Power of an American Icon at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West

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

Palm Beach. Part of ArtSmart Continuing Arts and Education Lunch & Learn Series. 11:30 am. \$85 (includes lunch). 832-7469; kravis.org

3/21 - Play Trivia! 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

3/21 - The Story of Your Life: An Action Plan for Writing Your Memoir with Dr. Caren Schnur Nelle at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every M 1-2:45 pm through 4/11. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/21 - Mark Twain: Comedy, Realism, and Life with Dr. Jeff Morgan at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every M 4:15-6 pm through 4/11. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/21 - Lecture: The World of Raymond Chandler: In His Own Words with Barry Day at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 6-7 pm. Free. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/21 - COWBRA: Making a Difference for 35 Years at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 Seacrest Blvd. Speaker: Ken Lassiter. Hosted by Boynton Beach Historical Society. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 327-4690; boyntonhistory.org

3/21 - Art & Seoul: Contemporary Korean Cinema with Shelly Isaacs at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every M 7-9:30 pm through 4/11. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

Tuesday - 3/22 - Conspiracies in History: American & Global with Marc Newman at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T 10-11:45 am through 4/12. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/22 - The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George - Part of the Book Club discussion by Friends of Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10:30 am-noon. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

3/22 - Crazy Like a Genialist: The Myth of the Mad Artist with Dr. Barbara A. Falletta at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T 1-2:45 pm through 4/12. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/22 - Socrates Café at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every T 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/22 - The Good Old Days: An Editor Looks Back with Jonathan Galassi at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of the O'Keeffe Lecture Series. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

3/22 - Never Underestimate the Power of a Woman with Dr. Terry Lawrence at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T 3:45-5:30 pm through 4/12. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/22 - Two Lives (NR) part of Foreign Film Series by Friends of Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6:30-9 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/22 - Randy Wayne White speaks and signs his book *Deep Blue* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

3/22 - John Ford and the Western with Dr. Chris Robe at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T 7-9:30 pm through 4/12. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/23-24 - Restoring Transparency, Accountability, Competition, and Trust in Government presented by Dr. Frank Alcock at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:30 pm. \$25. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

Wednesday - 3/23 - Objection! Current, Contentious and Confusing Legal Battles with Irving Labovitz, J.D. at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W 9-10:45 am through 4/13. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/23 - Cuba and the U.S. part of the Great Decisions group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10 am-noon. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/23 - Great Movies About Law and Justice with Dr. Burton Atkins at Florida Atlantic

University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W 11:15 am-1 pm through 4/13. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/23 - Sewing Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Group environment project class, teacher on hand for assistance. Come prepared to work; bring fabric, pattern, scissors, pins, thread, sewing machine. All levels welcome. Every W 11:45 am-1:45 pm through 5/25. \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/23 - 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

3/23 - William Hogarth: Booze, Broads, Brutality and the Birth of the Satirical Cartoon with Wesley Mills at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 1:30-3:15 pm. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member \$30/at the door; \$60/three events; \$140/eight events. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/23 - Ditch of Dreams: The Cross Florida Barge Canal and the Struggle for Florida's Future by Steven Noll and David Tegeder at Society of The Four Arts King Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of Florida Voices Author Series. 1:30 pm. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org

3/23 - War & Removal: Last Days of the Eastern Creek & Cherokee Nations 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

3/23 - The American Fifties: a Decade of Significance with Ronelle Delmont at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W 4:15-6 pm through 4/13. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/23-25 - I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. W-F 7:30 pm; Th 12:30 pm. \$20. 237-9000; lynn.edu/tickets

Thursday - 3/24 - Field Trip: Sugarland Tour leaves from Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Round-trip motor coach transportation to and from Patch Reef Park, admission to the museum, tour, lunch. Light refreshments prior to boarding. 7:30 am check-in. 8 am-3:45 pm trip. \$62/person. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/24 - Coaching the Mature Driver at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. Presented by Safety Council of Palm Beach County. Drivers 55+ may get insurance discount after completion. 9 am-4 pm. \$12. 845-8233; safetycouncilpb.org

3/24 - Nine Elections that Changed America and One that Might with Dr. Ralph Nummerger at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every Th 1-2:45 pm through 4/14. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/24 - Lecture: For the Love of Art with Cynthia Gibbons at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30-3:30 pm. Free. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/24 - Gone with the Wind: The History of a Cultural Icon with Dr. Taylor Hagood at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every Th 3:45-5:30 pm through 4/14. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/24 - Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County's Young Adult's Division Happy Hour at Salt7, 32 S.E. Second Ave., Delray Beach. Make some noise with your gragger to celebrate Purim and bring a gift to support the Jewish Agency for Residential Care's new sports league. 5:45-8 pm. \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door. 852-3165 or jewishboca.org.

3/24 - Opera Goes Broadway, Cabaret Style at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Benefits Palm Beach Opera. Special Guest Davis Gaines. Limited seating. 6:30 pm. Tickets start at \$475. 835-7569; pbopera.org

3/24 - Artists' Guild Gallery Opening Reception at 512 E Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 278-7877; bocaguildd.com

3/24 - Exporting Humanity: Four Films From Israel and Iran with Dr. Kurt F. Stone at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every Th 7-9 pm through 4/14. \$45/annual membership;

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3/24 - DocNights At The Willow: Pui Chan: Kung Fu Pioneer at Willow Theatre, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Films presented by docmiami.org. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 7 pm. \$5. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

3/24 - Catch A Rising Star Comedy Club: Judy Gold at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$45-\$65. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

Friday - 3/25 - The Human Subject and the Human Condition: A Philosophical Approach with Dr. Simon Glynn at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every F 1-2:45 pm through 4/15. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/25 - Puccini, Zeffirelli, and the Met: Two Landmark Productions with Giuseppe Albanese at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Spring Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every F 1-2:45 pm through 4/15. \$45/annual membership; \$37/advance member; \$55/at the door. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

3/25 - Wizard's World 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. 6-9 pm. \$13.95/adults; \$11.95/seniors; \$9.95/children (3-12); \$6/adult members; free/children members & kids under 3. 832-1988; sfscecenter.org

Friday - 3/25 - Beginner Acoustic Guitar For Adults at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn to play the guitar with three chords, tablature reading, lead sheet expertise. Bring acoustic guitar. Every F 7:30-9 pm through 5/6. \$80/residents; \$100/non-residents. 367-7035; myboca.us

Saturday - 3/26 - Rooney's 5K Run/Walk starts at Palm Beach Kennel Club, 1111 N Congress Ave, West Palm Beach. Benefits Westgate/Belvedere Homes CRA, Autism Project of PB County, Pathways to Independence and Potentia Academy. 7:30 am. \$25-\$40/registration; \$20/Westgate residents, military, veterans; \$15/students; \$10/kids mile. 683-2222 x 142; rooneysgolfoundation.org

3/26 - 16th Annual Easter Bonnet Pet Parade hosted by Delray Beach Greenmarket at Old School Square Park, 51 N Swinton Ave. Children ages 12 & under and 13-17. Free. 9-9:45 am register; 10 am parade starts. delraycra.org

3/26 - Illustrated Lecture: Religious Art in the Spanish Caribbean with Jorge F. Rivas Perez at Society of The Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 11 am-noon. Free. 655-7226; fourarts.org

3/26 - Rock The Square: Everclear, Candlebox and Sister Hazel at Outdoor Pavilion at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 6-10:30 pm. \$25-\$100. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

3/26-27 - Artists in the Park presented by Delray Beach Art League at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave. Fine art exhibition/sales. 10 am-4:30 pm. Held again 4/2-3. Free. 843-2311; delrayartleague.com/dal

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Monday - 3/28 - Theft in a Pastry Shop - Part of the Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:45 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/28 - An Hour with Sherlock Holmes 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

3/28 - The Boston Girl by Anita Diamant - Part of the Afternoon Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 1 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/28 - Cercle Francais: French Conversation Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/28 - Civic Lectures for Savvy Citizens: Informed Voters - Fair Judges at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 7-8 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/28-29 - Brenda Braxton part of Broadway Cabaret Series at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$54. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

Tuesday - 3/29 - Theatre Roundtable: Directly Speaking at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. Hosted by William Hayes & J. Barry Lewis. Q&A follows. 2 & 7 pm. \$20. 914-4042; palmbeachdramaworks.org

3/29 - The Republican Party and the Millennial Generation with Margaret Hoover at Society of the Four Arts Gubelmann Auditorium, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Part of the O'Keefe Lecture Series. 3-4 pm. \$35/non-members. 655-7227; fourarts.org

3/29 - Liederbend at The Royal Poinciana Chapel, 60 Coconut Row, Palm Beach. Presented by Palm Beach Opera. 6:30 pm. \$10. 833-7888; pbopera.org

Wednesday - 3/30 - 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 5/4. Individual classes per week: \$12/resident, \$15/non-resident; Full session: \$60/resident, \$75/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/30 - 21st Annual Giraffe Awards in honor of Women's History Month at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm beach. Hosted by The Women's Chamber of Commerce of Palm Beach County. 11 am-2 pm. Call for ticket price, 659-0285; womenschamber.biz

3/30 - Remembering Ft. Myers: The City of Palms 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

3/30 - J. Turner Moore Library Lecture Series: Janet DeVries & Ginger Pedersen *Legendary Locals of West Palm Beach* at 1330 Lands End Rd, Manalapan. 1:30 pm. Free. 383-2541; manalapan.org

3/30 - Guerrilla Warfare presented by Dr. Donald Borsand at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2 pm. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/30 - The Crossing: Book Talk presented by Alex Watson & his coauthor father Dr. Robert Watson at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 3:30 pm. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

3/30 - Underground Library: Kazuo Ishiguro - Provoking Memory at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 7-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/30 - The Son of Hamas: An Evening with Mosab Hassan Yousef at Temple Beth El, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. 7:30. \$36/general; \$50/preferred; \$100/VIP (includes 6:15 pm wine/cheese reception w/the speaker). 391-8900; tseboca.org

Thursday - 3/31 - Mad Hatter's Tea at Boynton Woman's Club, 1010 S Federal Hwy. Benefits Boynton Woman's Club Scholarship Fund. 2 pm. \$20/person. 369-2300; boyntonwomensclub.com

3/31 - Waking Ned Devine at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Part of Movies on Thursdays series. 2-4 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/31 - More Prime Time Crime: Florida Cases Heard 'Round The World presented by Robin Caral Shaw, Esq. at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Part of the Lifelong Learning Community Institute. First of three-part series. Class continues 4/7 & 14. 2-3:30 pm. \$45/three sessions. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

3/31 - Wonder Woman performed by Words ... Alive! at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Part of Books on Stage Reading Series. 2 pm. \$25. 272-1281; delraybeachplayhouse.com

3/31 - Lecture: Rubbing Shoulders by Marc Rosen at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education

Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 2:30-3:30 pm. \$10/non-members. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/31 - Concert: Whiffenpoofs at Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/31 - Read Together Palm Beach County 2016 Finale at Harriet Himmel Theater, 700 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. Featuring Chris Bohjalian, author of *The Light in the Ruins*. 5 pm doors open. Free. Reservations: 279-9103; literacypbcc.org

3/31 - 2016 Muse Awards: Everything Old Is New Again hosted by Cultural Council of Palm Beach County at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Honors individuals and organizations for their contributions to arts and culture in The Palm Beaches. 6 pm. \$300. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com

3/31 - Art Talk: Carin Wagner, painter, and Karla Walter, sculptor at Cornell Art Museum at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Works currently on display in the WILD exhibit. Runs through 4/17. 6-8 pm. \$15. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

3/31 - Engaging Documentaries - The Fog of War: Eleven Lessons from the Life of Robert S. McNamara (PG-13) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/31 - Smart Dog I at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St., Delray Beach. Beginning obedience class for dogs ages 5 months & older. Every Th 7:15-8:15 pm through 5/5. \$120/residents; \$130/non-residents. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/31-4/1 - Frontwave New Music Festival at Palm Beach Atlantic University Persson Recital Hall, 326 Acacia Rd, West Palm Beach. New music from PBA student and faculty composers. 7:30 pm. \$10/general; \$5/student w/ID. 803-2970; pba.edu

3/31-4/2 - Kelly Carlin: A Carlin Home Companion at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Th/F/Sat 7:30 pm; Sat 1:30 pm. \$39. 832-7469; kravis.org

Friday - 4/1 - 2nd Annual Boca Walk To End

Alzheimer's Promise Garden Luncheon & Spring Fashion Show at Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Dr. Sponsored by Lord & Taylor. 11 am-1:30 pm. Tickets start at \$100. 496-4222; act.alz.org

4/1 - House of Mah Jongg at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Part of *Studio Theatre* series. 2 pm. \$25. 272-1281; delraybeachplayhouse.com

4/1 - Historical Walking Tour presented by Historical Society of Palm Beach County. Meet at Richard and Pat Johnson Palm Beach County History Museum, 300 N. Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. 1-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; historicalsoctyypbc.org

4/1 - Adult Ballroom Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Instructor Lee Fox. Singles and couples welcome. Every F through 4/29. Beginner (Tango) 6:30-7:30 pm; Intermediate (Cha Cha) 7:45-8:45 pm. \$50/resident; \$63/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

4/1 - Antiques Road Show at Benzaiten Center for Creative Arts, 1105 2nd Ave S, Lake Worth. John Beers, third generation antique dealer/collector. One appraisal item per person. 6-8 pm. \$10/person. 508-7315; benzaitencenter.org

4/1 - 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

4/1 - FAU Percussion Ensemble at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 297-6124; fauevents.com

4/1 - Movies in the Park: Ghostbusters (PG) at Ocean Avenue Amphitheatre, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Food, snacks, beverages available for purchase. Every 1st F 8 pm Oct-Jun. Free. 600-9097; catchboynton.com

4/1-2 - Friends of the Museum Auxiliary First Dibs Preview & Collectible Treasures Sale at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Preview F 5-7 pm \$10/person (RSVP required); sale Sat 10 am-3 pm free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

4/1-2 - Reflections: Modern Acoustic Guitar Inspiring Contemporary Dance at Palm Beaches Theatre, 262 S Ocean Blvd, Manalapan. 8 pm. \$42-\$62. 855-728-8497; palmbeachestheatre.org

4/1-3 - Legendary Ladies of Song at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. F&Sat 8 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$25. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

Saturday - 4/2 - Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation One Walk 2015 for a World Without Type 1 Diabetes at Mizner Park, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 2-mile walk, complimentary refreshments for walkers. 7:30 am registration; 8:30 am walk begins. Register to raise funds: 801-7273; jdrf.org/events

4/2 - Corvettes on the Lake Cars & Crafts Show at Bryant Park, 30 S Golfview Rd, Lake Worth. Presented by Corvette Club of the Palm Beaches. 10 am-4 pm. Free. 433-5757; ccpb.us

4/2 - Commercial Music Ensembles at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 297-6124; fauevents.com

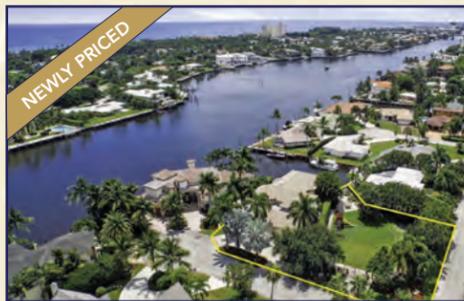
4/2 - Terry Barber: Around The World at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 8 pm. \$45. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

4/2-3 - Lake Worth Art League Outdoor Show at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. 9:30 am-4:30 pm. Free. 586-4271; lwartleague.org

4/2-3 - Dialogue: Racism Workshop at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Boca Raton, 2601 St. Andrews Blvd. Participants examine what has led to racism in today's world through multisensory experiences in a safe, loving atmosphere. 4/2: 10 am-5 pm, 4/3: 1-5 pm. \$20. 482-2001 or uufbr.org.

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Francis Sanatan, a volunteer player's assistant, fills divots at Red Reef Executive Golf Course.



ABOVE: Volunteer Francis Sanatan rakes a sand trap at Red Reef Park Executive Golf Course. **RIGHT:** Doug Tunstall, who volunteers at Red Reef, plays a round of golf.

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By Brian Biggane

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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

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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.



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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.



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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.



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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

Boca hospital's milk bank helps preemies fend off ills

Jenny O'Sullivan's three babies were all big — not one of them under 8 pounds — all born healthy and all breastfed. So when she heard there was a need for donated breast milk for premature and sick babies, she was more than willing to help.

"I said to my husband, I think I can do this," O'Sullivan said.

She had already been pumping extra milk and freezing it before she went back to work as a teacher at A.D. Henderson School in Boca Raton. Her youngest child, Molly, is now 6 months old.

So when she heard there was an urgent need for breast milk, she contacted the Toppel Family Place at Boca Raton Regional Hospital. After a thorough health screening for her and Molly, she became a donor.

Toppel Family Place has been providing donated breast milk to fragile premature babies in its neonatal intensive care unit since 2013, but the nearest milk bank in those days was in Texas. In June, the Mothers' Milk Bank of Florida opened in Orlando.

"Boca Raton Regional Hospital has been a little dynamo of a depot," said Kandis Natoli, executive director of the Milk Bank. "In the last six months, they have sent in over 4,000 ounces."

For any baby, breast milk is the best way to assure good health. But for premature babies, breast milk can mean survival. Premature birth is the No. 1



Jenny O'Sullivan (right), with her husband, Morgan, and children, Caitlin, 6, Sean, 4, and Molly, 6 months. Jenny O'Sullivan donates breast milk to the Toppel Family Place at Boca Raton Regional Hospital. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

cause of infant death. One out of eight babies born in Florida is premature, according to the March of Dimes.

"For a sick baby or a premature baby, it is easier to digest," said Cari Tanella, nurse and lactation consultant at Toppel Place. "It also primes the gut with the right bacteria and it helps with so many diseases."

Compounding the problem, mothers of preemies are often

unable to produce breast milk because they are sick or on medication after the birth.

Human milk helps the premature infant build a strong immune system and fight infection, and can prevent necrotizing enterocolitis, a inflammatory bowel condition in preemies, Tanella said. Commercial baby formula does not have the health-protective qualities of breast milk.

The new Milk Bank of Florida is one of 19 human milk banks across North America. Many of the milk banks opened after 2011, when the surgeon general drew attention to the importance of breastfeeding and called for milk banks in every state.

According to the 2011 report, 75 percent of mothers start out breastfeeding but after six months, only 43 percent are still breastfeeding. The report sought to increase those rates to 82 percent and 61 percent by 2020.

Breastfeeding can protect babies from ear and other infections, diarrhea, pneumonia and sudden infant death syndrome and has been linked with a lower incidence of asthma and obesity.

Breastfeeding mothers have a decreased risk for breast and ovarian cancers, the surgeon general's report said. Breastfeeding saves a family \$1,200 in cost of baby formula.

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How to donate

To find out whether you qualify to donate breast milk, call 407-248-5500 or visit www.milkbankofflorida.org. Donors who qualify can call Toppel Family Place at 955-5415 to schedule an appointment with a lactation consultant.

known viruses and bacteria, then frozen. The milk is collected, processed and stored according to the standards of the Human Milk Banking Association of North America. It can be obtained only by prescription.

A woman's body is capable of producing milk for several years. In older times, women breastfed their children until they were toddlers. One of the surgeon general's goals for 2020 was that 34 percent of mothers would still be breastfeeding on their children's first birthdays.

Some of the Milk Bank's most devoted donors are women whose babies needed donated milk. Once those mothers are able to produce milk, they will sometimes play catch-up so successfully that they have more than their babies need.

"Once her supply catches up, she may start pumping a quart a day, even though her baby needs just a few ounces," said Natoli. "They adjust and do well and start being overproducers. They want to help because somebody helped them."

Over her desk, Natoli has a photo of an infant sitting on a collection of 10 boxes of milk sent by the baby's mother in Louisiana. The boxes contained a total of 2,000 ounces of milk.

"When I looked at that picture, I said, 'Oh, God bless this good woman,'" said Natoli. "It was just lovely."

Lona O'Connor has a lifelong interest in health and healthy living. Send column ideas to Lona13@bellsouth.net.



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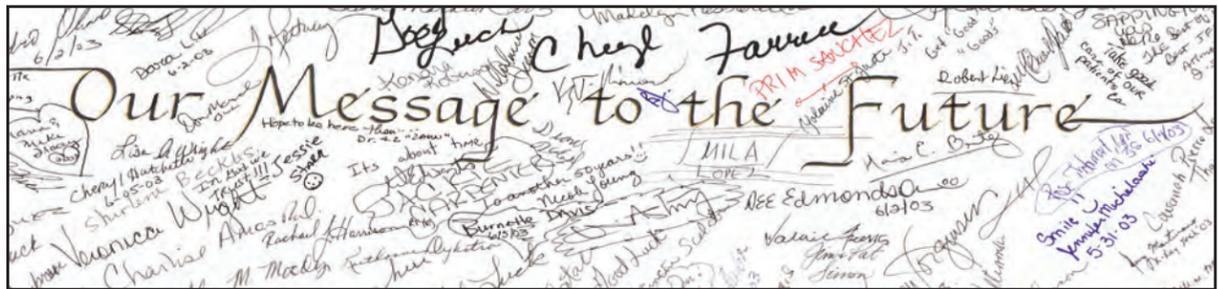
Health & Harmony

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ABOVE: Gina Melby, CEO of JFK Medical Center, addresses employees and board members as part of the celebration of the 50th year of the hospital. **ABOVE RIGHT:** Dino Gavazza (foreground) and Frank Gueits help carry the capsule that was buried in 2003 after a major expansion of the hospital. **RIGHT:** One of the most interesting objects in the capsule was a banner with signatures of the employees addressing the future hospital. The facility has grown to a 472-bed medical center with more than 600 physicians, 2,000 health care workers and 250 volunteers. **Photos by Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**



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Health & Harmony Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 5

Saturday - 3/5 - 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

3/5 - Qi Gong at Daggerring 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

3/5 - Yoga Class at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton. T/Th/Sat 9:30-11 am; T 6:30-8 pm. 5 classes \$65/resident, \$81.25/non-resident; 10 classes \$110/resident, \$137.50/non-resident; 20 classes \$200/resident, \$250/non-resident. 477-8727; myboca.us

3/5 - 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

3/5 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park West (Intracoastal side), 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Classes held on 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

3/5 - 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

3/5 - Capoeira Fitness at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Ages 12 & up. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

3/5 - Zumba Class at South Beach Park Pavilion, 400 N State Rd A1A, Boca Raton. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

MARCH 6-12

Monday - 3/7 - 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

3/7 - Circuit Training at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Targets multiple muscle groups to build lean muscles, improve energy and fitness. Modifications available. M/T/Th 8:30-9:20 am. 4 classes \$36/resident, \$45/non-resident; 8 classes \$66/resident, \$82.50/non-resident; 16 classes \$118/resident, \$147.50/non-resident. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com

3/7 - Yin Yoga Wellness Classes with Rasika 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 through 5/27. 9-10 am. \$15/session. Reservations appreciated: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/7 - 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

3/7 - Yoga Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. M/W/F 9:30-11 am. 5 classes \$65/resident, \$81.25/non-resident; 10 classes \$110/resident, \$137.50/non-resident; 20 classes \$200/resident, \$250/non-resident. 477-8727; myboca.us

3/7 - Stretch at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. Every M&W 10-11 am. \$5/member; \$10/non-member. Sign up in advance: 243-7360; delraytennis.com

3/7 - 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/resident; \$20/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/7 - Chair Massage at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every M 10 am-noon. \$10/10-minute session. Appointments recommended: 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/7 - Adult Dance Class: Hula - The Graceful Dance of Hawaii at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basic steps of Vamps, Arnis (hip circle), hand movements. Every M 10:30-11:30 am through 4/11. \$45/resident; \$56/non-resident. 367-7035; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/7 - 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/resident; \$16/non-resident. 243-7350;

mydelraybeach.com

3/7 - 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/resident, \$40/non-resident; 16 classes \$60/resident, \$75/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/7 - 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

3/7 - Meditation 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; highlandbeach.us

3/7 - Zumba Class at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. M&W 6-7 pm. \$5/resident, \$6/non-resident; \$50/6-week session (12 classes). 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/7 - Boca Raton Multiple Myeloma Support Group at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Meet and interact with fellow myeloma patients, their family members, friends. Learn new aspects of treatment and management of myeloma. Every 1st M 6:30-8 pm. Free. 901-5938; 637-4682; myeloma.org

3/7 - Men's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every M 6:30-8 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

Tuesday - 3/8 - 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/resident, \$45/non-resident; 8 classes \$66/resident, \$82.50/non-resident; 16 classes \$118/resident, \$147.50/non-resident. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com

3/8 - Women's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every T 10-11:30 am. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/8 - Silver Sneakers Cardio Strength Sr. Gold Class at Personal Physician Care Community Center, 4800 Linton Blvd #F-111, Delray

Beach. T&Th 10-11 am. \$5/class; free for members w/participating health plans. 808-7743; ppcare.net

3/8 - Yoga at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Bring a yoga mat. T&Th 10:15 am. \$10/session. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/8 - 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 3/22. Free. 292-4950; RLatino@BHIinc.org

3/8 - 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/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/8 - Tai Chi at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every T 3-4 pm. \$10/session. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/8 - 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/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/8 - 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



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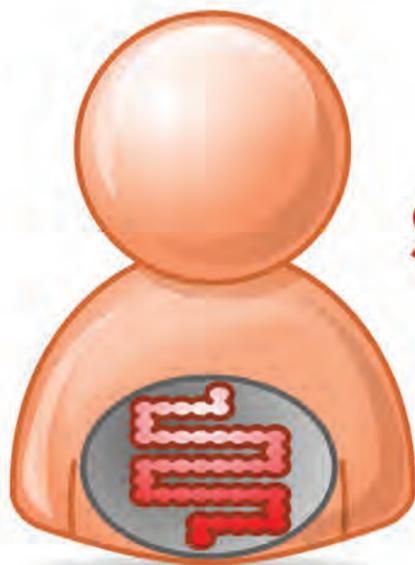
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3/8 - Latest Treatment for Wrist Fractures presented by Angelo Incorvaia, M.D., as part of the Ask the Physician Lecture Series at Bethesda Hospital East Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@BHInc.org

3/8 - 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

Wednesday - 3/9 - Hatha Yoga Wellness Classes with Rassika Sabine Bourgi at Society of The Four Arts Sculpture Garden, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Bring mat, check in at Dixon Education Building. Every W 9-10 am through 5/27/16. \$15/session. Reservations appreciated: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/9 - Yoga with Colleen at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Ages 18 & up. Every W 9-10:30 am. Per class: \$10/resident; \$15/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

3/9 - Shared Care at Temple Beth El, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. Interfaith respite program supported by Temple Beth El, St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, and Grace Community Church. Every W 9:30 am-2:30 pm Sep-May. \$25/year. 391-8900; tbeoca.org

3/9 - AI Anon Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every W 10:30-11:30 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/9 - Coloring Club for Adults at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Carefree fun of childhood, 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; highlandbeach.us

3/9 - 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

3/9 - Moving Forward for Widows & Widowers: Support and Discussion Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W 1-2:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/9 - T'ai Chi at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Led by Master William Merkle. Every W 6 pm. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.com

3/9 - Divorced and Separated Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W 6-7:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

3/9 - 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. Held again 3/16, 3/26 (9-11 am) & 4/6. 6-8 pm. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

3/9 - Tai Chi Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Moving meditation for focus, concentration, release of stress, attention skills. Every W 6:10-7:10 pm (beginners); 7:10-8:10 pm (intermediate). 8 classes \$48/resident, \$60/non-resident; 12 classes \$66/resident, \$82/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

3/9 - 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. 7-9 pm. \$40/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

Thursday - 3/10 - Ballet Floor Barre Wellness Classes with Rassika Sabine Bourgi at Society of The Four Arts Sculpture Garden, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Bring mat, check in at Dixon Education Building. Every Th 9-10 am through 5/27/16. \$15/session. Reservations appreciated: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/10 - Aspirins and Statins: Facts and Myths with Dr. Charles H. Hennekens at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of the Winter One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 10-11:45 am. \$45/annual membership; \$25/advance member; \$30/at the door & non-member. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

3/10 - 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

3/10 - SuperPATH: The Latest in Hip Replacement presented by Elvis Grandic, M.D. as part of the Ask the Physician Lecture Series at Bethesda Hospital East Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@BHInc.org

3/10 - 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. Per class: \$10/resident; \$12/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

Friday - 3/11 - 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

3/11 - Pilates Wellness Classes with Rassika Sabine Bourgi at Society of The Four Arts Sculpture Garden, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Bring mat, check in at Dixon Education Building. Every F 9-10 am through 5/27/16. \$15/session. Reservations appreciated: 805-8562; fourarts.org

3/11 - 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 - 3/12 - One Day Childbirth Preparation Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. One-day program prepares couples for the birth of their first child by discussing birthing options and practicing birthing skills. 9 am-4 pm. \$125/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

3/12 - Mind, Body & Nutrition at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Certified Personal Trainer Diane Bijolle teaches concepts of fitness. Ages 14+. Every Sat 10-11 am through 3/5. \$85/resident; \$106/non-resident. Pre-registration required: 742-6221; boyntonbeach.org

3/12 - 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; boyntonbeach.org

MARCH 13-19

Sunday - 3/13 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park East, 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. No cash accepted on-site. Sun/M/T/W 6:30-7:30 pm. \$10-\$12.50/class; \$65-\$81.25/60-day membership (unlimited classes). 393-7807; myboca.us

Wednesday - 3/16 - 55+ Health Fair at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Free blood work, vision and cholesterol screenings, door prizes, entertainment, healthy appetizers. 9 am-noon. Free. 742-6570; boyntonbeach.org

3/16 - Prenatal Breastfeeding Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. 7-9 pm. \$40/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

Friday - 3/18 - Lecture: Psycho-Neuro-Immunology 101; or How I Learned to Stop Killing Myself with Cortisol with Nubby Shober, L.Ac., DAOM at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 1-2 pm. \$15/non-member; free/member. Reservations required: 805-8562; fourarts.org

Saturday - 3/19 - Schizophrenia: New Advances in Prevention and Treatment at Mental Health Association of Palm Beach County, 909 Fern St, West Palm Beach. Panel of experts. Light breakfast included. 8 am-noon. \$25/MHA member; \$30/non-member. 832-3755; mhapbc.org

3/19 - Chair Yoga Training at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St, Delray Beach. Designed for both yoga teachers and students. Wear comfortable clothes. 9-11 am. Free-will offering. Advance registration: 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

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MARCH 20-26

Tuesday - 3/22 - Cardiology: Frequently Asked Questions presented by Lawrence Weinstein, M.D. as part of the Ask the Physician Lecture Series at Bethesda Hospital East Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@BHInc.org

Wednesday - 3/23 - Alive Inside: Discover Music & Memory at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Sponsored by MorseLife Health System as part of its Experts on Aging Speaker Series. Refreshments included. 2

pm. Free. Reservations: 687-5743; delraylibrary.org

3/23 - Lung Cancer Support Group at Bethesda Hospital East Sand Dollar Room, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Light refreshments. Every 4th W 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 292-4972; mhereira@BHInc.org

Thursday - 3/24 - MorseLife Bereavement Support Group at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 10-11:30 am. Free. 209-6174; morseslife.org

MARCH 27-APRIL 2

Tuesday - 3/29 - 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/resident; \$75/non-resident. 742-6441; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 3/30 - Hypertension: The Silent Killer presented by Berry Pierre, D.O. as part of the Ask the Physician Lecture Series at Bethesda Hospital East Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@BHInc.org

Thursday - 3/31 - New Advancements for Patients on Dialysis presented by George Mueller, M.D. as part of the Ask the Physician Lecture Series at Bethesda Hospital East Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@BHInc.org

3/31-4/1 - Youth Mental Health First Aid at Mental Health Association of Palm Beach County Youth to Youth Support Center, 2100 45th St #B11, West Palm Beach. Morning refreshments/training materials included. Free. Advance registration required: 832-3755; mhapbc.org

Saturday - 4/2 - 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/resident, \$81.25/non-resident; 10 classes \$110/resident, \$137.50/non-resident; 20 classes \$200/resident, \$250/non-resident. 477-8727; myboca.us

4/2 - 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

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Religion

Rabbi reaches out with new congregation

By Janis Fontaine

Rabbi Joan Cubell wants everyone to feel welcome at Congregation Beit Kulam, which she founded in July in Boca Raton.

Beit Kulam, which means The House of Everyone, is a Reform congregation. Reform Judaism is the largest Jewish denomination in the United States, accounting for about one-third of U.S. Jews.

Cubell recently returned from the biennial conference of the Union for Reform Judaism, which took place in Orlando on Nov. 4-8. "Reform is the way to go because I believe in pluralism," she said. "It's more welcoming." More than simply accepting everyone, true pluralism rejoices in the knowledge that diverse groups can thrive at the same time, she said.

She is the first female rabbi to be ordained as rabbi with s'micha (a rabbinical ordination) from Tifereth Israel Rabbinical Yeshiva in its 60-year history. She's also the first woman to be accepted as a member of the American Council of Rabbis.

Those achievements are important, but they pale beside her work as a rabbi of the people.

Cubell grew up in Randolph,

Mass., a close-knit community about 18 miles south of Boston, in a traditional Jewish family. Her father, Frederick Cubell, was a respected businessman. "I miss the sense of community," she said of the small New England town. That sense of community is exactly what she wants to build with her new congregation.

Cubell earned a business degree from Northeastern University in 1982 and joined her father's financial planning firm after graduation. Her father spent 54 years helping people with their money problems. It took a long time and a lot of careful cultivating to grow hundreds of strong relationships in business. That created a bond with the community that was important to both father and daughter.

"We watched their families grow up and their kids go off to college," she said, often paying those college tuitions with money the Cubells had helped them save. Cubell still has clients she's devoted to, but the work itself has her a little bored.

"It's just not fun anymore," Cubell said. "There's a lot of paperwork, and more interference from Uncle Sam. It's just not the same."

Like so many wealthy Northerners, the elderly Cubells flew south to Florida when



Rabbi Joan Cubell, right, with Cantor Geniene Miller, left, and Adina Baseman Sharfstein at a recent Shabbat service. Photo provided by Norman Karl Garrett

they retired. When her father became ill in 2012, Cubell came to South Florida to care for him. "He didn't even last the year," Cubell said.

Then her husband, David Okun, had a stroke. Though he has recovered most of his skills, he still has challenges with his right arm and with retrieving just the right word sometimes.

Despite these personal hardships, Cubell said it was "bashert," meaning meant to be. She loves being a rabbi, she said. "It's my passion."

Cubell is a new kind of rabbi. "What people need from a rabbi has changed. The family unit is no longer together,"

Cubell said. People connect more through their kids' friends at school or at extracurricular activities than they do any other way, Cubell said.

"But the children all have cell phones and they don't talk anymore, they text." Cubell said she knows a woman who texts her son in the next room to tell him dinner is ready. It's a different world.

She doesn't blame technology; she embraces it. "We use technology to keep in touch with our congregation," Cubell said.

If social media are the best way to get and stay connected in 2016, she's in with both thumbs. And if you doubt that you too are searching for "connection," ask your Facebook friends or go count your LinkedIn endorsements. The more you have, the more connected you are, right?

"We host 'meet-ups,'" she said, referring to the popular website meetup.com, which connects people who share the same interest. "There are a lot of lonely people out there, and some people aren't comfortable going into a big synagogue with a large congregation. Maybe it's been a long time since they've gone. Maybe they don't know Hebrew and don't want to be embarrassed."

At Beit Kulam it's different. "We're a small, congenial congregation. We provide a place for making friends, for making a real connection. We know that's what's important. There are a lot of unaffiliated Jewish families in our area and I want to reach out to them."

They use music to connect to new people, because music is a universal language. It puts people at ease. Cubell's musical team — Cantor Geniene Miller and music and choir director Cantor Jennifer Werby — often all join in song. Miller and Cubell performed together at Temple Beth Shira, before they decided to fly solo. Werby rounds out the trio, who use piano, guitar and percussion.

"I'm a different type of rabbi," Cubell said. "My door is always open, and it's open to everyone. There's no pretense here."

The congregation has about 80 members and 30 or 40 people still come to services each week at Cubell's home. It's cozy, but it will have to do until she finds a suitable permanent home.

Don't let the crowded conditions intimidate you. Seating might be a little tight, but you'll be among friends. ★

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Finding Faith

St. Paul's Day School has a new director

Liz Ryan has accepted a position with St. Paul's Day School in Delray Beach as day school director.

Ryan, who has a degree in music/theater, started her childcare career as a volunteer at her church and then honed her skills providing in-home child care. Once her own children were old enough to be in school all day, she taught preschool for 10 years at St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church in Coral Springs, her home parish at the time, before being named the preschool's director, a position she held for more than six years.

Ryan, who calls herself a "cradle Episcopalian," says church, Sunday school, and choir were part of her life from day one. She stayed active through high school, playing guitar with the church "folk Mass" group. "I taught Sunday school as a teen and then again after I had my own children," she said.

Ryan said she follows the philosophy of Maria Montessori: "Play is the work of the child." She hopes to add more music to the curriculum at St. Paul's.

In her spare time, Ryan likes to paint, crochet, knit, design Web pages, practice calligraphy and plan events.

She will assume her position in June. She replaces Patti Daniell, who retires after 23 years.

Interfaith concert raises money for common goal

At the end of January, Muslims, Christians and Jews came together in harmony to help Family Promise of South Palm Beach County raise money for its programs.

The concert — called Sounds of Promise — featured choirs from five congregations, including St. Gregory's Episcopal Church in Boca Raton. Members of Banyan

Creek Elementary's drum line also performed, and representatives from the Islamic Center of Boca Raton read from the Quran and recited poetry.

Family Promise of SPBC finds work and housing for homeless families in Boca Raton and Delray Beach. The network consists of 19 congregations, and serves as an example of interfaith cooperation and acceptance.

Marchele Courtney, who has volunteered at Family Promise for several years, helped organize the 90-minute concert.

"We had such a variety of performers," she said. "Our congregations brought their best performers to showcase their musical talent, including The Abundant Life Christian Center Choir from Margate. We had women from the Islamic Center read poetry in English and Arabic, and one recited a beautiful poem she had written. It was an hour of happy."

So far, Family Promise of SPBC has helped more than 300 people find jobs and housing. For more information, visit www.familypromisepbc.org.

Holocaust investigator to speak

Father Patrick Desbois' life's work — researching the Holocaust, fighting anti-Semitism, and improving the relationship between Catholics and Jews — has taken him all over the world. In March, it brings him to Palm Beach County.

Desbois will speak at 8 p.m. March 29 about the genocide of the Yazidi people in 2014 at the hand of ISIS militants, who abducted women and girls and killed more than 5,000 civilians. He'll also speak about his work in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union.

Desbois is the founder and president of Yahad-In Unum, a global



Liz Ryan

humanitarian organization dedicated to identifying and commemorating the sites of Jewish and Roma mass executions in Eastern Europe during World War II. Since 2004, Desbois has been researching the *einsatzgruppen*, the Nazis' mobile killing units. These paramilitary death squads were responsible for many mass killings, such as Babi Yar, which lasted two days and killed 33,771 Jews.

He also is director of the Episcopal Committee for Catholic-Judeo Relations, under the auspices of the French Conference of Bishops. His grandfather was a WWII prisoner of war held in the Rawa Ruska camp on the Poland-Ukraine border.

An exhibition, *Holocaust by Bullets*, on display at the United Nations from Jan. 25 to Feb. 9, was one of many Holocaust remembrance events planned in 2016. The exhibition chronicled Yahad-In Unum's work collecting evidence of massacres during WWII.

Desbois, as president of Yahad-In Unum, spoke at a private reception when the exhibit opened. Organized by the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations, the exhibit was subtitled "The Hidden Holocaust."

Admission to the private briefing is by invitation only; call Ellen Safran at 906-9775 or email esafran@comcast.net. For



Holocaust expert Father Patrick Desbois Photo provided

more information, visit www.yahadinunum.org.

Upcoming events

Unhappy? Lonely? She has advice for you.

New York Times best-selling author Marci Shimoff will be the guest speaker at the Jewish Women's Foundation of South Palm Beach County's Granting Wishes cocktail reception, which begins at 5:30 p.m. March 16 at Boca Rio Golf Club, 22041 Boca Rio Road in Boca Raton.



Shimoff

Shimoff is a nationally recognized expert on happiness and unconditional love. The author of *Love for No Reason* and *Happy for No Reason*, she has a new philosophy about finding and keeping love and happiness.

As part of the popular *Chicken Soup for the Soul* series, Shimoff logged six bestselling titles including *Chicken Soup for the Woman's Soul* and *Chicken Soup for the Mother's Soul*, which have sold more than 14 million copies worldwide in 33 languages. Her books have spent 108 weeks — more than two solid years — on top.

Shimoff is related to a second important self-help strategy for achieving love and happiness as well as success. Shimoff is a featured teacher for "The

Secret," the visualize-what-you-want-and-you-shall-have-it phenomenon. She's also the co-founder of the Esteem Group and is a frequent lecturer on empowerment and self-esteem, and on getting to and staying at the top of your game.

The JWF's grants fund programs that create social change. The group awarded \$125,000 in 2015, and the JWF has awarded more than \$1 million over the last dozen years. It funds initiatives in education, health, abuse prevention, and economic security that help women and children. JWF trustees contribute a minimum of \$2,000 per year for five years, which allows them a say in which projects are funded.

The Granting Wishes event features heavy hors d'oeuvres, desserts and wine (kosher dietary laws observed). Admission is \$85.

For more information, visit www.jewishboca.org/grantingwishes or contact Lisbeth Rock Cauff at 852-3188 or by email at lisbethc@bocafed.org.

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causes and community events. Contact her at janisfontaine@outlook.com.

Religion Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 6-12

Sunday - 3/6 - Chabad Delray Women's Membership Luncheon features Frumma Gottlieb at Chabad Delray, 7495 W Atlantic Ave. 12:30 pm. \$36/member, \$40/general public. 498-6228; chabaddelray.com

3/6 - Red Tent Event: Who Was Vashti? at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Intrigue, mask making, putting together Mish-loach Manot goodie baskets. 1-3 pm. \$5/supplies. RSVP: 276-6161 x157; templesinaipbc.org

3/6 - Seek(ers) Sanctuary at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Worship, food, discussion. Ages 20s & 30s. 5:30 pm. Free. 276-4541; Teresa@stpaulsdelray.org

3/6 - 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

Monday - 3/7 - Senior Searchers at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

Tuesday - 3/8 - 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

3/8 - 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

3/8 - Catholic Grandparents Meeting at Ascension Church, 7250 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. All welcome. Second T 10-11:30 am. Free. 289-2640; diocesepbc.org

3/8 - 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

3/8 - 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

Wednesday - 3/9 - 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

3/9 - Goats of the Tabernacle: Perceiving the Pain of Others at Chabad of South Palm Beach, 224 S Ocean Blvd. Part of Torah Studies Lunch & Learn series. 11 am. Free. 889-3499; chabadsdpb.org

3/9 - 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

3/9 - Rector's Bible Study at St Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Every W 6 pm supper (soup/salad, donation requested); 7 pm Bible study (free). 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

Thursday - 3/10 - Prayer Circle at Trinity Lutheran Church Courtyard, 400 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every Th 8:05 am. 278-1737; trinitydelray.org

Friday - 3/11 - Women's Bible Study Group at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church Youth House, 266 NE 2nd St, Boca Raton. Every F 9:15 am. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

MARCH 13-19

Sunday - 3/13 - Lori Shapiro: Our Story, Our Song: A Musical Celebration of Jewish Composers in America at Temple Beth El, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. A cantorial graduation celebration. 3 pm. \$100/reserved

benefactor; \$36/preferred; \$18/general; \$10/student. 391-8900; tbecoca.org

3/13 - Monthly Spiritual Exploration at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St, Delray Beach. Reverend Linda Hurley. Every Sun 6 pm through 6/12. Free-will offering. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

Wednesday - 3/16 - In Your Hands: The Dialogue of Mordechai and Esther at Chabad of South Palm Beach, 224 S Ocean Blvd. Part of Torah Studies Lunch & Learn series. 11 am. Free. 889-3499; chabadsdpb.org

3/16 - Art & Soul: Architecture - Edifice and Environment - Part of the Rosh Chodesh Society Course at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave. Noon & 7:30 pm. \$15. 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

Friday - 3/18 - Parents of St. Gregory's at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Potluck dinner, topic discussion (targeted to young parents w/children ages 2-13), group feedback, childcare available. Third F 6-8 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

MARCH 20-26

Wednesday - 3/23 - Doing G-d's Work: Holiness vs. Spirituality at Chabad of South Palm Beach, 224 S Ocean Blvd. Part of Torah Studies Lunch & Learn series. 11 am. Free. 889-

3499; chabadsdpb.org
Thursday - 3/24 - Purim Gala Dinner Celebration Cruise on Majestic Princess Dinner Cruise Ship, 200 E 13th St, Riviera Beach. 4:30 pm boarding; 8 pm ship returns to dock. \$54/person. Presented by Temple Chabad. Reservations required: 573-6939; chabaddelray.com

Friday 3/25 - Shabbat Purim at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Rabbi Bass, Cantor Margaret Schmitt, Guest Cantor Rennie Brown. 6:30 pm. Free. 276-6161; templesinaipbc.org

3/25 - Shabbat Purim at Duncan Center, 15820 S Military Tr, Delray Beach. Presented by Temple Adath. 7 pm. 954-888-1408; taocenter.net

MARCH 26-APRIL 2

Sunday - 3/27 - Easter Sunday
Tuesday - 3/29 - M.O.M.S.: Ministry of Mothers Shining at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Personal and spiritual growth through journaling and sharing; clarify values, claim giftedness, bring new strengths to family relationships and the Christian Community. Every T 6:30 pm through 5/3. Free. 901-6859; stvincentferrer.com

St. Lucy Catholic Church fashion show
Via Mizner Golf & Country Club, Boca Raton — Feb. 23



Sleeves To Go model Susan Costanza walks the runway during the church's 44th annual fundraising luncheon and fashion show. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

Easter Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 6-12

Friday - 3/11 - Lenten Fish Fry at St. Mark Catholic Church, 643 St. Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Held again 3/18. \$12. 734-9330; stmark-boynton.com

3/11 - Lenten Fish Fry at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. 5-8 pm. Held again 3/18. \$10. 272-6190; stvincentferrer.com

MARCH 13-19

Wednesday - 3/16 - Penance Service at St. Mark Catholic Church, 643 St. Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. 7 pm. Free. 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com

Thursday - 3/17 - Lenten Penance Service at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. 7 pm, Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

Friday - 3/18 - Living Stations of the Cross at St. Mark Catholic Church, 643 St. Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. 7 pm. Free. 734-9330; stmark-boynton.com

MARCH 20-26

Sunday - 3/20 - Palm Sunday Choir Cantata: At the Ninth Hour at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Chancel choir/chamber orchestra, hand bells. Tom Bates, Director. 8:30 & 11 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.co

3/20 - Palm Sunday Processional at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 10 am. Free. 395-8285; stgregory-episcopal.org

3/20 - Palm Sunday Concert at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St, Delray Beach. Featuring Ebony Chorale of the Palm Beaches. 4 pm. Free-will offering. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

Wednesday - 3/23 - Tenebrae Service at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 730 m. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryepiscopal.org

3/23-27 - Holy Week Retreat: Be Merciful as Your Father at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center, 1300 US Hwy One, North Palm Beach. Triduum Services, Sunrise Mass on Easter, Morning Prayer, Presentations and Sacrament of Reconciliation. Accommodations/meals included. Cost is variable for religious, singles, couples, w/lodging or commuter. W 5 pm registration. \$160-\$450. 626-1300; ourladyofflorida.org

Thursday - 3/24 - Holy Thursday Prayer & Sacrament of Holy Communion at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 9 am-5 pm. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.com

3/24 - Maundy Thursday Service at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Noon & 7:30 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryepiscopal.org

3/24 - Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

3/24-25 - Maundy Thursday Prayer Vigil at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 9 pm-9 am. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryepiscopal.org

Friday - 3/25 - Good Friday Services at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Noon & 7:30 pm. Free. 395-8285;

stgregoryepiscopal.org

3/25 - Good Friday Prayer Vigil at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St, Delray Beach. Noon-3 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelray-beach.org

3/25 - Good Friday Passion Liturgy with Communion at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. 3 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

3/25 - Good Friday Fish Dinner at Faith United Methodist Church, 6340 Boynton Beach Blvd, Boynton Beach. 5:30 pm. \$7/adults; \$5/children. Reservations:738-1902

3/25 - Stations of the Cross at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 404 SW 3rd St., Delray Beach. Combined service with St. Paul's Episcopal. 5:30 pm. 276-4541 or stpaulsdelray.org

3/25 - Good Friday Living Stations of the Cross at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

3/25 - Tenebrae Service at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

Saturday - 3/26 - Holy Saturday Liturgy at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 8:30 am. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryepiscopal.org

3/26 - Holy Saturday Evening Vigil at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

3/26 - Easter Vigil at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryepiscopal.org

MARCH 27-APRIL 2

Sunday - 3/27 - Easter

3/27 - Community Sunrise Service at Oceanfront Park, 6415 North Ocean Blvd, Boynton Beach. Sponsored by area churches and clergy. 6:30 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.com

3/27 - Delray Beach Easter Sunrise Service at Atlantic Avenue & A1A. Hosted by Delray Beach Interfaith Clergy Association. Music by St. Paul's Episcopal Church. 6:30 am. Free. 276-4541

3/27 - 27th Annual Easter Sunrise Service on the Beach at Red Reef Park, 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Bring a beach chair for your comfort. Free refreshments. Hosted by Boca Raton Kiwanis Club. 7 am. Free. 997-2112; kiwanisclubofbocaraton.com

3/27 - Family Eucharist at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S. Swinton Ave., Delray Beach. Music and choir followed by Easter egg hunt. 9 am. Festival Eucharist at 11:30 pm. 276-4541 or stpaulsdelray.org

3/27 - Easter Day Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. 7, 8:30, 10, 11:30 am in the Church; 10:10 & 11:40 am in Family Life Center. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

3/27 - Easter Day Service at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. 7:30, 9, & 11:15 am; 6 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryepiscopal.org

3/27 - Easter Service at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 8:30 & 11 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.com

3/27 - Easter Service at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St, Delray Beach. 9:25 & 11 am. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

3/27 - Easter Services at First United Methodist Church East, 625 NE Mizner Blvd., Boca Raton. 8, 9:30, & 11 am services; 10:30 am butterfly release/spring festival begins. Free. 395-1244; fumcocaraton.org

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Paws Up for Pets

WWII vet helps others get service dogs

Meet Irwin Stovroff, an energetic 93-year-old from Boca Raton. He regards himself as “the luckiest person there is.” Let’s add remarkable and inspiring.

This decorated World War II fighter pilot and ex-POW built a successful furniture business career and is now known as the guy who gets things done for military veterans. When he retired at 75, he quickly discovered that the leisure life of playing cards, golf or tennis just wasn’t for him.

Instead, he launched his second career — assisting veterans with their pension and medical-care paperwork and, for the past six years, overseeing an organization called Vets Helping Heroes.

This nonprofit group raises money to sponsor the training of assistance dogs for military veterans and active-duty military personnel contending with physical disabilities and post-traumatic stress disorder.

Since 2008, his group has raised more than \$6 million and trained more than 200 dogs that fall into six categories of assistance to veterans: guide dogs for the blind; hearing dogs; service dogs for people with physical limitations; skilled companion dogs for people with cognitive disabilities; combat stress relief dogs; and facility therapy dogs who visit Veterans Affairs hospitals and hospices.

But let’s go back nearly 72 years ago — Aug. 13, 1944 — when Stovroff was a second lieutenant in the air force. On that date, he woke up before dawn and climbed into a B-52 bomber to fly behind enemy lines on what was to be his 35th and final mission. He got shot down over France and, being Jewish, quickly ditched his dog tags before being captured by the Nazis.

“I was one day from going home,” he recalls. “Everyone in our squadron had our bags packed to go home and we were envisioning parades. Instead, we ended up in a prison camp.”

He spent the next year as a POW, fighting fatigue and starvation before being freed by the Russians in May 1945. His 5-foot, 10-inch frame had shriveled to a mere 85 pounds by his first day of freedom.

Freedom. It is a word Stovroff doesn’t take lightly. It will be the centerpiece of his salute-worthy talk, aptly titled, “An Extraordinary Life Gone to the Dogs,” set for March 6 at the 10th annual Festival of the Arts Boca, held at the Cultural Arts Center.

“My message is simple: Freedom isn’t free,” says Stovroff. “Somebody has paid a price for it and we are the beneficiaries. I will share my story and explain why I am what I am today.”

Stovroff tirelessly delivers talks and raises money and awareness for his cause: to help



Irwin Stovroff plays with his golden retriever, Cash. Photo provided by Maria Teresa Creations

If You Go

Irwin Stovroff’s talk, ‘An Extraordinary Life Gone to the Dogs,’ is scheduled for 4 p.m. March 6, at the Boca Raton Cultural Arts Center.

For details on how you can attend his talk as well as the other presentations planned at the 10th annual Festival of the Arts Boca event, call 368-8445 or the box office at 866-571-2787 or email info@festivaloftheartsboca.org.

veterans enjoy enhanced lives thanks to being partnered with these talented dogs.

“For as long as I’m able, I will do everything I can to help these veterans and work to get them specially trained dogs who can help them live their lives to the fullest,” says Stovroff.

At a recent talk given in Sarasota, which helped raise more than \$100,000 for Vets Helping Heroes, Stovroff was pleasantly surprised to discover who was in the audience.

“It was a gal named Louise who I had not seen since we were classmates at my grammar school in Buffalo, New York,” he said. “Can you imagine?”

Stovroff also champions the cause for the Southeastern Guide Dog Program.

“This is an outstanding organization that breeds and trains purebreds to be guide dogs and dogs for those with PTSD,” says Stovroff. “I promised them that for every dollar someone writes in, I would agree to double it. I gave

them \$120,000 — worth every penny.”

He shares his home with a pair of tail-wagging companions: Jenny, a 15-year-old corgi; and Cash, an 8-year-old golden retriever. Both earn their stripes in bringing joy to all they meet.

“Jenny is smart and she used to go with me to visit residents at senior citizen homes and hospitals, where she would greet everyone while wearing a specially made bomber jacket,” says Stovroff. “Cash is a service dog who is with me all the time. I am blessed to have both of them.”

Stovroff was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross from Sen. John McCain in 2000, 56 years after his final flying mission. His life is also documented in a book authored by L.A. Weiser, *An Extraordinary Life Gone to the Dogs*.

“Yes, I do believe I am the luckiest person there is,” he states for a second time.

And, for the rest of us, we are lucky to have Irwin Stovroff around to help those in need.

To learn more about Stovroff as well as the Vets Helping Heroes organization, visit www.vetshelpingheroes.org.

Arden Moore, founder of www.FourLeggedLife.com, is an animal behavior consultant, editor, author, speaker and master certified pet first aid instructor. Each week, she

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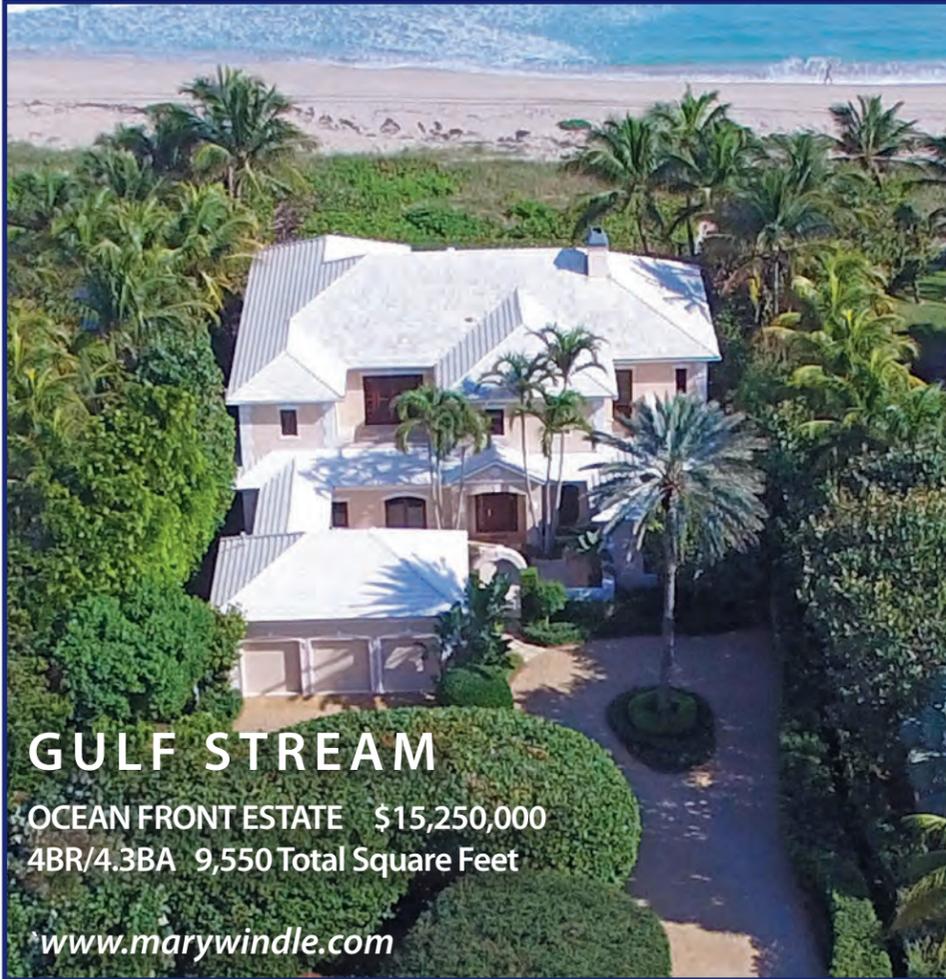
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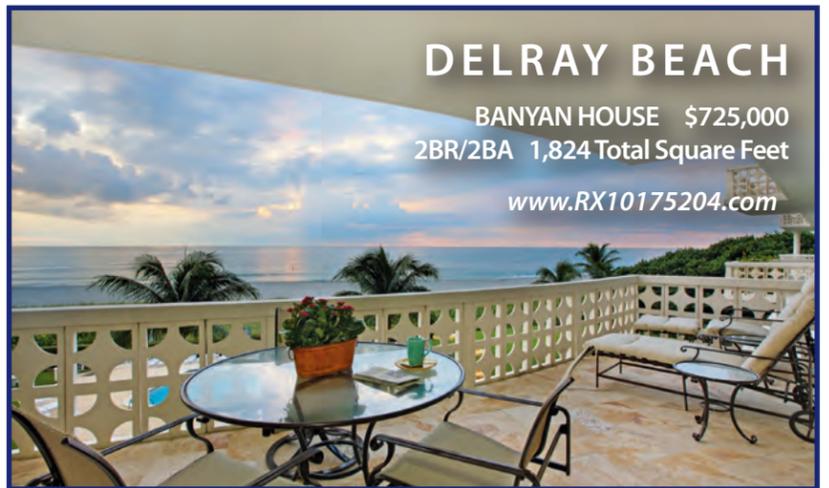
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Secret Gardens

Natives attract wildlife into yards

Jeff Nurge, co-owner of Native Choice Nursery in Boynton Beach, says he just loves to bring nature into yards. To do that, he specializes almost exclusively in selling native plants that will attract butterflies, birds and small mammals.

In fact, the fun of growing natives is that each plant has its own purpose, he says.

At this quarter-acre nursery, you'll find about 150 species of native plants, plus a few trees from the Bahamas such as bay rum, lemon bay rum and all-spice.

Nurge fell in love with native plants after living in Florida for more than 40 years and using them to bring wildlife into his own backyard. So when he left his banking career, he decided to learn more about local flora and fauna by becoming a master gardener.

In 2006, he started his own landscaping company. And by 2010, he and fellow master gardener Susan Casamento opened Native Choice.

The partners lease their land from the owner of the nearby Tropical World Nursery. So, finding Nurge's little spot within the larger 10-acre nursery is a challenge for first-time visitors.

Once here, you'll discover plant display tables of wire stretched over wooden frames that are set on upended cinderblocks.

The ground is either covered with weed cloth or sand paths that allow native plants to grow from seed under the display racks.

Not only will you find reasonably priced natives, but also Nurge is happy to share invaluable information about them.

For example, he points out the soldierwood tree that produces inconspicuous green flowers to attract small insects on which songbirds feast. You'll find these throughout the Atlantic Flyway bird migration route that in South Florida lies close to the Everglades.

"Migrating birds need protein for their long flight to South and Central America and this tree is where they get



LEFT: Soldierwood has blooms and fruit that attach on the main stem. **CENTER:** A recently hatched Atala butterfly shown larger than life. **TOP RIGHT:** The white bloom of the scorpion tail lives up to its name. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Jeff Nurge prefers to hand water his plants to make them better transplant candidates. Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star

it," he says.

He tells me on a scorpion's tail, which now graces my backyard garden with its tiny white flowers that grow along one side of a curved 1-inch stem. The result is a flower that resembles, yes, a scorpion's tail.

Nurge tells me it's important to plant natives with white flowers because they attract male butterflies and the flower's nectar has a substance that "helps males with their reproductive purposes."

Of course, Nurge carries the common natives, including wild coffee, Simpson's stopper and lantana.

But he also has some you may not have encountered, including the rough leaf velvet seed. Its leaves feel like sandpaper and its seeds are covered with a dark red to black fiber that feels like velvet.

While we are talking, Jeremy Blasbalg, from Boynton Beach, comes to the nursery with his friend Jessica Rothschild of Miami. On this, their second visit, Blasbalg is looking for something his condo association might use to create a butterfly garden.

"This place is great because it has a little of every native you could want, and seeing them growing, you can get a lot of good ideas," he says.

If You Go

Native Choice Nursery, 7401 Tropical World Way, Boynton Beach; nativechoicenursery.com
The nursery is on the grounds of Tropical World Nursery. Turn east off Hagen Ranch Road at Tropical World Way. You'll pass through a chain-link gate. Follow the parking signs to the lot in front of the two-story building that is Tropical World.

Walk east to the sand alley and head north. You'll pass an orchid house and then come upon Native Choice on your right. There's a small cardboard sign to greet you.

Open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Although the nursery is open for sales during these hours, owner Jeff Nurge is not always on premises. If you need his help or advice, call ahead to be sure he'll be available. He's easy to reach on his cell at 756-4370. Otherwise, plants are well-marked with pertinent information. If Nurge is not there, you can pay for your purchases at Tropical World.



Rothschild wants to attract more butterflies to her garden, where she already has monarchs, gulf fritillaries and zebra longwings.

"Not a lot of places have native plants," she says. "What you get at the big home stores is very limited and it's all like root-bound, forced plants.

"There's not the same amount of

care or variety that you can get here," Rothschild adds.



Deborah S. Hartz-Seeley is a certified master gardener. Reach her at debhartz@att.net.

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Grass River Garden Club
Ocean Club, Ocean Ridge — Feb. 23



Author Bettie Bearden Pardee spoke about her book, *Living Newport*, and the impressive historic preservation and garden lushness of that famous Rhode Island enclave.
Photo: (l-r) club member Cecile McCaull, Pardee and Grass River President Holly Breedon. **Photo provided**

Garden Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

Second Th 7:30 pm. Free. 394-5910; bronsonline.org

MARCH 5

Saturday - 3/5 - Boynton Beach Garden Club: Art in Bloom at Amanda James Gallery, 412 E Ocean Ave. Flowers and plant material convey gardeners' interpretations of chosen art. 10 am-5 pm. Free. 491-8033

MARCH 6-12

Tuesday - 3/8 - Mounts Botanical Garden Book Discussion Series: *Silent Spring* by Rachel Carson at Clayton Hutcheson Complex Conference Room, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. In partnership with Palm Beach County Library System. 7-8:30 pm. Free. 233-1757; mounts.org

Wednesday - 3/9 - Delray Beach Orchid Society Annual Orchid Auction at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 802 NE 1st St. Cash or check only. 7 pm. Free. 412-6752; delray-beachorchidsociety.com

Thursday - 3/10 - 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

3/10 - Boca Raton Orchid Society at Safe Schools Institute, 1790 NW Spanish River Blvd.

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Tuesday - 3/15 - Florida Native Plant Society Palm Beach County Chapter at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 6:30 pm Third T 7 pm. Free. 247-3677; palmbeach.fnpschapters.org

Friday - 3/18-19 - Boca Raton Garden Club Treasures & Plant Sale at 4281 NW 3rd Ave. 9 am-1 pm. Free. 395-9376; bocaratongardenclub.org

Saturday - 3/19-20 - Annual Palm and Cycad Show & Sale at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Over 500 species of palms and cycads, books, fertilizer, t-shirts, free advice. Sat 9 am-4 pm; Sun 9 am-3 pm. \$5/suggested donation. 386-7812; mounts.org

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Wednesday - 3/23 - Florida's Medicinal Wildflowers at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Presented by Joanna Helms, Founder of Mama Jo's Sunshine Herbs. 6-7:30 pm. \$20/members; \$25/non-members. Registration: 233-1757; mounts.org

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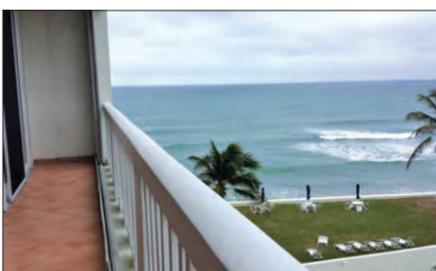
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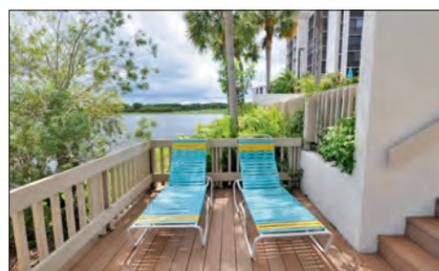
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On the Water

Whatever floats your boat

Palm Beach International Boat Show offers boats, yachts and accessories, along with seminars for kids and adults

Boat lovers will be able to see more than \$1.2 billion worth of yachts, boats and accessories during the 31st annual Palm Beach International Boat Show, set for March 17-20 in downtown West Palm Beach.

The floating stock at this year's boat show will range from superyachts over 250 feet long to trailerable center consoles, shallow-running flat boats, sportfishers, comfortable long-distance trawlers, yacht tenders and kayaks.

Smaller than the mammoth Fort Lauderdale boat show held in the fall, the Palm Beach County show has built a reputation as a venue that's easy to navigate, with boats in the water and on land concentrated along Flagler Drive.

"The show's ease of access and walkability, along with some great local attractions, make this a highly desirable, yacht-shopping destination," said Andrew Doole, vice president of Show Management, the company that produces the boat show.

The show is expanding this year to include slips for big yachts at Palm Harbor Marina — along Flagler Drive near the northern show entrance on North Clematis Street. Organizers also added valet parking at this entrance.

Even if you're not shopping for a boat, there are plenty of fishing, diving and boating accessories to see at the show, along with educational seminars for adults and children.

Special events at this year's boat show include:

- **Hook the Future** kids fishing clinics, free with show admission, will be presented by Capt. Don Dingman, host of the *Hook the Future* television show. Instruction includes casting, fish fighting, tackle selection and fishing ethics. The kids fishing clinics will be offered at noon and 2 p.m. March 19-20 only. The first 50 participants will receive a free rod/reel combination and a T-shirt.

- **CruiserPort**, a display of cruisers and trawlers ranging from 35 to 90 feet along with seminars for boaters interested in the long-distance cruising lifestyle.

- **Adult fishing seminars** presented by the IGFA School of Sportfishing. South Florida fishing captains and professional anglers will deliver 14 seminars on a variety of topics at the Meyer Amphitheatre. Fishing seminars begin at 12:30 p.m. on the first two days of the boat show and at 11 a.m. on the final two days.

- **AquaZone** is a 40,000-gallon, freshwater pool



ABOVE: Last year's Palm Beach International Boat Show displayed hundreds of boats moored at temporary floating docks and sitting on trailers along Flagler Drive in West Palm Beach.

LEFT: This year's boat show will have a pool for public tests of paddleboards and kayaks, as well as demonstrations of water toys such as water bikes, hovercrafts, power surfboards and underwater scooters.

Photos provided

operated by Nautical Ventures where the public can try out kayaks and paddleboards.

Nautical Ventures also will use the pool to demonstrate hovercrafts, power surfboards, jetpack flyboards, water bikes and underwater scooters.

Boat show hours are noon to 7 p.m. March 17; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. March 18-19; and 10 a.m.

to 6 p.m. March 20.

Show entrances are on Flagler Drive at Evernia Street and North Clematis Street.

Parking is available near the show in downtown West Palm Beach. Follow boat show signs from Okeechobee Boulevard to municipal parking lots within walking distance of the show entrances.

Attendees who arrive by boat can dock for free at the come-by-boat docks, located at the south end of the in-water display boats.

Adult admission is \$21 at the show or \$19 online. Tickets for youths 6-15 are \$11 at the show or \$9 online. Children younger than 6 will be admitted free.

For more details, visit www.showmanagement.com or call 800-940-7642.

Club plans catch-and-snap fishing tournament

The Boynton Beach Fishing Club is planning a phone-based fishing tournament April 8-9 that allows anglers to photograph and release their fish.

Snook, tarpon, kingfish, dolphinfish (mahi mahi), cobia, grouper, blackfin tuna and sailfish are eligible in the tournament.

Anglers can keep legal fish or release them. Prizes will be awarded in several categories.

The club is hosting the tournament with the Snook & Gamefish Foundation. To participate, anglers must pay the \$25 entry fee and download the free "iTournament" phone app, available for Android and Apple phones. (Find it in the app store or go to www.ianglertournament.com.)

Tournament anglers will photograph their fish against a ruler to show size and

report their catches using the iTournament app. Raffle points will be awarded for each fish logged.

Tournament rules are posted on the fishing club's website, www.bifc.org.

For details, call Ken Sorensen of the fishing club, at 703-5638; or Brett Fitzgerald of the Snook & Gamefish Foundation, at 707-8923.

Coming events

March 12: Volunteers wanted for beach cleanup, 8 to 10:30 a.m., Ocean Inlet Park. Organized by Sea2Shore Alliance (www.sea2shore.org/h20).

March 12: Bass fishing tournament for kids, Smythe Pavilion, John Prince Park, 2700 Sixth Ave. S., Lake Worth. Fish from the bank with artificial lures. Bass will be released alive. Register online at www.bassfishingkids.com, or call 954-306-3441.

March 19: Basic boating safety class offered by the 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 the door. Bring lunch. Call 391-3600 or email fso-pe@cgauxboca.org.

March 22: Social meeting of Boynton Beach Fishing Club, 7:30 p.m. in clubhouse building next to boat ramps, Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, 2210 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Bring in reels to replace old line. Call 703-5638 or visit www.bifc.org.

March 23: "Baits, Rigs and Tackle," a presentation on essential fishing methods by Capt. Rick Ryals, 7 p.m., West Palm Beach Fishing Club, 201 Fifth St., West Palm Beach. Capt. Eden White

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The Delray Beach Historical Society is looking for local fishing photos for its upcoming fishing history exhibit. Here, Jimmy Johnson poses with a 377-pound shark caught in the surf at Delray Beach in 1955. Photo provided by Delray Beach Historical Society

will lead a "Rigging It Right" workshop at 6 p.m. before Ryals' presentation. Free. Call 832-6780.

March 26: 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. \$40. Call Sandy Meridy at 734-2244.

Photos, memorabilia needed for exhibit

The Delray Beach Historical Society's fishing history exhibit, "Fish Tales!", is tentatively scheduled to open April 30 and will run through September. "This exhibit is going to be really neat," said Winnie Edwards, executive director of the historical society. "We're going all the way back to the early 1800s. It's a real community celebration of our heritage."

Edwards said the historical society is looking for South Florida fishing stories, newspaper clippings and fishing photos (especially vintage fishing photos from the Delray Beach area).

The historical society also hopes to borrow mounts of locally caught trophy fish, rods, reels and fishing memorabilia for display in the exhibit.

Anyone with information, photos or a possible display item for the fishing history exhibit should contact Edwards or Janet DeVries at 274-9578 or email: Info@Delraybeachhistory.org.

Tip of the month

If you enjoy boating or simply live near the water, you should have the Wildlife Alert Hotline number saved in your cellphone.

It's 888-404-3922. The hotline is the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission's contact number

for violations of fishing, wildlife and boating laws.

See someone operating a boat after drinking too much? Notice someone stealing sea turtle eggs or disturbing sea turtles? Find a sick or injured manatee? Call the Wildlife Alert Hotline.

The hotline is answered 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Tipsters can remain anonymous and could be eligible for rewards up to \$1,000. Those who choose to remain anonymous will be given a confidential code number.



Willie Howard is a freelance writer and licensed boat captain. Reach him at tiowillie@bellsouth.net.

Outdoors Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 5

Saturday - 3/5 - Delray Beach Bicycle Safety Fair and Ride at Old School Square Amphitheater, 51 N Swinton Ave. Bike Ride: 7 am registration, 8 am 25-mile ride. 18 years an older only. Safety Fair: 10 am-noon. Open to all ages with kids bicycle rodeo, helmet giveaways and more. 243-7277 or beardsleyd@mydelray-beach.com.

3/5 - Sand Sifters Beach Clean Up at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Bring water, hat, gloves. Meet at pavilion in lower parking lot. 8-10:15 am. Free. jefflev02@gmail.com

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

3/5 - Boardwalk Tours at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Docent-guided tour of wetlands. All ages. W 9 am, 1 & 3 pm; Th 9 & 10:30 am; Sat 9 & 11 am. Free. 966-7000; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

3/5 - Outdoor Marine Aquarium Feedings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Mangrove and nearshore reef aquariums daily M-Sat 10:30 am; tropical coral reef and shipwreck aquariums 12:30 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

MARCH 6-12

Sunday - 3/6 - Save Our Beaches at 2400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. 10 am-4 pm. Demonstration in support of beach preservation. Free. RSVP: bocasob.com

Tuesday - 3/8-9 - 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 11 am-12:30 am. Held again 3/18 & 4/1. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

Thursday - 3/10 - Beach Treasures at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Limpets and topsnails are a few of the shells that can be found on Florida's beaches. Learn about seashells and the animals that make them. Caravan to Red Reef Park, 1400 N State Rd A1A, to search for ocean treasures. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. 3-4:30 pm. Held again 3/24. \$5/members, \$8/nonmembers. Reservations & pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Friday - 3/11 - Wetlands & Wildlife at Wakodahatchee Wetlands, 13026 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. 3/4 mile guided boardwalk tour. Bring camera, binoculars. Ages 7 to adult; children



Cliff Albertson of Briny Breezes shows off a 47-pound, 58-inch bull dolphin he caught in 200 feet of water while fishing off the Boynton Inlet on Feb. 12. Albertson was trolling ballyhoo when he landed the fish after a 50-minute fight. Photo provided

must be accompanied by an adult. 3-5 pm. Free. Reservations required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

3/11 - Beginner Bird Walk at Wakodahatchee Wetlands, 13026 Jog Rd, Boynton Beach. Meet at top of boardwalk. 5 pm. Free. auduboneverglades.org

MARCH 13-19

Wednesday - 3/16 - Bird Walk at Snook Island Natural Area, Lake Worth. Meet at boardwalk by N side of Lake Worth Bridge. 10 am. Free. auduboneverglades.org

3/16 - Eco-Watch: Breeding Sex Ratios of Marine Turtles Nesting in Southern Florida - Presented by Jacob Lasala at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N. Ocean Blvd., Boca Raton. Light refreshments, opportunity to talk with the speaker. Ages 14 & up; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. 7-8:30 pm. \$5/suggested donation. Reservations accepted, not required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Saturday - 3/19 - Seining the Lagoon at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Explore grasses, 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. 2-3:30 pm. Held again 4/2. \$7/members; \$10/non-members. Reservations and pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

MARCH 20-26

Tuesday - 3/22 - Boynton Beach Fishing Club at Harvey E. Oyer, Jr. Park, 2010 N Federal Hwy. Join other fishermen to discuss hot topics and learn new tricks of the trade. Fourth T 7-9 pm. Free. 703-5638; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 3/23 - Geocaching By Bike at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11200 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Bring your own bike, participate in the worldwide scavenger hunt. Learn how to use a GPS hand-held unit or bring your own smartphone w/free Geocaching Intro

app installed. All ages. 10 am. \$5. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

Friday - 3/25 - Intro to Canoeing at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Learn parts and terms associated with canoeing and basic skills needed to successfully navigate a canoe. Ages 8 & up. 10 am. \$10. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

3/25 - Night Hike at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Walk through the wetlands, call for owls, shine for gators! Bring bug spray, flashlight. All ages. 7:30 pm. \$5. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

Saturday - 3/26 - Sea Angels Beach Clean-up at Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Last Sat 8-10:30 am. 369-5501; seaangels.org

3/26 - 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. Must be proficient at paddling and maneuvering a canoe in open water and confined trails; must be capable of getting into and out of a canoe from a dock and dry or muddy land on your own or with assistance from a companion; must have the physical agility to get back into a canoe from the water in case of tipping. Ages 7-adult, an adult must participate w/each child. Noon-2 pm. \$15/member; \$22/non-member. Reservations/pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

MARCH 29-APRIL 2

Friday - 4/1 - The 22nd Annual Lantana Fishing Derby Kick Off Party at Heroes Sports Bar & Grill, 224 N 3rd St, Lantana. 5:30-7 pm. Derby scheduled 5/14-15. 585-8664; lynn@lantanachamber.com

Saturday - 4/2 - 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



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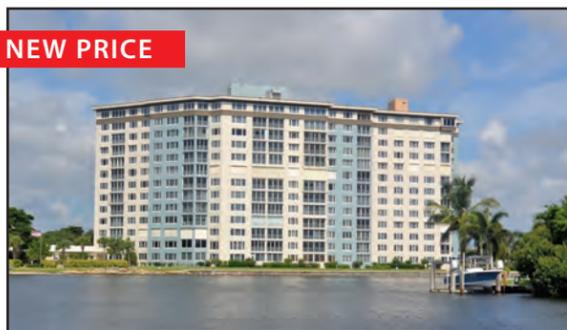


NEW PRICE

Direct Intracoastal ~ \$580,000

Palm Trail Place with deeded dock in Delray Beach. Light & bright 2 BR, 2 1/2 BA two story townhome with a private courtyard and dock that can accommodate a 28' boat with a 9000 lb. lift. End unit with 2 balconies, plus impact glass. Walk to the beach.

Vicky Hering, 561-445-5990



NEW PRICE

Barrton Direct Intracoastal ~ \$575,000

This southeastern corner 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA condominium on the 11th floor offers amazing 270-degree ocean and Intracoastal views. Rarely available, this model boasts 1,682 sq. ft under air with hurricane impact doors and windows.

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Lake Worth Pool Home ~ \$572,000

Beautifully renovated 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA pool home with a detached 1/1 guest cottage. Hurricane impact windows and doors in the main house, fireplace, recessed lighting, plantation shutters and so much more!

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NEW PRICE



Bar Harbour ~ \$500,000

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.

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Barrton Direct Intracoastal ~ \$469,000

Immaculate 2 BR, 2 BA corner unit on the 6th floor with an Intracoastal view. Interior features include wood floors and hurricane impact glass windows and exterior balcony doors. Heated pool on the Intracoastal and walking distance to Atlantic Avenue.

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NEW LISTING



Barrton Direct Intracoastal ~ \$459,000

Beautifully updated 2 BR, 2 BA on the 6th floor offering outstanding Ocean and Intracoastal views from every room. Impact glass sliding doors and windows, plus a designer kitchen with stainless steel appliances.

Ellen Storck, 561-414-1514

NEW LISTING



Lakeridge Falls ~ \$429,900

Beautiful and spacious 3 BR, 2 BA home with a heated saltwater pool and spa. Soaring cathedral ceilings, custom mirrors, plus an eat-in kitchen. Great outdoor space with screen enclosed pool and covered porch. A gated Boynton Beach community.

Linda Welch, 561-951-6433



Marina Village ~ \$379,000

This northwestern corner 3 BR, 2 BA condominium on the 11th floor features a wrap-around balcony and offers preserve, Intracoastal and Ocean views. Impact glass doors and windows, plus ceramic tile floors throughout.

Cheran Marek, 561-870-8855

NEW PRICE



Delray Summit ~ \$350,000

1 BR, 1 1/2 BA sixth floor condominium with impact windows and a wonderful glass enclosed balcony off the living room and master bedroom offering a view of the pool, Intracoastal and a peek of the ocean. Walk to the beach.

Sue Tauriello, 561-441-4200



Palm Trail ~ \$349,900

Rarely available 2 BR, 2 BA second floor end unit is close to the beach and downtown. Ceramic tile floors and plantation shutters throughout, brand new A/C, compressor, refrigerator and washer/dryer.

Vicky Hierung, 561-445-5990



NEW LISTING

Tropic Isle ~ \$349,000

Spacious and renovated 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA two story townhome with a 1 car garage and fenced yard east of Federal Highway in Delray Beach. Wood and marble floors, volume ceilings, fireplace and upgraded kitchen with granite and stainless. No HOA fees.

Elizabeth Rurey, 561-302-1552



The Grove ~ \$338,000

Updated 1 BR, 1 BA beach condo just one block to the ocean and a half block to Atlantic Avenue. Wood ceilings, neutral tile floors, new bath and kitchen with granite countertops. Great rental property.

Elizabeth Rurey, 561-302-1552

NEW PRICE



Monterrey Lake ~ \$299,500

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.

Mary Jane Masella, 561-213-8422



East Wind Beach Club ~ From \$290,000

Very desirable location right across the street from the beach and one block to Atlantic Avenue. All units are 1/1 with a porch. 2 first floor units and 1 second floor (ocean view) are currently available. Rentals through on-site manager.

Elizabeth Rurey, 561-302-1552



Lakewood At Palm Beach ~ \$239,000

Updated, top floor end unit in a pet friendly building on the Intracoastal. 2 BR, 2 BA screened porch, eat-in kitchen, custom cabinetry and granite countertops, stack washer/dryer, custom mirrors, spacious bedrooms. Pool and dock on the Intracoastal.

Elizabeth Rurey, 561-302-1552

NEW PRICE



Quail Run ~ \$199,900

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



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



Seagate of Gulfstream ~ \$102,250

Completely updated 1 BR, 1 1/2 BA second floor unit with an extended living area, plus hurricane windows throughout. Tastefully decorated in a neutral decor with an open kitchen and ceramic tile floors laid diagonally. A 55+ Boynton Beach community.

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County have all but done away with their volunteer programs, and many municipalities hire full-time employees to fill what were once volunteer positions out of liability concerns. The biggest exceptions are Palm Beach County, which uses 100-150 volunteers to staff its three courses as well as the John Prince Learning Center in Lake Worth, and Boca Raton, which has had a bustling volunteer program for more than 30 years.

Todd Leckrone, director of golf at Atlantis Country Club, which has never used volunteers, said that while on the surface using volunteers is a good way to cut down on expenses, the chances of something going wrong isn't worth the risk.

"Say you've got a guy driving a cart around your course as a ranger and he gets hit by a golf ball, or has a heart attack," Leckrone said. "I'm not saying he's going to think lawsuit right

Courses that use volunteers

- Boca Raton Championship
- Boca Raton Executive
- Lake Worth
- Okeehelée Golf Course
- Osprey Point
- Park Ridge
- Red Reef
- John Prince Learning Center

away, but it's a possibility the way our society is today.

"For a private club to get tied up in something like that, you risk losing everything."

Paul Connell, the director of special facilities for Palm Beach County, who oversees the volunteer golf program, expressed confidence that the county is on firm legal footing.

"In Parks and Recreation we have a history of using volunteers in just about every area of our operation, and they are all covered by workmen's compen-

sation. If a volunteer did have a heart attack on the course, that wouldn't necessarily be considered an accident. Workmen's comp would cover that as well."

Perhaps, but many municipalities are following the private clubs' lead. The town of Palm Beach (Palm Beach Par-3), Boynton Beach (Links at Boynton Beach) and Delray Beach (Delray Beach Golf Club) also have no volunteer programs.

Among municipalities that do use volunteers, Boca Raton appears to have the most expensive and streamlined program. Golf Course Manager Greg Jerolaman oversees volunteers at three courses: Boca Raton Municipal on Glades Road west of Florida's Turnpike, the adjacent executive course and the Red Reef Par-3 (recently renamed the Alan C. Alford Red Reef Golf Course in recognition of Alford's years of service — as mayor, city manager, council member and park ranger).

Jerolaman said his program began in 1985 and currently uses 39 volunteers: 15 at Red Reef, 12 on the executive course and 12 on the championship course.

Thirty-one of the 39 are male and they all work five shifts per month totaling about 30 hours. In exchange, they play for \$5, but only when openings in the schedule permit. In busy months such as February and March the playing opportunities can be extremely limited.

So how does one become a volunteer? The procedure is almost identical in the municipalities that use them, which include Palm Beach County (Okeehelée in West Palm Beach, Park Ridge in Lantana, Osprey Point in west Boca Raton and John Prince) and Lake Worth.

Applicants do the paperwork at the course of their choice, with those applications forwarded to a volunteer coordinator. The city or county performs a background check, and if the applicant is approved, he or she goes through an orientation process followed by training specific to the golf course.

"Currently there is no waiting list, but we are always willing to take applicants for current or future volunteer opportunities," Jarolaman said. "We display signage to promote these opportunities."

Jerolaman said besides saving the city money, his volunteer program has been useful when he's had paid openings to fill.

"Many of our paid part-time staff has come up through the ranks of having successfully served as a volunteer," he said. "This makes our volunteer program kind of a feeder system for them to successfully move into the ranks of full-time employment, which helps serve our residents and the general public at the highest possible levels."

As for litigation concerns, Jerolaman said Boca Raton has not considered the possibility.

"We have not experienced any liability issues and have no plans to hire staff to replace volunteers," he said. ★



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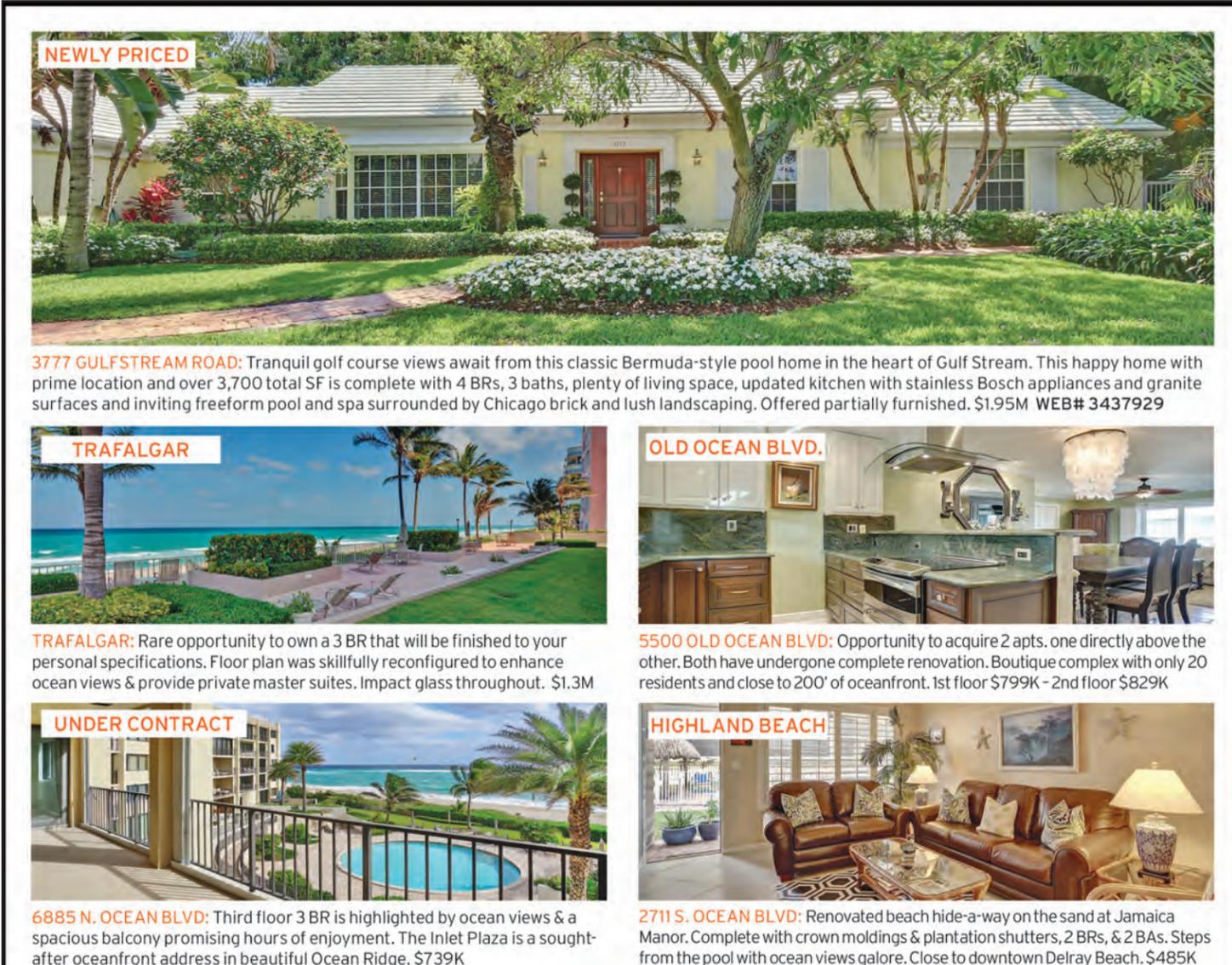
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Tots & Teens

Theater pros predict great things for 8-year-old

By Janis Fontaine

Haven't heard of actress Alycia Mulliez-Duberry yet? "Remember her name," said Kim Wick, vice president of The Wick Theatre & Costume Museum. "She will be on Broadway one day."

Alycia, 8, made her stage debut in Boca Raton in the Wick's production of *South Pacific*, the only musical ever made from a Pulitzer Prize-winning novel.

"Alycia is simply lovely," Wick said. "She's sung at a few of our cabarets and we were all just so impressed with her." The young star joined the cast late and had only a few days to prepare, but she handled it like a pro, according to Wick.

Those who work with her say Alycia is a poised, confident young lady without a trace of arrogance. She is in the second grade at the Gulf Stream School and she prefers art and P.E. to math and science, but she says her teacher is nice. At home, she enjoys playing with her two dogs, a papillon and a Rhodesian ridgeback. Sometimes she makes up little plays for her stuffed animals to act out.

She doesn't get nervous when she's getting ready to perform.

"I just feel excited," she says. "Well, I am a Capricorn. We take risks."

She likes to learn her lines and usually finds it easy to remember them. "It's fun that you get to be something you're not."

Alycia also studies ballet — she started at age 3 — and she's a good athlete, as well. Good thing, too, because she says her dream is to be an actor in Cirque de Soliel's *Cavalia*, which features dozens of horses and acrobats. She likes horses and says the trick is, "you just have to be calm." She rides at Delray Equestrian Center and says she's been saving her birthday money so she can buy her own horse.

Alycia's mother, Francine Duberry-Mulliez of Gulf Stream, has done some acting herself and is relieved that her daughter has been able to juggle her school, extracurricular activities and the performances so easily.

"Between scenes we do homework," mom says. Both are committed to making it work. "It's great experience for her to work with real professionals."

It's also great to be in a show that earned critical acclaim. *South Pacific* ran through Feb. 14 and received great reviews. *The Palm Beach Post* gave it an A-minus and called it "a straightforward, heartfelt, well-sung production with the show's many assets intact."

Alycia recalled a trip she took to New York City to

see the Rockettes Christmas Extravaganza, when she visited Central Park and went to the best toy store ever, FAO Schwarz. She did not, however, get to go ice skating at Rockefeller Center, so that's on the rosebud's bucket list. She's ready to go to Broadway tomorrow, she says.

If the critics are right, she won't always be in the audience.

Local performing arts classes for kids

Do you have the next Oscar- or Tony-winner living at your house? Here are 10 local opportunities where they can polish their craft:

Acting 101 — Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Ages 5-10. A broad introduction to acting offered in a fun way through exercises and drills. Info: 393-7807.

Actors Conservatory — Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Ages 12-18. From Shakespeare/stage work to film and television stage combat, and vocal/movement training for the actor. Info: 393-7807

The Arts Garage — 180 NE First Ave., Delray Beach. Offers an array of classes like theater play for 5- to 7-year-olds, "dream role" cabaret for 8- to 12-year-olds and the Bridge Project jazz combo workshop for students with two years' jazz experience. Also offers private classes. Info: 450-6357; www.artsgarage.org

Center Stage Performing Arts — 7200 W. Camino Real, Suite 330, Boca Raton. Ages 5-12. The Broadway Workshop is a 13-week theater/dance performance program with training in singing, dancing and acting that ends with a full-scale musical production. The school offers both an improv student showcase and improv classes. Info: 750-7824; www.centerstageboca.com

Musical Theater and Drama — Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd., Boca Raton. Ages 6-11. Joy Deco teaches singing, dancing and acting to popular Broadway songs and scripts. Info: 393-7807.

Rocky Mountain Conservatory Theatre — 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. The RMCT offers a variety of classes and summer programs for young performers. Info: 962-1570.

Showtime Performing Arts Theatre — 503 SE Mizner Blvd., Suite 73, Boca Raton. Classes are offered for preschool kids through adults in dance, acting, instrumental, vocal and audition preparation. The theater also offers winter and spring break camps and summer performing arts camps. Both group and private lessons are offered. Info: 394-



Young actress Alycia Mulliez-Duberry with her mother, Francine, on the set of *South Pacific*. Tim Stepien/ The Coastal Star

2626; www.showtimeboca.com
Sol Children Theatre Troupe — 3333 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. Beginner, intermediate and advanced acting, musical theater, creative drama and movement and improvisation. Summer programs take place at Olympic

Heights High School. Info: 447-8829; www.solchildren.org
TakeLessons.com — A guide to people who offer classes. You can check out their résumés, compare prices and see if anyone clicks. Info: www.takelessons.com
Virtuous Productions —

2880 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton. Ages 4 and older. Children and teen classes in ballroom, etiquette, jazz, musical theater, creative dramatics, hip hop and modern dance. Choral and acting for teens only. Info: 750-6700; www.virtuousproductions.com

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Tots & Teens Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 5

Saturday - 3/5 - Waves Surf Academy & City Surf Weekend Camp at Delray Beach Municipal Beach, Ocean Boulevard. Boys & girls ages 5-15. 9 am-2:30 pm. \$60/residents; \$70/non-residents. 243-7352; mydelraybeach.com

3/5 - 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

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 - 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

3/5 - 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

3/5 - 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; highlandbeach.us

3/5 - 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 3/26. \$1/child materials fee payable at the door. 832-5196 x1196; norton.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 (no class 3/26). \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

3/5 - 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

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 - 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-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/5 - Story Time at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Stories, songs, finger-plays parents and children enjoy together. All ages. Every Tu-Sat 11-11:15 am. Free w/museum

admission. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/5 - Park Playdate at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Get info about upcoming programs and enjoy free kid's activities. 11 am-12:30 pm. Held again 4/2. 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-resident. 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 favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. Every Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/5 - 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/member. 368-6875; cmboca.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-resident. 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/resident; \$212.25/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

3/5-6 - 19th Annual We Care Kids' Fair at the Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd., West Palm Beach. Fun-filled days of family fun, entertainment. Presented by Parenting Plug Magazine and Palm Beach Zoo & Conservation Society. 10 am-4 pm. Regular admission: \$19.50/adults, \$17.50/seniors, \$14.50/children 3-12, free/kids under age 3. 795-4815; parentingplug.com

MARCH 6-12

Monday - 3/7 - Kids Music Circle at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Participatory musical sing-along, dance-along, shake-along class. Ages 3-4. Every M noon-1 pm through 4/18. \$48/resident, \$60/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

3/7 - Once Upon A Story: A Writing Workshop for Homeschoolers at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Get ideas, create characters, find new stories to tell. Ages 9-12. 1-2:30 pm. \$27/resident; \$33.75/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/7 - Acting 101 at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Age-appropriate character work, then a showcase to celebrate newfound skills after the 5 weeks of training. Ages 5-10. Every M 3-5 pm through 4/11. \$200/resident; \$250/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/7 - Pee Wee Hip Hop & Tumble at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Build self confidence, motor skills, coordination, dance rhythm. Cool neon attire and black bottoms can be worn. Ages 3-4. Every M 3:30-4:15 pm through 4/25. \$98/resident; \$123/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/7 - Tennis Whizz at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Six key elements

(space, object, people, brain, body, movement) combined in every on-court session. Ages 3-4. Every M 4-4:30 pm through 3/28. \$20/resident, \$25/non-resident. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

3/7 - Jazz & Hip Hop Dance Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Choreographed warm-ups and dances to favorite songs. Ages 5-9. Every M 4:15-5 pm through 4/25. \$98/resident; \$123/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/7 - Tennis Fundamentals at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Based on USTA Florida Youth Tennis Pathway. Smaller courts, shorter racquets, slower-moving and lower-bouncing balls. Every M through 3/28. Ages 5-6 4:30-5 pm \$20-\$25; ages 7-8 5-5:45 pm \$24-\$30; ages 9-10 5:45-6:30 pm \$30-\$38; ages 11-14 6:30-7:30 pm \$36-\$45. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

3/7 - 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 with Rainbow Looms. Grades K-5. 4:30-5:30 pm. Held again 3/14. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org

3/7 - 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 and your friends. Topics and activities change each week; snacks served. Grades 8-12. 5:30-6:30 pm. Held again 3/14 & 28. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/7 - Karate at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Basics of traditional karate: socialization skills, self-discipline, confidence, respect, staying physically and mentally active. Ages 5-12. Every M (5:30-6:30) & Sat (9-10 am) through 4/16. \$75/resident; \$94/non-resident. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

3/7 - 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/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/7 - Fencing/Epee Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Fun, exciting introduction to fencing; learn fencing skills, forge new friendships, have a blast. 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 - 3/8 - Tots in Motion at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 1-3. Every T 10-10:30 am. Per session: \$10/family; \$5/member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/8 - 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; schoolhousemuseum.org

3/8 - Baby Bookworm Story Time at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Ages 1-2. Every T 11 am. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/8 - Little Hands, Big Art at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Create art from murals to clay formation. Ages 2-4. Every T 11:30 am. \$3/museum member; \$4/non-member

+ admission. Register in advance: 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

3/8 - Tail Waggin Tutor with Stella at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Elementary school children read to certified therapy dog Stella. Grades K-5. 3-4 pm. Held again 3/15. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

3/8 - Children's Ballet Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Standard ballet training, learn different variations for a recital last day of each session. Some dance experience preferred. Attire: black leotard and ballet slippers. Ages 5-9. Every T 3:30-4:30 pm through 5/3. \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/8 - Small Fry Storytime at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Songs and craft project. Ages 3 and up. Every T 4 pm. Free. Register one week in advance: 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

3/8 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd., Boca Raton. Level 1 & 2. Every T 4-4:45 pm through 3/31. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 544-8540; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

3/8 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Ages 3 and older. T/Th through 3/31 (no class 3/22-26). Level III 4-4:30 pm; Levels I & II 4:30-5pm & 5-5:30pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

3/8 - MakerLab: Makey Makey & 3D Printing at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Learn about circuits and 3D printing. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/8 - Looking for Alaska by John Green - part of Teen Book Club at the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 13-17. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Wednesday - 3/9 - Family Storytime at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Ages infants to 5 yrs. 10-11 am. Held again 3/16 & 30. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

3/9 - Mommy & Me at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 1-2. Every W 10-10:45 am. Per session: \$10/family; \$5/ members 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/9 - Family Fun: Mommy & Me Kamishibai Story Telling at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Hear the reading of a Japanese kamishibai folk story. Each month features a different story. 10:30am. Free w/paid admission: \$15/adults, \$13/seniors, \$9/children ages 6-17 & students w/valid ID, free/children 5 and under. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

3/9 - The Tortoise and the Hare: The Musical at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Audience participation welcome. Grades K-5. 11 am & 4 pm. \$8/adult, \$6/children. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

3/9 - 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. Ages 2-4. Every W 2-2:45 pm. Free w/paid museum admission. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

3/9 - 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/member; \$4/non-member + admission: \$5/children & adults; \$4.50/seniors. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

3/9 - 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. W through 4/6. Ages 5-7 4-4:45 pm; Ages 8-12 5-6 pm. \$48/resident; \$60/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/9 - 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 4/1 (no class 3/22-26). Level III 4-4:30 pm; Levels I & II 4:30-5pm & 5-5:30pm. \$40/resident, \$50/non-residents. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

3/9 - Unique Watercolor Painting at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 3-7. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

3/9 - Retro Teen Gaming at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Video games use Wii, PS3, Xbox 360. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Thursday - 3/10 - Bunny Photo Experience at Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N. Congress Ave. Runs through 3/26. Mall hours. 736-7902; simon.com/mall/boynton-beach-mall/news-and-events

3/10 - 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. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

3/10 - Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children of all ages; 8 & younger must be accompanied by an adult. Every Th 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

3/10 - 3D Printing Project: Tinker Toys at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Basic 3D design principles. Ages 8 to adult. 3-4 pm. Held again 3/24. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/10 - Children's Ballet Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Standard ballet training plus learn different variations for a recital to be held last day of each session. Some dance experience preferred. Attire: black leotard and ballet slippers. Ages 10-15. Every Th 3:30-4:30 pm through 5/5. \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

3/10 - 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

3/10 - 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

3/10 - Financial Empowerment for Teens and New Adults at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Financial literacy, how to build savings and assets, tips on climbing the economic ladder. Presented by Urban League of Palm Beach County. Grades 10-college. 5-6 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/10 - 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. This is a prerequisite for 3D Printing Open Design Lab. Ages 8 to adult. 6-7 pm. Held again 3/24. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/10 - The Nest by Kenneth Oppel - 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

3/10-11 - 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/resident; \$15/non-resident; + one-time \$30 uniform fee. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

3/10-13 - Shrek Jr., The Musical at Sol Children's Theatre, 3333 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Th-Sat 7 pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. \$15/adults; \$10/ students. 447-8829; solchildren.org

Friday - 3/11 - Stories in the Garden: Buzzy, Buzzy Bees at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Youth services librarian Stacey Burford leads stories and songs. Ages 2-6. 10-11:30 am. Free. 233-1757; mounts.org

3/11 - 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/ member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

3/11 - Friday Night at the Museum at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. A night out without your parents. Wear comfy clothes, hang out in the Explorium after hours, watch a movie, do a fun experiment. Ages 7-12. 6-9:30 pm. \$20/resident; \$25/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

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3/11 - 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

3/11 - Roar and Snore Family Sleeper at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Night of mystery in the Tomb of Doom; journey through the Afterlife! Includes pizza dinner, continental breakfast, planetarium show. Family fare: one adult chaperone required for every five children. 8 pm-8 am. \$35/members; \$40/non-members. 832-2026; sfsiencecenter.org

Saturday - 3/12 - 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. 10-11 am (ages 3 & 4); 11:30 am-12:30 pm (ages 5 & 6). Held again 4/2. \$5/member; \$8/nonmember. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

3/12 - Mad Hatter Tea Party at Flagler Museum, One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Create festive bonnets and tophats, enjoy a story from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, learn proper table manners from the Mad Hatter, enjoy Gilded Age Style Tea. 10 am. \$30/member; \$45/non-member; includes museum admission, tea, tax, gratuity. Advance purchase required: 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us

3/12 - 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. Every Sat through 4/2. Adult class 12:30-2:30 pm \$65/residents, \$81/non-residents; Ages 7-12 2:30-4:30 pm, \$40/residents, \$50/non-residents; + additional materials to be purchased by parents after first class. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/12 - Art-e-ology: Kehinde Wiley Strong Portraits at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Investigate an artist on exhibit; create a portrait masterpiece in the style of featured artist. Grades 3-5. 1-2:30 pm. \$5/non-member. RSVP required: 392-2500 x105; bocamuseum.org

3/12 - 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

3/12-13 - Auditions for *The Complete Works of William Shakespeare* at Sol Children Theatre, 3333 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Looking for three male actors. Sat 10 am-noon; Sun 6-8 pm. 447-8829; solchildren.org

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Sunday - 3/13 - ARTful Adventure Sunday: Mixed Media Sculptures at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Art workshop; create your own masterpiece. Family fare. 2-3 pm. Free (does not include museum admission). 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

Monday - 3/14 - Baby Bookworm at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Storytime for infants accompanied by an adult. Ages 3 months to walking. Every M. 11-11:30 am. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

3/14 - Early Afternoon Explorers: 3, 2, 1 ... Blast Off! at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 6-9 1-2 pm; ages 10-12 2-3 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

3/14 - Adventures with Authors at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Explore a popular children's author each week. Children attend independently. Ages 4-6. Every M. 3:30-4 pm Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Tuesday - 3/15 - 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

3/15 - Toddler Tales at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Delightful stories, songs, puppets teach the love of books. Ages up to 3 years; children must be accompanied by an adult. Every T through 3/29. 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

3/15 - Teen Nail Art 101 at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Nail polish will be supplied. Grades 8-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Wednesday - 3/16 - Music and Movement for 2s & 3s at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Literacy enrichment class; stories, music, movement. Ages 2 & 3; children must be accompanied by an adult. Every W 10-10:30 am through 3/30. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

3/16 - Booktastic Book Club for 7s & 8s 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 required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

3/16 - Lucky Me! Four Things That Make Me Lucky at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. All ages. 4-8 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/16 - Teen Gaming at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Video games use Wii, PS3, Xbox 360. Held again 3/23 (4-6pm) & 3/30. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/16 - Tween Wacky Wednesdays: Doodle Mugs at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-11. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Thursday - 3/17 - Little Artists at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Ages 2-5. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

3/17 - 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. This is a prerequisite for 3D Printing Open Design Lab. Ages 8 to adult. 11am-noon & 3-4 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

3/17 - 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; highlandbeach.us

3/17 - St. Patrick's Day Craft at Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades K-5. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

3/17 - Lip Sync Battle at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

3/17 - Make it @ Your Library: Learn the History and Art of Henna 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 - 3/18 - Fun Chefs Workshop at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Learn cooking techniques from around the world, plus nutrition, sanitation, culinary geography. Journal a Culinary Passport or recipes, create brunch. Students may bring a snack or substitute meal if they wish. Ages 5-12. 8:30 am-noon. \$55/resident; \$68.75/non-resident.

Pre-registration required: 347-3900; scienceexplorium.org

3/18 - Bright & Smart Coding & Robotics Workshop at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Teams learn to build and program robots using special edition of Lego bricks and specially developed curriculum. Teams grouped according to abilities, skills and/or age. Bring lunch. Ages 7-12. 8:30 am-3:30 pm. \$70/resident; \$87.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

3/18 - 4-H Teen Entrepreneurship Workshop at Clayton Hutcheson Agricultural Center, 559 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Presented by Palm Beach County IF/IFAS Extension Service. Develop business plans; address marketing, finance, ethics. Lunch, workshop materials included. Ages 12-18. 9 am-4 pm. \$10 (financial need scholarships available). Register by 3/14: 233-1731; surveymonkey.com/C6RJBNW

3/18 - Tinker Academy at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Creative engineers mastermind paper circuit collages, plan and construct toothpick towers with hot glue guns. Ages 7-14. 9 am-4 pm. \$55/member; \$60/non-member; before/after care (7:30-9 am & 4-5:30 pm) add \$10/day. 832-2026; sfsiencecenter.org

3/18 - Eyes to the Skies with professional-grade 16-inch Meade LX Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Informal event held in the parking lot (weather permitting). Telescope is out for at least one hour after scheduled start time; stars must be visible for telescope to align. Ages 8+ (under 18 must be accompanied by an adult). 7:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Saturday - 3/19 - Self Defense for Kids at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Based on Kombat Krav Maga system and Muay Thai; focus on practical and effective self defense. Ages 7-14. Every Sat 9:30-11:30 am through 5/21. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

3/19 - 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

3/19 - Meet the Orchestra: The Symphonia

at Saint Andrew's School Roberts Theater, 3900 Jog Rd, Boca Raton. Interact with 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

3/19-20 - Science Demonstrations at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 and up. 3:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

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Sunday - 3/20 - Dino-Fest at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Hunt for dino eggs, dig for fossils, create dinosaurs, learn about the quest for fossils with local paleontologist, Robert DePalma. 10 am-4 pm. Free w/paid admission: \$16.95/adults, \$14.95/seniors, \$12.95/children 3-12, free/members and children under age 3. 832-2026; sfsiencecenter.org

3/20 - Sunday Movie: *The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge out of Water* (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

3/20 - Spring Fest and Egg-a-palooza at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Egg hunt, photos with the Bunny, food trucks, Bunny Scavenger Hunt, crafts, stage entertainment. Bring a basket for the egg hunt. 11 am-4 pm. \$7/person; free/babies under 18 months; up to 3 children each w/South Florida Parenting Kids Fun Pass admitted free w/paid adult. Free parking at City Hall and Downtown Library. 393-7700; myboca.us

Monday - 3/21 - Spring Break Camps, Page H29

3/21 - 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 with Rainbow Looms. Grades K-5. 2:30-3:30 pm. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org

3/21 - Silent Library at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 4-6 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Tuesday - 3/22 - Spring Children's Fair at Patch Reef Park, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Entertainment, arts & crafts, fun foods, carnival games. Ages 2-12. 10 am-3 pm. Free/admission

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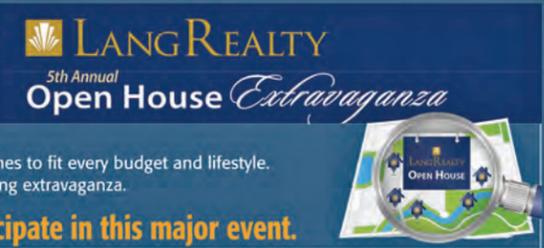


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SUBDIVISION	ADDRESS	BEDS/BATHS	LIV.SQ.FT.	LIST PRICE	SOLD PRICE	SOLD DATE	DOM
Tropical Shores	5512 Old Ocean Boulevard	5/4.1	4,866	\$4,995,000	\$4,920,000	10/19/15	1
Ocean Ridge	6029 Old Ocean Boulevard	3/3	3,372	\$3,850,000	\$3,625,000	9/18/15	33
Hudson Avenue Estates	27 Hudson Avenue	4/4.1	4,456	\$3,595,000	\$3,500,000	12/8/15	8
Ocean Ridge	5902 Old Ocean Boulevard	3/4	3,063	\$2,995,000	\$2,600,000	2/19/16	203
Boynton Beach Park	12 Hudson Avenue	4/3.1	4,126	\$2,425,000	\$2,200,000	12/16/15	91
Ridge Harbour Estates	19 Harbour Drive	4/4	3,159	\$1,750,000	\$1,525,000	2/10/16	307
Ocean Breeze	9 Adams Road	3/3.1	2,918	\$1,450,000	\$1,382,250	11/30/15	945
Ocean Breeze	11 Adams Road	3/3.1	2,918	\$1,450,000	\$1,382,250	11/30/15	944
Inlet Cay	18 Eleuthera Drive	3/2	2,481	\$1,284,000	\$1,150,000	12/21/15	162
Ocean Ridge Beach	1 Ixora Way	3/3	3,040	\$1,199,000	\$1,060,000	9/18/15	49
Pelican Cove	6110 Ocean Boulevard	4/3	2,653	\$1,100,000	\$1,000,000	9/10/15	42
Boynton Beach Park	21 Coconut Lane	5/6.1	3,970	\$1,097,500	\$925,000	11/12/15	123
Dunes Of Ocean Ridge	6711 Ocean Boulevard	3/2.1	2,748	\$999,000	\$925,000	10/28/15	214
Ocean Ridge Yacht Club	5554 Ocean Boulevard	3/2.1	2,265	\$975,000	\$890,000	12/15/15	133
Milemark	5103 Ocean Boulevard	3/4	2,822	\$899,000	\$800,000	1/22/16	69
Dunes of Ocean Ridge	6711 Ocean Boulevard	3/2.1	2,748	\$875,000	\$850,000	10/7/15	548
Ocean Ridge	6238 Ocean Boulevard	3/1.1	1,774	\$749,000	\$700,000	1/21/16	1
McCormick Mile	32 Sabal Island Drive	3/3	1,412	\$695,000	\$650,000	11/24/15	108
Ridge Harbour Estates	47 Harbour Drive	3/2	2,674	\$625,000	\$575,000	11/24/15	11
Ridge Harbour Estates	15 Harbour Drive	3/2	1,697	\$625,000	\$626,000	1/25/16	3
Oceanwalk	5801 Ocean Boulevard	3/2	1,864	\$599,900	\$560,000	9/30/15	175
Ocean Shore Estates	5691 David Lane	2/2	1,800	\$574,900	\$550,000	12/11/15	10

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3/22 - Mother Nature & Me: Snakes at Dagerwing 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
3/22 - Movie Break: The Good Dinosaur at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. All ages. 2-4 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org
3/22 - Melted Crayon Art at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 4-6 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
Wednesday - 3/23 - Cheerleading at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Develop teamwork and positive attitude; emphasis on safety. Every W through 5/18. Recreational: ages 3-10, 4-4:50 pm, \$100-\$125. Competitive: ages 4-14, 4-5:45 pm, \$155-\$194. Tumbling & Stunts (all levels): ages 5-14 6-6:30 pm, \$60-\$75; ages 3-8 3:30-4 pm, \$60-\$75. 901-0637; littlekiddos.com
Thursday - 3/24 - Intro to Archery at Dagerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. USA Archery and N.F.A.A. certified instructor. Bow and arrow safety, how to properly use equipment, practice on the range. Ages 8 & up. 10 am. \$10. Reservations required: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature
3/24 - DIY Art Projects: Spring Has Sprung 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: \$12/adults; \$5/ages 13-21; free/under age 13 & museum members. 832-5196; norton.org
Friday - 3/25 - Spring Egg Dive at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. Four age groups; only one age group in the water at a time. Search for specially marked pennies on the bottom of the pool, turn them in for plastic eggs filled with toys. All children receive an egg for participating. Goggles not permitted. Free popcorn. Ages 5-13. 10:30 am. Free. 393-7851; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
3/25 - Easter Bunny Contest & Party at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. 1-3 pm. \$3/advance, \$5/at the door. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org
3/25 - Beginner Piano at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Hal Leonard EZ Play Today method using 60 Favorite Songs to Play with 3 Chords. Every F through 5/6. Ages 6 & up 5-6:30 pm; adults 6:30-7:30 pm. \$80/residents; \$100/non-residents. 367-7035; myboca.us
Saturday - 3/26 - 24th Annual Egg Hunt at Miller Park, 1905 SW 4th Ave, Delray Beach. Visit the Easter Bunny, hunt for eggs. Ages 1-10. 8 am. Free. 243-7277; mydelraybeach.com
3/26 - Flagler Museum Annual Easter Egg Hunt at One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Age-appropriate areas, pictures with the Easter Bunny, crafts, balloon sculpture, commemorative Easter Egg, more. 9 am gates open; 10 am hunt begins. Members: free/adult individual, family, life level; non-members: \$18/adults; \$15 children. 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us
3/26 - 8th Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Bryant Park, 78 2nd Ave S, Lake Worth. Music, games,

crafts, food vendors. 9 am-1 pm; 11 am Easter Bonnet Parade. Ages 2-12. \$1/egg patch admission. 586-1600; lakeworth.org/events
3/26 - Egg-Stravaganza at Barrier Free Park, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Collect eggs, create memories, meet Peter Cottontail, face painting, food vendors. Ages 1-12. 10 am-1 pm. Free. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org
3/26 - Bubble Trouble: An Interactive Bubble Show by Jeff Boyer at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Cookies and juice follow. 11 am & 2 pm. \$13/adults; \$10/children 12 & under. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org
3/26 - Family Fun: Origami @ Yamato-Kan at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Yamato-kan, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Learn simple origami techniques, make a fun origami to take home. Noon-3 pm. Free 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
3/26 - Easter Egg Hunt at Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N. Congress Ave. 2 pm. Free. 736-7902; simon.com/mall/boynton-beach-mall/news-and-events
3/26 - 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
3/26 - Lady Bug Release, Easter Egg Hunt, Ice Cream Social at The Chapel of St. Andrew, 2707 NW 37 St, Boca Raton. 2:30 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregoryepiscopal.org

Tuesday - 3/29 - COBRA Minis Basketball at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3-5. Every T through 5/10. 3:30-4:15 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 347-3916; sugarsandpark.org
3/29 - 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
3/29 - Tween Tech Time at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Experience the Virtual Zone. Bring favorite books to make book reviews for BookTube. Grades 5-8. 6:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
Wednesday - 3/30 - Tween Nail Art 101 at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 4-8. Nail polish will be supplied. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
Thursday - 3/31 - COBRA Minis Soccer at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3-5. Every Th 3:30-4:15 pm through 5/12. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 347-3916; sugarsandpark.org
3/31 - Children's Basics of Sewing & Fashion Design Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Perfect class for young fashionistas to learn to design and sew their own clothing. Complete 1-2 pieces in 10-week session. Concludes with a fashion show showcasing student designs. Ages 8 & up. Every Th 5-6:30 pm through 6/2. \$226/resident; \$276/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
3/31 - Here by Richard McGuire part of Teen Book Discussion Group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
Friday - 4/1 - Small World at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Enjoy structured play, educational activities in a safe, entertaining environment. Ages 3-4. M/W/F or M-F 9 am-noon through 4/29. M/W/F \$64/residents, \$80/non-residents; M-F \$95/residents, \$119/non-residents. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org
4/1 - 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 5/6. \$5/child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

4/1 - Parents Night Out: Enthusiastic Engineers 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. \$35/child; \$25/each additional child. 832-2026; sfscenter.org
Saturday - 4/2 - Youth Tennis: Sized Just Right For Kids at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Sat through 4/23. Age 5-6: 9-9:45 am \$40-\$50; age 7-15: 10-11 am \$48-\$60. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org
4/2 - Lil Sluggers Baseball at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Introduces children to baseball. Every Sat through 5/21. Ages 4-5 9-9:45 am; age 3 10-10:45 am; age 2 11-11:45am. \$144/resident; \$180/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
4/2 - I Love Art Classes at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Create amazing art utilizing recycled items. Ages 4-10. Every Sat 10:30 am-noon through 5/14. \$36/resident; \$45/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org
4/2 - Park Playdate at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Free kids activities and info about upcoming programs. 11 am-12:30 pm. Held again 5/7. Free. 347-3900; SugarSandPark.org
4/2 - Science Stories at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Science inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. Every Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org
4/2 - Art-E-Ology: Fernand Leger - Contour Lines 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/member. Reservations required: 392-2500 x106; bocamuseum.org
4/2-3 - Auditions for Disney's Aladdin Jr. at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Production dates: 6/29-7/10. Bring sheet music; no CDs allowed. Cast requires elementary, middle and especially high school students. Ages 6-18. Sat 11 am-1:30 pm; Sun 4:30-6:30 pm. \$750/student (10% sibling discount). By appointment only: 272-1281 x4; delraybeach-playhouse.com

MARCH 27-APRIL 2

Monday - 3/28 - Creative Movement Class at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3-9. Children explore the Elements of Movement using imagery and music. M through 5/2. Ages 3-5 3-3:45 pm; ages 6-9 4-5pm. \$78/resident; \$97.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org
3/28 - Happy Sunshine Yoga: Kids & Teens at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Focus on building self-confidence, physical strength, concentration. Ages 7-16. Every M through 5/9. 4:45-6:15 pm. Full session \$75/resident, \$93.75/non-resident; per class \$13/resident, \$16.25/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

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Spring Break Camps

Note: All camp listings are current as of 2/26. Please check with organizers for any changes.

MARCH 21-25

2016 Spring Break Tennis Camp at Patch Reef Park Tennis Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Warm up exercises, drills, situational games, instruction, arts & crafts, Pizza Party Friday (for full day campers). Ages 3-6 9 am-3:30 pm \$235-\$293.75/week, \$60-\$75/day; 9 am-noon \$136-\$170/week, \$39-\$48.75/day; Ages 7-16, 9am-3:30 pm \$220-\$275/week, \$58-\$72.50/day; 9 am-noon \$125-\$156.25/week, \$36-\$45/day. Lunch included for full week or full day campers. After care 3:30-6 pm add \$3/half hour. 367-7090; patchreefpark.org

Catherine Strong Spring Sports Exploration Camp at Catherine Strong Park, 1500 SW 6th St. Ages 6-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$90/resident; \$100/non-resident. 243-7194; mydelraybeach.com

City of Boca Raton Gap Camp 2016 at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Grades K-5. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. Per day: \$37/resident; \$53/non-resident. 393-7888; myboca.us

Junior Lifeguard Aquatic Camp at John Denison Pool, 225 NW 12 Ave, Boynton Beach. Lifeguard training, water safety skills, open swim. Ages 10-15. 9:30 am-3:30 pm. \$60/resident; \$75 non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

Junior Spring Break Tennis Camp at The Racquet Center, 21626 St Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Drills, match play, swim break, arts & crafts, carnival Friday w/awards ceremony. Ages 6-16. Full day 9 am-3 pm; week: \$220/resident, \$275/non-resident; daily: \$55/resident, \$68.75/non-resident. Half day 9 am-noon; week: \$130/resident, \$162.50/non-resident; daily: \$36/resident, \$45/non-resident. After Care Camp 3-5:30 pm. 367-7095; theracquetcenter.org

Kid's Spring Break Art Camp at Talin's Tropical Studio, 2915 S Federal Hwy D-3, Delray Beach. Bring sack lunch. Ages 6-12. 9:30 am-4 pm. \$27/day all supplies included. 573-0123; talinsstudio.com

One Week Wonder Spring Break Camp at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Kids work together to produce *Dinner At Eight*, *Dead by Nine*. M-F. 9 am-3 pm. Performance 11 am 3/26. Ages 8+-. \$200/child. 584-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

Pee Wee Spring Break Tennis Camp at The Racquet Center, 21626 St Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. 10 & Under Tennis Method with age appropriate equipment. Swim break, arts & crafts, Pizza Party Friday. Ages 3-6. 9 am-noon. Week: \$135/resident; \$168.75/non-resident; Day: \$36/resident; \$45/non-resident. 367-7095; theracquetcenter.org

Performing Arts Spring Break Camp: Roald Dahl's Matilda, The Musical Revue at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner

Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Learn songs, scenes, choreography from the movie. Performance on 3/25. Ages 5+. Core program 9 am-3 pm. \$250; add \$5/hour for extended hours 8-9 am & 3-6 pm. Registration fee: \$40/new student; \$25/returning student. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

School's Out Workshop: Sewing & Designing For My Doll at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 7-13. 8:30 am-1 pm. \$250/resident; \$312.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Sea Turtle Camp at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Close encounters with resident sea turtles, visit a local nesting beach. New theme each day. Bring a healthy snack, beverage; camp shirt required (additional shirts may be purchased). Grades 3-5. 8:30 am-noon. \$155/member; \$205/non-member. Prepayment required. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Spring Break Art-Sea Camp at 112 S Federal Highway #7, Boynton Beach. Two to three projects a day. Pottery painting, decoupage, canvas painting, watercolor, jewelry making, mosaic, more. 10:30 am-2:30 pm. Held again 3/28-4/1. \$218/week camp; \$50/one-day camp. Aftercare 2:30-4 pm add \$15. Reservations required: 737-2600; art-sealiving.com

Spring Break Basketball Camp at Ezell Hester Jr. Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Learn basketball fundamentals, participate in drills and organized game play. Ages 6-15. 9 am-3:30 pm; 7:30-9 am & 3:30-5:30 pm add \$25. \$90/resident; \$113/non-resident. 742-6640; boynton-beach.org

Spring Break Blast Camp at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Exploration, experiments, games, more. Grades 1-5. M-F 9 am-1 pm. Full week: \$105/resident, \$131.25/non-resident; daily: \$25/resident, \$31.25/non-resident. Advance purchase required: 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Spring Break Broadway Boot Camp at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Intensive training in acting, singing, dancing, audition preparation, the business of show business. Ages 7-17. 9 am-3 pm. \$300. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

Spring Break Camp at Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave, Boynton Beach. Arts & crafts, special guests, daily field trips. Ages 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$125/resident; \$157/non-resident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

Spring Break Camp at Carolyn Sims Center at Wilson Park, 224 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Arts & crafts, movies, field trips. Ages 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$125/resident; \$157/non-resident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

Spring Break Skate Camp at 505 Teen Center



and Hobbit Skate Park, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Interactive camp, beginner and advanced skaters. Skate instruction, skate park field trips, arts & crafts, trips to movies, bowling, zoo, ice skating. Bring skateboard, helmet, knee/elbow pads, bag lunch, water bottle each day. Ages 5-15. 9 am-4 pm (six days). Drop-off time 8:30-9 am, pickup time 4-5:30 pm. \$144/resident; \$156/non-resident. Registration: 243-7158; mydelraybeach.com

Spring Break Surf and Ocean Safety Camp at Oceanfront Park, 6415 N Ocean Blvd, Boynton Beach. Surfing, stand up paddle boarding, ocean safety, more. Instructed by Hula Surf and Paddle School; instructors are First Aid/CPR certified. Participants must know how to swim. Ages 6-12. 8:30 am-1 pm. \$200/resident; \$250/non-resident. 742-6230; boynton-beach.org

Spring Camp 2016: Camp Kavod for Special Needs at 9801 Donna Klein Blvd, Boca Raton. Enhance social, motor, language, other life skills that promote greater independence. Families from all backgrounds and religious affiliations welcome. Grades K-12. 9 am-3 pm. \$55/day; \$250/week. 852-3269; levisjcc.org

Spring Science Adventure 2016 at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Ages 4-12. 9 am-4 pm. \$225/member; \$250/non-member. Before/after care (7:30-9 am & 4-5:30 pm) add \$10/day. 832-2026; sfsccenter.org

STEM Spring Adventure at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Science, technology, engineering, math. Ages 7-14. 9 am-4 pm. \$275/member; \$300/non-member. Before/after care (7:30-9 am & 4-5:30 pm) add \$10/day. 832-2026; sfsccenter.org

The Director's Cut Reel Film Experience Spring Break at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr. Boca Raton. Write script, scout shoot locations, learn multi angle filming techniques, act, edit on Macbooks; add voices, sound effects, music, titles. Ages 8-14. 8:30 am-3 pm. \$280/resident; \$350/non-resident; + \$20/materials fee due first day. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Waves Surf Academy & City Surf Spring Break Camp at Delray Beach Municipal Beach, Ocean Boulevard. Boys & girls ages 5-15. 9 am-2:30 pm. Held again 4/8 & 4/22. Week: \$285/residents, \$300/non-residents; Day: \$60/resident; \$70/non-resident. 243-7352; mydelraybeach.com

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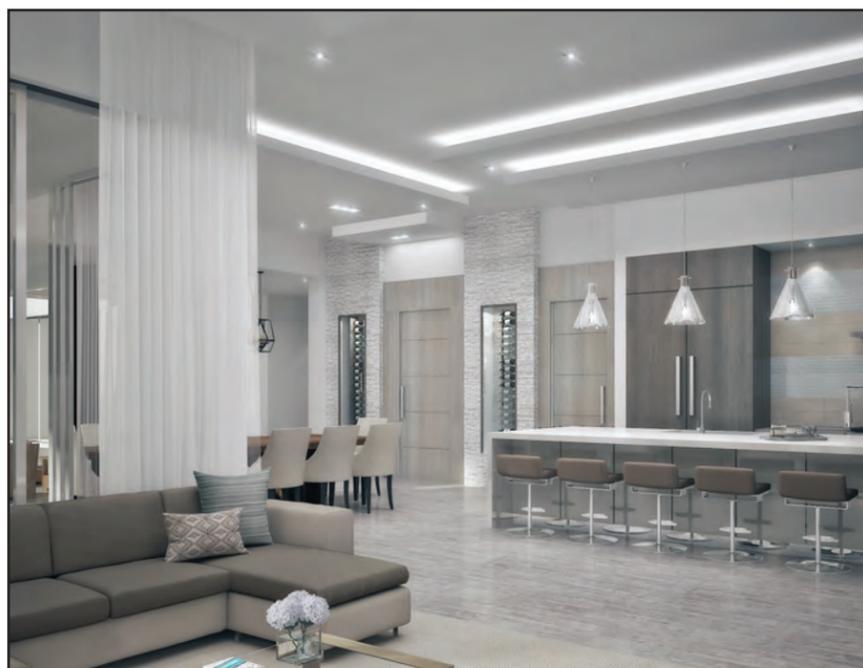
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Nestled in the heart of Manalapan, this ravishing estate offers plenty of direct Intracoastal and oceanfront footage. Perfect for the beach or boating South Florida Lifestyle. Recently completed renovations in 2015, this estate's upgrades have merged the 21st Century aesthetics with the property's previous old world charm. This "Modern Mediterranean Island Transitional" home consists of the main house with 7 Bedrooms and 7.5 Bathrooms. It also has a separate 2/1 guest house, and cabana bath. Plus a private dock and immaculate sunsets that extend beautifully across the Intracoastal Waterway: The perfect backdrop for your yacht. Adjacent lot for sale. One of the last pieces of land available in Manalapan - 150 X 589 feet of land (room to build 20k sq.ft. house) sprawling from the ocean to Intracoastal. Both lots feature space to build a beach house. This is Florida's Gold Coast Living at its finest.

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Panoramic Intracoastal View

Listing Price: \$9,995,000

1730 Lands End Road
Manalapan, FL 33462
Bedrooms: 6 • Full Baths: 7 • Partial Baths: 1
Living Square Feet: 7,559
Waterfrontage: 350 +/- ft • Private Dock/Pool

MLS #RX-10200021



West Intracoastal View

Listing Price: \$4,495,000

825 W Oyster Lane
Hypoluxo Island, FL 33462
Bedrooms: 5 • Full Baths: 5 • Partial Baths: 1
Living Square Feet: 5,148
Waterfrontage: 96 feet • Private Dock/Pool

MLS #RX-10200001



West Intracoastal View

Listing Price: \$4,295,000

961 Lands End Road
Hypoluxo Island, FL 33462
Bedrooms: 5 • Full Baths: 6 • Partial Bath: 2
Living Square Feet: 5,105
Waterfrontage: 105 feet • Private Dock/Pool

MLS #RX-10200053



West Intracoastal View

Listing Price: \$6,995,000

1245 Lands End Road
Manalapan, FL 33462
Bedrooms: 5 • Full Baths: 6 • Partial Baths: 2
Living Square Feet: 7,065
Waterfrontage: 101 feet • Private Dock/Pool

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