

Highland Beach

Town wants county help patrolling Milani Park site

By Rich Pollack

Highland Beach town leaders are hoping Palm Beach County will help them in their efforts to end trespassing and illegal activity on a stretch of beachfront property the county has wanted to turn into a park since it purchased the site almost 30 years ago.

The 5.4-acre parcel at the south end of the town — known as the future site of Milani Park — has been at the center of a long-standing dispute between the county and Highland Beach and its residents, who are opposed to opening the property to the public.

In 2010, both sides reached an agreement that would delay any development of the park until at least 2020 and possibly for 10 more years after that.

Now, however, it seems that trespassers are building bonfires and drinking on the beach, disturbing turtle nests and painting graffiti on a seawall.

And Highland Beach wants to put a stop to it.

“Someone is going to get hurt,” said Commissioner Carl Feldman. “I want people to know it is off limits.”

Town Manager Beverly Brown said the town’s police officers are patrolling the area, but for safety reasons are not traversing a narrow path through the wooded area from State Road A1A to the beach.

“We don’t allow police officers to go down there alone,” Brown said. “We don’t have the staffing to patrol it on a daily

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Cason Color 5K Fun Run raises money for charities
Jennifer Medici carries her son James, 5, during the Cason Color 5K Fun Run in Delray Beach. Runners and walkers took part in the fundraising event on A1A. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

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Boca Raton

Voters to decide fate of Wildflower property

By Steve Plunkett

Along with choosing a new president of the United States, Boca Raton voters in November will be asked to decide the fate of the city-owned Wildflower property.

The City Council decided to give voters the chance to choose “Yes” or “No” on Nov. 8 whether they agree with a statement: “City-owned land adjacent to the Intracoastal Waterway shall only be used for public recreation, public boating access, public streets and city stormwater uses only.”

A petition drive to possibly overrule the City Council’s intentions to lease the property to the Hillstone Restaurant Group gathered 2,068 signatures, double the 1,030 required. However, their submission came too late to get the question on the Aug. 30 primary election ballot, City Attorney Diana Grub Frieser said.

The City Council was scheduled to vote July 26 on a land-use change, rezoning the parcel, a conditional use and a 20-year lease to the restaurant group. But after the petition drive’s success, Hillstone requested at the council’s June 14 meeting that consideration of the lease be postponed until Nov. 22 and the conditional use until Dec. 13.

Mayor Susan Haynie, at her State of the City speech a week earlier, said “the people get to speak” on the

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Along the Coast

Mayors, police chiefs jockey for seats on sober house task force

By Jane Smith

Rogue sober homes are so overwhelming south county coastal communities that leaders of the three largest cities are grasping at anything that holds promise to protect their neighborhoods.

They all want a seat on the Palm Beach County state

attorney’s drug treatment task force.

“We definitely want to be involved with that task force,” said Susan Haynie, Boca Raton mayor.

Delray Beach Mayor Cary Glickstein said, “We have been at the table from the beginning pleading for real assistance.” His city is known as the “recovery

capital of America” because of its numerous treatment centers and sober homes.

The state Legislature awarded State Attorney Dave Aronberg \$275,000 to review drug treatment laws and report back by year’s end.

Said Alan Johnson, chief assistant state attorney, who volunteered to set up the task

force: “I have received hundreds of emails from people who want to be involved in this project.”

The money began flowing July 1, the start of the state’s budget year. Johnson was fine-tuning the task force in the final days of June.

Aronberg was chosen because of his “drug czar” role in helping the state clean up the

pill mill industry in 2011.

Prosecutor Justin Chapman will lead the task force, which will be divided into at least two groups, Johnson said.

A former captain with the state Division of Insurance, Ted Padich, will head the law enforcement group. Before

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Editor's Note

Keep local government info systems up to date

Public record: 1) a record required by law to be made and kept; 2) a record made by a public officer in the course of his legal duty to make it; 3) a record filed in a public office and open to public inspection.

These definitions are from Merriam-Webster. My definition is that a public record is what you as a taxpayer have a right to know about how your government operates.

This summer our cities and towns will be preparing budgets for the next fiscal year. They will be considering new or upgraded records management systems. They will be considering how to best manage their telecommunications and data systems.

They will be looking at how best to distribute information to their residents. Some will be improving their streaming audio and video to provide greater resident access to how decisions are made by their elected officials.

This is the year we as taxpayers should demand our municipalities make easy access to public records a top priority.

Why now? Because property tax values have increased for the fifth straight year and municipal coffers are returning to record 2007 levels. In other words, the cash is available.

And, of course, there is what we should learn from the continuing public records litigation in Gulf Stream.

No matter how small and discreet a town wants to remain, it doesn't pay to not have systems in place to handle any and all requests

for information from its residents — even residents who might use Florida's open records laws for vindictive purposes or use despicable dramatics and the filing of questionable lawsuits to further their self-interests.

Every small town in our area should be asking itself: What would it do if it suddenly were besieged with public record requests for everything from text messages to telephone communications to emails and meeting transcripts? Would its officials balk, circle the wagons and decide to fight the requests in court, or hire additional help and meet the demands as the spirit of the public records law demands?

It's easy to tell which way most benefits the taxpayer.

What other small municipalities should study from Gulf Stream's situation is the impressive way the town has reacted to its unique situation by investing in improved public records management and new platforms for resident involvement in government operations.

This year, let your elected officials know that access to public records is your right as a taxpayer. Even if you never plan to file a Freedom of Information Act request, tell them you want your tax dollars invested in an infrastructure that will assure transparency in local government.



— Mary Kate Leming, Editor

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'The accomplishments are not generated by the manager but by the commissioners,' says William Thrasher, Gulf Stream town manager. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Thrasher's long run in Gulf Stream inspired by the late Mayor Koch

By Dan Moffett

Gulf Stream ranks high on a short list of South Florida communities that value longevity in public service.

Rita Taylor is in her 27th year as town clerk. Joan Orthwein is in her 21st year as a town commissioner, ranking as Palm Beach County's second-longest-serving elected official behind Cloud Lake Mayor Patrick Slatery, who's served 38 years. And William Thrasher has just completed 20 years as a Gulf Stream administrator, the last 16 as town manager.

It is not easy to last two decades in municipal management. Managers have to operate within the shifting political whims of their elected bodies and often wind up in the crosshairs of blame, justifiably or not, when things go wrong.

Consider that just up the road in South Palm Beach last year, the Town Council hired a new manager from New Jersey and then terminated him six months later.

The Florida City and County Management Association says the average tenure for town managers is about six years. Thrasher thinks the longevity of service in Gulf Stream should be considered part of the legacy of William F. Koch, who served as the town's mayor for 46 of his 91 years, until his death in 2012.

Koch was a powerful

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influence on Thrasher and his colleagues, they say.

"I have to say I loved Mayor Koch," Thrasher says. "He was the greatest person I've ever been in contact with. He was a very hard outer shell person, but with a very loving heart."

As Taylor puts it: Koch "had a lot of empathy for mankind."

Thrasher's path to Gulf Stream was unlikely in the socioeconomic landscapes it crossed. He grew up baling hay in Ottumwa, Iowa, known as the birthplace of the fictional Radar O'Reilly, the character in Richard Hooker's *M.A.S.H.* novel. He came to Florida with Phyllis, his wife of 48 years. He earned a bachelor's degree at Florida Atlantic University and wound up doing finance work for the city of Pahokee, 55 miles and several cultural light-years from Gulf Stream.

He answered an ad Koch placed for an assistant to the town manager, and Thrasher found his mentor and career in the same place.

"Mayor Koch was always a surprise as it relates to what he knew," Thrasher says. "He knew so much. He was so

influential but would never give the pretense of being that influential."

Thrasher says working alongside Koch helped him develop a commitment to Gulf Stream that has endured through some difficult challenges in recent years.

Thrasher and other town officials have been named as defendants in dozens of lawsuits filed by residents Martin O'Boyle and Chris O'Hare over numerous disputed issues. The town also is in the middle of an arduous project to move its utility lines underground — an initiative that probably will take roughly a decade from conception to completion a couple years from now.

Thrasher says getting Florida Power & Light to cooperate on the project is "like trying to push water uphill." But he says he's determined to see it through and remains hopeful all the work will get done on his watch.

"The accomplishments are not generated by the manager but by the commissioners," Thrasher says. "Most of us just love the town. That seems to be the motivating factor. Government in its purest ideal is to serve people. That's what I'm here to do. That cannot be boastful. You need to stay humble. You need to have humility and care about Gulf Stream." ★

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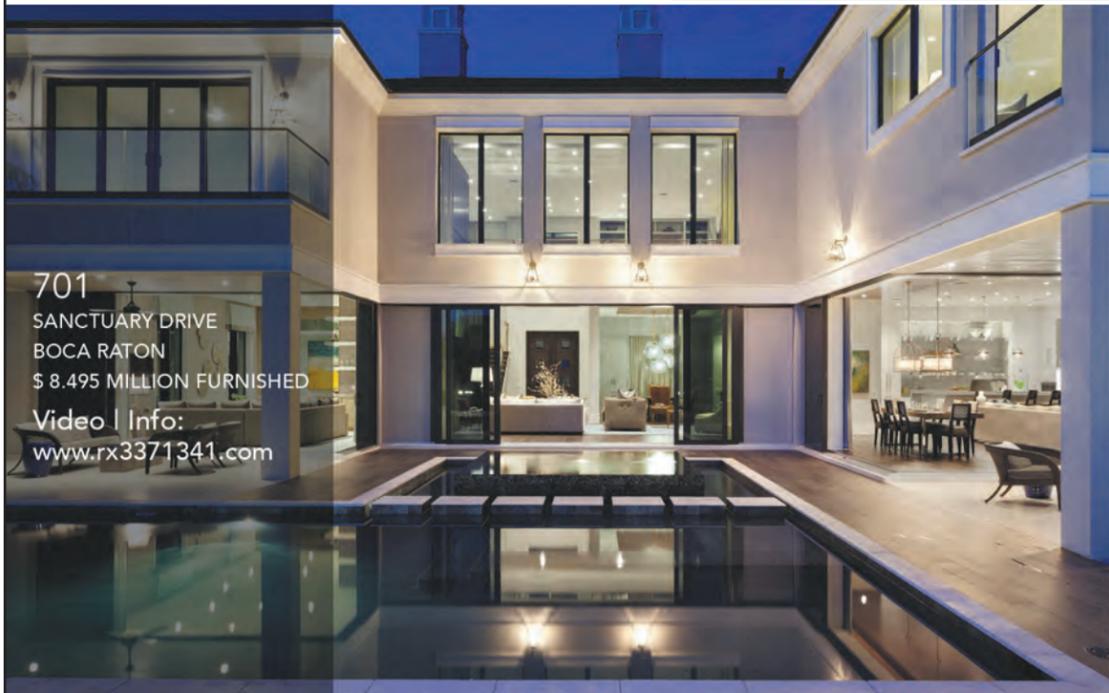
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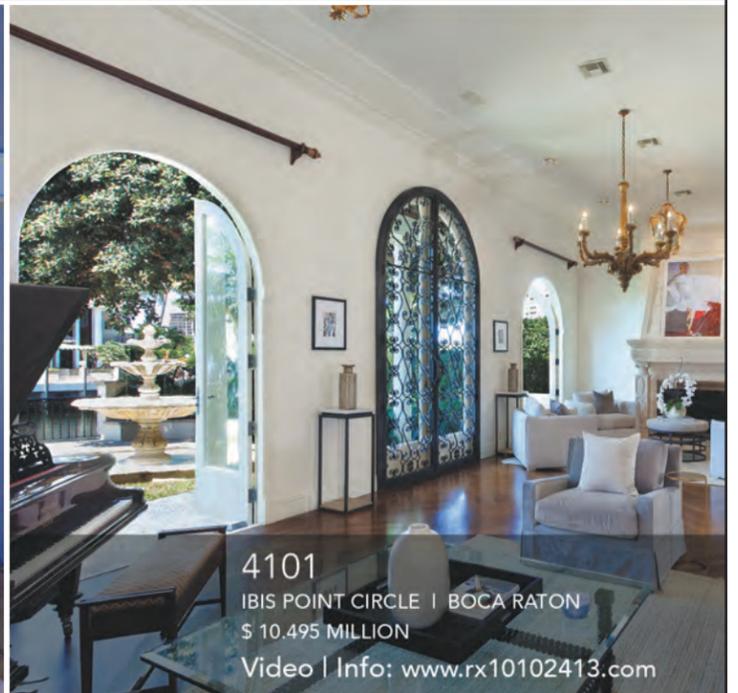
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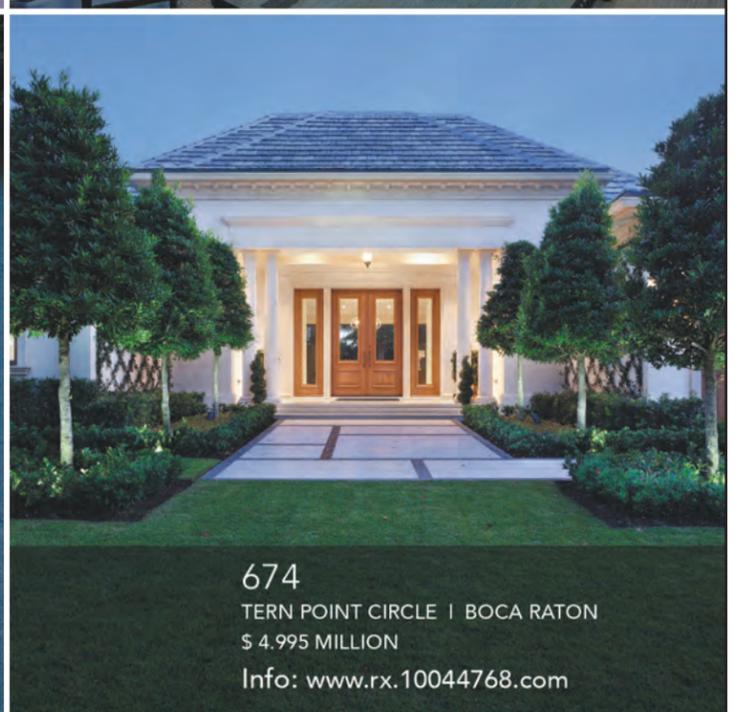
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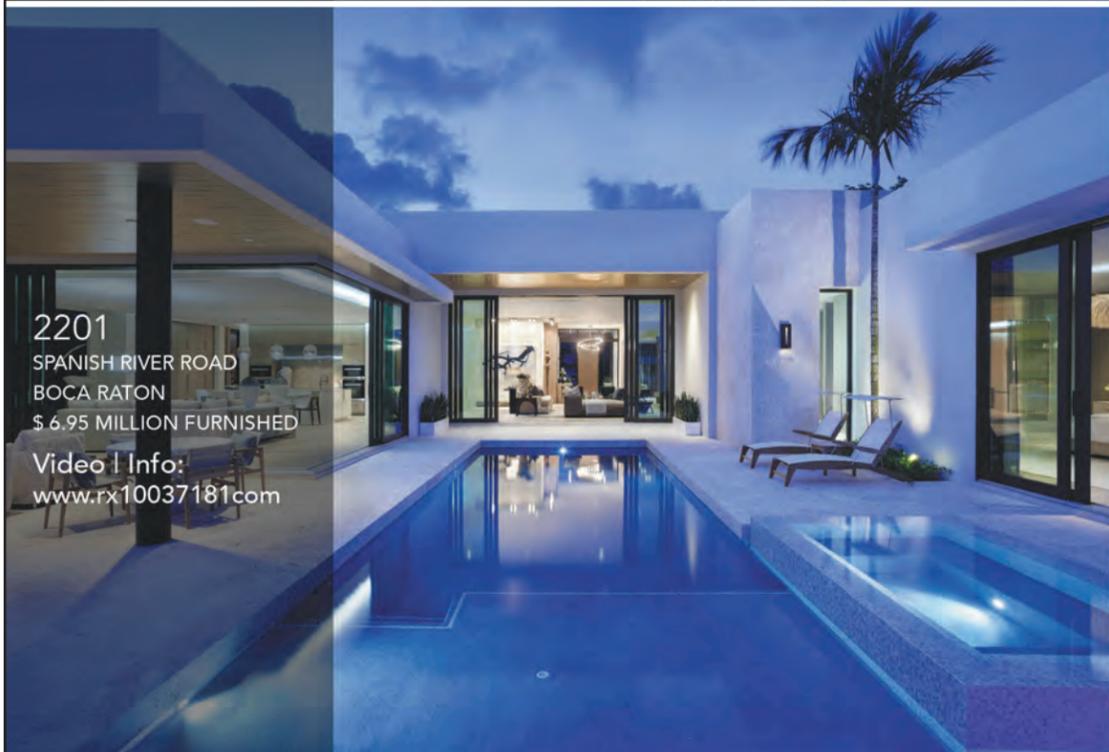
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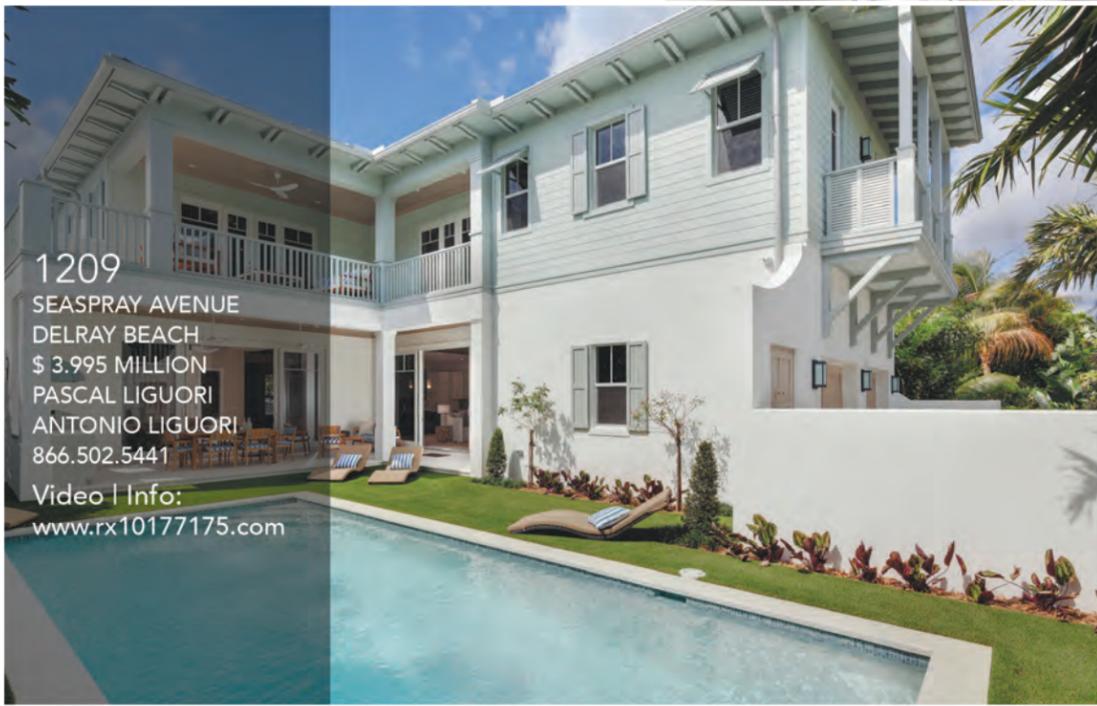
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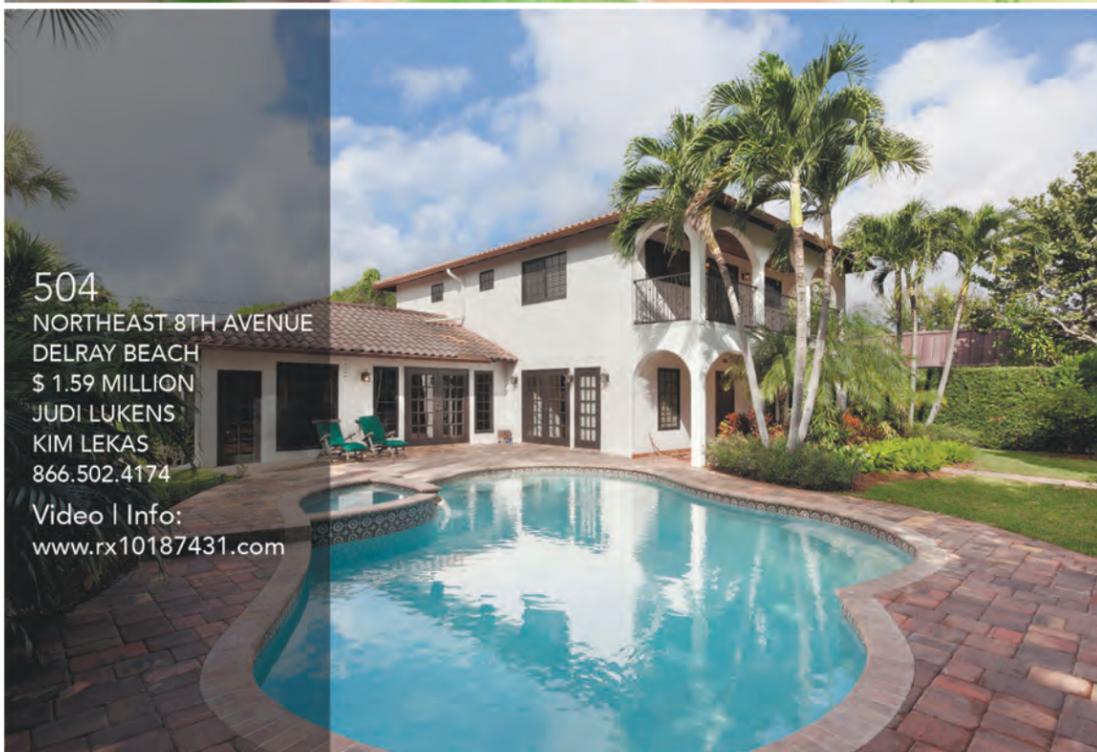
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Boca Raton

Chabad to appeal decision negating proposed synagogue's museum

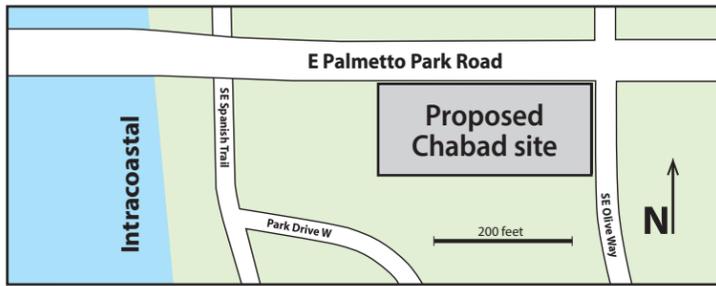
By Sallie James and Steve Plunkett

It's not over yet. Despite a court ruling that Boca Raton city officials erred in giving the Chabad of East Boca Raton permission to build a new synagogue and museum, Chabad officials aren't giving up the fight.

Spiritual leader Rabbi Ruvi New on June 27 said the synagogue will appeal.

"We are going to appeal to the 4th District Court [of Appeal in West Palm Beach]," he said. "We have very strong grounds for an appeal and we are prayerfully optimistic for a positive outcome and for our appeal to be upheld and reverse the current ruling."

New acknowledged the setback, admitting that the route to building Chabad of East Boca Raton's facility has



been more challenging than expected.

"It's definitely ... a more scenic route to our destination than we anticipated, but our resolve to build a center is as strong as ever," New said. "We're absolutely not discouraged as much as the opposition would like to delay and derail the project. That will not succeed."

He said the deadline to file an appeal is July 8, and he expected Chabad to file its appeal very soon.

A three-judge panel of the county's Circuit Court made the ruling on June 6 regarding the proposed building, set to be constructed on Palmetto Park Road east of the Intracoastal Waterway.

City Council members should have disallowed the My Israel Center museum outright or followed a city code requirement for 239 parking spaces for the facility, the judges said.

"The city may not pick and choose which sections of the

City Code will apply to the 'My Israel Center,'" they wrote.

David Roberts, the owner/broker of Royal Palm Properties across the street from the proposed synagogue, at 770 E. Palmetto Park Road, asked the court in August to review the City Council's approval of the site plan, saying its resolution "departed from the essential requirements of the law."

Roberts could not be reached for comment for his reaction to the ruling despite several phone calls.

The council approved the Chabad's plans in May 2015, despite the fact that zoning in the area does not permit a museum, Circuit Judges Meenu Sasser and Lisa Small and County Judge Ted Booras wrote in their opinion. Even granting the property owner's contention that a museum in this case is a "place of public assembly,"

they said, officials should have insisted that the .84-acre site have 239 parking spaces, not the 81 approved.

New earlier had told neighbors that a Chabad providing 81 parking spaces would be "unprecedented" in coastal Florida. The downtown space his congregation leases at 120 NE First Ave. has just five parking spaces, he said. An 11,000-square-foot synagogue in Palm Beach has four and a 35,000-square-foot Chabad in Sunny Isles has 22.

The Chabad has been trying to find a larger place to meet for years. This is the second time parking has tripped up its plans.

In 2008 the congregation wanted to move into a 23,000-square-foot building near Mizner Park but was unable to meet parking requirements there. ★

Along the Coast

Fire district study results going to elected officials

By Dan Moffett

Elected officials from six coastal communities will have some difficult decisions to make in evaluating the results of a study that examines the feasibility of creating a barrier island fire district.

The revised 130-page report from Texas-based Matrix Consulting Group paints a complicated picture of how the six towns — Gulf Stream, Highland Beach, Briny Breezes, Ocean Ridge, Manalapan and South Palm Beach — might unite to provide their own fire-rescue services.

Tradeoffs between cost and levels of protection permeate consultant Robert Finn's analysis of what an independent district might look like and what is needed to create and run it.

A key issue for officials is deciding how many stations are needed to effectively cover the

proposed 20-mile district that runs along A1A.

The plan envisions using existing stations in Manalapan and Highland Beach, with a new station to be built somewhere between Gulf Stream and Ocean Ridge.

Some officials believe the district will need a fourth station, however, or at least the capability to deploy a fourth rescue unit — added expenses that could make the plan too costly.

Gulf Stream Town Manager William Thrasher, who has led the exploratory group for the district proposal, says he expects the elected councils and commissions in the six towns to consider the findings this month and then decide whether to move forward.

"For this to work, we need all six communities to stay involved," Thrasher said. "That could be difficult considering some of the concerns about

cost."

South Palm Beach Town Manager Bob Vitas has said his council is unlikely to approve any plan that raises costs.

Highland Beach may be nearing an agreement for fire service with Delray Beach that could lead the town to pull out of the district group.

Manalapan Town Manager Linda Stumpf says the town's current long-term arrangement with Palm Beach County will be hard to beat. Manalapan has its own station and pays a relatively low rate for services that is linked to property values in neighboring South Palm Beach.

"We have the Cadillac of all deals," Stumpf said. "No one will ever see that deal again."

Still, Thrasher says he expects officials from all six towns to take a hard look at the study and formally support or reject the district plan.

Among the study's key findings:

- The six towns currently pay a combined \$6.93 million for their fire-rescue services. The estimated annual cost of operating an independent fire district with three rescue units is \$6.15 million, suggesting a potential savings of about \$781,000 per year. Adding a fourth rescue unit would cost about \$800,000 more and amount to a \$33,000 increase over current operating expenses.

- It would take roughly \$7.4 million in capital expenditures to get the district started. This includes about \$3.6 million for trucks, vehicles and equipment, as well as another \$3.8 million to renovate the Manalapan station and build a new station somewhere near the middle of the district.

- Mutual aid agreements with mainland providers would be important to "ensure an effective response force can be assembled on structural fires." Cooperation with mainland

providers would help ensure coverage throughout the long, narrow district. The report says a close relationship between Delray Beach and Highland Beach would be necessary to cover the southern end.

- The cost of buying services from the mainland continues to rise — up a combined 7 percent for the six towns over the past three years. Gulf Stream's costs rose the most (10.25 percent) and Manalapan and South Palm Beach shared the lowest increase (5.15 percent).

- Current response times vary significantly — from a high of nine minutes, 20 seconds in Gulf Stream to lows of roughly five minutes, 10 seconds in Manalapan and South Palm Beach.

- The district would provide coverage to residents in the unincorporated county pocket and recover fees for service through an agreement with Palm Beach County. ★

TASK FORCE

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joining the state, he spent 20 years on the Boynton Beach police force.

Delray Beach Police Chief Jeff Goldman will assign an officer to that group. In 2015, Delray Beach police responded to 144 heroin overdoses, 10 of which were fatal. Through May of this year, 202 heroin overdoses occurred in the city, resulting in 18 fatalities.

The heroin overdoses peaked at 64 in March. To combat that rise, Delray Beach police started Operation Street Sweeper in late February. Undercover officers bought narcotics from known dealers, resulting in at least 30 arrests.

Boynton Beach will also assign an officer to that group.

Police Chief Jeffrey Katz said the group can be successful

2015 overdose deaths Ten of the deaths occurred at motels, another nine at recovery residences.

Boynton Beach	28
Delray Beach	25
Boca Raton	20

Source: Palm Beach County Medical Examiner's Office

if the members put their heads together and combine resources, just as they did when fighting the pill mill crises.

Through early June, Boynton Beach dealt with 121 overdoses and seven overdose deaths.

The other group of the task force will have a mix of providers, elected officials, Florida Association of Recovery Residences President John Lehman, a drug court judge and

activists.

This group will hold its first meetings from 2 to 5 p.m. July 13 and 14. The meetings will be open to the public and held in the West Palm Beach Police Department's community room.

FARR has a voluntary certification program for recovery residences, the industry preferred term for sober homes. Starting in July, state-licensed drug and alcohol treatment centers will be barred from discharging patients or referring clients to recovery residences that are not certified.

But the association didn't receive any state money for this budget year.

Boca Raton was the first community that tried to regulate recovery residences, Haynie said, "but unfortunately we lost."

In 2003, the city was sued

in federal court over zoning laws created to protect its neighborhoods. Boca Raton lost that case in 2007 when the judge ruled that the zoning laws discriminated against recovering addicts.

Cities, including Delray Beach, also lost court cases when recovery residences and their clients sued under federal disability and fair housing laws. Sometimes the judges awarded multimillion-dollar damages to the recovery residence operators and their clients. Addicts in recovery are seen as a family unit protected under federal laws.

Johnson, of the state attorney's office, admits that's a "tightrope to work with, but it can be done effectively. ... We'll have to educate (the cities) about what can be done within the federal laws."

Addicts and their families

are lured to South Florida by the pictures of paradise painted by tourism officials. They are also recruited to come here by profit-seeking providers.

Once they are here, a 28-day stay in a treatment center is the norm, thanks to the Mental Health Parity Act of 2008 that requires health insurers to provide the same level of treatment for addictions as they would for other medical problems. From there, patients are released to recovery residences where they live with other recovering addicts.

In Palm Beach County, rogue operators have infiltrated the drug treatment industry — with allegations of insurance fraud, patient brokering and kickbacks, Johnson said.

The FBI began raiding such places nearly two years ago, but so far there have been no indictments. ★

Scarcity of funds slows reporting of certified sober homes

By Jane Smith

The Florida Association of Recovery Residences is struggling to pay for its sober home certification program after it did not receive state money.

Starting July 1, Florida-licensed drug and alcohol treatment centers can no longer discharge patients or refer clients to recovery residences that are not certified.

"The department has not and does not pay for a recovery residence to be credentialed," said Paige Patterson-Hughes, southeast spokeswoman for the Department of Children and Families. The \$100,000 in state money given to the Boca Raton-based Florida Association of Recovery Residences in the last budget year was for setting up the system, not to pay for certifying sober homes.

FARR continues to seek donations from the public and other stakeholders.

The voluntary nature of the certifications explains the gap between the low number of certified recovery residences

compared with the proliferation of sober homes in south county cities.

In Delray Beach, the mayor estimates the city has hundreds of single-family and multifamily sober homes. FARR's website lists 35 certified recovery residences as of late June.

"The voluntary nature of the new statute has been viewed by many with much skepticism," said Mayor Cary Glickstein. "I see it as a very small step in the right direction, although defunding even the voluntary registration demonstrates a lack of concern or understanding in Tallahassee."

Boca Raton officials said they don't know how many sober homes exist in their city. FARR has certified three there.

"We worked to get the voluntary certification last year," said Boca Raton Mayor Susan Haynie. "We will continue to work on this issue to protect our neighborhoods."

The voluntary certifications are a step in the right direction, said County Commissioner Steven Abrams, whose district covers Boca Raton, Boynton

Beach and Delray Beach. "But ultimately the answer lies on the federal level."

Cities have been sued successfully under federal laws for violating the Fair Housing Act and Americans with Disabilities Act. People living in sober-living situations are seen as a family unit and cities have lost in court when they create zoning laws to ban them.

Boynton Beach has 49 registered and possibly more exist that "are flying under the radar," said Saleica Brown, the city's business development specialist. FARR has certified 18 locations in that city.

FARR's president, John Lehman, said his nonprofit group has certified 84 programs operating 250 locations statewide, as of late June. Another 100 programs are in the pipeline, he said. FARR's website needs to be updated, he said, and likely doesn't have the most recent figures.

The association charges a \$100 application fee plus \$300 per single-family home or duplex, with the amount capped at \$2,400. The certification lasts for one year.

FARR follows the state law detailing what a policy and procedures manual for a certified recovery residence should contain: job descriptions for all staff, drug-testing procedures, prohibition against using alcohol and illegal drugs, policies to promote recovery efforts, a good neighbor policy to address community concerns, rules for residents, copies of all forms provided to residents, relapse policy, fee schedule, eviction procedures, proof of insurance, proof of background screening, code of ethics and proof of satisfactory fire, safety and health inspections.

The organization hires field personnel to inspect each home. The inspector interviews staff, volunteers and residents to make sure the home is following its policy and procedures.

The certification process takes at least one month. "It

depends on how prepared they are and whether they have residents," Lehman said. "We can't measure a residence without residents."

FARR needs \$100,000 annually to do the certifications statewide, Lehman said. Most of the money would be for staff to make on-site visits. In addition, 25 percent of the certified residences must be visited for renewal, according to standards set by the National Alliance for Recovery Residences.

The state allows FARR to charge a \$100 renewal fee.

Lehman also wants to set up an education arm to create a designation called Certified Recovery Residence Administrator. FARR would hold that person accountable because of the continuing education offered.

The continuing education would be set up as a lunch-and-learn program, costing about \$200,000, Lehman said.

State law allows the organization to charge up to \$225 for the administrator's application, examination and certification fee. The renewal fee may not exceed \$100.

That program was supposed to start April 1, according to state law.

"What we are unable to accomplish without additional funding is random compliance audits and educational seminars to enhance the quality of services provided by certified programs," Lehman said.

Last year, Lehman helped CashBox Solutions create a PayPal-like software program for recovery homes and other businesses, according to the FARR website. He developed the payment-system software that he called "PayPal on steroids" at the request of a sober home operator.

His wife runs CashBox and he spends 50-60 hours weekly on FARR as a volunteer, Lehman said.

CashBox initially shared its office space, equipment and employees with FARR in Boca

Raton. Lehman said the two entities began to separate in July 2015 when FARR received the state money. Since then, CashBox has moved to Boynton Beach, he said.

A self-described recovering addict who has been sober since 2007, Lehman said he knows what a positive recovery residence experience can do. He attended his first 12-step meeting in 1978.

Neither FARR nor DCF can police the recovery residences because federal laws protect recovering addicts as a disabled class from state and local discriminatory laws.

That's why south county cities are seeking federal assistance.

South Florida is "ground zero for the heroin crisis in the country," U.S. Rep. Lois Frankel said in early May. "We have to let people recover from addictions, but we have to keep our neighborhoods safe and healthy."

She was able to persuade an assistant secretary from U.S. Housing and Urban Development to tour Delray Beach sober homes. They saw suitcases and clothes on lawns, indicating that someone recently was evicted. The HUD secretary promised to work with Department of Justice lawyers to craft a joint statement to be released in August.

"I consider federal assistance to be the linchpin for real change," Glickstein said, "defined as true home rule authority for local governments to enact ordinances best suited for their cities and counties."

County Commissioner Abrams, who attended Frankel's May forum, agrees. He was Boca Raton mayor in 2003 when the city was sued in federal court over zoning laws created to protect its neighborhoods. Boca Raton lost that case in 2007 when the federal judge ruled that the zoning laws discriminated against recovering addicts. ★

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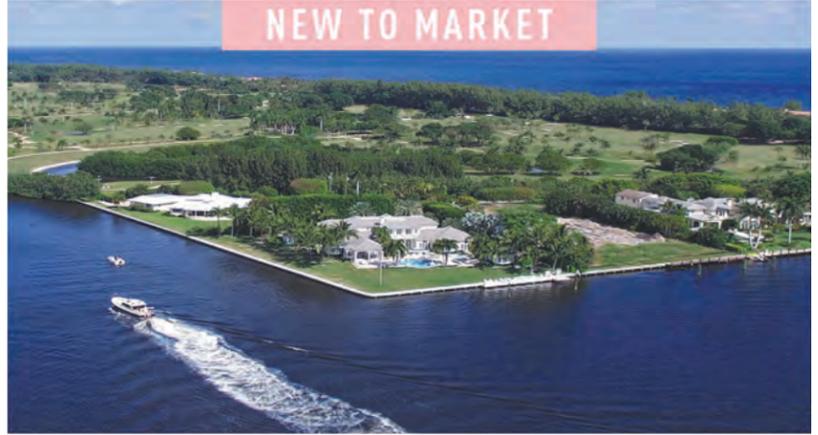
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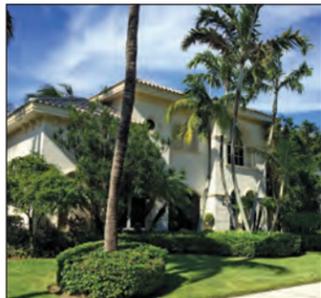
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Highland Beach



Lori Mizell, executive director of the accreditation commission; Highland Beach Town Manager Beverly Brown, Lt. Eric Lundberg and Police Chief Craig Hartmann; Eric Aronowitz, department accreditation and training manager; and Indian River County Sheriff Deryl Loar, chair of the commission. Photo provided

Police improve procedures, accredited by state

By Rich Pollack

After months of carefully reviewing and realigning its practices and policies to ensure they are as effective as possible, the Highland Beach Police Department late in June received a prestigious certification from the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation.

The end result is that the department will be better at fighting crime, likely resulting in a safer community, said Chief Craig Hartmann.

"The accreditation is a validation that your agency is being operated as a professional law enforcement agency that meets the same standards that the biggest and best departments in the state meet," Hartmann said.

Hartmann said that as a result of going through the arduous accreditation process, the department has developed a comprehensive collection of policies and procedures that will serve as a foundation for its operations, not just for now but for many years to come.

"It's a very involved and in-depth process but a very valuable one," he said. "It creates uniformity and consistency and is a yardstick to measure the effectiveness of your agency."

While earning the accreditation, the town's Police Department examined a variety of procedures. They ranged from hiring and training, use of computers and day-to-day functions to make sure they met the criteria established by the commission as being the best law enforcement practices.

"By becoming accredited you're making sure your

policies, protocols and practices all meet standards set by the industry," Hartmann said.

He added that because law enforcement is a high-liability, local-government function with unique challenges, many law enforcement agencies of varying sizes are choosing to go through the accreditation process.

"It's becoming more and more common for agencies of all sizes," he said.

According to the state commission responsible for the certification, the process not only benefits departments that have attained the high standard, it also benefits their communities and officers.

On its website, the Commission for Florida Law Enforcement Accreditation says that accreditation helps an agency in its "ability to prevent and control crime through more effective and efficient delivery of law enforcement services."

The website also states that accreditation can improve the morale of a department's employees by increasing confidence in its effectiveness and efficiency.

Hartmann said prior to the department's receiving the accreditation, a three-member team of law enforcement professionals visited the department for three days, inspecting everything from the condition of the police vehicles to the way the department uses computers. Inspectors also accompanied officers on patrol.

"Through the accreditation process, we're creating the best and safest working environment for our officers and ensuring the best level of service to our residents," he said. ★

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Along the Coast

Crime remains relatively light, but police push for vigilance

By Rich Pollack

Crime in the small coastal communities of south Palm Beach County remained relatively low in 2015, although a rash of car break-ins and auto thefts carrying over from surrounding larger communities may have been responsible for what appears to be a significant increase in at least one town.

Overall, there were 162 combined major crimes reported in the six coastal towns of Briny Breezes, Gulf Stream, Highland Beach, Manalapan, Ocean Ridge and South Palm Beach compared to 132 in 2014, according to figures reported last month by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

While Gulf Stream and South Palm Beach saw small decreases in the actual number of crimes committed, Highland Beach and Manalapan had slight increases. In Ocean Ridge, however, the number of total crimes increased by 25, from 46 to 71.

The Ocean Ridge numbers include Briny Breezes, policed by Ocean Ridge, but very few of the crimes in the overall number were committed in Briny Breezes, according to Ocean Ridge Police Chief Hal Hutchins.

Hutchins said a number of factors contributed to the increase in overall crimes reported by Ocean Ridge,

including thefts from primarily unlocked vehicles and burglaries committed by people coming from surrounding areas.

Those crimes, he said, in many cases reflected those that law enforcement agencies throughout South Florida have been experiencing in their jurisdictions.

"We had what we felt was a rash of thefts from vehicles," Hutchins said. "We are working with surrounding agencies to try and combat this."

Hutchins said the increase in the number of reported crimes is something residents should know but not be overly concerned about.

"It's something for residents to be aware of so they can become more vigilant, which helps us bring the number down," he said. "Perhaps their awareness and their vigilance will help us reduce the number of crimes in our community to zero."

Like the other small towns that line the coast of southern Palm Beach County, Ocean Ridge did not have any reported forcible rapes or homicides.

The town, however, did have two reported robberies, which Hutchins said appeared to have occurred after people followed residents home from outside of town.

Like Hutchins, Highland Beach Police Chief Craig Hartmann says it's important for residents to be on the

2015 crimes in south Palm Beach County

City/Town	Total Crimes	Robbery	Assault	Burglary	Larceny	Vehicle theft
Boca Raton	(2015) 2,421	77	95	462	1,621	135
	(2014) 2,233	52	99	346	1,628	92
Boynton Beach	(2015) 3,657	153	340	512	2,442	198
	(2014) 3,257	76	292	542	2,193	162
Delray Beach	(2015) 2,874	127	271	362	1,930	156
	(2014) 3,165	122	275	434	2,136	163
Gulf Stream	(2015) 10	0	0	2	8	0
	(2014) 13	0	0	2	11	0
Highland Beach	(2015) 40	1	1	4	32	2
	(2014) 37	0	3	4	30	0
Lantana	(2015) 571	17	26	104	360	32
	(2014) 605	8	33	89	429	20
Manalapan	(2015) 27	0	2	4	20	1
	(2014) 18	0	2	3	13	0
Ocean Ridge (includes Briny Breezes)	(2015) 71	2	6	12	40	11
	(2014) 46	0	1	8	33	4
South Palm	(2015) 14	0	0	6	8	0
	(2014) 18	0	0	10	7	1

Categories consist of only crimes reported in all municipalities.

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement

lookout for things out of the ordinary and call police about them.

"We want to know when residents see something that doesn't look right," Hartmann said.

In Highland Beach, the number of total crimes increased from 37 to 40, with a couple more larcenies and auto thefts reported than in 2014 but two fewer assaults. There was also one reported robbery in 2015, with none reported the previous year.

Hartmann said visibility plays an important role in deterring crime and says that there's no way of accurately

knowing how much crime has been prevented.

"There's no measurement for what doesn't happen," he said.

Overall crime in Palm Beach County remained fairly flat in 2015 with an increase of less than 1 percent. In all, there were 47,769 crimes reported in the county, 450 more than reported in 2014. Homicides countywide, however, increased from 78 to 97 and rapes jumped from 473 to 523.

Among the larger cities in southern Palm Beach County, Boca Raton saw an 8.4 percent increase in reported crime in 2015, Boynton Beach saw a 12.3 percent increase and Delray

Beach reported a 9.2 percent decrease.

There were one homicide and 30 rapes in Boca Raton in 2015, up from no homicides and 16 rapes in 2014. In Delray, the number of homicides dropped from five to three while rapes fell from 30 to 25, and in Boynton Beach the number of homicides rose from four to eight, while rapes declined from six to four.

Statewide, overall crime dropped about 1.6 percent, due largely to a 10 percent decrease in burglaries, while the state saw an increase in the number of homicides, rapes and motor vehicles thefts. ★

Lantana

Protected trees to be moved or replaced

By Mary Thurwachter

As developers prepare to build Water Tower Commons, a 72-acre retail and residential project on the site of the former A.G. Holley tuberculosis hospital east of Interstate 95 on Lantana Road, hundreds of trees need to be moved or replaced.

"According to the tree survey performed by the applicant, the site has 451 total trees of various types," said Dave Thatcher, Lantana's development services director. "Of those, 137, about 30 percent, are considered protected. The remaining 70 percent are not protected and can be removed."

Thatcher said property is being cleared and a fence will be placed around the perimeter.

"The developer (Lantana Development LLC) will relocate 50 protected oaks from their original location to another spot on the property," he said. The remaining 87 protected trees, with an average diameter of 15.7 inches, will be replaced with 512 new 4-inch-thick trees.

Thatcher said there was a

lot of misinformation floating around about what was going to happen to trees at the site. Even if the new trees aren't as big as some taken down, there will be more trees in the end. And all the melaleucas, an invasive species, will be gone.

Water Tower Commons is the biggest project ever in Lantana, Thatcher said. The site is about 4 percent of the town's total land.

The development is expected to create 700 permanent jobs and generate \$13 million in new tax revenue for Lantana during the next 20 years, according to Ken Endelson, vice president of Lantana Development, a partnership between Southeast Legacy, headed by Kenco Communities' Endelson, and Wexford Capital.

Plans show more than 208,000 square feet of retail space, including a grocery store, pharmacy, restaurants, bank and fitness center.

Office space will be available, too, and plans call for more than 1,000 residential units on the north side of the property. ★

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Boca Raton

Nearby landowner among those against revised Mizner 200 proposal

By Mary Hladky

The developer of Mizner 200 has made substantial changes to its design since initially submitting plans, but the luxury condominium project continues to draw opposition.

Investments Ltd., the largest owner of commercial properties in downtown Boca Raton, is siding with residents who complain the project is too massive and does not comply with a city ordinance governing downtown development.

Investments Ltd., led by James Batmasian, is hardly a neutral observer. It is planning a complete makeover of its Royal Palm Place, a 14-acre shopping and dining destination that also includes luxury rentals and office space. Located between Federal Highway and Southeast Mizner Boulevard south of Palmetto Park Road, it sits just west of the proposed Mizner 200.

The two developments are very different. Mizner 200 would be entirely residential, with between 340 and 384 units. The revamped Royal Palm Place would continue to be mixed use, but its residential component would compete with Mizner 200.

Representatives of Mizner 200 developer Elad National

Properties and architect Garcia Stromberg/GS4Studios have met with Royal Palm Place representatives, said Royal Palm Place architect Doug Mummaw.

“We voiced our concerns at that meeting,” he said. “We talked about how to make good connectivity between the two properties. We had a good dialogue but ... there is some work to be done.”

Mummaw cited Mizner 200’s length of about 900 feet and contends it does not comply with design elements of the development ordinance. It also will block water views for neighboring property owners, including Royal Palm Place.

“It is a very massive building,” he said.

Investments Ltd. may be ready to submit plans to the city in August for two of the seven project phases it plans for Royal Palm Place, Mummaw said.

Investments Ltd. submitted plans in 2014 but withdrew them in December. The revised proposal will be “really similar” to the earlier plan, with the project components, density and scale largely unchanged, he said.

The seven buildings would vary in height from three to 14 stories, Mummaw said. The project would fall under the city’s interim design guidelines for that part of downtown,



The latest plan for Mizner 200 has buildings connected on only the first two floors. Rendering provided

which allow buildings to rise to 140 feet, with an additional 20 feet for decorative features.

Elad has radically changed its plans for Mizner 200 since it first proposed four towers that rose as high as 30 stories, greatly exceeding the 100-foot height limit at its location.

Faced with an outcry from downtown residents, Elad reduced the project in January to nine stories — exactly what the city allows.

Three months later, it cut square footage by 10 percent, decreased the average size of units to 2,000 square feet, increased setbacks and added more green space.

It also divided the building, in effect, into three sections connected only on the first and second floors, which softens the

building’s appearance and opens sight lines to the east.

Many residents were pleasantly surprised by the redesign, but opposition has not melted. Downtown activists drafted a “white paper” faulting the building’s size and design.

The strongest complaints are coming from residents of Townsend Place condos, including Boca Beautiful President John Gore, who object to the size of the project and say it will block their water views. Their condos are immediately to the south of Mizner 200.

A number of critics attended a June 7 meeting of the city’s Community Appearance Board where architect Peter Stromberg presented the changed design. Because this was a preliminary presentation, board members

took no action, but several offered suggestions to improve aesthetics, said Vice Chair Mark Jacobsen, a landscape architect.

“Two or three architects on the board would like the façade to be stepped back from (Mizner Boulevard) a bit,” he said. “For the most part, I think it was relatively well received by the board.”

While Elad has submitted its plans to the city, further changes apparently are still being made.

“They said they were in the design process and continuing to refine things,” Jacobsen said.

Elad did not answer questions from *The Coastal Star* about any more design changes, except to say, “We are working together with city staff in order to finalize our plans.” ★

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Delray Beach

Carnival-free Garlic Fest continues appeal to keep February date

By Jane Smith

The city's policy of just one big event per month during high season will be retested July 5.

That's when Garlic Fest founder and organizer Nancy Stewart-Franczak will return to appeal the city's denial of her holding the 18-year-old festival in February as usual because the Tennis Center has booked the Delray Beach Open for that month.

On June 21, Stewart-Franczak packed the City Commission chambers with her supporters. Members of the Atlantic High School jazz dance team, wearing their Eaglette uniforms, asked commissioners to save Garlic Fest because it allowed them to earn money to be on the team. Other supporters included the school's marching band and the local Boy Scout troop, as well as Dada restaurant owner Bruce Feingold.

Rob Steele, new head of Old School Square, also asked that Garlic Fest be allowed. His budget needs the income. Garlic Fest paid \$25,000 this year to Old School Square for use of its site, despite commissioners' saying they no longer want events on that campus to stop it from becoming "the fairgrounds."

Over the years, Garlic Fest, run by the nonprofit Delray Beach Arts Inc., has donated about \$600,000 to various groups whose members work at the three-day festival.

The city is trying to recover costs and has estimated Garlic Fest should pay \$61,000 for 2017, more than doubling the nearly \$25,000 paid this year.

Most promoters are seeing at least a doubling of fees because the city's finance department has developed metrics that cover the entire cost for staff time, including hourly wages, vacation time and pensions. The

metrics also consider the cost of staff "on the ground" at events, including maintenance and cleanup, plus administrative time associated with the event, stage rentals, trash boxes and liners, portable toilets, and so on.

Stewart-Franczak has made changes to the Garlic Fest site plan by eliminating carnival rides and street closings. Delray Beach residents will be allowed in free during two hours on Sunday; all others have to pay.

Only four commissioners sat on the dais during the June 21 meeting. The mayor was out of town.

Commissioner Jordana Jarjura said the city provides services for the tennis tournament 10 days before that event starts, overlapping the Garlic Fest proposed dates of Feb. 10-12. The city is trying to reduce the stress on services when its public safety departments are dealing with 10-12 overdose calls daily, Jarjura said.

The commission, chaired by Vice Mayor Al Jacquet, voted twice on the Garlic Fest appeal. The first motion to deny the appeal ended in a tied vote, with Commissioner Shelly Petrolia joining Jacquet to deny it. Commissioners Jarjura and Mitch Katz supported the appeal.

Jarjura, who has spoken about not voting against policy, tried to put together a compromise vote allowing the Garlic Fest to continue for one year, but in following years not to allow a waiver.

Stewart-Franczak looked perplexed, saying she didn't know whether she could find a different site. An exasperated Jarjura said, "Count your votes."

The city attorney said the vote would not be binding on future commissions.

Katz then offered Jarjura's

motion, which also ended in a tied vote. According to Petrolia's reading of the city charter, that vote would have killed the appeal. But when they turned to City Attorney Noel Pfeiffer for guidance, he told them to keep voting.

Jarjura then offered a motion to table the appeal to the July 5 commission meeting, when the mayor would be present. That motion passed unanimously.

Fest focus now more local

Delray Beach wants festivals that are town-serving, since it no longer needs to attract masses into downtown as it did 30 years ago.

Each special event has to pay a nonrefundable \$150 application fee, which offsets the event permit fee of \$150 for a minor event, \$300 for an intermediate and \$500 for a major event. Promoters are asked to provide parking solutions during their events.

"Special events had largely been a free-for-all," Mayor Cary Glickstein said at the June 7 commission meeting, "with no coherent strategy or policy or understanding of what these events factually cost the city, or how they impact public safety. ... Sixty events in a compressed area is just too much."

Before sober homes became an issue, the complaints were all about the festivals, Petrolia said. "We've made this decision

four times since 2013," she said. "Tweaking is not what we are looking for."

She talked about the festivals drawing more people from outside Delray Beach into downtown. "We have addressed whether we really want that kind of thing. The answer is no," she said.

The city commissioners listed five major events they want to host or see happen in the downtown: Veterans Day Parade in November, holiday parade and events in December, tennis tournament in February, St. Patrick's Day Parade in March, Delray Affair in April. No other major events are allowed in those months in the downtown core. The city also hosts July Fourth events in the summer.

The fifth annual Wine & Seafood Festival was nixed because the promoter sought a November weekend when the city has set aside that month for its Veterans Day Parade. Stewart-Franczak's for-profit Festival Management Group runs that festival and the Delray Affair for the Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce.

The festival organizer is trying to reduce costs and allow the Wine & Seafood Festival to fall into the intermediate event category and be able to keep its November date, the city manager said in late June.

The costs of city services would

have to fall below \$20,000 for an event to be characterized as intermediate.

Chamber of Commerce President Karen Granger was disheartened. "The city is making it difficult for us to recoup the costs," she said. Her organization had counted on income from the Wine & Seafood Festival to support its pro-business programming.

"Events helped to create the vibe of the happiest seaside town in America," she said.

Bruce Gimmy, who owns the Trouser Shop on Atlantic Avenue, appreciates the more upscale events, such as the Howard Alan crafts and fine arts festivals, that draw clientele to his store. The events don't have alcohol vendors, creating business for the city's restaurants, are in the daytime and are free to attend.

Both Alan festivals were approved on the condition that a parking program is worked out with the city. The crafts festival, held Thanksgiving weekend, is considered an intermediate event with costs estimated to be \$9,362.

The fine arts festival in January is considered a major event. Costs are estimated at \$14,700.

"We do events all over the country," Alan said, "and the best are in downtown Delray Beach." ★

Jacquet to leave Nov. 8 in bid for state House

By Jane Smith

Delray Beach Vice Mayor Al Jacquet will step down from his City Commission seat on Nov. 8.

The resignation is non-revocable. He is one of four candidates who qualified to run for the open state House District 88 seat. Qualifying ended at noon June 24. The election will take place Aug. 30.

Others who qualified are: Angeleta Gray, a former city commission colleague of Jacquet; Edwin Ferguson, a West Palm Beach lawyer; and Sebrina Gillion, of Delray Beach.

Gray has said County Commissioner Priscilla Taylor encouraged her to get into the race and will do some campaign events together. Jacquet, a

lawyer, was an aide to Taylor's challenger Mack Bernard when he was in the state House.

Gray, a Realtor, has raised \$1,962.03, according to the latest campaign finance report for the period ended May 31. The amount includes a \$1,000 personal loan.

Ferguson raised \$13,582.88 during the same time period.

Jacquet, who opened his campaign account in early January, raised \$47,300, as of May 31. His contributors include developers with projects before the city: Atlantic Crossing, iPic and Swinton Commons.

Gillion, a write-in candidate, qualified on June 22.

The next campaign finance reports are due on July 1. ★

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basis.”

Brown said trespassers have cut down trees in the wooded area for bonfires and that alcohol and drug use is prevalent. She said a volunteer who works with sea turtle protection stepped on a needle and that stakes marking turtle nests were pulled up and used as firewood.

“The neighbors are afraid to walk on the beach,” she said.

Brown, in a letter to the county late last month, asked to have a fence put up to block trespassers.

Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation Director Eric Call said his department is working with Highland Beach to resolve the issue.

“No Trespassing’ signs were posted on the property and maintenance personnel and park rangers are working with town police to monitor access,” Call said.



A 5.4-acre parcel at the south end of Highland Beach is the future site of the county’s Milani Park. The land won’t be developed as a park for at least four years, but trespassers are holding parties there, building bonfires and perhaps disturbing turtle nests. **Photo Courtesy Highland Beach**

County maintenance crews are also visiting the property regularly, he said.

“As an undeveloped parcel, it is not routinely maintained,” Call said. “However, rangers patrol it daily and maintenance personnel inspect it several times a week for any graffiti or unauthorized use.”

Call said that the county also inspects the property once a year to determine if exotic

plants need to be removed.

Highland Beach police will continue to respond to calls to the area and work to remove trespassers, Brown said.

In May, a sign that posted hours and indicated the county park was open appeared on the seawall on the property but it was removed two days later. Call said the sign was the result of an apparent miscommunication between

the town and parks department staff and said that additional ‘No trespassing’ signs have been added.

Late last month, county crews installed a fence blocking entrance to the property from A1A.

Palm Beach County purchased the property from Cam D. Milani, in 1987 for about \$4 million, intending to use the site as a beachfront

park with a boardwalk and small restaurant.

Under terms of a 2010 agreement, the county will need to alert the town in 2019 if it plans to develop the property as a park or opt to defer development for another five years.

Call said he is not aware of any discussion among county leaders regarding the parcel’s future. ★

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2 Beach and Park District elections attract 3 candidates each

By Steve Plunkett

Two commissioners of the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District each drew two challengers for the Aug. 30 election.

Incumbent Dennis Frisch, a podiatrist, will face one-time City Council candidate Craig Ehrnst and medical physicist Shayla Enright.

Commissioner Earl Starkoff, an information technology services executive, will face John Costello, an accountant, and Erin Wright, who co-owns a home inspection service.



Engel

Steve Engel, the commission’s vice chair, was re-elected to his second four-year term without opposition when no one filed to run against him by noon June 24.

Ehrnst, 52, is corporate treasurer at NCCI in Boca Raton and has a master’s in business administration from the University of Michigan. He is on the board of directors for the Boca Raton YMCA and the Boca Raton Children’s Museum and spent three years on the city’s Financial Advisory Board. He lost his only run for a City Council seat in 2014.

“Put residents first! Protect and cherish our most valuable assets,” Ehrnst said. Enright, 26, earned dual bachelor’s degrees in physics and chemistry at Florida Atlantic University in 2011, then received a Professional Science Master’s degree in medical physics at FAU in 2014 followed last year by a master’s degree in biomedical engineering from the University of Miami.

This is Enright’s first run for office, but elections are nothing new to her family. Her mother, Jean, is running for her fourth term on the partisan Port of Palm Beach Commission.

“Unfortunately, there is a discord between the beach and park district and the city of Boca Raton, which prevents things from getting done. I would work to make the communication between the district and city more fluid, and make sure the voices of the residents are heard,”

Enright said.

Frisch, 61, is a graduate of Boca Raton High School and the University of Florida. He earned his medical degree from the Dr. William M. Scholl College of Podiatric Medicine in North Chicago. He has been a member of the city’s Parks and Recreation Advisory Board since 2007 and was first elected to the beach and park commission in 2008.

“Any reported differences between the city and the district are really quite narrow in comparison to the achievements made together. We must seek continued opportunities to expand green space and facilities for our children and our grandchildren,” Frisch said.

Costello, 47, who was born and raised in Boca Raton, has a degree from the University of Florida in forest resources and conservation. This is his first run for office.

“I’d like to bring some fresh ideas and new blood to the commission,” Costello said.

Starkoff, 67, has an MBA from the University of Miami and is finishing up his 12th year on the commission. He is also past president of the Soccer Association of Boca Raton.

“I will continue to lead with sound, debt-free fiscal management as a grass-roots listener and voice to protect, preserve and provide all of our residents with the beautiful beaches, open green spaces and parks that define Boca Raton,” Starkoff said.

Wright, 37, who moved to Boca Raton when she was 6, has a master’s degree in exercise science and health promotion from FAU. She was an environmental health and safety specialist at the university before opening her home inspection service with her husband, a city firefighter. Wright was also a member of the city’s Green Living Task Force/Green Living Advisory Board for almost two years.

“This commission needs a breath of fresh air ... someone who is extremely familiar with the beaches and parks and the needs of the young families and citizens of Boca. I am ready to improve the lines of communication between the commission and the city, which I believe is vital to making our beaches and parks the best they can be,” Wright said.

Beach and park commissioners are paid \$80 for each meeting they attend and usually meet twice a month. They oversee a \$46 million budget. The elected term begins Jan. 1.

Aug. 1 is the last day to register to vote in the Aug. 30 contest. ★



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WILDFLOWER

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future of Wildflower.

"I certainly don't support the City Council going around and trying to quickly approve this and get it underway when the people have stood up and want to speak," Haynie said.

Boca Raton bought the 2.3-acre parcel on the north side of Palmetto Park Road in 2009 for \$7.5 million so residents could have access to the Intracoastal waterfront. It then decided to lease the land, the former site of the Wildflower nightclub, to a restaurateur.

The proposed lease would have Hillstone pay the city

\$600,000 a year for five years, with the payments rising every five years to nearly \$700,000 annually in years 16 through 20. The city would pay all property taxes and could get added rent if gross sales exceed targets.

Progress on the restaurant plan did not stop entirely. The city's Planning and Zoning Board approved the site plan for Hillstone on June 9. And the council introduced ordinances to change the site's land-use classification and zoning at its June 14 meeting.

Jack Fox, president of the Beach Condominium Association of Boca Raton and Highland Beach, which has

9,000 residents in the city, said the group's officers met earlier that day to take a stance.

"The Beach Condominium Association supports having a waterfront restaurant with dockage for transient boats on the Wildflower location," Fox said. "The \$7.5 million property has sat dormant for nearly a decade ... it needs to give us a return on our investment. We shouldn't allow this kind of thing to happen."

A restaurant would also convert an eyesore into a spot with eye appeal and provide boaters a nearby destination, Fox said.

Jackie Reeves, who sits on the

board of directors of the Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, also supported leasing the land to a restaurant.

"As a resident and businesswoman, I am exasperated that it actually has not been turned into a revenue-producing property. It has been sidelined for so many years," she said.

Stephanie Dimartino, a graduate student, opposed the referendum.

"I live at the Mark, and I want more walkable dining opportunities downtown," she said. "This would be a gold mine for 120 new jobs, especially those at Lynn University and

Florida Atlantic University majoring in hospitality and business."

But Andrea O'Rourke, president of the nearby Golden Triangle Homeowner Association, urged council members to consider the site as an opportunity for "place-making" rather than a site for a restaurant.

"I have not been to any cities that have a downtown on the waterfront that isn't utilized in some way as a place-making experience," she said. "I don't come back from Chicago or New York City with pictures of the restaurants that I've eaten at." ★

Patch Reef to get new artificial-turf fields after year of delays

By Steve Plunkett

Relations between the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District and the city withered in June like an unwatered lawn in the hot Florida sun.

• District Chairman Robert Rollins listed a year's worth of failed efforts to get the city to agree to build four more sports fields at the Spanish River Athletic Facility, then urged commissioners to sideline that proposal and finance installing three artificial-turf fields at Patch Reef Park next spring.

"I don't believe that we'll get our [Spanish River] project ... underway this fiscal year," Rollins said.

• Boca Raton took over development of the master plan for oceanfront Red Reef Park. The district's consultant, which started on the master plan in July 2014, had prepared three alternatives for commissioners to consider.

"And as we discussed, it makes sense to hold off the master planning process until the completion of the comprehensive waterfront plan," Assistant City Manager

Mike Woika said in an email to the district.

• Commissioner Earl Starkoff ended the district's more than five years of silence on the city's controversial Wildflower site, saying he thought the city-owned parcel on the Intracoastal Waterway should remain green space instead of housing a Hillstone restaurant.

"I am pro-park; I am not anti-restaurant," Starkoff said.

Rollins updated commissioners June 6 on what he has done since the June 9, 2015, joint meeting between the district board and the City Council intended to speed up projects and improve communications.

"You'll have to indulge me because I have a prepared statement that I need to read so that I don't miss the details," he said.

Right after the joint meeting, commissioners sent the council contracts for the fields at Spanish River and beach renourishment.

The city said the contracts needed modifications and in November sent back a contract consolidating the Spanish River proposal with all the

other agreements the two governments have. District commissioners did not like the city's revisions and asked Rollins to go to a City Council meeting to explain.

"The city manager's office requested that I first meet with the mayor, so on Feb. 24 we met and I went over our request," Rollins said. Mayor Susan Haynie agreed with the concept of having a separate agreement for Spanish River, he added, and told him to meet with the city manager, "which I did and the first available date was April 4."

But when he asked Woika and City Manager Leif Ahnell to support signing a separate agreement, "there was no response," Rollins said.

He then went to the May 9 council workshop but "was unable to obtain any positive feedback regarding the ... project moving forward." Instead, Haynie asked that the district submit changes to the proposed global contract.

Rollins said he also met separately with four City Council members. Jeremy Rodgers was out of town when Rollins tried to reach him.

"I wanted you to know the time and effort that's gone into trying to sell this program to our partner. I'm disappointed that at this juncture I have to report to you that I've been unsuccessful in getting any commitments," Rollins said.

Moving money budgeted for the Spanish River fields to Patch Reef will enable the district to begin construction next spring, Rollins said. The district agreed at last year's joint meeting to install artificial turf at Patch Reef in a compromise so it could build four grass fields at Spanish River.

At Red Reef Park, Woika said, the district could finish the first phase of repairing the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center's boardwalk but the city would oversee subsequent phases as well as the development of a park master plan and fixes to Gumbo Limbo's sea tank pumping system.

"For a number of reasons the city has decided to run all capital projects on city property," Woika said in his June 12 email. "Therefore, we are looking for transitioning these capital projects to the

city."

On the Wildflower property, Starkoff said he has refrained from commenting but that it was time to address the issue and asked that commissioners discuss it at their July 11 meeting.

"The highest and best use of that property is as a public space," Starkoff said at the June 20 meeting. "We need to define the context for any commercial component that exists within the space, rather than have a plan for a restaurant or any commercial space that leaves public space as a secondary consideration on public land."

Commissioners were not entirely sour on their relationship with the city. "I've had good conversation with several of the City Council members" Rollins said. "I'm hopeful that with this revised [global contract] we'll have a favorable response to it."

Commissioners also decided to send the council two possible dates for a joint meeting. They had asked to meet together July 25, but the council said it has a full workshop agenda that day. ★

Interim Beach and Park District director to stay on job until January

By Steve Plunkett

The Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District's interim executive director will stay on the job an additional three months.

Arthur Koski, who is also the district's longtime attorney, said in May he would step aside as interim director on Oct. 1 and recommended that Briann Harms, his assistant executive director, take over the top spot.

But at the June 6 meeting, Harms said the timing was not right.

"In light of the upcoming elections, I think it would be more appropriate for us to address this at our management meeting in January when we elect officers," she said after thanking Koski for his recommendation and the district's commissioners for supporting it.

Two commission seats are being contested in the Aug. 30 election. The five commissioners customarily pick

their chair, vice chair and secretary-treasurer at the first meeting of the calendar year.

"As long as Art's good with continuing with the Sunday phone calls [from commissioners] coming in, I think we can wait until then," Harms said.

No commissioner has suggested looking for other job candidates.

"Briann knows how we feel about her," District Chairman Robert Rollins said. Boca Raton city officials have been pressuring the district to hire a full-time director for months. Officials in December included a clause in a proposed contract between the two governments requiring the district to have a full-time director. City Council member Robert Weinroth made a similar demand in a March email to the district.

Koski became the district's interim director after Robert Langford retired in 2012. Koski also has a private law practice downtown. ★

Highland Beach

Meeting scheduled to discuss Highland Beach water main project

By Rich Pollack

Highland Beach residents living on one of the town's six publicly owned side streets off State Road A1A are welcome to attend a public information forum on the upcoming water main replacement project that will impact their neighborhoods.

The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. July 13 at the town's public library. Residents will have a chance to learn more about the \$2.7 million construction project, which could begin as early as October.

Hosted by the town and the consulting firm on the project, Mathews Consulting, the forum will provide residents with information about the project's schedule and which streets might be affected when.

"Our goal is make sure there are as few inconveniences for our residents as

possible," said Public Works Director Ed Soper.

Soper said no complete road closures are anticipated as crews dig up public rights of way to install new water mains.

The project is estimated to take about seven months to complete, with crews working on one street at a time.

The project, designed to improve water quality and volume, will include the replacement of water mains installed as long ago as the 1940s and which are nearing the end of their life expectancy.

Voters approved funding for the project in March 2015.

For more information, contact the town of Highland Beach at 278-4548. ★

Delray Beach

DeSantis sells Atlantic Crossing interest to partner

By Jane Smith

The stalled Atlantic Crossing project sold in mid-June to partner Edwards Cos., of Ohio, for \$38.5 million.

The nearly 9-acre property, which sits at the prominent corner of Federal Highway and Atlantic Avenue in downtown Delray Beach, was sold in two transactions by a partnership controlled by Carl DeSantis, a real estate investor.

"We are making this additional investment because this is a unique site. Redeveloping two city blocks is a rare opportunity to create a distinctly Delray environment that will benefit the entire community," said Edwards Cos. President Jeff Edwards. "We're



DeSantis

committed for the long term and are eager to get underway."

The eastern side, which houses the aging 78,768-square-foot Atlantic Plaza retail/office complex, sold for \$22.7 million. Through a partnership, DeSantis, of Delray Beach, lent \$16.5 million to Edwards that under the terms of the agreement can increase to \$33 million. The four Edwards executives personally guaranteed the loan.

The mostly vacant western side sold for \$15.8 million. Edwards was able to secure a \$16 million loan from First Financial Bank of Hamilton,

Ohio.

"As I grow older, I have realized that there is still much I want to accomplish, but only a finite amount of time in which to do so," DeSantis said in a prepared statement. "We have decided to sell Atlantic Crossing to the Edwards Cos., so that we can focus on these opportunities and new ones that we are vetting on a weekly basis."

The statement also said that although DeSantis is an active real estate investor, he is not a developer and "certainly not of large projects that take many years to complete. It's simply not our forte."

The sale translates to more than \$4 million per acre, which real estate consultant Jack

McCabe said was the going rate for vacant land in downtown Delray Beach.

"Delray's won the All America City title twice — that's very prestigious," McCabe said. "Some of the old-timers are worried about the traffic, but the area is ripe for redevelopment."

The sale is subject to the outcome of a \$25 million lawsuit, originally filed by the developers in Palm Beach County Circuit Court and now in federal court with an October jury trial date. The complaint has been amended four times.

The developers sued the city in June 2015 claiming Delray Beach has not certified its site plan that was approved in November 2013 and affirmed by

a previous City Commission in January 2014.

The court recently granted the developers approval to depose 16 individuals, exceeding the limit by six. Mayor Cary Glickstein will be deposed, although Commissioners Shelly Petrolia and Mitch Katz will not.

The city filed a counterclaim on June 24, requesting the release from escrow of two alleys and parts of Northeast Seventh Avenue.

When finished, Atlantic Crossing 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. ★



A suspicious fire June 28 consumed the pavilion at Atlantic Dunes Park located on A1A near Linton Boulevard. Two other fires damaged a tiki hut and a gazebo at private homes in Delray Beach and Gulf Stream on the same night. The cause of the fires was under investigation. **ABOVE:** Delray Beach Rescue Capts. Andy Close and Brian Pollack hose down the remains of the park structure. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

Briny Breezes

Briny advances fire-rescue deal with Boynton

By Dan Moffett

Briny Breezes Town Council members gave preliminary approval to extending an agreement with the city of Boynton Beach for fire-rescue services at the town meeting on June 23.

The town is in the final year of a fire-rescue contract with Boynton Beach that began in 2004, one of the longest-running arrangements of its kind in Palm Beach County.

Alderman Bobby Jurovaty says the town has been pleased with the service it has received from Boynton Beach.

"I think they've been doing a good job for us," Jurovaty said. "I really haven't heard any complaints. We're happy."

Briny Breezes is a participant in a group of six coastal communities that is considering the possibility of forming a coastal fire district and providing its own fire-rescue services. A

consultant study commissioned by the group found that Briny Breezes paid \$329,813 to Boynton Beach for services in 2015 and is projected to pay roughly \$343,000 this year.

The study, by the Texas-based Matrix Consulting Group, found that Briny Breezes' average cost per call was \$3,300, the lowest among the six coastal communities. Boynton Beach also has turned in one of the best average response times in the group at 5 minutes, 41 seconds.

In 2015, Boynton Beach responded to 107 calls from Briny Breezes — 26 for fire-related problems and 81 for emergency medical services.

In other business, the Town Council voted 4-0 (with Alderman James McCormick absent with notice) to approve keeping the tax rate for the 2016-2017 fiscal year at \$10 per \$1,000 of taxable property value.

Briny Breezes' rate has held steady at the 10 mills since 2009,

when the council decided to approve more than tripling the previous rate of \$3 per \$1,000 to deal with rising operating costs, shrinking reserves and the national economic downturn. The increase followed the failed sale of the mobile home park, which drained the town's reserves. In 2008, the tax rate in Briny Breezes was \$2.76.

Taxable values for the town have edged higher in recent years, according to the Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office. Briny Breezes' assessed value for 2015 was \$38.56 million and is projected to rise in line with the county's average increase of roughly 7 percent to \$41.38 million in 2016, a 7.3 percent gain.

The \$10 rate is the highest in the county and the highest allowed by state law. The Town Council has scheduled its final budget workshop for Aug. 15 at 10 a.m. ★

Boynton Beach

City keeps school in Town Square, weighs event options

By Jane Smith

Boynton Beach will host another workshop on its Town Square project, but this time commissioners have agreed to save the historic high school as part of the 16.5-acre development.

The Town Square discussion threatened to overwhelm the 2017 planning session held by Boynton Beach on June 25. So, commissioners agreed to host another workshop on Town Square "to get some teeth into the plan," said Commissioner Joe Casello.

The city commissioners will decide the workshop date at their July 5 meeting.

The four-block Town Square, bounded by Boynton Beach Boulevard on the north and Seacrest Boulevard on the west, houses mainly municipal buildings: City Hall, library, old high school, police headquarters, fire station No. 1, Kids Kingdom Playground, Schoolhouse Children's Museum, Civic Center, Arts Center and shuffleboard courts.

City commissioners also want to discuss asking voters to approve a \$25 million bond to move the police headquarters and fire station No. 1 out of Town Square onto land at the northeast intersection of North Seacrest Boulevard and Northeast Sixth Avenue. The city's Community Redevelopment Agency owns that parcel.

The city would build a 25,000-square-foot, three-story headquarters for the Police Department and a firehouse could easily be added, said Colin Groff, new assistant city manager.

"Putting the public safety complex there would work," Casello said. "And it would help jump-start the Heart of Boynton area."

The date of that discussion also will be determined at the July 5 meeting. At the planning session, commissioners also decided to create a policy to cover special events and monthly happenings. "We want Boynton-centric events," said new Commissioner Justin Katz. "We don't want secondhand events rejected by Delray Beach."

Garlic Fest was mentioned by three Boynton Beach city commissioners who scoffed at the idea of accepting an event that may be rejected by Delray Beach. Delray's City Commission will revisit Garlic Fest's appeal on July 5.

Boynton Beach commissioners want to expand Pirate Fest, held in October; possibly turn the biennial Kinetics Art Exhibit and Symposium into an annual event, and maybe add a Boynton Brews Fest. Ocean Avenue in the Town Square plan would be a festival street that can be closed to vehicle traffic.

On the next level of priorities set at the planning session, new Commissioner Christina Romelus proposed a review of parking alternatives at the city's Oceanfront Park. Currently parking revenue goes to Boynton Beach, but money from parking fines goes to Ocean Ridge. The relationship dates back to the 1930s, when Ocean Ridge was created from Boynton Beach, said Vice Mayor Mack McCray. ★

Boca Raton

Environmental panel: Apply for Lake Wyman money ASAP

By Steve Plunkett

Boca Raton's environmental advisory board supports moving quickly on getting money from the Florida Inland Navigation District and the county to restore Lake Wyman.

Steve Alley, chairman of the panel, showed City Council members a map of the Intracoastal Waterway with the estuaries marked in red for areas lost to dredging of the ICW and to urbanization over the decades.

Green marked the remaining estuaries; most of the map was red.

"Right now we have an opportunity at Lake Wyman to put some green back on this map. This is really environmentally significant," Alley said at the council's June 13 workshop.

The project, proposed in 2011, was derailed in 2012 by neighborhood concerns. The environmental advisory board said the concerns were largely answered before they were raised.

The basic plan is to remove four spoil islands in Lake Wyman, clean out canoe trails in Rutherford and Lake Wyman parks, extend a boardwalk and add some amenities.

Concern that the county's Environmental Resources Management Department is not up to the task is unnecessary, Alley said.



LEFT: Map shows the Spanish River estuary in 1947 with mangroves in green and spoil material from dredging the Intracoastal Waterway in yellow. **RIGHT:** The mangroves and native estuary habitat lost to dredging and urbanization are marked in red. The proposed restoration would turn the lost areas in red in the box to estuary habitat in green. **Maps by Steve Alley**

ERM has a long track record of turning spoil islands into seagrass and mangrove habitat, including projects at Fullerton Island in Jupiter

and the Ocean Ridge Natural Area.

"We're not launching a space shuttle here. We just need to make a good habitat.

That's exactly what this is doing," Alley said.

The advisory panel also discounted worries that the end of the new boardwalk will

be 1,700 feet from a restroom, noting that the fourth hole of the Red Reef Golf Course is 1,800 feet from the closest facility.

Alley said the board supports having a launch area for nonmotorized boats but is against moving the proposed seagrass area north to create an upland hammock area.

The council should embrace the Lake Wyman plan, Alley said, and not delay improvements by seeking more studies or making major changes to the proposal. Such tweaking would raise costs and allow the area's mosquito and homeless populations to grow, he said.

In 2011, the estimated cost of the restoration was just more than \$3 million, with FIND contributing \$2.1 million and the county and city \$450,000 each. This time, a developer from Highland Beach has volunteered to pay for constructing of a mangrove ecosystem at the north end of the project as well as its continued maintenance. The developer needs mitigation credits for mangroves.

To get the deal done, FIND would want all permits in hand by September 2017. Boca Raton needs to reapply for a permit from the Army Corps of Engineers, which will take a year if there are no big changes to the original plan, more time if new options are chosen. ★

Fire Rescue members honored for lifesaving deeds, professionalism

By Sallie James

When it comes to saving lives, some Boca Raton Fire Rescue members stand out.

City Council members recently recognized four of the department's finest, lauding them for heroism, fast action and dedication while off duty.

Among the honorees: firefighter/paramedic Randy Prokos, firefighter/paramedic Paula Ursini and Lt. Mike Sember, whose quick thinking and skill all saved lives in critical situations.

Lt. Mike Massimino was honored as the city's Firefighter/Paramedic of the Year for 2015.

Prokos provided emergency medical care to a woman who had collapsed from cardiac arrest inside Renegades Night



Prokos

Club in West Palm Beach. Prokos, who was there off duty, began cardiopulmonary resuscitation until West Palm Beach rescue workers arrived.

West Palm Beach police said the woman would not have survived the July 18 incident without the CPR Prokos gave.

Ursini was recognized for saving a woman who was trapped in a sinking car. Ursini was on her way to work when she saw a car veer off Florida's Turnpike and into a canal. Ursini jumped in, swam out to



Ursini



Sember

the sinking car and freed the trapped driver, whose leg was caught under a seat.

Even though she was in water over her head, Ursini was able to calm the frantic woman and swim her back to shore safely during the Dec. 1 incident.



Massimino

Sember, a recreational diver, helped save the life of a friend with whom he was diving July 29, when a problem occurred with the air system they were using. The main airline kinked, causing the duo's masks to suck into their faces upon inhalation.

Sember rescued his friend, who had blacked out, and was able to remain calm and get to the surface. Sember, relying on his training, helped rescue workers route his friend to the appropriate medical facility and pinpoint what was wrong. Massimino was recognized

for his overall professionalism, numerous contributions to the emergency medical service, knowledge of specific medical protocols and overall dedication.

Boca Raton Fire Rescue spokesman Bob Lemons said it's all in a day's work. "These are the kind of things we do all the time, obviously not only while we are on the trucks," he said. "It's really not a job you ever leave 100 percent. The skills we have are with us all the time." ★

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South Palm Beach

Town attorney offers to change job to improve communication with council

By Dan Moffett

After hearing complaints from council members about poor communication, South Palm Beach Town Attorney Brad Biggs is proposing a new arrangement that will change how he does his job.

Biggs told the council to consider renewing his contract and paying him on a retainer basis, rather than with his current arrangement that is based on hourly rates. He said the change will enable him to spend more time at Town Hall and allow him more one-on-one meetings with council members.

"With the retainer idea, you are kind of in-house but you're not in-house," Biggs said during the June 28 meeting. "I think it's more predictable for the budget. A big benefit is better communication. I know there have been some issues."

Councilwoman Stella Gaddy

Jordan told Biggs that she wanted to be better informed about the issues he raises at meetings.

"My concern about communication is that if you're going to bring something up at a meeting, we need to know about it," Jordan said. "You owe your allegiance to the town. You are our attorney."

Councilman Woody Gorbach criticized Biggs for not attending town events — such as the car show at Plaza del Mar in February and the Memorial Day ceremony at Town Hall.

"You could have put yourself out to attend them," Gorbach told Biggs, "but you didn't come."

Vice Mayor Joseph Flagello said he's never had a problem communicating with Biggs, saying the attorney always returned phone calls promptly.

"You're doing a great job for us," Flagello told him.

Under the retainer proposal, the town would pay Biggs \$4,500 a month. He currently receives \$170 per hour and \$195 per hour for litigation.

Town Manager Bob Vitas likes the idea. "Having an in-house attorney one day a week is advantageous," he said. "The face time is important." Mayor Bonnie Fischer said the council will consider Biggs' contract during the upcoming budget workshops.

The relationship between Biggs and several council members appeared to fray in recent months as the town bumped heads with developer Gary Cohen over his construction plans for the old Palm Beach Oceanfront Inn site.

Cohen wants the town to hold a referendum during the November election that would allow changes to the building code that would enable him to build his condominiums 5 feet

above the existing height limits.

Council members Jordan and Gorbach complained that Biggs hadn't given them enough information about the legal consequences of Cohen's request. At the May town meeting, Jordan brought up the idea of putting out requests for proposals from legal firms to take over Biggs' job with the town.

Fischer was the deciding vote to turn down Jordan's motion to advertise the position, but the mayor said she wanted to discuss the matter further at the June meeting.

Gorbach said Biggs has been difficult for him to reach, and the councilman has suggested that the town might be better off hiring a larger legal firm that has lawyers with special areas of practice, rather than staying with Biggs, who is a single practitioner.

Flagello has been Biggs' most

outspoken ally on the counsel, saying he "unequivocally" supports him and opposing Jordan's motion.

"If you have a problem with someone," Flagello said, "you sit down and talk with them before you start talking about taking their job away. I don't have a problem with Brad."

Biggs has been practicing law in Florida since 1998 and has been South Palm Beach's attorney for six years.

He also is the lead legal counsel for Royal Palm Beach and the Village of Golf, has served as assistant counsel for six other municipalities and also has worked for the Palm Beach County League of Cities.

Biggs worked as an associate attorney with Corbett, White and Davis for 15 years.

In other business:

The council set workshop meetings for July 14 and July 19, both beginning at 6 p.m., to discuss budget plans for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Property values are up 7.9 percent in South Palm Beach, increasing tax revenues and giving the council more flexibility to consider capital projects for the town. ★

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Along the Coast

Railroad construction will close streets in July

By Jane Smith

All Aboard Florida is continuing to add double tracks and quiet zone devices to south county coastal cities for its Brightline high-speed rail that will link Miami to Orlando along the FEC railroad tracks.

While the double tracks are installed, the following streets in Delray Beach will be closed: SE 4th Street, 7 a.m. July 5 to 6 p.m. July 8, and East Atlantic Avenue, 7 a.m. July 17 to 6 p.m. July 21.

The closings for Boca Raton are: Hidden Valley, 7 a.m. July 8 to 6 p.m. July 11; NW 28th Street, 7 a.m. July 19 to 6 p.m. July 21, and NE 2nd Street, 7 a.m. July 24 to 6 p.m. July 28.

In addition, Hypoluxo Road in Hypoluxo will be closed from 7 a.m. July 15 to 6 p.m. July 20, and Gator Culvert in Lantana will be closed from 7 a.m. July 28 to 6 p.m. Aug. 1.

Between Miami and West Palm Beach, crossings will be improved for the high-speed rail service with new steel rail, concrete ties, signals and crossing gates. Through a partnership with the county's Metropolitan Planning Organization, quiet zones will be paid for and installed at the same time that crossing upgrades are made. ★

Boca Raton

Mayor praises Boca Raton's ability to attract quality businesses

By Steve Plunkett

Mayor Susan Haynie used her State of the City 2016 speech to cement her place as Boca Raton's biggest booster.

Gaining her highest marks are the thriving business community and the explosive growth of Florida Atlantic University and the Boca Raton Regional Hospital. She said the city now provides "destination health care."

"They used to say if you got ill you had to go to the airport to get on the plane to go to the Mayo Clinic or the MD Anderson [Center]," she said. "And for an aging population of baby boomers, I think that's a really important community asset for us."

FAU has transformed from a single building to a campus accommodating 30,000.

"This is what's fueling the attraction of so many quality businesses here in town,



Haynie

Associations.

The mayor had the statistics to back up her claims: Boca Raton has 30 of the 62 corporate headquarters in Palm Beach County.

"So we've done a great job as far as attracting businesses here," she said.

The city also has 12 million square feet of office space, more than West Palm Beach — "That's been our challenge, to fill vacancies up," Haynie said — and has created and retained more than 8,400 jobs in the last six years.

"That's an amazing number for a city of this size — 8,400 jobs," Haynie said. "And the

because we have an educated workforce," Haynie said at the June 7 meeting of the Federation of Boca Raton Homeowner

wonderful thing is, these people come and they find homes and they shop in our stores and patronize our restaurants, send their children to our schools. It's really making us a much younger and more vibrant community."

Haynie said the top concerns today are the same as those a local newspaper listed in 1966: traffic flow, speed limits, zoning, high-rise apartments, architectural review standards that relate to community appearance, disposal of city-owned land and parking problems in the downtown business area.

In the ensuing 50 years the city's population has swelled from 20,000 to about 93,000.

"I don't see us ever going much higher than that. ... I never, ever see us exceeding 100,000," Haynie said.

That means not annexing the mostly gated communities between the western edges of

the city and Florida's Turnpike, which would dissolve the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District.

State lawmakers set up the district to disband if the city annexed all the district land out to the turnpike.

"I don't ever see the city annexing the beach and park district out of existence," Haynie said.

The mayor said the City Council's top priority this year is developing and evaluating a master plan for the City Hall campus. The first floor of City Hall is still off limits during repairs from the rainfall soaking it got in late March.

And the Community Center, built in 1968, also is showing signs of age.

"We love our Community Center, but when you travel to other cities in our county, this is a very sad building," she said.

Haynie said there are

no plans to move the City Hall and Police Department elsewhere in the city and said an off-the-cuff comment at May's strategic planning sessions sparked the rumor.

"I have no intention of relocating City Hall from beyond the campus where we stand today."

She also said the council hopes to complete a comprehensive waterfront plan this year.

In the meantime, she is eagerly waiting for the Hyatt Place hotel to open in a few months at Federal Highway and Palmetto Park Road, giving downtown its first hotel in years. Haynie recalled when the only hotel downtown was the since-closed Howard Johnson's.

"It'll be nice to have more of a business-type hotel in our downtown," she said. "That is something we have wanted for a long time." ★

Questions about Boca council vacancies and pay make Aug. 30 ballot

By Sallie James

It's finally settled. Boca Raton voters will get the chance to decide two issues on the Aug. 30 primary election ballot: Whether unexpected City Council vacancies should be filled by special election and whether council members should get a raise.

First, it took the pleas of nearly 20 residents to finally persuade the council to vote "Yes" on the council vacancy issue.

Resident Geraldine Allerman told council members the charter change was essential.

"I strongly support this ordinance and I would like to see it changed. We really need a more democratic process," Allerman said at the June 14 City Council meeting.

What city officials approved is a slightly revised version of an earlier proposal by council member Scott Singer that tanked in May amid a barrage of criticism. Singer remained adamant about the proposal, saying voters needed the ability to choose someone for an open council seat rather than watch an appointed member

serve until the next regularly scheduled city election.

He reintroduced the measure with revisions. The revised charter change would require council vacancies be filled by special election no later than 90 days after the vacancy occurred. The new version also includes language that outlines the efficiency and cost-effectiveness of holding special elections concurrently with previously scheduled elections.

"I think the fact there were 17 speakers from the public all unanimously in favor of the change shows how the public feels about this role in government. I am pleased there was unanimous support for this good government provision," Singer said after the vote. "I am pleased that the council supports the concept of letting the people always choose their elected leaders."

Singer first presented the proposal to the council in early May, but it failed after council members expressed concerns about unknown costs, among other things.

The revised charter change provides that a special election for a council vacancy

would take place the Tuesday following the 90th day after the vacancy occurs or as soon as practical. The amendment goes on to say if the vacancy occurs within 150 days of a previously scheduled federal, state, countywide or city election, the special election can be held concurrently.

Cost has always been a concern. According to Boca Raton City Clerk Susan Saxton, a special election held in conjunction with a primary or general election could cost the city anywhere from \$7,500 to \$10,000. A stand-alone special election — which would include all actual costs incurred by the county supervisor of elections — would cost between \$120,000 and \$135,000.

Mayor Susan Haynie said the revised charter change covered all the bases.

"I think we have heard from the public. I think all the different combinations, scenarios have been addressed here," Haynie said. "This isn't something that happens on a frequent basis. This addresses the stand-alone elections and I intend to support it."

City activist Betty Grinnan

called the charter change a "no brainer."

"It's a vote for democracy," Grinnan said.

The council at the meeting also unanimously approved putting on the Aug. 30 ballot proposed salary increases for the mayor and City Council members, but they changed some of the original proposals made in late April.

The revised ordinance removes proposed automatic salary increases tied to the County Commission and slightly reduces the previously proposed annual salaries.

The earlier proposed salary of \$38,550 for the mayor was reduced to \$38,000 in the revised proposal, and the initial proposed salary of \$28,766 for City Council members was reduced to \$28,000 in the revision.

Boca Raton's mayor is now paid \$9,000 a year, while council members are paid \$7,200 a year.

The April proposal from council member Robert Weinroth suggested elected officials get pay raises that more than quadruple their salaries, and stated that if Palm Beach County commissioners' salaries

are raised, Boca Raton council members' salaries would be raised the same percentage.

Weinroth said he proposed the revisions because feedback from the community and the Chamber of Commerce showed support for the increase, but reservations about making them automatic.

"In the time that has passed I have heard from voters who had misgivings that this salary could continue to rise without their input," Weinroth said.

If voters approve the measure, the pay hikes would become effective in October 2017. Previous attempts in 2004 and 2006 to increase the salaries both failed.

City resident James Hendrey supports the salary increases and thinks they are necessary to attract quality City Council candidates.

"We are only going to make that happen if people are compensated fairly for the effort you put forward," Hendrey told council members. "It should not be a windfall, but recognition that you folks are giving to your community in a very great way. I am in favor of this and I think it's really important." ★

Ocean Ridge

License plate recognition cameras to get further study

By Dan Moffett

Recent advances in technology could enable Ocean Ridge to move forward with a plan to install license plate recognition cameras along State Road A1A without the blessing of the Florida Department of Transportation.

Ocean Ridge Police Chief Hal Hutchins says newer versions of the LPR cameras

are capable of scanning tags from greater distances, which means the town could install the devices on private property off the roadway and still get satisfactory results.

In 2014, DOT officials prohibited putting the cameras on state rights of way. But the cameras are used on local roads in many communities across Florida. The state also has allowed communities that

installed cameras before the ban — among them Manalapan and Palm Beach — to continue using them.

Hutchins told town commissioners during their June 6 meeting that he has received assurances from camera vendors that the devices can operate with 92 percent accuracy from a distance of 130 feet, making installation on private property feasible.

License plate recognition camera systems are not used for surveillance but work by scanning tags of passing cars and comparing that information with tag numbers in databases set up by law enforcement agencies.

Hutchins said the town would need to place the cameras at the northern and southern boundaries on A1A and at the two bridge sites

at East Ocean Avenue and Woolbright Road.

He said installing the system would cost between \$199,000 and \$225,000, and annual operating expenses would run between \$9,000 and \$11,000.

Putting camera poles on private property creates other complications and legal expenses, however. The town would have to get easements from property owners. ★

Delray Beach

Clean & Safe program gets assist from CRA's hefty wallet

By Jane Smith

Delray Beach's Community Redevelopment Agency will have an additional \$5.7 million to spend in the next budget year.

The extra money comes from an estimated 14.6 percent increase in property tax income and \$3.6 million from the long-delayed iPic land sale.

As CRA board members discussed how to spend that money on June 22 and 23, the city of Delray Beach was there with its proverbial hat in hand. The board agreed to pay 8 percent more into the CRA's Clean & Safe program, but the

city's request for a more than 260 percent increase for Tennis Center sponsorships was tabled to its July 14 meeting.

"We do not see the CRA, if you will, as an endless bucket of resources for our operational needs," City Manager Don Cooper told the board. "Our request for the Clean & Safe area is for use inside the CRA district."

The city is not broke, he said, but it has a lot of demands on its resources.

On the Tennis Center sponsorships, Cooper said he was limited in what he could say because the city has sued the

center's operator, Match Point, to be released from a long-term, no-bid contract. "We appreciate any help you can give us," he said.

The 8 percent increase for Clean & Safe would pay for two additional police officers and allow the city to outsource its street-sweeping operation.

The city has one street sweeper, which is a temperamental piece of equipment, said Michael Coleman, head of the Community Improvement Department. His department oversees Clean & Safe.

"When the street sweeper

breaks down, then it goes out for repair," Coleman said. "But if we outsource that work, the company would have to provide the street sweeper."

City workers sweep the streets three times a week. Downtown is open nearly 24/7 and needs streets swept five days a week, he said. Doing so would cost the CRA \$40,000 more.

The cost of the two police officers for salaries and benefits is \$188,625.

The CRA already pays \$2.3 million for the program. A manager oversees the schedule of police officers, code enforcement officers, sanitation and maintenance workers, electricians and the supplies needed to maintain the downtown and allow visitors to feel safe.

"Feeling safe is a perception, it can't be measured," said Police Chief Jeff Goldman. "We can never have enough boots on the ground."

The extra officers would allow the program, now in its third year, to put another officer on day shift, Goldman said.

Larcenies are on the rise in the Clean & Safe area, Goldman said. By May 31, the city recorded 223 thefts of bicycles, purses, cell phones and other items. For all of 2014, 315 larcenies were reported in the

area.

"A lot of our larcenies are due to the recovery industry when people relapse," he said.

They steal merchandise that can be pawned to feed their drug habits.

CRA board member Herman Stevens, a criminal lawyer, said he needed more crime data to justify the increase for what he called a "feel-good program." Delray Beach's overall crime rate dropped nearly 10 percent between 2015 and 2014.

One board member asked when the program's staffing goals would be reached. "The CRA can't continue to pay for extra officers," said Cathy Balestriere, CRA vice chairwoman.

The Tennis Center sponsorships were deemed a city obligation that the CRA has been asked to cover.

"I say we hold our nose and support our city," said Bill Branning, on his last day on the CRA board.

Others, though, want to see the Tennis Center's financials and a list of the projects the CRA couldn't do if it covered the sponsorships.

"It's pretty much a city function," said CRA Chairman Reggie Cox. "Even if we agree to cover it, we're still spending taxpayer dollars." ★

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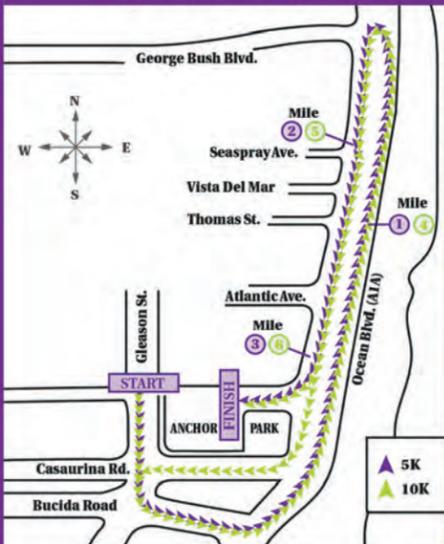



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10 Questions

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Dick Schmidt

Accountant. Developer. Pilot. Sailor. Philanthropist.

Dick Schmidt of Boca Raton wears many hats as CEO of Schmidt Companies and president of the Schmidt Family Foundation. The energetic 72-year-old decided one more was in order — author — and added it to his haberdashery.

May 10 saw the debut of his first novel, *The Boy and the Dolphin*, a heartwarming tale that takes place in the Bahamas during the mid-1950s. The book has earned endorsements from esteemed writer Doris Kearns Goodwin and ocean advocate Philippe Cousteau.

The story follows the life of little Toby Matthias, who is living with his grandparents on an out island near Nassau; his mother and father were killed in a plane crash. One day, Toby encounters a mother dolphin entangled in a fishing net and rescues her. The dolphin's nearby calf immediately bonds with the young hero, and the two become friends.

"I drew heavily on my own life for the experiences in the book," Schmidt said.

Like Schmidt, Toby grew up sailing the Caribbean. He then attended a preparatory school in Palm Beach.

The plot thickens when Toby joins the Navy and flies fighter jets during the Vietnam War. Schmidt served in the Army.

"I couldn't wait to sit down at my computer and start writing again because I didn't know what was going to happen next," Schmidt said. "Or if I knew what was going to happen next, I didn't know how it was going to happen."

In the end, Toby returns to the Bahamas as an adult who hasn't seen his finned friend in eight years.

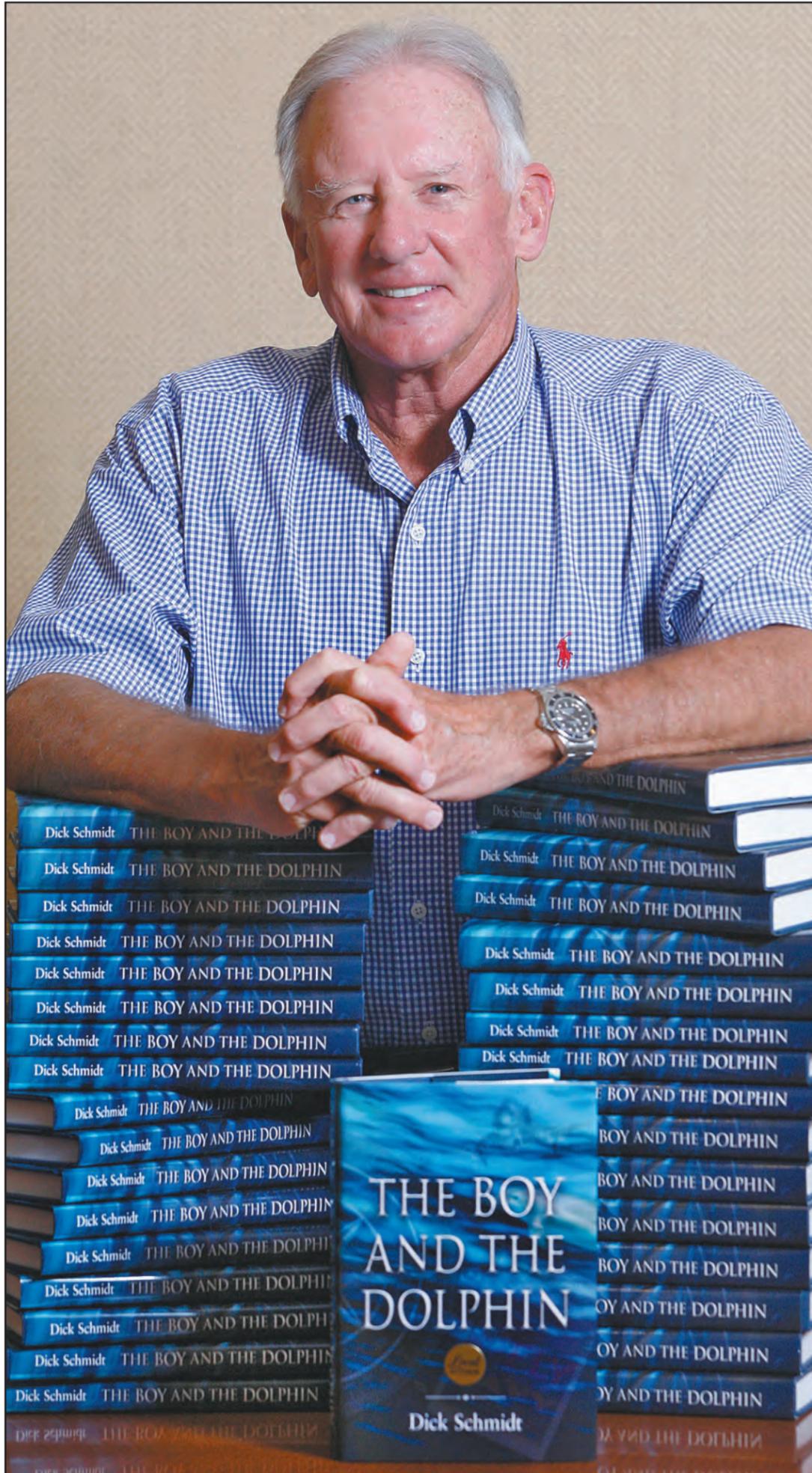
"And, of course, the denouement is, 'Will he be reunited with this dolphin, and if so, what will be the result?'" Schmidt said. "You have to read the book to find out."

Schmidt is married to Barbara, founder of the nonprofit organization Peaceful Mind Peaceful Life, for which their daughter, Michelle, works. Son David is a playwright.

— Amy Woods

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

A. I attended grammar school in suburban Chicago, prep school in Palm Beach,



Dick Schmidt drew heavily on his experiences in the Caribbean and as a sailor and pilot when writing his book, *The Boy and the Dolphin*. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

University of Florida, Florida Atlantic University. Varied school environments broadened my perspective on the world and gave me good background for the book.

Q. In what professions have you worked, and which ones make you the proudest?

A. I taught advanced accounting at Florida Atlantic, founded and managed the largest single-office accounting

firm in South Florida, developed communities and real estate in Florida, owned and operated corporate-aviation facilities in South Florida and published a novel. I am proud of all of my ventures.

Q. What advice do you have for young adults selecting a career today?

A. Unless you envision a career in something requiring a specific education, such as medicine or law, don't be in a hurry to pick one out. The probability that your life's work will be doing something you choose for yourself today is remote. Broaden your education as much as possible so that you will be prepared for whatever comes along that turns out to be your true passion.

Q. How did you choose to make your home in Boca Raton?

A. I left Chicago with the intention of returning after getting a graduate degree. I chose Boca Raton because my parents lived here, and there was a university of higher education here. All I knew after graduating was that I didn't want to go back to Chicago.

Q. What is your favorite part about living in Boca Raton?

A. My drive home each evening. I marvel at what an exceptional place this is and what an exciting time it is to live here.

Q. What book are you reading now?

A. *Hidden Account of the Romanovs*, by John Browne, a resident of Palm Beach County.

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

A. Some classical, some '60s, '70s pop. I like a wide variety of music.

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

A. Everything in moderation, including moderation.

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

A. Many. Not by coincidence, one at each turning point in my life. I think most of us will recall an individual of influence in our lives when we needed one.

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

A. Harrison Ford.

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Obituaries

Diane Gates Benedetto

BOCA RATON — Diane Gates Benedetto took her place in heaven on Feb. 26, less than two months shy of her 100th birthday. Diane was born in West Palm Beach on April 20, 1916, to Harley D. Gates and Harriette P. Gates, both early pioneers in Boca Raton.



She was raised on a plantation on Palmetto Park Road where they grew bananas, tangerines, guava and other fruit. The plantation was named Palmetto Park Plantation by her father. Palmetto Park Road was named after the family's plantation.

She and her brother, Harley, had many adventures living in a bungalow called Morada Bonita, at 741 E. Palmetto Park Road near the Intracoastal Waterway in Boca Raton. She even had a pet raccoon named Petey.

Diane was married to Joseph Benedetto in the late 1940s. She was a burlesque dancer and performed as a headliner for more than 27 years. She traveled all over the world performing.

The Benedettos owned Chez Joey restaurant on Federal Highway in Boca Raton for many years. They also owned the Eagle Cab Co.

Diane lived in Miami from 1945 until she returned to Boca Raton in 1971. She lived in her home in Boca Raton for more than 45 years. She would often be seen walking her dogs throughout the neighborhood.

She loved working in her garden, potting her orchids, oil painting, tending to her pond and spending hours reading, writing letters and keeping in touch with her friends. She was also an excellent artist, often seen about town painting the ocean and

palm trees. She had a special place in her heart for her many dogs, cats, frogs and critters that crossed her path in life.

Diane was an active contributing member of the Boca Raton Historical Society for many years. The photographs and archives she donated are vital to research about Boca Raton's past.

Her recorded memories and charming drawings help paint a picture of the tropical paradise that was Boca Raton 100 years ago. (Some of those memoirs can be seen on the Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum's website, Spanish River Papers, October 1975.)

She is a major feature of the museum's 2000 documentary, *The History of Boca Raton*, on view at the museum. In later years, she also wrote children's books for the Boca Raton Children's Museum and appeared in several local plays in Boca Raton.

At 93, she moved to Miami, where she resided with her daughter for three years. She then moved to the Swankridge Care Center in Homestead, where she received excellent care and was loved by many. At the time of her death, five generations of family were at her side.

She is deeply mourned and will be missed by her family and friends.

Diane is survived by her daughter, Dianne Chapek of Miami; stepdaughter, Kathleen Edmonds of Lake Park, Ga.; stepsons, Patrick Benedetto of Lake Placid and Frank Benedetto of Jacksonville; seven grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

— Obituary submitted by the family

Jacqueline L. Becker

By Steven J. Smith

BOCA RATON — Jacqueline Becker led a remarkably active life, marked by a spirited determination to make a difference in the world, according to her grandson, Jon Becker.



"She was a very driven person, independent and quite headstrong," Becker said. "She was always in charge, trying to do the right thing and was very focused."

Mrs. Becker died on June 12 in hospice at the age of 90, but lived a life rich in accomplishments, he added.

"Even in her later years in Boca, she sold real estate — but only the best properties between the ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway," Becker said. "Work was her pastime and she was a very successful Realtor."

Born in New York City in 1926, Mrs. Becker attended prestigious Vassar College, where she majored in music and dramatic production. After graduation, she worked for Decca Records' artist relations department, accompanying performers Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, Ella Fitzgerald and Al Jolson on personal appearances around the U.S.

"She acted as their liaison," Becker said. "And during one of those trips, she met my grandfather, Herman, and married him in 1950."

The Beckers moved to her husband's hometown of Terre Haute, Ind., where they raised their two children. It was there she developed a keen interest in community affairs.

In 1960, however, her life changed at the behest of fellow Vassar alumna Jacqueline Kennedy, who solicited her aid for John F. Kennedy's successful presidential bid.

"That served as a springboard for her to found Housewives Effort for Local Progress," Becker said. "That organization was formed in conjunction with the school system of Terre Haute and served as a predecessor of the PTA, raising money for important educational programs."

In 1972, the Beckers moved to Highland Beach and she got active in local government, serving as a member of the Community Appearance Board until they moved again in 1982, to Boca Raton.

Tragedy struck in 1997, when Mrs. Becker's son, Rick, died of a sudden heart attack at 44. That spurred the creation and funding of the Rick Becker Memorial CPR Award, which provides annual recognition to a local individual who promotes, saves a life with CPR or provides CPR education to the community.

"Unfortunately, CPR would not have helped in Rick's case, but they felt this was something they wanted to do in his memory," Becker said. "She also funded the Jacqueline L. Becker Award in Political Science at FAU, which is given yearly to a deserving student there. She loved following politics and in her 80s she even helped President Obama's campaigns, making cold calls to get the vote out for him."

In addition to her grandson, Jon Becker, Mrs. Becker is survived by her daughter, Susan M. Becker; a granddaughter, Traci Bartow; and a great-grandson, Max Becker.

Instead of flowers, please send donations to the Rick Becker Memorial CPR Fund, c/o Boca Raton Firefighter and Paramedic Benevolent Fund, P.O. Box 565, Boca Raton, FL 33429 or the Jacqueline L. Becker Award in Political Science, FAU Foundation Inc., 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL 33431.

Left-turn lanes returning to Palmetto Park Road downtown

By Steve Plunkett

Boca Raton will add left-turn lanes on eastbound Palmetto Park Road at Mizner Boulevard and Northeast/Southeast Fifth Avenue and buy a train detection system so it can better time traffic signals at the Palmetto Park crossing.

The turn lanes, which were taken out six years ago, should be operational by November, City Manager Leif Ahnell said. "Something we talked about

back in 2010 when we put the islands in to slow down traffic, we're here now to tell you that that was effective," consultant Jim Sumislaski of Kimley, Horn and Associates told the City Council at its June 13 workshop. Indeed, the islands

were too effective, he said, and contribute to current traffic congestion.

The relatively quick improvements were among a slew of recommendations from Sumislaski and a second consultant, Diana Rivas of Calvin, Giordano and Associates, to reduce traffic congestion.

Mayor Susan Haynie said the discussion on longer-term projects was just a jumping-off point.

"We'll have lots of conversations about these improvements," she said.

Sumislaski, who lives in Boca Raton, said the bridge on Palmetto Park Road opens on the half-hour and causes an eight-minute delay each time.

It takes two cycles at the Fifth Avenue signal to clear traffic, he said.

It should take 6.5 minutes to drive the 3.1 miles from Interstate 95 to A1A for a vehicle going 30 mph and encountering no red lights, no train holdups and no bridge opening, Sumislaski said.

He theorized that with seven traffic signals on the route, 11 minutes would be a good time, and then had his staff test his theory.

In 20 trips from noon to 5 p.m. May 25, the average time was 13.2 minutes, he said. Only one trip was held up by a train and only one by the bridge, he said. He recommended earlier detection of trains and

changing signals to clear east-west traffic.

Council member Scott Singer was enthusiastic when he heard such a system has a minimal cost.

"I'm ready to make a motion now to amend our budget to approve \$100,000. I mean that," Singer said.

But Ahnell said he could order the equipment without changing the budget or having an official motion.

Sumislaski also recommended changing the signal's cycle at Palmetto Park Road and A1A.

"I've been stopped waiting to make a left-hand turn to go northbound on A1A waiting for the cars to come around that circle [in South Beach Park]. Sometimes I get stymied and there's a long line of cars," he said.

He also said Boca Raton should hire a full-time traffic monitoring operator, study making Federal Highway and Dixie Highway a pair of one-way roads and look at widening Palmetto Park Road to six lanes from I-95 to Dixie.

"We've looked at that over the years. The time might be

right for that," Haynie said.

Longer term, Sumislaski said the city could make a traffic bypass route on Second Street through the City Hall campus.

Rivas was following up from a Calvin, Giordano presentation in March that offered four options for the intersection at Palmetto Park Road and Fifth Avenue.

"From that meeting, we came [up] with a combination of [two] alternatives turned into one hybrid [alternative]," she said.

The solution calls for left-turn lanes on Palmetto Park east- and westbound, the addition of buffered bike lanes on Fifth Avenue, and right-of-way acquisition and sidewalk connectivity on the northeast corner. Adding the turn lanes might cost \$200,000, Rivas said. Buying the land on the corner might be \$1 million to \$2 million, she said.

Rivas also recommended the city extend the bike lanes along Northeast Fifth Avenue all the way to U.S. 1 and enforce the existing valet agreement at the Trattoria Romano restaurant. ★



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Business Spotlight

The Hurricane in this alley is named Kim

By Rich Pollack

Grab a seat toward the end of the bar at Boynton Beach's landmark Hurricane Alley Raw Bar and Restaurant and you might discover a small plaque, often obscured by ketchup and mustard bottles, honoring the memory of Harvey Oyer, a longtime and well-known real estate man with pioneer roots. (His great-uncle, Charlie Pierce, was one of the legendary Barefoot Mailmen.)

"He helped me get started and he didn't give up on me," says owner Kim Kelly, who first opened the doors to the place in 1996, with Oyer as her landlord. "He's one of the reasons we're successful."

In exchange for giving Kelly an occasional pass on the rent, Oyer would daily commandeer his reserved seat at the bar and after lunch be handed a bill for just \$4, no matter what he ordered.

While Oyer's generosity is one of the reasons Hurricane Alley is still here after 20 years, another has to be Kelly herself, a self-described gale force of action behind the hurricane in the restaurant's name.

On July 30, Kelly and Hurricane Alley — now a destination restaurant near where Ocean Avenue meets U.S. 1 — will be honoring the restaurant's 20th anniversary with its "Summer Sizzle" celebration.

Set to take Boynton by storm, the party from 3 to 11 p.m. will feature three bands, lots of food and a variety of vendors.

"It's been 20 years and I've survived," Kelly says. "There's nothing better than surviving a hurricane."

It's not only Kelly and the restaurant that have survived, it's also the historic 1919 building housing Hurricane Alley that has survived.

Over the years the space has been everything from a pharmacy to a restaurant and soda shop.

But it had been vacant for more than a decade when Kelly,



Hurricane Alley owner Kim Kelly is celebrating the 20th anniversary of her Boynton Beach raw bar and restaurant.

Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

a bartender with a business degree, decided to become her own boss.

With lots of drive but little money, Kelly approached Oyer and asked if she could rent the vacant restaurant space.

"We gutted the place," she said, adding that she was doing a lot of the work herself, learning to use circular saws and drills.

To make ends meet, Kelly tended bar in West Palm Beach until 4 a.m., then after just a couple of hours of sleep, she got ready to open what was then Café Barista.

Following six months of hammering and sawing, Kelly's dream came to life when the

cafe opened — but it wasn't smooth sailing.

"There were a lot of tears on the back steps," she says.

Back then, Kelly did just about everything herself, including working a tiny kitchen — a challenge since she had no idea how to cook.

"I once called my mom and asked her how to bake a potato," she said.

Following four years of struggling, Kelly and two friends — both surfers — sat out back beside the alley and came up with a new name and a new concept.

After coming close to closing the doors of what had evolved into a renamed raw bar and

seafood restaurant, Kelly landed a loan to expand the kitchen.

Over the years Hurricane Alley has expanded twice, and last year Kelly added a food truck that she takes on the road. The restaurant, which started with two employees, now has 43.

She was also part of an important merger of sorts — marrying steady customer Burt Garnsey, whose family has operated the Sea Mist drift-fishing boat for four generations. Now Hurricane Alley offers a "You hook 'em, we cook 'em" deal to folks who bring in their catches from the Sea Mist.

Kelly says one reason the restaurant has lasted so long is that she is never far away. She

works seven days a week and is known to duck into the kitchen and start cooking if orders back up.

"You can't own it and walk away," says Kelly, 53. "That's how the vision gets lost."

Another way to preserve a vision is to make sure the people who supported it through thick and thin are not forgotten.

So there, at the top of Hurricane Alley's sandwich menu, you'll find the Hurricane Harvey, a rare roast beef sandwich that Harvey Oyer would order from his seat by the end of the bar.

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Business Spotlight

Snow Fund gives 72 college-bound students a boost

At the George Snow Scholarship Fund's annual awards reception in June, the fund made financial commitments of \$687,483 in scholarships and scholar-support services to 72 students headed for college.

Along with financial assistance, each Snow scholar received a gift bag with items that included a coffee maker and blender donated by Jarden Consumer Solutions of Boca Raton, a Microsoft Office Professional productivity suite donated by Microsoft Inc., first-aid kit donated by Boca Raton Regional Hospital, reference charts by Bar Charts, and oral hygiene kits donated by Dr. Douglas A. Rolfe.

Members of the organization met the recipients and thanked supporters for making the 2015-16 season a successful one. "This night shows us the fruits of our labor, and our donors get to meet the young people who will benefit from their efforts," President Tim Snow said.

Also at this reception, Boca Raton resident Ron Wells received the Robert S. Howell Spirit of Service Award, acknowledging his volunteerism, generosity, commitment and unselfishness.

Florida Atlantic University's Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine received initial accreditation from the national Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education for residency programs in general surgery and emergency medicine.

The college's six-year general-surgery training program is based at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, in collaboration with Bethesda Hospital East, Tenet HealthCare System's Delray Medical Center, St. Mary's Medical Center and West Boca Medical Center.



The George Snow Scholarship Fund awarded \$687,483 to 72 students headed for college. **LEFT:** (l-r) Frank Feiler, Helen Babione, Janice Williams, scholarship recipients Chrismine Louis, Erica Hennessy and Lauren Smith, Ingrid Fulmer, Bonnie Halperin and Jon Kaye. **RIGHT:** Fund President Tim Snow and Spirit of Service honoree Ron Wells. **Photos provided**



Its three-year emergency-medicine training program is based at Bethesda Hospital East, with St. Mary's Medical Center and Delray Medical Center.

In May, the Arthur R. Marshall Foundation for the Everglades forged an agreement with the Everglades Foundation to administer and continue two key programs in 2017: the summer intern program for undergraduate and post-graduate students and its Everglades Symposium.

Marco and Mara Pindo, owners of Ristorante Sapori, held a fundraising dinner and wine auction to raise awareness and funds to assist Cuban families in need. They served 40 guests, who each paid \$100.

The Pindos have already sent helpful items to families in Cuba, but they also are forging ahead with their long-term goals: to open a restaurant in Havana and to teach Cubans how to grow the simple produce needed to sustain it, as well as to use to improve their own diets.

Marco Pindo also plans to



The Cool Cars for Nicholas Car Show raised \$20,000 for Nicholas McClary, who has Ewing's sarcoma. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Claudia McClary, Ted Vernon, Nicholas McClary and Andrew McClary. **Photo provided**

train young Cubans to cook, giving them a career option as tourism grows in Cuba. To donate, either bring items to Ristorante Sapori, 301 Via de Palmas, Boca Raton, or call 367-9779.

On June 1, marking Fleet Feet Sports' one-year anniversary in Delray Beach,

55 area residents did a run along A1A in conjunction with Global Running Day. Afterward, participants attended a meet-and-greet with Olympic track and field trial qualifiers Lana Mims, Bryan Jasmin and Ron Similien, who live in South Florida. The Global Running Day celebration evolved from

National Running Day in the United States, which was started in 2009 by running groups and race directors.



Aaron Hallyburton, new assistant manager at Caffe Luna Rosa, spent 13 years aboard U.S. Navy ships. **Photo provided**

Welcomed by his stepfather, Fran Marincola, Navy veteran Aaron Hallyburton has joined Caffe Luna Rosa as assistant manager. During Hallyburton's two decades in the Navy, he spent 13 years at sea aboard three aircraft carriers and two amphibious assault ships, serving as machinist's mate senior chief.

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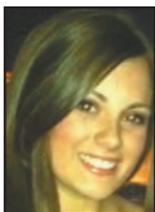
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In June, the Palm Beach Area chapter of the **Leukemia & Lymphoma Society** named its south county man and woman of the year at the conclusion of the candidates' 10-week fundraising campaigns: **Morgan Tannenbaum**, a veterinarian at Regency Veterinary Clinic in Boca Raton, raised \$65,237, and **Ariel Enisman**, an attorney at the Presser Law Firm in Boca Raton, raised \$11,862.

On May 28, **Art of Speed Auto Events** and the local car community presented the **Cool Cars for Nicholas Car Show** at **Club 66** in Boynton Beach. The event raised \$20,000 for **Nicholas McClary**, who was diagnosed with Ewing's sarcoma — a bone cancer that affects mainly children — in December. Nicholas is the son of **Car Show TV** co-founder **Andrew McClary**.

The **Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce** offers summer series Lunch & Learn, "Closing the Skills Gap," given by CareerSource Palm Beach County, at noon July 21. The free event, open to the public, will be held at the chamber board room, 1880 N. Congress Ave., Suite 214. To reserve a space, call 732-9501.

Delray Medical Center has earned the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's "Get With the Guidelines Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award." To qualify, hospitals must meet measures developed to reduce the time between the patient's arrival at the hospital and treatment with tPA, a drug to treat ischemic stroke. If given intravenously in the first three hours after the start of stroke symptoms, tPA reduces the effects of stroke and lessens the chance of permanent disability. The medical center is at 5352 Linton Blvd., Delray Beach.



McLaughlin



Milton

Samantha McLaughlin and **Candace Milton** have joined the **Leighton Design Group**, a residential and commercial interior design firm founded by **Chris Leighton** in 1989.

New to the interior design world, Milton was a production assistant and stylist in the television and fashion industries.

McLaughlin has worked in hospitality design in New Jersey for hotel developers.

The Leighton Design Group specializes in "organic-minimalism styling." Its Florida studio is at 1020 S. Federal Highway, Suite 104, Delray Beach.

Boynton Beach resident **Carmen C. Howe**, vice president of design at **Deco One Interiors Group**, was named a new member of Executive Women of the Palm Beaches.



Howe

Jayne Renshaw, formerly sales manager for **Tiffany & Co.** in Boca Raton, is now the group sales manager for **Eau Spa at Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa**, 100 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan.



Renshaw

The **Buzz Agency**, 104 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach, has acquired **Tradewinds Media Partners** and hired **Enid Atwater** as its vice president of public relations. Atwater will manage the agency's new Palm Beach office at 101 Bradley Place.

For its 33rd annual **National Night Out** crime and drug prevention event on Tuesday, Aug. 2, the **Delray Beach Police Department** will host a rally at the Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W. Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach, from 6 to 10 p.m.

Lock your doors, turn on your outside lights to show support, and spend the evening outside with your neighbors and officials. The event will have free music, food, entertainment and activities for your children. It will also feature demonstrations from the Delray Beach Police's SWAT, K-9 and motorcycle units and the Police Explorers.

BizBash, a resource for event organizers, released its South Florida Top 100 Events 2015. Among the events listed were the Delray Beach Garlic Fest, No. 2 in the best food-related events, and Delray Affair, No. 3 in best parades and festivals.

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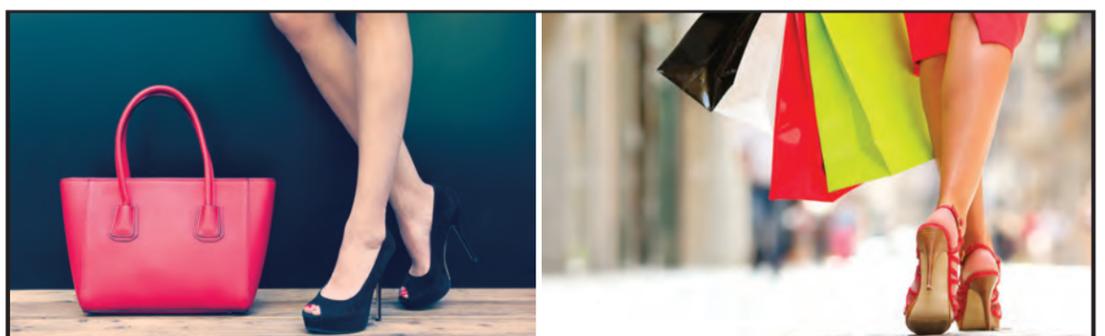



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Lantana

Why this small, under-the-radar beach town shows big-time appeal in a new survey



Visitors arrive at Lantana Public Beach.

By Mary Thurwachter

Near the end of a Town Council meeting in May, when public comments were given, a longtime Lantana resident marched to the podium to offer her congratulations because Lantana had been named America's fourth-best under-the-radar (and affordable) beach town by realtor.com.

"I had no idea," Mayor Dave Stewart says when asked about the designation. He guesses the title followed some sort of polling done during the last year. But he has since learned the criteria, discovering that the honor came both for what Lantana is not as well as what the town offers residents.

For example, Lantana is not a famous beach town. It has a low Google search volume compared with hot spots like Miami Beach and Santa Monica, Calif. And it is small. Only 10,000 people live within its three square miles. Yet there are plenty of good restaurants and residents are offered beach access and oodles of amenities.

Homes are affordable, too. "You could get a condo for \$50,000 or a mega-mansion for millions," Stewart says.

All of those things were considered by realtor.com's survey, in which Lantana came in after first-place Ocean Park, Wash., second-place Cape Canaveral and third-place Crescent City, Calif.

"We're a little slice of Old Florida in the middle of the Gold Coast, with the kind of small-town atmosphere that has disappeared from much of this area," says Chamber of Commerce president Dave Arm. "We have great restaurants, world-class fishing

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Lantana has a public beach, one of the requirements for under-the-radar beach towns in a nationwide survey by realtor.com. Above, the Ellis family of Lake Worth cools off in the water at the beach. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



The house that is home to the Old Key Lime House restaurant, built in 1889, is one of the oldest existing structures in Palm Beach County.



Anglers unload the Lady K drift boat at Lantana's Sportsman's Park, near the Old Key Lime House. The boat goes out daily.

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Putt'n Around, Delray Beach – May 14

The Delray Beach Initiative raised more than \$13,000 for Family Promise of South Palm Beach County, an organization that supports homeless families. 'We want to thank all those who came out to support us in our goal to raise money to fight family homelessness in Delray and south Palm Beach County,' said Allison Turner, chairwoman of the Delray Beach Initiative. 'The Delray Beach Initiative is passionate about helping and enhancing the lives of children in the Delray Beach area.' **ABOVE:** (l-r) Carol Eaton, a Delray Beach Initiative member, Kokie Dinnan, executive director of Family Promise of South Palm Beach County, and Turner. **Photo provided**



Annual luncheon

Kravis Center, West Palm Beach – April 28



The Kravis Center board of directors, trustees and committee members were honored at an event to celebrate the season's highlights. Board Chairwoman Jane Mitchell summed it up: 'In the area of fundraising and development, I am thrilled to report that we have met and exceeded our annual fundraising goal of \$5.5 million, two-and-a-half months ahead of schedule.' **ABOVE:** (l-r) George Michel, Sherry Barrat and George Elmore. **Photo provided by Corby Kaye's Studio Palm Beach**

Check presentation

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton – May 16



The university's music department, which is housed in the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, received a \$50,000 donation from the Georgina Dieter Dennis Foundation to continue funding the Georgina Dieter Dennis Vocal Scholarship. It marks the fourth year the college has received the funding. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Patricia Fleitas, director of vocal studies; Rebecca Lautar, chairwoman of the music department; and Ronald Schagrin, of the Georgina Dieter Dennis Foundation. **Photo provided**

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Graduation exercises

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton – May 21



Saint John Paul II Academy graduated 125 high-school students as their families and other guests of honor watched. Valedictorian Eric Heinlein will be attending Purdue University, and Salutatorian Amparo Pareja will be attending Columbia University. The class as a whole received \$7.6 million in scholarships and will be attending schools all over the country. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Graduates Julia Hartmann, Peter Harrigan, Frankie Tomas, Cullen Gray and Anthony Serena. **Photo provided**

Women in Leadership Awards

Kravis Center, West Palm Beach – May 5



Executive Women of the Palm Beaches honored four of its own for making a difference in the community. Wendy Sartory-Link received the Private Sector Award, Laurie George received the Non-Profit Sector Award, Verdenia Baker received the Public Sector Award, and Yvonne Boice received the Volunteer Sector Award. More than \$75,000 was raised. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Awards Chairwoman Natalie Alvarez, Executive Women of the Palm Beaches Foundation President Regina Bedoya, guest speaker Susan Packard, Executive Women of the Palm Beaches President Sandra Close Turnquest and Honorary Chairwoman Barbara Schmidt. **Photo provided by Gina Fontana**

Installation of officers

Boynton Woman's Club, Boynton Beach – May 5



Club members welcomed a new executive board during a ceremony in their historic landmark building. The seven-member slate of officers, five of whom were re-elected for a second term, was approved unanimously. The board consists of Michele Walter, president; Mary Fallon, first vice president; Rosemarie Patrone, second vice president; JoAnne Kriesant-Weld, treasurer; Pat Waldron, assistant treasurer; Maurcy Selko, recording secretary; and Lillian Ostiguy, corresponding secretary. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Parliamentarian Evelyn Weicker with Walter, Kriesant-Weld and Ostiguy. **Photo provided**

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Light & airy 4 BR, 3.5 BA pool home offering 100' on the water with dock. An open floor plan boasting 2,649 sq. ft. under air with soaring 12' ceilings and abundant natural light. Split bedrooms, fireplace and kitchen with breakfast bar. Desirable southern exposure.

Sue Tauriello, 561-441-4200



Place Au Soleil Pool Home ~ \$849,999

Beautifully maintained 4 BR, 3 BA pool home situated on a large private lot on a quiet street in Gulf Stream. Spacious and inviting with 3,853 sq. ft. under air and a recently updated kitchen. First floor master suite with luxurious bath.

Erik Ring, 561-441-6880



NEW PRICE

Highland Beach Club ~ \$549,000

Completely renovated 2 BR, 2 BA on the 9th floor offering outstanding Ocean and Intracoastal views. Interior features include Saturnia marble floors, 2 master suites, upgraded bathrooms, washer & dryer, plus an open kitchen with granite.

Sue Tauriello, 561-441-4200



Barr Terrace ~ \$525,000

2 BR, 2 BA corner unit on the 5th floor with a spacious glass enclosed balcony offering an Intracoastal view. Interior features include split bedrooms, parquet wood floors and custom mirrors. Walk to the beach and downtown.

Jeff Johnson, 561-376-4328



Downtown Beach Location ~ \$479,000

3 blocks from Atlantic Avenue and 2 blocks to the beach! Completely renovated 2 BR, 2 BA ground floor condominium with 2 master suites. Updated kitchen with wood cabinetry, new appliances and granite countertops. Ceramic tile floors throughout.

Ellen Storck, 561-414-1514



PHASE 2 UNDERWAY

Tropic Cay ~ Delray Beach

3 BR, 2 1/2 BA, 2 car garage two story townhomes in Tropic Isle. 1,800 sq. ft. under air. Top of the line finishes and hardwood floors. 4 Phase 2 units are available. **Starting at \$419,000.**

Cheran Marek, 561-870-8855



Parkview Manor ~ \$400,000

Completely renovated 2 BR, 2 BA second floor unit with a spacious screen enclosed porch, plus high impact windows and sliding glass doors. Porcelain tile floors throughout and high end modern kitchen. Walk to Atlantic Avenue.

Susan Ring, 561-441-4150



NEW LISTING

Sabal Lakes Waterfront ~ \$349,000

This 3 BR, 2 BA split bedroom plan with a 2 car garage is a former model home with a pristine long lake view. Large lot directly across from Banyan Creek Elementary School. 1,857 sq. ft. under air.

Cheran Marek, 561-870-8855



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 LISTING

East Wind Beach Club ~ 150' N Ocean

Very desirable location right across the street from the beach and one block to Atlantic Avenue. One first floor and one top floor unit, both 1 BR, 1 BA with ocean views are currently available. Great rental with on site manager.

Elizabeth Rurey, 561-302-1552



Le Chateau Royal Condo ~ \$229,000

A great Palm Beach location! 2 BR, 2 BA end unit on the fifth floor with a balcony offering ocean views! Interior features include ceramic tile floors, custom mirrors and spacious master suite with large closet. Oceanfront pool.

Diana Byrne, 561-707-8561

Around Town

Remembering Ali's love for AIDS baby

We all have our moments. Those fleeting ticks of time that stay with us to the grave, through good days and bad, despite the noisy kids in the cramped back seat on interminable summer trips, along with hurricanes and house fires, the first kiss. The memory may not be in 3-D, but the picture is sufficient.

After 25 years, Aug. 30, 1991, seems as vivid as a bolt of lightning. A decade earlier the world had faced a medical dilemma that many feared would wipe out humanity. It didn't, but in 1991 the world and Palm Beach County were still coming to grips with HIV/AIDS.

To provide a refuge for children who had AIDS or were HIV-positive, the **Children's Place** (now **Children's Place at HomeSafe**), itself only a few years old, cobbled together **Connor's Nursery**. It was the first such residential center in Florida, but money doesn't fall from the sky or flow in from government agencies, so fundraisers were organized — bazaars, flea markets, a Walk for Life.

Terry Scott and other community activists organized **Positive Link**, an AIDS information and fundraising organization. Scott, a decorator who had worked on homes for **George Hamilton**, **Johnny Cash** and **Gianni Versace**, called on lots of friends.

On Aug. 30, a Connor's Nursery staffer loaded a 6-month-old infant into a car seat in the back of Scott's Jaguar. Then Scott, with this writer (then at *The Palm Beach Post*) riding shotgun, drove to Miami Beach to hook up with another former client.

We arrived at the Alexander Hotel about 10:30 a.m. and Scott, holding the baby, knocked on the door of the suite. As it opened, Scott held out the child and said: "**Joe Lewis, meet Muhammad Ali!**"

Ali's huge hands trembled. Parkinson's had robbed him of his athleticism but it couldn't defeat the legendary twinkle. He immediately wrapped his big arms around Joe ... and the trembling stopped.

The baby's name had a different spelling from that of Ali's boxing rival Joe Louis.

"Is he an orphan?" Ali whispered to Scott, who explained the mother had AIDS and was fighting a crack cocaine addiction.

"How long will he live?"

Told that newborns had a 70 percent chance of survival if their antibodies took over from the mothers', he added, "That's good," then surprised the group by announcing that he had a 4-month-old that he'd recently adopted.

For 45 minutes, Ali held Joe, played with him, cuddled him

as he sat in a big easy chair, and even performed his legendary "levitation" magic trick.

His words often were so soft that only **Howard Bingham** understood. Bingham is the professional photographer who became Ali's biographer, friend, confidant and mouthpiece.

But it remained the Ali and Joe show, as the champ posed for photos with the kid, knurling his lip and clenching a fist at the baby's chin while Joe kept looking away, as if ducking the punch or wondering, "Who is this big guy and why am I here?"

Scott produced photographs and a pair of boxing gloves that Ali gleefully but laboriously autographed. The hands no longer stung like a bee.

Ali first made headlines as Cassius Clay, light-heavyweight champion at the **1960 Tokyo Olympics**, and he became the world heavyweight champ four years later when he beat **Sonny Liston** at the Miami Beach Convention Center. He was back in town in 1991 because the city had dedicated an area in the center as the Muhammad Ali Hall of Champions.

But now it was time to hit the road. As Bingham and **Muhammad Ali Jr.** hurriedly packed for flights leaving in an hour, Ali continued to entertain and be entertained by Joe.

"Children are exiles from heaven," Ali said as he whispered goodbye to his old friend Scott and to his new friend for the last time.

The ride back to Palm Beach was marked by its silence as each occupant absorbed the experience.

Scott died from AIDS in 1993. Connor's Nursery closed years ago, its mission assumed by other health agencies. Attempts to find Joe and his mother hit dead ends. But 25 years later, on the day of Ali's memorial service in Louisville, those 1991 memories regained clarity when, by luck, I discovered my photos from that visit.

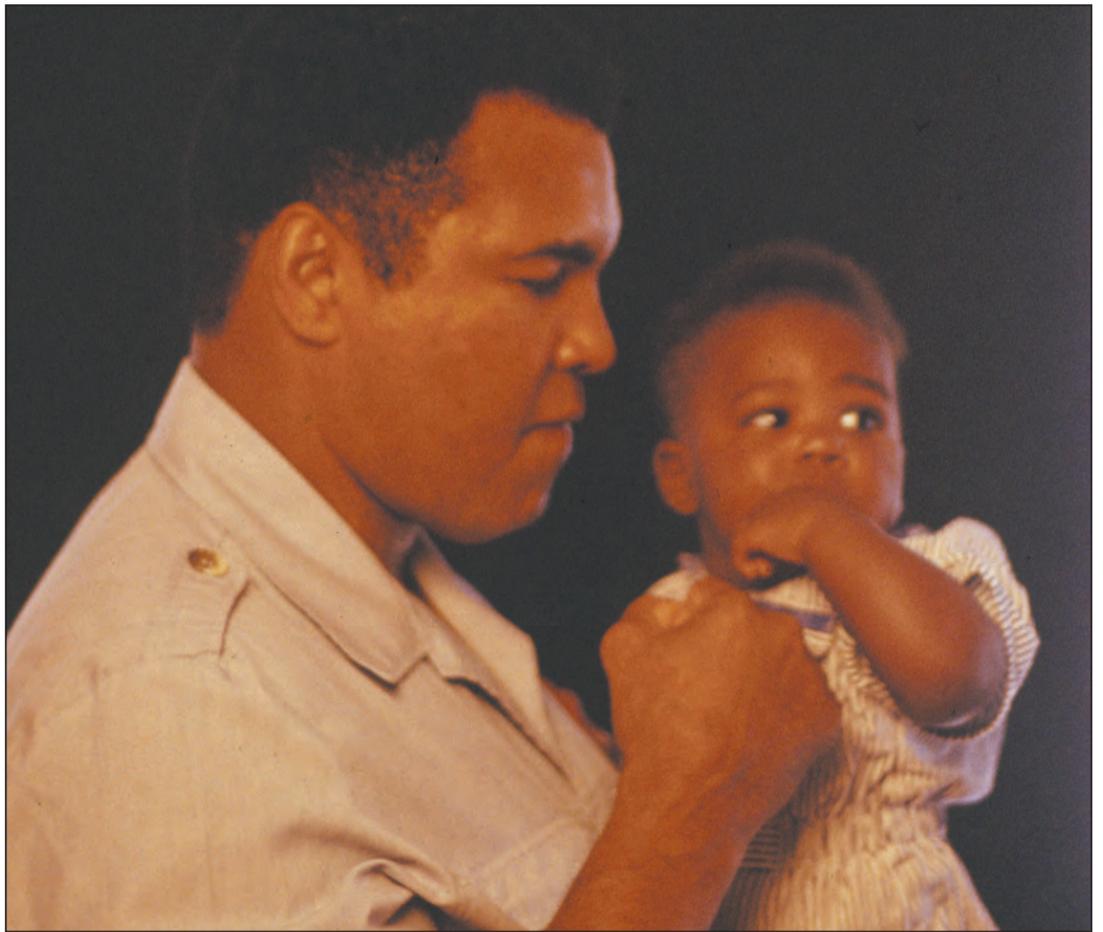
I felt blessed.

I watched the memorial celebration, which Ali planned in advance of his death: priests, imams, rabbis, a Native American chief, ministers.

Who would've imagined **Orrin Hatch**, a conservative leader, a Mormon, but he was Ali's friend. Or **Natasha Mundkur**, a 19-year-old student who never met Ali, but his example changed her life. Former **President Bill Clinton** spoke.

"Half a century and a lifetime of experience later, I am still awestruck and I am still convinced he is the greatest," Jupiter resident **Bryant Gumbel** marveled at the memorial.

To **Billy Crystal**, Ali "was a tremendous bolt of lightning, created by Mother Nature out of thin air."



Muhammad Ali jokingly held up a fist while holding the little Joe Lewis in 1991.

Photo by Thom Smith

"He was still a kid from Louisville who ran with the gods and laughed with the crippled and smiled at the foolishness of it all. He is gone, but he will never die."

Curiously, no boxers were invited to speak. Not even an athlete. The common thread: All were storytellers who helped us realize that everyone who ever met Ali must feel blessed.

Muhammad Ali wasn't the only celebrated Louisville native to leave us last month. **Marjorie Fisher** died June 12 at her Palm Beach home. She was 92. Her death will not have the visceral impact of Ali's, but



Fisher

it will be felt far beyond the bluegrass or the shores of Lake Worth. She was blessed with charm, knockout beauty, a flair for fashion and a love of the arts. She also knew how to get things done. When her first marriage didn't work out, she took her two children to Detroit. There she met **Max Fisher**, who ran one of the largest gas station operations in the Midwest.

The marriage worked: Max adopted her son and daughter; he became a major force in real estate and business, in Jewish and nonsectarian causes and in Republican politics. He became confidant and adviser to presidents and prime ministers.

Marjorie raised the kids and worked to improve the lives of others. The philanthropy of the **Max M. & Marjorie S. Fisher Foundation** has had worldwide effect. Founded in 1955 and permanently endowed by Dorothy after Max died in 2005, it is pledged "to enrich humanity by strengthening and empowering children and

families in need."

In the past eight years, its involvement has topped \$100 million.

The Detroit Symphony performs at the Max M. Fisher Music Center, affectionately known as "The Max." Ohio State University, which Max attended on a football scholarship, has the Fisher College of Business. In addition to many Jewish service agencies, the foundation supports the American Research Center in Egypt, the Library of Congress, and the AIDS study program at the University of Alabama.

The clubhouses at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County facility on Drexel Road in West Palm Beach are known as "The Max" and "The Marge." She served on the board of the Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties, supported the Salvation Army, United Way and the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County.

The Fisher legacy should be in good hands with the children, notably **Mary Fisher**, who is recognized internationally for her work to promote prevention, education and treatment for HIV/AIDS.

For Marjorie, the mission was simple: "You are here for a reason — to help other people. Everything in life is based on love and what you can do to help others. The rest is just cream — sometimes sour cream — but it's all cream."

The bride wore white, but not a toque, as celeb chef



Autry

Lindsay Autry married super foodie **David Sabin** June 4. Autry, a North Carolinian who first made a name for herself on

Bravo's *Top Chef* competition, hit South Florida like a tornado, first at the **Omphoy** in Palm Beach under the tutelage of **Michelle Bernstein**, then at **Sundy House** in Delray and the **Palm Beach Food and Wine Festival**. Sabin, who happens to be director of the festival, proposed during the event at **The Breakers** in December 2014. Call it love at first bite.

Although *The Breakers* may be an international nuptial destination, the couple opted for a little Low Country loving, exchanging vows at **The Cedar Room** in a 140-year-old former cotton mill in romantic Charleston, S.C.

On the guest list: Bernstein, **Clay Conley** (Buccan, Grato) **Tim Lipman** (Coolinary Cafe in Palm Beach Gardens) and Food Network's **Robert Irvine**.

Now it's back to work. Autry is teaming with **Thierry Beaud** and the gang at Titou Hospitality (Pistache, PB Catch, etc.) on **The Regional: Kitchen & Public House**. It'll take over the former McCormick & Schmick's site on the south side of CityPlace. Opening, however, is still months away.

No network wedding for Vinny, the Delray Beach barber. The Bachelorette dismissed



Ventiera

him June 20. Of course, had JoJo, the pursued, stuck with **Vincent Ventiera** for the duration, it would have turned the

Cinderella legend on its head. Perry Como may have done OK, but barbers seldom score top ratings. Although he got royally soused on camera in the first show, Vinny had much to offer — he's a charmer, has a winning smile and no tattoos. But just how much barbering

does he do?

The Facebook page for **MoJo's Barbershop** at Mission Bay Plaza way out in West Boca makes a big deal of "Vinny V's Chair" and displays photos of him clipping a couple of heads, but the receptionist said the New York City native hasn't worked there in months.

Actually, Vinny is better known around town as a DJ. He spins records at **Salt7** in Delray, although corporate records list his residence as Boynton Beach. Maybe he'll capitalize on his 15-plus minutes of fame and open a chain of hip salons with DJ stations.

The National Croquet Club in West Palm Beach is offering free lessons every Saturday morning at 10. The club provides the mallets, balls and courts; you provide flat-soled shoes. Even though proper croquet attire remains all white, the club permits any color for lessons — but no swimsuits, please.

After the session, enjoy a mojito on the veranda or try lunch in the Croquet Grille. (Reservations required: 478-2300, ext. 3.)

With the closing June 26 of the Noel Coward comedy *Hay Fever*, the season at FAU is over. Now it's time for music as **Festival Repertory 2016** continues its 18th annual summer fling with perennial favorite *Once Upon a Mattress*. It opens a 14-show run July 9 at the Studio One Theatre on the Boca Raton campus.

A week later, the **FWS Jazz Orchestra**, a professional ensemble-in-residence at FAU directed by **Kyle Prescott** and featuring vocals by multitalented **Chloe Dolandis**, will perform "Big Band Hits from the Golden Age" in the University Theatre at 7 p.m. July 16 and 2 p.m. July 17.

Heather Coltman, who not only serves as dean of the College of Arts and Letters but also plays a mean piano, will be joined by a few friends for Piano Gala Extravaganza, a four-piano tour de force of pop and classical favorites. Shows are at 4 p.m. July 23 and 24 at the University Theatre. For tickets, as low as \$12 for students, visit www.fau.edu/festivalrep or call (800) 564-9539.

On the road again . . .

The **Schappert** sisters, **Nicole** and **Stephanie**, planned to be back in Eugene, Ore., for the U.S. Olympic track and field trials that run through July 10. The girls and their parents, **Ken**



N. Tully

and **Jane** of Delray Beach, hope the girls' efforts will lead to a longer trip — the **Olympics** in Rio de Janeiro. In the past year, the St. John Paul II high school and Villanova grads have begun to make their marks in international competition.



S. Schappert

Last summer in Eugene, in only her second 5,000 meters ever, Nicole, 29, won the U.S. Nationals with a time of 15:06:44. She cut that to 15:04:08, third best in the nation, then finished 14th at the world championships in Beijing. Nicole is married to **Sean Tully**, another Villanova runner, and trains with her sister with the NJ/NY Track Club in New Jersey.

Stephanie, 23, graduated from Villanova last year and was named Big East Scholar-Athlete of the Year. She

concentrates on the shorter races and closed out her collegiate career with a fourth place in the 1,500 at the World University Games. She has since cut her personal best by four seconds to 4:09.41, 12th best in the latest rankings.

After five years, **Arts Garage** founder **Alyona Ushe** is gone, not without pressure; but the move appears to be good for everyone involved. The board of **Creative City Collaborative** decided to proceed with two directors, **Dan Schwartz** and **Keith Garsson**. Ushe will run the expanding arts facilities for the city of Pompano Beach.

Schwartz, who has served as finance director for more than two years, will continue in that position. But he now has the title of co-director with Garsson, who has experience in investment banking and in artistic production. Before joining the Collaborative as operations director, he was artistic director for the Boca Raton Theatre Guild. He will handle programming.

Meanwhile, the shows go on. A late June booking featured rock drummer **Carl Palmer** of Emerson, Lake & Palmer fame. He performed a musical tribute to his late bandmate Keith Emerson on June 26 and the next night showed off his artwork.

July shows include the campy **Cupcake Burlesque** (July 8), improvised jams based on Cuban music themes by **Spam Allstars** (July 9), guitarist **Joey Gilmore** (July 16), vocalist **Chloe Dolandis** (July 22), jazz harmonica and vibraphone player **Hendrik Meurkens** and quartet (July 23) and jazz-funk-fusion sax player **Khris Royal & Dark Matter** (July 29). For tickets, go to artsgarage.org.

Ushe became involved with Pompano Beach in 2014 and

already manages the **Pompano Beach Amphitheater**. She also will run the city's cultural complex, which includes a new library and performance hall. Construction is expected to wrap early next year.

Pompano Beach has aspirations to become another Delray Beach and has been working with several local entrepreneurs and restaurateurs to develop similar projects to the south.

Atlantic Avenue can seem deserted during the dog days of summer, so restaurateurs and local businesses hope to generate some action Aug. 1-7 with the first **Downtown Delray Restaurant Week**. The program includes take-out specials and prix fixe lunch and dinner deals, cooking classes, wine-tastings, and chef demonstrations.

Participating restaurants include **50 Ocean**, **Atlantic Grille**, **Big Al's Steaks**, **Boston's**, **Caffe Luna Rosa**, **DaDa**, **Deck 84**, **Eat Market**, **Gary Rack's Farmhouse Kitchen**, **Rack's Fish House & Oyster Bar**, **Honey**, **Juice Papi**, **Max's Harvest**, **Max's Social House**, **Mellow Mushroom**, **Salt7**, **Solita & Mastino**, **The Office** and **Tryst** and more are expected. Proceeds will benefit **Healthy Bellies**, a program for underprivileged children and families founded by Dada chef **Bruce Feingold** and his wife, **Amanda**. (downtowndelraybeach.com/restaurantweek or 243-1077).

One new spot, however, won't open in time for Restaurant Week. The waterfront site restaurant just south of Atlantic Avenue on the east side of the Intracoastal — formerly **Hudson** — has been leased by a company that owns 15 Argentine steakhouses in Spain called **Che!**

Uber restaurant broker **Tom Prakas**, who arranged the deal, says this venture, which hopes to open this fall, will not be known as Che! and will be anything but a steakhouse.

"It'll be a new concept — fresh seafood, a sushi bar and a raw bar," Prakas said.

Last month, **Josie's Ristorante & Pizzeria** in Boynton's Riverwalk Plaza announced an enticing summer promotion: It cut all its menu prices by 25 percent. But the bigger story is what comes with that savings.

The **Setticasi family** — **Stephane** and **Stephanie** — has owned Josie's since 1992. Son **Sebastiano** serves as chef de cuisine, but in recent weeks someone has been looking over his shoulder.

To the food cognoscenti, **Mark Militello** is a god. Nearly three decades ago, he was a leader of the "Mango Gang," a group of chefs credited with developing "Floribbean," an amalgam of Italian, Asian and Caribbean styles. He won the James Beard Award as best chef in the Southeast. His restaurant ventures included **Mark's Mizner Park** in Boca and **Mark's City Place** in West Palm Beach. More recently he created the menus for **The Office** in Delray Beach, then took a turn at **75 Main**. But after it closed three years ago, he headed to the original 75 Main in the Hamptons.

Meanwhile, he's been consulting, and when the Setticasi called, he answered. Mangia!



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Dining

A lunch fit for the sandwich generation

The Plate: BLT Nanterre

The Place: Bond & Smolders, 1622 S. Federal Highway (at Woolbright Road), Boynton Beach; 425-3551.

The Price: \$6.50

The Skinny: A sandwich is a sandwich — at least until you have one from Bond & Smolders.



The BLT Nanterre offered plenty of bacon, lettuce and tomato served atop slices of griddled brioche. It was fresh and tasty, with the right amount of sweet from the

tomato and the bread and nicely salty, courtesy of the bacon.

We held out great hope for the doughnuts by Nani's Dough.

We sampled four — banana cream, glazed, cinnamon sugar and red velvet.

The flavors were good, but these huge doughnuts (\$4 each) were almost too doughy, with little of the lighter-than-air quality that makes a doughnut one of life's little pleasures.



Scott Simmons/The Coastal Star

Of the doughnuts we sampled, the cinnamon sugar fared best, with a delicate texture that was rolled in the right mix of spice and sweet.

Darn.

I shouldn't have written about that because now I'm hungry again.

— *Scott Simmons*

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LANTANA

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and diving, a new kayak and paddleboard park and fishing pier.”

And then there's the annual fishing fest, a three-day event attended by hundreds of residents and visitors with free family-friendly parties open to all.

“We host 50 underprivileged children at our Kids' Derby every year, assisted by the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office and the Lantana Police Department,” Arm says. “We give them each their own rod and reel and tackle box to keep. We take them fishing at the Lantana fishing pier at Bicentennial Park and teach them to bait their hooks, cast and fish.”

The little angler with the biggest fish wins a bicycle. Second- and third-place prizes are given, as well.

Seems the fish weren't biting much at this year's derby in May.

“Third-place fish was a crab,” Arm says.

“Most of these children have never been fishing, and we hope we're kicking off a lifelong appreciation for the sea and our sport,” he says.

Arm and his wife, Renee, own Lantana Fitness.

“We enjoy seeing people of all ages and backgrounds exercising together at a true neighborhood club,” he says. “It's that kind of community, and why we love Lantana.”

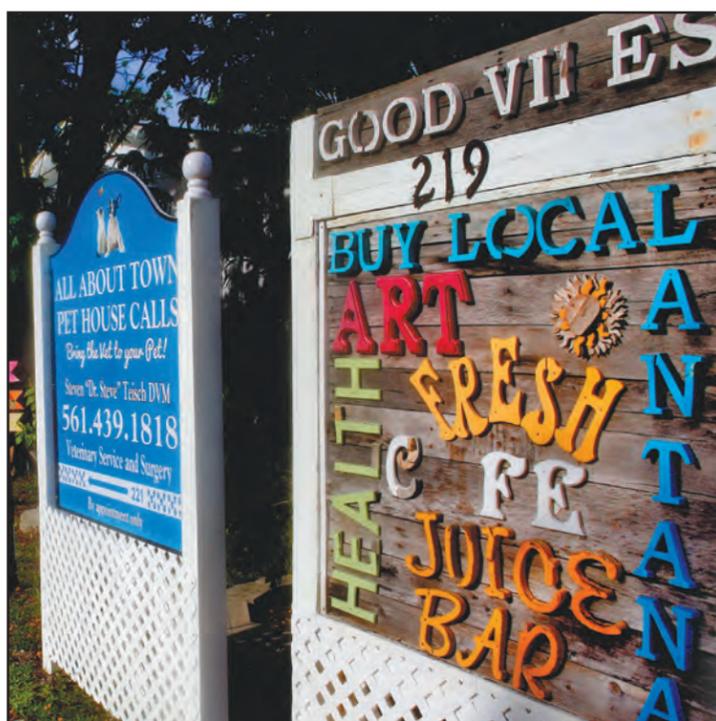
Mary Smith loves Lantana, too. A regular at Town Council meetings (she is the one who spoke about the realtor.com designation after she saw it on Facebook), Smith has lived in the town for 47 years.

“From the moment I moved here from a suburb of Buffalo, N.Y., I have loved the fact that Lantana was a small town where I could — and do — walk everywhere.

“Lantana has the best beach around, as far as I'm concerned. It is a family-friendly place and I went to it every day when I moved here. When I started a family, I took them every afternoon, as well. I still go often. Because the warm waters of the Gulf Stream come close to the beach, the water is always warm.”

The beach, with 745 feet of ocean frontage, isn't anywhere near as wide as it was in the '70s and '80s and British journalists, in town for tryouts at *The National Enquirer* (based in Lantana then), played cricket on the shoreline. But the beach still has its charm with picnic areas, an oceanfront pavilion, lifeguard station, playground and the Dune Deck, a seaside restaurant known to locals and travelers from around the globe.

But Lantana's allure extends well beyond the beach and its newly paved parking lot. One of the town's proudest assets is the Lantana Nature Preserve, a coastal hammock between the Carlisle senior living facility on East Ocean Avenue and the Intracoastal Waterway — and



simply a lovely place to take a short hike.

Other town amenities include a sports complex with baseball and soccer fields, a recreation center with tennis courts, shuffleboard courts and a barbecue pavilion and a two-acre boat launching facility.

Shops and restaurants along Ocean Avenue, including the iconic Old Key Lime House (one of state's oldest waterside eateries), are thriving again

since the Ocean Avenue bridge was rebuilt three years ago.

“I love the relaxed atmosphere of all our functions,” says Stewart, who exemplifies the laid-back beach town/fishing village vibe by wearing Hawaiian shirts (and often shorts) as he presides over Town Council meetings.

The town's Fourth of July fireworks celebration is among the best around and always draws a big crowd to

TOP: A path winds inside the Lantana Nature Preserve. The coastal hammock, often used for ecological education, was previously a garbage dump.

MIDDLE: Patrons at the Dune Deck enjoy the view and breeze at the beach.

LEFT: Shops and restaurants along East Ocean Avenue are thriving since the rebuilt Ocean Avenue bridge opened three years ago.

Photos by Tim Stepien/
The Coastal Star

Bicentennial Park.

“We have movies at the beach, a dog park, a Halloween party for kids at the Nature Preserve, an all-volunteer library (except for the director), and all kinds of free events for families,” Stewart says.

“At Christmastime, our Kiwanis Club gives away 50 to 90 bikes to kids and on Thanksgiving they deliver 600 to 700 meals to people who otherwise wouldn't have a

America's 10 best under-the-radar beach towns

1. Ocean Park, Wash.
2. Cape Canaveral
3. Crescent City, Calif.
4. Lantana
5. Rockaway Beach, Ore.
6. Old Orchard Beach, Maine
7. Waveland, Miss.
8. Pass Christian, Miss.
9. Kill Devil Hills, N.C.
10. Dennis Port, Mass.

Source: realtor.com

What realtor.com says about Lantana:

- Median home list price: \$269,900

- Year-over-year price growth: 23.6 percent

- Located 10 miles south of ritzy Palm Beach, Lantana exudes a whole different vibe — the place retains the flavor of an old fishing village in its dock, fishing pier, and annual fishing tournament.

- In addition to sun-drenched beaches, the area offers no shortage of shark diving, boating, and other activities for adventurers. Nature lovers can check out the Lantana Nature Preserve, a recreation of Florida's coastal environment intended to serve as a living classroom for ecological education.

turkey dinner,” the mayor says.

“We have our problems like any municipality, but it's all those little things that make a difference,” Stewart says.

Until a few years ago, retired town Councilman Lou Canter emerged from the sea on Groundhog Day as Lantana Lou, the town's answer to Punxsutawney Phil. With trident and stuffed fish in hand, Lou would proclaim “12 months of beautiful weather and eight more weeks of our good friends the snowbirds.”

In 2009, Lantana residents mailed hundreds of coconuts to Postmaster General John E. Potter in an effort to save their post office. And it worked, raising awareness in a nutty beach town way.

Lantana is a friendly small town, for sure.

“If you go to the Ace Hardware store, people will know you and you will know them,” Stewart says. “It's that kind of town.”

The mayor remembers when he and his wife were house hunting in 1989, the year his son was born. They scouted out houses between Port St. Lucie and Boca Raton, looking for a place on the water.

“We wanted a place we could dock our boat and be able to get on a bicycle and ride to the beach,” he says. The search landed the Stewarts in Lantana, on Hypoluxo Island.

“The only place that came close was Sewall's Point,” he says. “The house we liked there was on the market for \$1.4 million and ours was \$350,000 at the time.”

They have no plans to leave. ★

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Theater

Festival betting on Derby setting for updated 'Shrew'

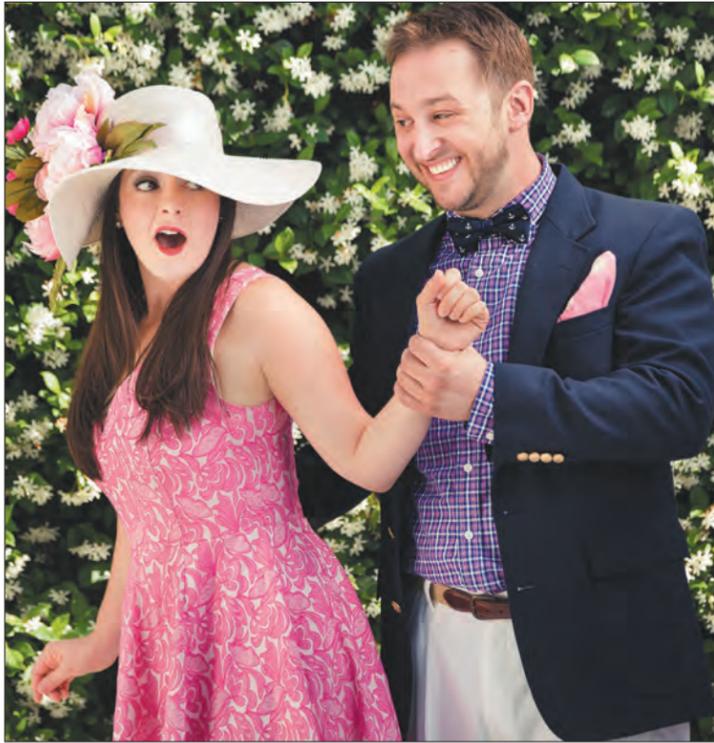
By Steven J. Smith
ArtsPaper Contributor

Kermit Christman, founder and executive producer of the Palm Beach Shakespeare Festival, said his upcoming production of William Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew* will be set within the pomp, wealth, apparel and amusing societal affectations of the Kentucky Derby.

"Our goal is always to take Shakespeare and visit him with great imagination," Christman said. "And knowing our director Trent Stephens as a fine artist, old friend and Kentucky native, I said, 'What would happen if we set the play at the Kentucky Derby?' He found a way to do it."

Stephens said once he read the play with a Derby setting in mind, he discovered the idea started "jumping off the page" at him.

"There's a lot of references to 'breaking' or 'taming,' obviously, which is something that is signature of racing horses in particular, because they're very unruly," he said. "Then of course there are many references to horses. Shakespeare was very likely a valet — one who saddles horses and attends to a jockey's needs — before he worked in



Kelly Lee Hussey as Kate and Darryl Willis as Petruchio, in Palm Beach Shakespeare Festival's *The Taming of the Shrew*.
Jen Scott Photography

the theater, so he would have known a thing or two about horses. And horses are referred to in this play a lot. Also, in his other comedies there is no other instance of such high stakes wagering going on. There's a lot of betting and a lot of money changing hands."

Stephens added that in *The Taming of the Shrew* the sisters

Kate and Bianca — whose father, Baptista, tries to marry them off — are treated very much as if they are livestock on the auction block.

"They're being moved around like horses," he said. "Taking the play out of its Italian context, it really transposes nicely to a traditional Southern setting — especially that of the Kentucky

IF YOU GO

The Taming of the Shrew runs July 7-10 and 14-17 at the Seabreeze Amphitheater in Carlin Park, 750 S. A1A in Jupiter. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. with performances at 8. You can bring a beach chair, blanket and picnic basket, or enjoy food truck concessions. Admission is free, but a \$5 donation is suggested. Info: 966-7099 or www.pbshakespeare.org.

Derby."

Stephens quickly added how surprised he was that so many people read misogyny into this play.

"You see some of that at face value," he said. "But if you do that, you're missing quite a bit. I think the play has a progressive merit and encourages the audience to examine how women are and should be treated. I think it espouses a lot of feminist values and is relevant today. In fact by the end, Kate has tamed Petruchio every bit as much as he has tamed her."

Darryl Willis plays Petruchio, whose task is to tame the shrewish Kate and make her his wife. He said the Kentucky

Derby setting adds a new dimension to the play.

"It's really fun, as we are even referencing Louisville and Lexington," he said. "And it's surprising how well that idea fits into the play. There are a lot of horse-racing references in the script. Doing the play within the Kentucky Derby aspect proves you can take Shakespeare and plug in different settings, yet it all still fits. It's a real testament to his genius, how timeless his plays are and how you can set them almost anywhere. His plays still resonate with us 400 years after his death."

Christman added what he liked so much about this production's Derby setting is the color and spectacle of its pageantry.

"The beautiful clothes and hats, the beautiful women and men — what a great opportunity for a costume designer," he said, laughing. "We believe this production of ours will be hugely successful."

That would be a safe bet. Christman, 66, has lived in Jupiter ever since founding the Festival's Shakespeare by the Sea series at Carlin Park's Seabreeze Amphitheatre stage in 1990.

"I had come into Jupiter to visit friends back in 1989 and

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Flutist Karen Dixon, clarinetist Michael Forte and bassoonist Michael Ellert provide chamber music this month. Courtesy photo

Music

Celebrating 25 years of summer chamber music

By Greg Stepanich
ArtsPaper Music Writer

If you're seeking from relief from the summer heat in a cool Sunday afternoon concert of music from woodwinds and strings, check out the front row of the balcony at the Crest Theatre in Delray Beach this July.

That's where you'll find Anton Bernath, who's been coming to the concerts of the Palm Beach Chamber Music Festival since it started in July 1992.

"We lived in Europe for a number of years, and we did listen to quite a bit of chamber music, and are familiar with it and enjoy it immensely," said Bernath, 87, a retired IBM executive

who attends the concerts with his wife, Peggy. "So we started with them (in 1992), and we've become very good friends with a lot of the players."

Begun as a way for three musicians and friends — flutist Karen Dixon, clarinetist Michael Forte and bassoonist Michael Ellert — to get together and play some music during the summer lull before the season, the festival has turned into a modest but always interesting monthlong concert series in which the emphasis is on lesser-known works of high quality. The musicians of the festival have made six expert recordings on the Klavier label, and in recent years have added occasional seasonal concerts at other venues in Lake Worth and

Tequesta.

The festival will be presented in much the same way as it has been for 25 years, with four programs, each presented three times, one each in three locales in different parts of Palm Beach County. Friday night's concerts are at Persson Hall at Palm Beach Atlantic University in West Palm Beach; Saturday night the action switches to the Eissey Campus Theatre on the grounds of Palm Beach State College in Palm Beach Gardens, and on Sunday afternoons, the programs wrap at the Crest Theatre.

"Chamber music is very calming, and it's a little bit more intimate,

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Theater

Radio plays take stage in Delray

By Hap Erstein
ArtsPaper Theater Writer

Long before television ruled the airwaves, radio was king, including theater broadcasts complete with the aural authenticity of live sound effects.

And since everything old is new again, radio theater lives again, thanks to public station WLRN and Arts Radio Network Theatre Project, the brainchild of John Watts and Caroline Breder-Watts. They have begun producing science-fiction scripts at Delray Beach's Crest Theatre this summer, beginning with the 1951 classic, *The Day the Earth Stood Still*, which was performed last month and will be broadcast July 10.

The Wattses have been producing radio theater since 2002, initially for WXEL, where they both worked.

The station was always in search of fundraising ideas, "So we proposed to management that we do a *War of the Worlds* broadcast, on Halloween night," recalls Breder-Watts. They continued to tinker with the format, and the program really took off in 2013 at the Arts Garage.

Then-artistic director Lou Tyrrell was featuring a Judy Garland bioplay, *Beyond the Rainbow*, and he invited the Wattses to create a radio production of *A Star is Born*. "It was so successful, they brought us in to do a series that year and we were there for, I think, three years," she says.

They later expanded to doing radio plays at the Kravis Center, which were subsequently broadcast on WLRN radio. By now, the station has contracted them to perform in the four South Florida counties of its audience, which has led to the Crest series, which will also be aired on WLRN.

"We're really creating this for two very different audiences," explains Breder-Watts. "You have to be able to close your eyes and hear it with only your ears. But if you're in the audience, you want it to also be visually interesting. So we've added costumes,



Mark Kirschenberg tries sound effects for the Arts Radio Network Theatre Project. Photo by Amy Pasquantonio

IF YOU GO

WLRN Radio Theater's Sci-Fi Summer performances will be at the Crest Theatre, 51 N. Swinton Ave. in Delray Beach, at 7:30 p.m. July 15 and Aug. 5. Tickets are \$25. Call 243-7922.

prop pieces and the live sound effects. It's still not memorized; the actors still have scripts in hand. Done the way traditional radio theater was done, but with a little added flair."

The scripts mainly come from Lux Radio Theatre, which regularly broadcast one-hour adaptations of popular movies of the 1950s. Fortunately for the Wattses, they are in public domain, because no one thought there was a value in copyrighting radio plays.

"The other reason we do them is the Lux Radio commercials, which are so incredibly silly," concedes Breder-Watts. "They are the actual commercials, and people get such a kick out of them."

The other prime appeal for the live audience is watching the sound effects, which are specified in the script.

"But what it doesn't have is a description of how you make that sound. The fun of it for John is to research these old sound effects, so he can recreate them as authentically as he can," she says.

"When we need a car door slamming, we literally have a car door on a big frame that we can open and close. When

we need the sound of the wind, we use one of those old hand-crank wind machines. John has a whole warehouse full of these things."

Handling the effects is Daniel Eilola, artistic director of Lake Worth's Stonzek Studio Theatre.

Breder-Watts describes herself as a "science fiction nerd," particularly vintage sci-fi movies. *The Day the Earth Stood Still* (set for broadcast at 7 p.m. July 10) "fits in well with our political climate," she says, with its theme of mistrust of outsiders. Next up is *War of the Worlds* (performed at 7:30 p.m. July 15, broadcast at 7 p.m. Aug. 4), based on the script by Orson Welles' Mercury Theatre that allegedly caused an East Coast panic in 1938 — "probably the most done of all the radio plays."

The final production is Ed Wood's distinctly cheesy *Plan 9 From Outer Space* (onstage at 7:30 p.m. Aug. 5; on air at 7 p.m. Sept. 11). Released in 1959, after Lux Radio Theatre's demise, it has been adapted for the stage by local actor-playwright Dan Leonard.

So check out WLRN Radio Theater's Sci-Fi Summer and see why it has such an avid following.

"It's an amazing art form. If you're a movie fan, if you're a theater fan, it's the best of both worlds," Breder-Watts says.

"It's got these sound effects, it's got actors doing multiple roles and, frankly, you're in and out in an hour."

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I was taking a walk down by the beach at Carlin Park," he said. "As I was walking through that virtually empty lot across the street from the beach, I noticed there was a strange landscape. There was a hill that sloped down to the lake, which seemed to me like a natural amphitheater. I literally had a vision that this might become a place where you could do outdoor theater."

Christman gathered up all of his friends and available forces and struck a deal with the Palm Beach County Commission and the Parks and Recreation Department to do just that. In 1990 the PBSF mounted its first production, of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, and Christman said 10,000 people flooded the park that weekend to see free Shakespeare. Since then, he said the PBSF has produced about 100 shows and around 250,000 audience members have come

out to see them.

"We are a populist theater," he said. "We're devoted to art and education, devoted to making Shakespeare's plays accessible and, as you know, it is free. I believe the arts, as much as they can be, should be free to the people. When I go to New York or London and see a ticket price of \$200 for a play, I turn in the other direction. The secret to our success is we're offering you a lovely evening at the park for free. A pretty good idea, don't you think?"

Christman added he hopes audiences will take the same sensibility from *The Taming of the Shrew* that they take from the Kentucky Derby.

"It's completely thrilling," he said. "And that's what I expect the audiences to get from our production; that when they walk to the parking lot afterward they say it was a thrilling experience — the same way I felt when I saw Nyquist win the Kentucky Derby."

MUSIC

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because the symphonies have the brass, and a lot of violins and violas and such, and it's a great deal of sound. And while it's excellent, and I enjoy that, I like chamber music for the purer music and simplicity," said Bernath, who lives in Boca Raton.

This year will feature a world premiere by local composer and music publishing executive Clark McAlister, who has been long associated with the festival and who was the producer of the festival's six recordings. His new work, *Canzona*, is a sextet for woodwind quintet and trumpet, and was written for the festival players.

The first program (July 8-10) includes two works by Mozart, both in arrangements: The *Linz Symphony* (No. 36 in C, K. 425), and the Piano Concerto No. 23 (in A, K. 488). The program opens with the well-known "Dance of the Hours" from Amilcare Ponchielli's opera *La Gioconda*, arranged for wind dectet by Andreas Tarkmann (if you think of dancing hippos, you've got the right piece).

McAlister's *Canzona* leads off the second program (July 15-17), which features one of the great 20th-century wind quintets, Leos Janacek's *Mladi*. Also to be heard are Wagner's *Siegfried Idyll*, and a Romantic rarity, an octet (B-flat, Op. posthumous) by the fine German composer Max Bruch.

The third program (July 22-24) contains some of the most unusual repertory, leading with Trio for flute, clarinet and bassoon of Rosalie Wertheim (1888-1949), a Dutch Jewish composer who gave concerts of music by banned composers in secret during the World War II occupation of the Netherlands by the Nazis. Ravel's rarely heard Sonata for Violin and Cello is on the program as well, and it will conclude with a monnet by Nino Rota, the Italian

IF YOU GO

The Palm Beach Chamber Music Festival takes place July 8-10, 15-17, 22-24, and 29-31. Concerts are at 7:30 p.m. Fridays at Persson Recital Hall, Palm Beach Atlantic University, West Palm Beach; 7:30 p.m. Saturdays at Eissey Campus Theatre, Palm Beach State College, Palm Beach Gardens; and 2 p.m. Sunday at the Crest Theatre, Delray Beach. Tickets are \$25. Info: 547-1070 or www.pbcmf.org.

composer best-known for his film scores, *The Godfather* in particular.

The festival wraps with an all-Italian fourth program (July 29-31) that includes one of the 19 string quartets (No. 3 in C minor) by operatic composer Gaetano Donizetti, a wind quintet by Ottorino Respighi (*Pines of Rome*), and a chamber symphony for string quartet, wind quintet, bass and piano by Ermanno Wolf-Ferrari, also better-known for his operatic work (*Il Segreto di Susanna*).

During a recent lunch at Howley's, the iconic West Palm Beach restaurant, the three festival founders expressed amazement that their original idea should still be going strong in 2016.

"I can't believe it. We've been doing this for 25 years? How does that even happen?" Dixon said.

The three noted that they had played in many places early in their careers before putting down roots in South Florida. And that led to their getting together and forming their unique partnership, the success of which still evokes a sense of happy surprise.

"The three of us just sort of, somehow, made it work. It's personality types — who knows? Some aspect of us was the right mix," Forte said.

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Reviews

Uneven Coward, scarily engrossing 'Conjuring' and an enchanting new ballet debut

Here are excerpts of reviews from current and recent shows. For full reviews, please see palmbeachartspaper.com.

Hay Fever (Florida Atlantic University, closed June 26)

In his early comedy, 1925's *Hay Fever*, the droll playwright Noel Coward both celebrates and satirizes theater folk.

He takes us to the British country home of the fictional Bliss family. Foremost among them is Judith Bliss, a grande dame of the stage who recently announced her retirement from the theater. Possibly getting her to rethink that decision is her house husband, David, a middling novelist who reads his deathless prose to anyone who will listen. And there are their two grown — though not matured — offspring, Sorel and Simon, who lounge about the house striking histrionic poses.

Each of the Blisses has invited a guest of the opposite sex to spend the weekend, a comic clash of sensibilities. There is the potential for romance in the air, but it goes nowhere, for the Blisses could never love anyone but themselves. So they return to their egotistical preoccupations, while the guests pack their bags and slink away.

That's about it for *Hay Fever's* plot, which places the burden of a production's success on the performers. They must delineate the chasm between the arty types and the civilians — which is exactly what the cast of Florida Atlantic University's Festival Rep 2016 has difficulty doing.

Assistant professor Kathryn Lee Johnston sets the right tone of hauteur as diva Judith, but so many of the graduate student actors slip into a broad sitcom style that it negates the play's purpose.

They could learn from Shannon Ouellette, who has a relatively small role as Clara the housemaid, but makes the most of each brief appearance with light, deft touches. The same goes for aptly awkward Ross Frawley and Brianna Handy, earning laughs getting frazzled in a word game sequence.

As some wag once said on his death bed, "Dying is easy, but comedy is hard." He might have added, "And Noel Coward is even harder." At least FAU took on the challenge, even if the results are awfully uneven.

— Hap Erstein

The Conjuring 2 (opened June 10)

The visual and aural infrastructure of James Wan's *The Conjuring 2* is as familiar as sense memory — the creak of doors, the china that flies across the room, the autonomous movements of a rocking chair, electronics on the fritz, close-ups of children cowering under covers.



Vera Farmiga stars in *The Conjuring 2*. Warner Bros. photo

Buttressed by its claims of real-life documentation, *The Conjuring 2's* revisiting of a notorious 1977 London poltergeist is an effectively excruciating accumulation of tension.

The film runs unusually long for a horror sequel, at 134 minutes, but every second feels important.

By the time the ostensible leads, demonologists Ed and Lorraine Warren (Patrick Wilson and Vera Farmiga), first appear at the Enfield council house, we're already sold on the validity of the case, having spent an hour under the haunted-cum-possessed gaze of 11-year-old Janet Hodgson (Madison Wolfe), whose family is terrorized by the lingering ghost of a former resident.

The Warrens didn't seek this case out — far from it. They're pulled back in because an Enfield priest seeks out their expertise, following a cascade of traumas that has baffled the local constabulary, confounded the church, intrigued the tabloid media, and persuaded local paranormal investigator Maurice Gross (Simon McBurney). More so than in the original *Conjuring*, the Warrens' lives and their faith — in each other, in the Hodgsons, in their chosen profession — will be tested.

Where the sequel fails is that, unlike the seemingly just-the-facts-ma'am approach of *The Conjuring*, this film abandons all pretense of direct reportage by the time it careens to its sensationalistic climax. But even this is redeemed by Wan's fundamental humanism. Just when it seems to be sliding into full-throttle chaos, *The Conjuring 2* relents, allowing moments of heart-swelling affection and vulnerability.

The Conjuring 2 is unafraid to be corny in an age of cynicism, and that — not its expert handling of well-worn supernatural tropes — is its boldest provocation.

— Palm Beach ArtsPaper Staff

Harid Conservatory (May 28, Spanish River High School, Boca Raton)

The Harid Conservatory's spring concert featured the world premiere of *Renaissance Way*, a modern ballet choreographed by Mark Godden, an instructor

at Harid who has created more than 50 ballets. It is a beautiful, brilliant work that gives us everything we hope for from contemporary dance: A wide variety of virtuoso movement, a compelling scenario set to engaging music, and a story whose arcs can be communicated with gesture.

Planned in five movements and set to late-medieval and Renaissance music played by the peerless Spanish early-music ensemble Hespèrion XXI, Godden's work is set for five couples, two of whom are the central soloists, marvelously embodied here by Rebecca Trionfo of Georgia and Alexander Sargent of Fairfax, Va., a senior heading for the Juilliard School.

The 10 Harid dancers were clearly enjoying every bit of this dance, giving it a kind of commitment that you see only when artists are working hard on a premiere they believe in.

In its beauty, its variety, its canny setting to wonderful ancient music, and its immediate appeal to audiences, *Renaissance Way* deserves to be a repertory piece — and not just for dance academies, but for major ballet companies.

Palm Beach Gardens choreographer Maria Konrad, who runs the Reach Dance company, contributed a lively setting of Leonard Bernstein's music for *On the Town*. The story of sailors on 24-hour leave in the Big Apple during World War II, it's well-known from its movie incarnation as well as its musical incarnation.

This staging of Bernstein's music had high energy and plenty of busy routines with an emphasis on high-stepping, including leaps for the men and big extensions for the women.

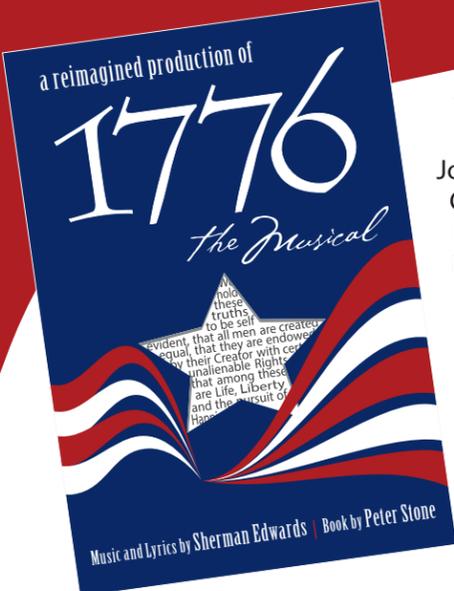
In addition to the Godden and Konrad pieces, there was a short guest appearance by Harid alumna Simone Messmer, now a soloist with the Miami City Ballet. She danced "Aurora's Variation" from Tchaikovsky's *Sleeping Beauty* as spotlessly as you could wish; it would have been good to see some more of her.

The first and last pieces on the program were extensive excerpts from two Petipa ballets: *Raymonda*, with music by Alexander Glazunov, and *La Bayadère*, to music by Ludwig Minkus. Both were attractive vehicles for displaying the Harid dancers' talents.

The Harid spring recitals usually leave one feeling good about the level of dance talent making its way in the world now, and if we cannot have fully staged, live-orchestra productions of major classical ballets at Harid, that's more than compensated for by the arrival of new pieces, particularly when they are as delightful as *Renaissance Way*.

— Greg Stepanich

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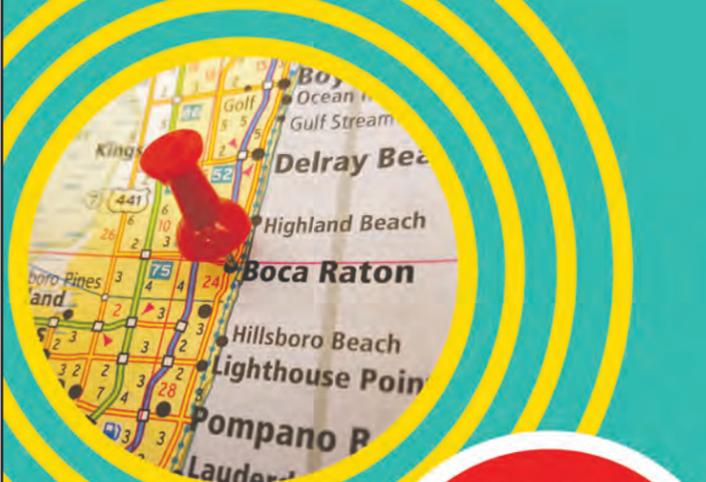


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Art

Japanese artist's steady hands send paper cut viewers to a new world

By Gretel Sarmiento
ArtsPaper Art Writer

Solo art shows don't often turn out to be as good as they are advertised. In the case of *Shadows of the Floating World*, it is something to be seen to be believed — and even then, we don't believe our eyes.

Celebrating the art of papercutting (*kiri-e*) now through Sept. 18, the Morikami Museum is showcasing about 22 pieces masterfully created by Jacksonville-based artist Hiromi Moneyhun.

Moneyhun created the selected pieces between 2013 and 2016, free-hand drew them with a black pen and painstakingly cut them with an X-acto knife. Depending on the size, completion can take from a week to more than month. Viewed from the walls, Moneyhun's seemingly simple designs become fleshier, fuller

and alive.

As if preparing us for the kinetic effect of the bigger and more elaborate ones, the show starts up with a series of black moths featuring different cutout patterns. Their shadows on the walls enhance the drama and help the creatures come to life. One look at their lace-like wings and we realize this is a one-of-a-kind art delivered by very steady hands.

In Japan, *kiri-e* was traditionally used to decorate Shinto shrines before being employed for book and newspaper illustrations.

As a child in Kyoto, Japan, Moneyhun was captivated by the paper-cut illustrations in Japanese children's books. Later on, she even tried a bit of tattooing.

It wasn't until 2004, while she was looking after her mother-in-law, that the artist's unique paper cutting style



A black moth is part of a series that greets visitors to the exhibit. Courtesy photo

flourished with incredible graphic precision and bold imagination.

At her command, paper becomes hair, fabric, and feathers, as can be observed in *Kimono*. This work featuring playful geometric shapes framed by thin and bold lines that turn and fold is one of

IF YOU GO

Shadows of the Floating World runs through Sept. 18 at the Morikami Museum west of Delray Beach. Tickets: \$15, \$13 for seniors, \$9 for children and college students. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Info: 495-0233 or www.morikami.org.

several celebrating the high-fashion courtesans of Japan's 18th and 19th centuries.

Another work, titled *Ocean*, challenges us to spot all the sea creatures hidden in it. Octopus? Swordfish? This one, too, is deliberately calculative and overwhelming with details. *Ocean* wins. We give up.

The last gallery room is dedicated to the *Tribal* series,

in which Moneyhun shifts away from the traditional Japanese motifs and moves on to other parts of the world. Here we meet the extensively decorated female faces of the Mursi (southwestern Ethiopia), the Kayapo (Brazil), the Apatani of Arunachal Pradesh (India), and the Chin (northwestern Burma).

Commenting on the serious psychological trapping effect physical layers of ornamentation have on these women, this is perhaps the most important part of the show. The message, however, surrenders to the outstanding creativity displayed. The beautiful execution of the necklaces, bracelets and piercings enslaving the female figures is precisely what makes this room the most exquisite part of *Floating World*.

Did we mention everything is drawn free-hand?

Arts Calendar

Note: Events are listed through Aug. 5 and were current as of June 25. Please check with the presenting agency for any changes.

Art Exhibits

Boca Raton Museum of Art: Opens July 16: The 65th annual *All-Florida Invitational*, featuring works by dozens of artists statewide. Through Sept. 25. 10 am-5 pm TWF, 10 am-8 pm Th, noon-5 pm Sat and Sun. 392-2500 or www.bocamuseum.org.

Cornell Museum of Art and American Culture: Through Aug. 28: *Lit*, a group show by 16 artists who use light in their creative work. \$5 suggested donation. 10 am-4:30 pm T-Sat; 1-4:30 pm Sun. 243-7922 or oldschool.org

Cultural Council of Palm Beach: Through July 30: *Call to Install*, proposals for site-specific installations by local artists. \$5 suggested donation. 10 am-5 pm T-Sat; free. 471-2901 or palmbeachculture.com.

Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens: Through Sept. 18: *Transcending Forms*, modern interpretations of Japanese bamboo baskets. \$15, \$13 seniors, \$9 children and students. 10 am-5 pm T-Sun. 495-0233 or morikami.org

Norton Museum of Art: Opens July 5: *Giverny: Journal of an Unseen Garden*, a video installation by Mark Fox; through Oct. 30. Free admission. 832-5196 or norton.org

Books

Wednesday, July 13

Miriam Auerbach: The author of *Dirty Harriet* tells the South Florida Chapter meeting of the Women's National Book Association how to find a literary agent. \$10 nonmembers. 6:30 pm, Murder on the Beach, Delray Beach. 279-7790 or murderonthebeach.com.

Saturday, July 16
Michael Wiley: The Jacksonville author signs the latest entry in his Daniel Turner series, *Black Hammock*. 6 pm Murder on the Beach, Delray Beach. 279-7790 or murderonthebeach.com.

Cabaret

Saturday, July 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

Ariana Savalas: The cabaret singer/songwriter, in a one-month stint at the Colony. 8:30 pm; dinner and show: \$120; show alone: \$60. Royal Room Cabaret, Colony Hotel, Palm Beach. 659-8100 or www.theroyalroom.com.

Classical Music

Friday, July 1

Chen Reiss: The Israeli soprano sings arias by

Mozart in the finale of this year's Mainly Mozart Festival. 8 pm, Knight Concert Hall, Arsht Center, Miami. 786-556-1715 or mainlymozart.com.

Saturday, July 9

Miami Music Festival Orchestra: Yuriy Bekker leads orchestra students in Mahler's Sixth Symphony to open the music festival. 7:30 pm, Broad Performing Arts Center, Barry University, Miami Shores. \$10-\$35. 800-838-3006 or miamimusicfestival.com.

Saturday, July 16

Christine Goerke and Alan Held: The soprano and bass-baritone sing excerpts from Wagner's *Ring Cycle* with the Miami Music Festival Orchestra. 7:30 pm, New World Center, Miami Beach. \$30 and up. 800-838-3006 or miamimusicfestival.com.

Sunday, July 17

Symphony of the Americas: James Brooks-Bruzesese's orchestra marks the 25th anniversary of its Summerfest with pieces by Mozart, Vivaldi, Fuchs and Piazzolla, plus premieres by Lorenzo Turchi-Floris and Sandro Tigishvili. 6 pm, Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale. \$20-\$60. 954-462-0222 or www.browardcenter.org.

Saturday, July 23

Miami Music Festival Orchestra: This concert pays tribute to the legendary violinist Ida Haendel with Strauss's *Also Sprach Zarathustra*, Jeffery Briggs's *Two Poems of Hyam Plutzik*. 7:30 pm, New World Center, Miami Beach. \$15 and up. 800-838-3006 or miamimusicfestival.com.

Film

Friday, July 8

My Love, Don't Cross That River: Mo-young Jin's documentary about an elderly South Korean couple as their 76-year relationship comes to a close. At Living Room Theatres, Boca Raton. 549-2600 or fau.livingroomtheatres.com.

Friday, June 15

The Innocents: French director Anne Fontaine's 2016 drama about a Red Cross doctor called on to treat pregnant Benedictine nuns in 1945 Warsaw. At Living Room Theatres, Boca Raton. 549-2600 or fau.livingroomtheatres.com.

Jazz

Saturday, July 23

Hendrik Meurkens Quartet: The German harmonicist and vibraphonist returns to Arts Garage to celebrate the release of his new recording, *Harmonicus Rex*. 8 pm. \$30 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. 450-6357 or www.artsgarage.org

Friday, July 29

Khrist Royal: The New Orleans saxophone star and his band, Dark Matter, blend jazz and a variety of other styles including funk and hip-hop.

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Opera

Thursday, July 21-Friday, July 22

The Turn of the Screw: Benjamin Britten's setting of Henry James's creepy tale of children in a country house haunted by ghosts. 7:30 pm, Broad Performing Arts Center, Barry University, Miami Shores. 800-838-3006 or miamimusicfestival.com.

Thursday, July 28-Friday, July 29

The Crucible: American composer Robert Ward's version of the Arthur Miller play about the Salem witch trials of the 1690s. 7:30 pm, Broad Performing Arts Center, Barry University, Miami Shores. 800-838-3006 or miamimusicfestival.com.

Popular Music

Wednesday, July 20

Snoop Doog and Wiz Khalifa: The hip-hop standouts and weed enthusiasts bring their High Road Tour to South Florida. 7 pm, Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. \$20-\$119.50. ticketmaster.com or 795-8883.

Friday, July 22

Counting Crows and Rob Thomas: Berkeley's favorite band and the former Matchbox Twenty lead singer team up for a dual tour. 6:45 pm, Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. \$23.50-\$83.50. ticketmaster.com or 795-8883.

Wednesday, July 27

Gwen Stefani: The former No Doubt frontwoman on her *This Is What the Truth Feels Like* tour. Eve guests. 7 pm, Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. \$22.95-\$142.95. ticketmaster.com or 795-8883.

Friday, July 29-Saturday, July 30

Dave Matthews Band: The South African-born jam band legend stops in for his annual two-day stint in West Palm Beach. 8 pm both shows, Perfect Vodka Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. \$31.50-\$76. ticketmaster.com or 795-8883.

Theater

Opens Friday, July 1

1776: Sherman Edwards and Peter Stone's 1969 musical about the Founding Fathers. Through July 24. \$65. At Palm Beach Dramaworks, West Palm Beach. 514-4042, ext. 2, or www.palmbeachdramaworks.org.

Thursday, July 7-Sunday, July 24

Rock of Ages: Chris D'Arenzio's revue that celebrates the anthemic hair bands of the 1980s. At Lake Worth Playhouse. Tickets start at \$35. 586-6410, or visit www.lakeworthplayhouse.com.

Saturday, July 9-Sunday, July 31

Once Upon a Mattress: Mary Rodgers's 1959 musical based on the fairy tale *The Princess and the Pea*. At Studio One Theatre, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton. \$20. 800-564-9539 or www.fauvents.com.

Through Sunday, July 24

Forever Plaid: Stuart Ross's 1989 revue of 1950s close-harmony music. \$55. At the Wick Theatre, Boca Raton. Times vary. 995-2333 or thewick.org.

Friday, July 29-Saturday, July 30

Little Mermaid Jr: The Maltz Jupiter Theatre's Conservatory presents the children's version of the 1989 Disney film. 7:30 pm both shows, Maltz Jupiter Theatre, Jupiter. 575-2223 or www.jupitertheatre.org.

Books

A critical look at U.S. system of mass incarceration

By Bill Williams
ArtsPaper Books Writer

Baz Dreisinger is an associate professor at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in the City University of New York, where she founded the Prison-to-College Pipeline program.

In *Incarceration Nations: A Journey to Justice in Prisons Around the World* (Other Press, 323 pp.), she recounts her travels to nine nations to examine their

prison systems and compare them with U.S. incarceration practices.

Dreisinger joins a growing chorus of U.S. leaders who argue that mass incarceration has failed to reduce crime. In fact the recidivism rate is an embarrassing 60 percent.

Singapore, where recidivism is about 20 percent, authorizes the brutal practice of caning, which rips flesh off an inmate's back. Yet the correctional system also includes a job-training program that finds work for 99 percent of inmates leaving prison.

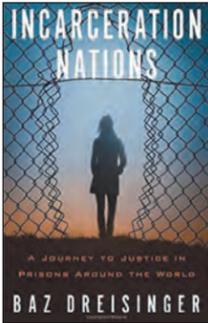
In Europe, only a small number of convicts go

to prison — 6 percent in Germany and 10 percent in the Netherlands. Instead most are punished by fines, community service, mediation or suspended sentences.

Dreisinger cites America's reputation as "the world's largest jailer," with 2.3 million inmates or one-fourth of all inmates worldwide. Consider this scary statistic — 160,000 people are serving life prison terms in the United States, compared with 59 in Australia.

In this sweeping overview of prison policy worldwide, Dreisinger criticizes the use of solitary confinement, which can lead to suicide and mental illness, and condemns the shackling of female inmates giving birth. The book also stresses the value of education. Those who take college courses in prison pose a dramatically lower risk of recidivism.

The author has excellent credentials, but the writing is scattered, jumping from subject to subject. Also, the book lacks a helpful conclusion, such as a list of successful programs from other nations that the United States could adopt.



Railroad history tracks a lot of Florida's development

By Steve Pike

There is no better way to see where we are going than to know where we've been. In her new book, *All Aboard! A History of Florida's Railroads*, author Stephanie Murphy-Lupo superbly details not only the history of Florida's railroads, but also Florida history before men such as Henry Flagler and Henry Plant built their railroads that forever changed the face of the Sunshine State.

The book comes (not coincidentally) at an opportune time in Florida's modern railroad history. Florida East Coast Industries, LLC, parent company of the controversial All Aboard Florida initiative, is a descendant of Flagler's Florida East Coast Railroad that ran from Jacksonville to Key West.

In the last chapter of the book, Murphy-Lupo gives a well-defined history of FEC's fight for the rail service that beginning next year will link Miami and Orlando.

Railroad enthusiasts no doubt will enjoy the book's intricate look into the early railroads in the Southeast. The book also should appeal to history buffs who want a good

look into Florida's development pre- and post-Civil War.

"I want people to know that (Florida) is a whole lot more than they might understand," Murphy-Lupo said. "We're not just Disney World. If the railroad people hadn't developed the interior of

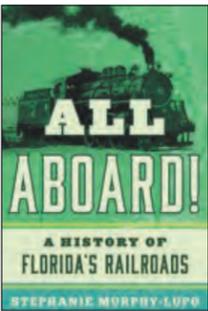
Florida, everything we love would be here, but no one would be here to appreciate it."

In addition to Flagler and Plant, the 316-page book (Globe Pequot) introduces readers to men such as David Levy Yulee, the fiery first U.S. senator from Florida who established the pre-Civil War Florida Railroad Company.

Murphy-Lupo tells each of their stories with the eye for detail of a well-seasoned newspaper reporter, which she was for several years at the Palm Beach Post and Palm Beach Daily News. A native Floridian who resides in West Palm Beach, Murphy-Lupo also writes with a voice of one familiar with Florida's history.

"I had a lot of fun doing the research," said Murphy-Lupo. "I love history, I love the library and I just love to dig and dig and dig."

Her digging makes for an outstanding read.



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Community Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 6/24. Please check with organizers for any changes.

JULY 2

Saturday - 7/2 - Delray Beach Summer Greenmarket every Saturday through 8/20, at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. 9 am-noon. 276-7511; nolan@mydelraybeach.com

7/2 - Pickleball at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Combines badminton and tennis. Adults. W 6-8:30 pm; Sat 9 am-noon. \$5/person; annual pass: \$130/resident, \$165/non-resident. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

7/2 - Croquet Lessons at The National Croquet Club, 700 Florida Mango Rd, West Palm Beach. Every Sat 10 am-noon. Free. Reservations: 478-2300; nationalcroquetclub.com

7/2 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Sat 10 am. Free. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org

7/2 - 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

7/2 - Alligator Feeding at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. W & Sat 1 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

7/2 - 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/resident, \$25/non-resident; \$2/day. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

7/2 - Gallery, Tea House & Garden Tour at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Docent-led tour through current exhibitions, Seishin-an Tea House, Roji-en Garden of the Drops of Dew. Every Sat 1:30 pm. Free w/museum admission. 495-0233; morikami.org

7/2 - Benefit for Ron Washam at Jack's Grumpy Grouper, 308 N Dixie Hwy, Lantana. Ron Washam has dedicated his life to helping those he loves, now he needs us. Live music, car wash, trivia, more. Presented by Greater Lantana Chamber of Commerce. 2-5 pm. \$10/meal tickets. 585-8664; lantanachamber.com

7/2 - Indoor Aquarium Feedings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Daily. 2:30 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

7/2 - 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

7/2 - Alligator Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Short talk about the baby alligator while he is being fed. W&Sat 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

7/2 - The Thrill of Victory: Chariots of Fire (PG) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW

2nd Ave. Adults. 4-6:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

7/2 - Roar & Pour: A Night at the Zoo at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Zookeeper talks, live music, cash bar, food for purchase. Held again 8/6. 4:30-9 pm. \$9-\$10/adult; \$6-\$7/child (3-12 yrs); free/child under 3. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

7/2 - BBQ, Brews & Blues in historic Northwest Neighborhood, 3 blocks north of Clematis Street on Rosemary Avenue, West Palm Beach. Live blues music, BBQ, more in family-friendly outdoor event. 5-9 pm. Free. 822-2222; wpb.org

7/2 - Pancetta Operetta at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 7/30. 6:30-10 pm. \$58. 995-2333; thewick.org

7/2 - Lauren Mitchell Band at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Bring food/beverage. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

7/2 - Sick Puppies Improv Comedy Show at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. Every Sat 9-10:30 pm. \$15/online; \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com

7/2 - Silent Disco at The Fieldhouse at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. DJ dance music experienced through high-quality wireless headphones. Held again 8/4. 9-11 pm. \$15. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

JULY 3-9

Sunday - 7/3 - Free Museum Admission at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 1st Sun noon-5 pm. 278-7877; bocamuseum.org

7/3 - Bridge Duplicate at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Sanctioned ACBL duplicate bridge game for the experienced player. Light lunch served. Partners available for singles. Every Sun (except special events/holidays). 12:30-4 pm. \$10/at the door. Reservations or partners: 338-2995; myboca.us

7/3 - Gourmet Holiday Picnic at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Matinee performance of *Forever Plaid*, gourmet meal, special appearance by The Shade Tree Pickers. 2 pm. \$60. 995-2333; thewick.org

Monday - 7/4 - Independence Day

Tuesday - 7/5 - Adult Studio Time at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Learn to use a slab roller, coil maker, electric wheel. Ages 18+. No materials provided. T/Th. through 8/11. 9 am-noon. \$19-\$25/1 session; \$69-\$87/4 sessions. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

7/4 - Pickleball: Advanced Play at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Adults. T/Th/F 9 am-1 pm. Monthly pass \$15/resident, \$20/non-resident; 3-month pass \$40/resident, \$50/non-resident; 6-month pass \$60/resident, \$70/non-resident. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com

July 4th Events

Delray Beach July 4th Celebration at A1A & Atlantic Avenue. Sand castle contest, splash zone, live entertainment, fireworks. 8 am-9:30 pm. Free. 278-0424; julyfourthdelraybeach.com

4th of July Celebration & Great American RIF Raft Race on Lake & Lucerne sidewalks and at Bryant Park in Lake Worth. Live music, arts & crafts, food & drink, fireworks. 11:30 am Parade of Rafts runs through downtown to Bryant Park boat ramp; 3 pm Independence Day celebration at Bryant Park; 9 pm fireworks. Free. 493-2550; lakewortharts.com

4th on Flagler at West Palm Beach waterfront. Classic Americana bites, craft brews, 3 stages of entertainment, military salute, fireworks. 5-10 pm. Free. 822-1515; wpb.org/4th

July 4th Celebration & Chili Cook-Off Contest at Lantana Bicentennial Park, 321 E Ocean Blvd. Fireworks, live music, food vendors, more. Bring blankets/chairs. Park at Kmart, use free trolley (begins at 6 pm). 6-9:30 pm. \$5/Taste the Chili wristbands; free/general admission. 585-8664; lantana.org/events

4th of July Festival at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. New Horizons Band and Never Stop Believin', fireworks, food for purchase; family activities. No pets or personal fireworks permitted. Free parking & shuttle 5:30-10:30 pm from Hester Center (1901 N Seacrest Blvd) & Boynton Beach City Hall (100 E Boynton Beach Blvd). 6-10:30 pm. Free. 742-6640; boynton-beach.org

Fabulous Fourth Celebration at de Hoernle Park Spanish River Athletic Facility, 1000 NW Spanish River Blvd, Boca Raton. More parking & free trolley service (begins at 5:30 pm) from Boca Corporate Center & Campus. Family activities, entertainment, food for purchase. 6:30 pm celebration starts; 7 pm live band; 9 pm fireworks. Free. 393-7995; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

7/5 - Chess Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Knowledge of the game necessary. Ages 18 & up. T/F Noon-4 pm. Annual fee: \$20/resident; \$30/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/5 - 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; toastmastersclub.org

7/5 - Couples Round Dance at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Learn figures/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

7/5 - Socrates Café at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every T 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

7/5 - Modern Line Dance Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Enhance quality of life through modern music/dance. Age 50 & up. Every T 1:30-2:30 pm. Per class: \$5/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/5 - Ukulele Music Interactive at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. 1st & 3rd T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/5 - English Exchange at Main Library, 3650 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Practice speaking English in a fun, informal atmosphere. Adults. Every T 6:30 pm. Free. Registration: 233-2600; pbclibrary.org

7/5 - Soul Line Dancing at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Ages 18+. Every T 7-8:30 pm.

\$6/person. 742-6550; Boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 7/6 - Lawn Bowling at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Ages 18 & up. W/F 9 am-noon. Annual fee: \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/6 - Adult Watercolor Painting Workshop at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Instructor provides class lesson and lecture, emphasis on composition and drawing, then a painting demo. Remainder of class time is one-on-one instruction, finishing with class critique. Ages 18 & up. M or W 10 am-1 pm. Monthly \$35/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/6 - 3D Printing Class at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Infinite 3D Printers present tutorial classes. All ages. 10 am-1 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/6 - Senior Bingo at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults age 50 & up. M&W 10:30 am-noon. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

7/6 - Socrates Cafe at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Philosophical discussions facilitated by Claire Drattell and Don Clare. Every W through 7/20. 11:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

7/6 - Gallery Tour at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Docent-led tour through current exhibitions. Every W 1 pm. Free w/museum admission. 495-0233; morikami.org

7/6 - Literary Lectures: Flann O'Brien - Postmodern Detective Novelist at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

7/6 - Lasting Impression Singers at Temple



Anshei Shalom, 7099 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Professional vocalists, narrator perform music from the Revolution Civil War, Great Depression, World Wars I & II, 60s folk songs. 1:30 pm. Free. 495-1300; templeansheishalom.org

7/6 - Palmares: Music from the Great American Songbook at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. Standards, pop, big band swing, jazz. Every W 1:30-3:30 pm. \$2/non-member. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

7/6 - The Ultimate Creative Writing Class at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Presented by Dr. Caren Neile; part of Lifelong Learning Community Institute at the Library series. First of a 3-part series. Class continues 7/13 & 20. 2-3:30 pm. \$45. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

Thursday - 7/7 - Quilters meet at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest. Share 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

7/7 - First Thursday Site Tours at Cornell Museum at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave. History slide show, tour of the historic site. Held again 8/4. 11 am & 1 pm. \$5/at door. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

7/7 - Adult Acrylics 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. Age 18 & up. Every Th noon-3 pm. Per class: \$10/resident; \$12/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/7 - Senior Bridge at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Experienced players welcome. Partners not needed. Every Th 2:30-4 pm. Annual fee: \$15/resident +\$1/game; \$25/non-resident + \$2/game. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/7 - Art After Dark: All American Vibe at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Beverages, snacks, a la carte dinner available for purchase. 5-9 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

7/7 - Boynton Beach Young Professionals Smoothie Social at Las Ventanas Clubhouse, 1351 S Federal Hwy. Lite bites, networking opportunities. Young professionals up to 40 years of age. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 732-9501; boyntonbeach.org

7/7 - Clematis by Night: Sub Groove at Centennial Square, 100 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 6-9 pm. Free. 822-1515; wpb.org

7/7 - Murder at the Wick at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Immersion theater at its finest! Every Th through 7/28. 6:30 pm. \$68. Reservations: 995-2333; thewick.org

7/7 - Curator's Conversations - Mark Fox's Giverny: Journal of an Unseen Garden at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead insightful discussions about special exhibitions, installations, museum collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

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7/7 - A Sip of Summer at Accomplix Brewery & Ciderworks, 1023 N Florida Mango Rd, West Palm Beach. Join Young Friends from Historical Society of Palm Beach County, Kravis Center for the Performing Arts, Norton Museum of Art, Palm Beach Opera, Palm Beach Symphony, Palm Beach Young Professionals, Young Professionals of the Palm Beaches. Drink specials, food truck fare, raffle prizes. 5:30-7:30 pm. Free. 832-4164; historicalsocietypbc.org

Friday - 7/8 - Exhibition Opening: Abraham Lincoln: A Man of His Time, A Man for All Times at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Regular hours through 8/5. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

7/8 - Great Books Discussion Group: The Granta Book of the American Long Story by Richard Ford at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

7/8 - 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 10:45 am-1:15 pm. \$5/resident; \$6/non resident per class. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/8 - 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; billgovetostmastersclub.com

7/8 - Adult Coloring Club at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Focuses on relaxation and calming exercises through adult coloring books. Ages 18+. Held again 7/22. 2 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

7/8 - Day of Service: Blankets & Bear Hugs at TransUnion, LLC, 4530 S Conference Way, Boca Raton. Assemble teddy bear care packages; educational presentation about how to combat child exploitation. Benefits Child Rescue Coalition. 2 pm. Volunteer. 208-9000; 501auctions.com/blanketsandbearhugs

7/8 - Food Truck Safari Night: Dinosaur at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Explore the zoo, enjoy zookeeper talks, live music, cash bar, food for purchase. 4:15-9 pm. \$16.50/non-member adult; \$12.50/ non-member child (3-12 yrs); free child under 3. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

7/8 - Sushi and Stroll Summer Walk at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Experience the gardens, enjoy taiko drumming, a cold drink, a breathtaking sunset. Fushu Daiko drumming performance first-come, first-served (\$2 w/ admission). 5:30-8:30 pm. \$6-\$8. 495-0233; morikami.org

7/8 - Opening Reception: Shoe Fetish/Foot Fetish at Clay Glass Metal Stone Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Exhibit runs through 7/20. 6-10 pm. Free. 205-9441; flamingoclaystudio.org

7/8 - Castoffs Square Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Basic modern western square dancing. Every F 7-7:45 pm dance & rounds; 7:45-9:30 pm dance club. \$12/couple at the door. 731-3119; boynton-beach.org

7/8 - Miss Jenna Beth's Cupcake Burlesque presents the Swing Fling at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Bring food/beverage. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

7/8 - Summer in the City: Minions (PG) at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Bring chairs, blanket; chars for rent \$5. No outside food/beverage. 8 pm. Free. 54-8600; myboca.us/pages/mizneramphi/

7/8 - Screen on the Green: Minions (PG) at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave., Lake Worth. Bring blankets or chairs; food & beverages available for purchase. 8-9:30 pm. Free. 493-2550; lakeworth.org/calendar

Saturday - 7/9 - 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/resident; \$125/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

7/9 - Orchid Trilogy: Orchid Basics - Six Most Common Orchids in South Florida at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Speaker: Sandi Jones. Choose correct orchids, potting materials, repotting, pest control. Held again 7/16 & 23. 10 am-1 pm. 1 class: \$30/member, \$40/non-member; 3 classes: \$75/member, \$105/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

7/9 - Ride & Remember Trolley Tour departs from Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 2-hour tour focuses on 5 historic districts. 2nd Sat 10 am-noon. \$25. Reservations: 279-8883; spadymuseum.com

7/9 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Sat 10 am. Free. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org

7/9 - Writing a Memoir without Inciting a Family Riot - Part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Instructor: Prudy Taylor Board. 10 am. Pre-registration: \$25. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

Municipal Meetings

7/5 & 12 - Delray Beach - First & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda: mydelraybeach.com

7/5 & 19 - Boynton Beach - First and third Tuesday at Boynton Beach City Hall, 100 E Boynton Beach Blvd. 6:30 pm. Agenda: boynton-beach.org

7/5 & 8/2 - Highland Beach - First Tuesday at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda: ci.highland-beach.fl.us

7/8 - Gulf Stream - Second Friday at Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Rd. 9 am. Agenda: gulf-stream.org

7/11 - Ocean Ridge - First Monday at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N Ocean Blvd. 6 pm. Agenda: oceanridgeflorida.com.

7/11 & 25 - Lantana - Second & fourth Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Cir. 7 pm. Agenda: lantana.org

7/19 - Manalapan - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S Ocean Blvd. 9:30 am. 1-3 pm. Agenda: manalapan.org

7/26 - Boca Raton - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W Palmetto Park Rd. 6 pm. Agenda: myboca.us

7/26 - South Palm Beach - Fourth Tuesday in the South Palm Beach Town Hall Council Chambers, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7:00 pm. Agenda: southpalmbeach.com

7/9 - Bon Odori Dance Workshop at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Traditional dance performed during Obon; the summer festival honors spirits of one's ancestors. Learn the choreography, how to perform as a unified group (wear comfortable shoes and clothes). Children ages 7 & up must be accompanied by an adult. Held again 7/30. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$15/person w/paid museum admission. Advance registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

7/9 - Guest Artist Workshop: Paper Cut Art with Hiromi Moneyhun at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens Oki Education Center, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Join guest artist Hiromi Moneyhun; create a unique piece of art. Workshop tools/materials provided. 10:30am-12:30 pm & 2-4 pm. \$50. 495-0233 x210; morikami.org

7/9 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Lake Worth and Lantana conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History depart 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, visits to historical and cultural sites. Narrated by live guide. 2nd Sat year-round, rain or shine. Reservation: check website for available dates. \$50/adult & senior citizen; free/child under 18. 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

7/9 - The Thrill of Victory: Raging Bull (R) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 4-6:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

7/9 - Parks & Recreation Day at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Live music, movie in the park. 6-9:30 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/9 - Spam Allstars at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Bring food/beverage. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

JULY 10-16

Monday - 7/11 - An Arundel Tomb: Love Is Not a Pie - Part of Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:30 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/11 - R.A.D. Self Defense Class for Women at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Taught by R.A.D. Self Defense certified Delray Beach Police Officers. Females only; last class at Seacrest training Center, 2350 Seacrest Blvd, Delray Beach. Ages 13 & up. M 5-8 pm through 8/1. Free. Registration: 243-7600; tarantinos@mydelraybeach.com

7/11 - Downtown Lake Worth Food Truck Invasion at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. 2nd M 6-10 pm. 844-682-7466; foodtruckinvasion.com

7/11 - Happy Squares Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All levels welcome. Ages 18 & up. Every M 6:45-9:15 pm. \$6/person. 865-2611; boynton-beach.org

7/11 - Adult Beginner Dance: Tango at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Tango is essentially walking with a partner and the music. Every M 7:50-10:50 pm. Per class: \$9/resident; \$10/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

Tuesday - 7/12 - Parade of States: USA National Miss Scholarship Pageant at Mizner Park, 327 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Public invited to attend parade and welcome delegates while cheering on their favorite state in the competition. 10 am. Free. Information: 917-300-9266 or info@usanationalmiss.com.

7/12 - Fabulous Flowers! with Reed Stewart: Bastille Day at Society of the Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. Hands-on tutorial on the art of floral design. Create an arrangement to take home. 10 am-noon. \$95/includes materials. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

7/12 - Free Music & Interactive Art at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 50 NW 1st Ave, Delray Beach. Bring an instrument, join the open jam session style music. Easels & art supplies set up for anyone wanting to explore their inner creativity in a non-instructional

environment. Join in or sit and listen! All ages. 2nd T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/12 - Evening Book Group: The Fishermen by Chigozie Obioma at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 6 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

Wednesday - 7/13 - 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

7/13 - Zonta Club of Boca Raton at Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 2nd W 5:30 pm. \$30. 482-1013; zontabocaraton.org

7/13 - Summer Cocktail Reception & Networking hosted by US Holocaust Memorial Museum at Madisons New York Bar & Grill, 2006 NW Executive Center Dr, Boca Raton. Benefits #RescueTheEvidence of the Holocaust. 6 pm. \$20. 995-6773; rtanen@ushmm.org

7/13 - Summer Evening Stroll with the Director at Mounts Botanical Garden, 563 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Walking tour. Meet at garden entrance on Military Tr. 6-7:30 pm. \$10/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

7/13 - 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

7/13 - Women's National Book Association (WNBA) Meeting at Murder on the Beach Mystery Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Guest speaker Miriam Auerbach discusses Finding an Agent. Small bites, wine. 6:30 pm. \$10/non-member. wnbasofl@gmail.com

7/13 - Delray Beach Orchid Society at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. 2nd W 7 pm. Free. 412-6752; delraybeachorchidsociety.com

Thursday - 7/14 - Knit 'N Purl at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Held again 7/28. 10:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

7/14 - The Flavors of Peruvian Cuisine with Katie Choy at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 11:30 am. \$65/includes lunch & cookbook. Reservations: 805-8562; fourarts.org

7/14 - Opera Benvenuto: I Love Paris at Benvenuto, 1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Celebrating Bastille Day. Concert, 3-course luncheon. Noon. \$37/includes tax & gratuity. Reservations: 364-0600

7/14 - Concert: Heart & Soul Duo at Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

7/14 - Art After Dark: Bastille Day Celebration at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Beverages, snacks, a la carte dinner available for purchase. 5-9 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

7/14 - Opening Reception at Artists' Guild Gallery, 512 E Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 6-8 pm. Free. 392-2500; bocaguilid.com

7/14 - Clematis by Night: Whisky Six at Centennial Square, 100 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 6-9 pm. Free. 822-1515; wpb.org

7/14 - The Next Generation Road Rascals Car Show at Lake Worth Casino Building & Beach Complex, 10 S Ocean Blvd. 2nd Th 6-9 pm. rstarr2010@gmail.com

7/14 - Curator's Conversations: A Fresh Look at European Art at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead insightful discussions about special exhibitions, installations, museum collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

7/14 - Boca Raton Orchid Society at Safe Schools Institute, 1790 NW Spanish River Blvd. 2nd Th 7:30 pm. Free. 394-5910; brononline.org

7/14 - Orchid Society of the Palm Beaches at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 2nd Th 7:30 pm. Free. 491-8033; orchidsocietyofthepalmbeaches.com

Friday - 7/15 - Photo Apps for Beginners at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10-11:30 am. Free. 544-8578;

bocalibrary.org

7/15 - Food Truck Safari Night: Pajama at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Explore the zoo, enjoy zookeeper talks, live music, cash bar, food for purchase. 4:15-9 pm. \$16.50/non-member adult; \$12.50/non-member child (3-12 yrs); free/child under 3. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

7/15 - Evening on the Avenue at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Live music, food vendors, crafts, artists selling their artwork. 1st & 3rd F 6-10 pm. Free. 588-8344; lakeworth.org

7/15 - Exhibition Opening Reception: Sea You Here at Artisans on the Avenue, 630 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Light refreshments. 6-9 pm. Free. 762-8162; artisansontheave.com

7/15 - Beginner Acoustic Guitar for Adults at Patch Reef Park 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 through 8/26. 7:30-9 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

7/15 - WLRN Radio Theater's Sci-Fi Summer: War of the Worlds at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 7:30-9:30 pm. \$15-\$25. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

Saturday - 7/16 - Hillsboro Lighthouse Tour - Meet at Sands Harbor Resort and Marina, north side, 125 N Riverside Dr, Pompano Beach. Visitors park in Pompano Beach City Parking (fee required) across from Sands Harbor. Look for HLPs Lighthouse tour table beginning at 8:15 am. Transportation to and from lighthouse is only by tour boat provided by South Florida Diving Headquarters. First boat departs 9 am. Last boat returns 4 pm. USCG regulations require closed-toe flat shoes with rubber soles to climb lighthouse. Children must be accompanied by an adult and a minimum of 48" tall to climb the tower. No pets allowed. 8:30 am-4 pm. \$25 transportation fee. 954-942-2102; hillsborolighthouse.org/tours

7/16 - Killer Settings - Part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Instructor Michael Wiley. Pre-registration: 10 am. \$25. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

7/16 - Mosaic End Table at Art-Sea Living, 112 S Federal Highway #7, Boynton Beach. Make one project: end table (\$195), stepping stone (\$125), or trivet (\$145). 10 am-5 pm. \$195/ supplies included. 737-2600; artsealiving.com

7/16 - Orchid Trilogy: Advanced Orchid Repotting & Mounting at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Speaker: Sandi Jones. Repotting an overgrown orchid, mounting orchids, answers to other common questions. 10 am-1 pm. \$30/ member; \$40/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

7/16 - Sumi-e Ink Painting Workshop at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Advance registration: \$35 + \$3/ materials fee. 495-0233; morikami.org

7/16 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Delray Beach & Boynton Beach conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History depart from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave. 4-hour tour includes bus and walking tour, food sampling, visits to historical & cultural sites. Narrated by live guide. 3rd & 4th Sat year-round, rain or shine. Reservations: \$50/adult & senior citizen; free/child under 18. 11 am. 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

7/16 - The Thrill of Victory: When We Were Kings (PG) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 4-6:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

7/16 - 5th Annual Boca Burger Battle: A Grilling Affair! at Sanborn Square Park, 72 N Federal Hwy. Beef and alternative burgers, food tasting stations, craft beer, wine. No pets please. Rain or shine. Ages 21+. 6-10 pm. \$50/ general admission; \$75-\$125/VIP. 338-7594; bocaburgerbattle.com

7/16 - Exhibition Opening Reception: 3D Student Summer Show at Armory Art Center, 1700 Parker Ave, West Palm Beach. Runs through 8/6. 6-8 pm. Free. 832-1776; armoryart.org

7/15 - Fever: A Tribute to Peggy Lee at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901

N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Special night of dinner and dancing with the Switzer Quartet. 6 pm. \$95. 995-2333; thewick.org

7/16 - Members Midsummer Party for All Florida Invitational at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 6-8 pm. \$20/non-member. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

7/16 - Concert: Flight of the Conchords presented by AEG Live at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 6:30 pm doors open; 8 pm concert. \$39.50-\$55; \$20/VIP parking. 393-7700; myboca.us/pages/mizneramphi/

7/16 - Live Jazz Jam Session & Showcase at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Studio & Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. 3rd Sat 7-10 pm. \$5/cover. 588-8344; flamingoclaystudio.org

7/16 - Joey Gilmore Blues at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Bring food/beverage. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

7/16 - It's All About Me: A One Man Comedy Assault by Scotty P at Lake Worth Playhouse Stonzek Theatre, 713 Lake Ave. 9:03 pm. \$20. 296-9382; lakeworthplayhouse.org

7/16-17 - Big Band Hits from the Golden Age at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Sat 7 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$20. 297-4784; fauevents.com

JULY 17-23

Sunday - 7/17 - All Florida Invitational Artist Panel - Part of the BOCA Talks series at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3-4 pm. \$12/non-member (includes admission). 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

7/17 - Sunday on the Waterfront: Alter Eagles at Meyer Amphitheater, 105 Evernia St, West Palm Beach. Concert Series 3rd Sun through Oct. 4 pm. Free. 822-1515; wpb.org/sow

7/17-24 - USTA National Clay Court Boys 18 & 16 Championships at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 210 W Atlantic Ave; Hunters Run Country Club, 3500 Clubhouse Lane, Boynton Beach; Broken Sound Country Club, 2401 Willow Springs Dr, Boca Raton; Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Dr. Over 390 top-ranked Boys 18s & 16s in the United States. Matches begin daily at 8 am. Qualifying matches F-Sun; main draw Sun-Sat. Spectator admission free. 330-6003; yellowtennisball.com/cc-event/info/

Monday - 7/18 - From a Woman's Perspective Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

Tuesday - 7/19 - The Man Who Came to Dinner & You Can't Take it With You by Moss Hart and George Kauffman a play reading at Society of the Four Arts King Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30 pm. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org

7/19 - FAU Astronomical Observatory - Public viewing day at Florida Atlantic University Science & Engineering Building 4th floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 1st F & 3rd T 7 pm. Free. 297-STAR; physics.fau.edu/observatory

7/19 - Florida Native Plant Society Chapter Meeting at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Matt Stock, Nature Photographer: The Art of Photographing Your Native Garden. 7-9 pm. Free. palmbeach.fnpschapters.org

7/19 - Jazz LP Vinyl Listening Party at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Studio & Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. 3rd T 7-10 pm. \$5/ cover. 588-8344; flamingoclaystudio.org

7/19 - Music for the Mind Concert: Irwin Solomon Jazz Trio at Harriet Himmel Theater, 600 S Rosemary Ave, West Palm Beach. 7 pm. \$10/adult; \$5/student. 866-449-2489; kretzerpiano.com

7/19 - Underground Library: Bret Easton Ellis - Critical Appreciation at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 7-8:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

Wednesday - 7/20 - Art Walk Wednesdays Artists Reception at Basil Bar & Grill, Plaza del Mar, 244 S Ocean Blvd, Manalapan. 3rd W through 9/21. 6-7 pm. Free. 588-2405; facebook.com/dangartists

Thursday - 7/21 - Lunch & Learn: Closing the Skills Gap at Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce, 1880 N Congress Ave #214. Monthly speaker series. Noon-1 pm. 732-9501; boyntonbeach.org

7/21 - The Renaissance of Classical Cuisine: Lunch with Gianluca Branca, Executive Chef at Trevini Ristorante, 290 Sunset Ave,

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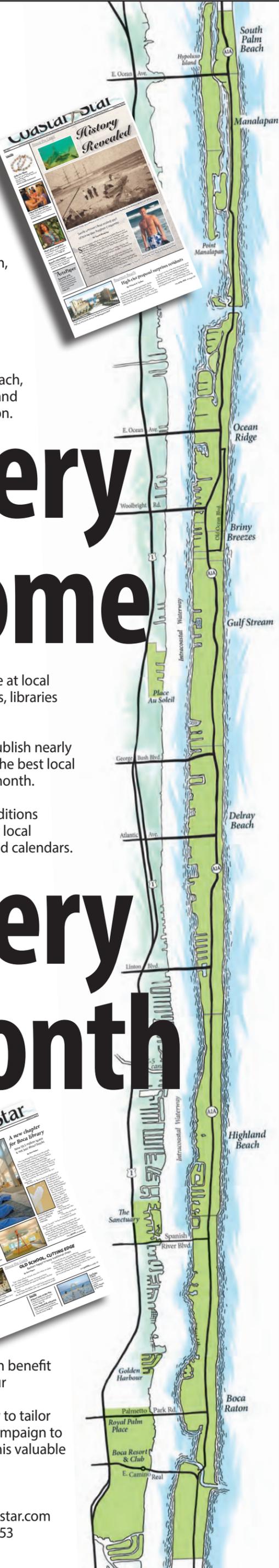
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7/21 - Run Sweat & Beers 5K Run/Walk hosted by Levis Jewish Community Center at South County Regional park, 12551 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Free wings, salad, beer (age 21 & older). 5:30 pm. \$25-\$35. 852-3257; levisjcc.org

7/21 - South Florida Regional Business & Finance Conference at Benvenuto Banquet Hall, 1730 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. 5:30-8:30 pm. \$35/general admission; \$125/vendor opportunity. 894-4511; info@gbdcei.com

7/21 - Clematis by Night: Adam Jason Band at Centennial Square, 100 Clematis St, West Palm Beach. 6-9 pm. Free. 822-1515; wpb.org

7/21 - Curator's Conversations: Selections from the Chinese Collection at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead insightful discussions about special exhibitions, installations, museum collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

7/21 - Delray Yacht Cruises Saltwater Beer Tasting Cruise at 801 E Atlantic Ave. Cruise aboard the Lady Atlantic having a Saltwater Brewery Beer tasting. 7 pm. \$45. Reservations: 243-0686; delraybeachcruises.com

7/21 - Concert: Bachaco at The Fieldhouse at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 9-11 pm. \$10. 243-7922 x1; oldschoolsquare.org

Friday - 7/22 - Food Truck Safari Night: Party for the Planet at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Explore the zoo, enjoy zookeeper talks, live music, cash bar, food for purchase. 4:15-9 pm. \$16.50/non-member adult; \$12.50/non-member child (3-12 yrs); free/child under 3. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

7/22 - Summer in the City: David Bowie Tribute at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Bring chairs, blanket; chars for rent \$5. No outside food/beverage. 7:30 pm. Free. 54-8600; myboca.us/pages/mizneramphi/

7/22 - Chloe Dolandis at Arts Garage, 180 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Bring food/beverage. 8 pm. \$30-\$45. 450-6357; artsgarage.org

7/22 - Screen on the Green: Inside Out (PG) at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave., Lake Worth. Bring blankets or chairs; food & beverages available for purchase. 8-9:30 pm. Free. 493-2550; lakeworth.org/calendar

7/22 - Sick Puppies Stand Up Show at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. 9-10:30 pm. \$15/online; \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com

7/22-23 - Decades Rewind: A Tribute to an Era at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Greatest music of the '60s, '70s, & '80s. F 8 pm; Sat 2 & 8 pm. \$42.50. 832-7469; kravis.org

Saturday - 7/23 - Community Yard Sale at Compass Community Center, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth. Benefits SMART ride for AIDS organization. 8 am-noon. 533-9699; compassgcc.com

7/23 - e4 Life: Green Health & Wellness Expo at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Learn about healthy living, sustainable initiatives, environmental conservation. Demonstrations, tastings, giveaways, more. City of West Palm Beach residents receive a 50% discount on admission. 10 am-4 pm. \$15/adult; \$13/senior; \$11/ages 3-12, free/under 3. 832-1988; sfscenter.org

7/23 - Orchid Trilogy: Prevention & Diagnosis of Orchid Pest and Disease at Mounts Botanical Garden Auditorium, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Speaker: Sandi Jones. Learn how to diagnose orchid pests and diseases from bacterial and fungal rots to insects, identify the culprits, what products get rid of them, how to prevent them from returning. 10 am-1 pm. \$30/member; \$40/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

7/23 - What's the Point? - Part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. Instructor Sharon Potts. Pre-registration: 10 am. \$25. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

7/23 - Music in the Museum: David Pedraza, Viola, and Sheng-Yuan Kuan, Piano at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3-4 pm. Free w/paid museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

7/23 - 352 Keys: Piano Gala Extravaganza at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Four pianos and pianists on stage for annual summer celebration of classical and popular favorites. 4-5 pm. \$20. 800-564-9539; fau.edu/festivalrep

7/23 - The Thrill of Victory: Hoop Dreams (PG-13) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 4-6:30 pm. Free. 393-7852;

bocalibrary.org

7/23 - SDF Big Bank XX at Kravis Center Dreyfoos Concert Hall, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Hip-hop, contemporary, jazz-funk, break dancing presented by Sean's Dance Factory. 7 pm. Tickets start at \$25. 832-7469; kravis.org

JULY 24-30

Sunday - 7/24 - Lecture: Abraham Lincoln and the Crisis of Federalism in the Civil War presented by Stephen D. Engle, PhD at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. 3 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

Monday - 7/25 - In Which the Story Pauses a Little: The Decay of Lying - Part of Great Books group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:30 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Tuesday - 7/26 - The Paying Guests by Sara Waters - Part of the Book Club discussion by Friends of the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10:30 am-noon. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/26 - Bus Stop & Picnic by William Inge a play reading at Society of the Four Arts King Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30 pm. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org

7/26 - B&P Happy Hour hosted by Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County at New York Prime, 2350 Executive Center Dr, Boca Raton. Cocktails, connections, premium networking. 6 pm. \$25. 852-3128; jewishboca.org/bphappyhour

7/27 - Dog Obedience Classes at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton. Every W through 8/31. Puppy kindergarten (dogs 10 weeks-5 months old) 6:30-7:30 pm; beginner dog class 7:30-8:30 pm. \$95/resident; \$119/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us

Wednesday - 7/27 - 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

7/27-28 - Summer Overnight Run-Away hosted by Temple Anshei Shalom, 7099 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Getaway to Fort Myers Marriott includes lunch, dinner, Wizard of Oz show, viennese party, buffet, breakfast, casino package, more. \$158. 495-6005; temleansheishalom.org

Thursday - 7/28 - Boca Screening: Eva Hesse (NR) at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3 pm. Free w/paid museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

7/28 - Old School Square Cornell Art Museum Extraordinary 6x6 Art Sale at 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Benefits Cornell Art Museum. 6-8 pm. \$5/admission suggested donation. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

7/28 - Delray Yacht Cruises Onboard Paint Night at 801 E Atlantic Ave. Cruise aboard the Lady Atlantic, paint a wine glass with local artists from Art Obsession. 7 pm. \$35. Reservations: 243-0686; delraybeachcruises.com

7/28 - Canvas & Cocktails at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Create art; enjoy wine, craft beer, signature cocktail. 7-9 pm. \$35/includes materials & 1 drink ticket. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

Friday - 7/29 - Food Truck Safari Night: Winter in July at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Explore the zoo, enjoy zookeeper talks, live music, cash bar, food for purchase. 4:15-9 pm. \$16.50/non-member adult; \$12.50/non-member child (3-12 yrs); free/child under 3. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

7/29 - Mark Spivak speaks and signs his book *Friend of the Devil* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

7/29 - Summer in the City: Bob Marley Tribute by Ruffhouse at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Bring chairs, blanket; chars for rent \$5. No outside food/beverage. 7:30 pm. Free. 54-8600; myboca.us/pages/mizneramphi/

7/29-31 - Boca Ballet Theatre: Giselle at Spanish River HS Countess de Hoernle Theatre, 5100 Jog Rd, Boca Raton. F/Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$35. 995-0709; bocaballet.org

Saturday - 7/30 - IFBB: National Physique Committee Prestige Crystal Cup at Lynn University Wold Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Bikini, Men's & Women's Physique, men's physique classic competition. 9 am prejudging; 6 pm final. \$45-\$75. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

7/30 - Revise and Shine! - Part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. Instructor Ali Brandon (Diane A.S. Stuckart). 10 am. \$25. Pre-registration: 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

7/30 - Puppy Kindergarten Class at Boca Raton Community Center Annex, 260 Crawford Blvd. Every Sat through 9/3 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$95/resident; \$119/non-resident. 393-7807;

ci.boca-raton.fl.us

7/30 - 5th Annual Seek in the City Scavenger Hunt starts and ends at Delray Beach Elks Lodge, 265 NE 4th Ave. Hosted by The Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce Charities; supports local businesses, benefits education. 2-7 pm. \$150/team (up to 5 people). 278-0424; seekinthecitydelray.com

7/30 - The Thrill of Victory: McFarland USA (PG) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 4-6:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

JULY 31-AUGUST 6

Monday - 8/1 - 1st Annual Downtown Delray Restaurant Week 2016 at multiple locations. Benefits Health Bellies/Delray Beach Achievement Centers. Culinary experiences & events throughout the week; prices vary by restaurant/merchant. Make reservations directly w/restaurants & merchants. 243-1077; downtowndelraybeach.com

Tuesday - 8/2 - National Night Out Rally to Take a Stand Against Crime hosted by Delray Beach Police Department at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. Music, entertainment, food, beverage, K-9 demonstrations, more. Family fare. 6-10 pm. Free. 243-7867; mydelraybeach.com

Wednesday - 8/3 - Buddy Walk Uncorked at Wine Cellar in Renaissance Commons, 1500 Gateway Blvd, Boynton Beach. Benefits Gold Coast Down Syndrome Organization. 6 pm. \$20/advance; \$25/at the door. 752-3382; goldcoastdownsyndrome.org

Thursday - 8/4 - The World Goes 'Round at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 15 performances; check website for days/times. \$45/person; \$60/stageside cocktail table seats. 832-7469; kravis.org

8/4 - Drawing in the Museum at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 6-7:45 pm. Free w/paid museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

Friday - 8/5 - Art Walk Gallery: Young Marine Artists at Cornell Art Museum at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Exhibit runs through 8/31. 10 am-4:30 pm. Free. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

8/5 - Pitch Perfect at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. 4 pm. \$10. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

8/5 - Food Truck Safari Night: Pirate Night at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Explore the zoo, enjoy zookeeper talks, live music, cash bar, food for purchase. 4:15-9 pm. \$16.50/non-member adult; \$12.50/non-member child (3-12 yrs); free/child under 3. 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

8/5 - Descendants at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. 5:30 pm. \$10. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

8/5 - 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

8/5 - WLRN Radio Theater's Sci-Fi Summer: Plan 9 from Outer Space at Crest Theatre at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 7:30-9:30 pm. \$15-\$25. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

8/5 - Summer in the City: Star Wars - The Force Awakens (PG-13) at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Bring chairs, blanket; chars for rent \$5. No outside food/beverage. 8 pm. Free. 54-8600; myboca.us/pages/mizneramphi/

8/5-6 - Carole J. Bufford at The Colony Hotel Palm Beach Royal Room, 155 Hammon Ave. F/Sat through 9/3. 6:30 pm dinner. 8:30 pm. \$120/dinner & show; \$60/show only. 659-8100; thecolonypalmbeach.com

8/5-21 - A Midsummer Night's Dream at Sol Theatre, 3333 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. F/Sat 8 pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. \$20/general; \$10/student. 447-8829; eveningstarproductions.org

Saturday - 8/6 - No GMC = No Story + No Sale - Part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave., Delray Beach. Instructor Marcia King-Gamble. 10 am. \$25. Pre-registration: 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

8/6 - Draw Like an Artist Class at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 18+. Big, Bold and Creative Flowers, 10:30 am-12:30 pm; Geometric Art 1:15-3:15 pm. Per class: \$20/resident; \$35/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

8/6-21 - Murdered To Death by Peter Gordon presented by Evening Star Productions at Sol Theatre, 3333 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Runs through 8/21. Th-Sat 8 pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. \$20/general; \$10/student. 447-8829; eveningstarproductions.org

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Along the Coast



ABOVE: Fishing around Delray Beach was portrayed in an alluring way to motorists who spotted this billboard.



LEFT: The Wueppers, Smiths and others on Delray Beach in 1917. Delray Beach Historical Society

FISH TALES!

From fishing queens and charter boats to tackle and trophies, Delray show reels in history in a catchy way.

By Willie Howard

The Delray Beach Historical Society has plunged into a subject that has tied families together in this waterfront community together for more than 100 years: fishing.

The *Fish Tales!* history exhibit opened with a kickoff party June 17 and will remain on display through the end of December at the historical society's campus in downtown Delray Beach.

"The response from the public has been spectacular," said Howard Ellingsworth, historical society president and co-chairman of the exhibit, noting that more than 80 families and individuals contributed items to the exhibit.

"This is all about telling the story of where we came from that I think will have



Young Ray Priest of Delray Beach receives a fishing trophy in this photo.

broad interest and appeal," Ellingsworth said.

At the exhibit, visitors will find more

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Finding Faith

Color Fun Run raises money for church and charities

Cason United Methodist Church held its first Cason Color 5K Fun Run, a fundraiser for the church and three other charities, on June 25 at Anchor Park, 340 S. Ocean Blvd., Delray Beach.

David Schmidt, the youth minister at Cason, spearheaded the planning of this event with the support of the 30 kids in his youth group.

“We wanted to do something fun but a little bit athletic, but also spiritual,” Schmidt said.

Schmidt got the idea from The Color Run organizations’ sanctioned events, which feature people throwing colored powder on the racers as they run by. In 2011, they held their first race. In 2015, The Color Run hosted more than 225 events in more than 35 countries. The original race was called “the Happiest 5K on the Planet,” because it “celebrates healthiness, happiness and individuality.”

Schmidt combined the spirit of that race and a brainstorming session with the church’s congregation to come up with the Cason Color Fun Run.

Runners and their families met at Anchor Park at 7 a.m. The children from Schmidt’s group ran the color stations. Some people, they found, didn’t want to get messy. Others couldn’t wait.

But no one wanted to breathe (or have their little ones breathe) in the colored powder used at the official races, so organizers came up with a plan to have face painting and temporary hair dye or hair spray, and the older kids in the youth group manned super-soakers filled with washable paint. They were happy to take aim at any anyone who wanted to be colorful.

The registration fee of



Runners hit the pavement along A1A on June 25 for Cason United Methodist Church’s Cason Color 5K Fun Run in Delray Beach. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

\$35 at this timed 5K event benefited Cason United Methodist Church and Habitat for Humanity, as well as two children’s service agencies, the Achievement Center and the Delray Beach Campaign for Grade Level Reading.

For more information, call 276-5302 or visit www.casonumc.org.

Create a Jewish legacy

\$33 million. That’s the amount of money pledged by South Palm Beach County’s synagogues, Jewish agencies, schools and the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County in the first year of their “Create a Jewish Legacy” planned giving campaign.

The \$33.2 million in declarations of intent was the highest amount pledged of any of the 28 “Life & Legacy” participant communities around the country.



LEFT: Attendees at the Create a Jewish Legacy event May 23 included (l-r) Mark Schaum and Dale and Ed Filhaber. **Photo provided**

Create a Jewish Legacy is a public awareness campaign designed to help individuals and families support Jewish causes and to build a strong, vibrant community with these future bequests for permanent endowments, according to the federation’s website.

The 11 CJL organizations in South Palm Beach County secured 293 legacy commitments from 235 individuals.

On May 23, representatives from the 11 CJL partner

agencies celebrated the success of the program with a reception at Zinman Hall on the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County campus. The evening featured live music, gourmet bites and a photo booth.

The 11 local Life & Legacy participants are the Adolph and Rose Levis JCC, B’nai Torah congregation, Boca Raton Synagogue, Congregation Shaarei Kodesh, Donna Klein Jewish Academy, Katz Hillel Day School of Boca

Raton, Jewish Association for Residential Care, Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County, Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services, Temple Beth El of Boca Raton and Yeshiva High School.

Four additional Create a Jewish Legacy partners assisted: Congregation B’nai Israel, Hillel of Broward and Palm Beach, Jewish Education Center of South Florida and Torah Academy of Boca Raton.

For more information about CJL or the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County, visit jewishboca.org.

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Religion Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 6/24. Please check with organizers for any changes.

JULY 2

Saturday - 7/2 - Catholic Grandparents Meeting at Ascension Church, 7250 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. All welcome. 1st Sat 10-11:30 am. Held again 8/6. Free. 289-2640; diocesepb.org

JULY 3-9

Sunday - 7/3 - Hascholah Initial Inscription Ceremony of the Chaim New Legacy Torah at Harry and Celia Litwak Chabad Center, 120 NE 1st Ave, Boca Raton. Light brunch. 10:30 am. Free. RSVP: 394-9770; chabadbocabeaches.com

Tuesday - 7/5 - Marian Consecration through 33 Days to Morning Glory by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC at St. Vincent Rectory Conference Room, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Held again 7/12. 7:45 am. \$20. 573-8022; eabrinkman@otmail.com

7/5 - 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

7/5 - 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. T 9:30-10:30 am. Free. 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

7/5 - First United Methodist Church of Boca Raton Pub Theology at Biergarten,

Royal Palm Place, 309 Via de Palmas #90. Conversation, fellowship, open discussion. 1st T & 3rd W 7 pm. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

7/5 - Rector’s Bible Study at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. T 10:30 am & Th 7-8:30 pm. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

Wednesday - 7/6 - 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

7/6 - Day of Reflection at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center, 1300 US Hwy One, North Palm Beach. Presenter: Deacon John Clarke: Reflections on Laudato-Si Part 2. 10 am-2:30 pm. \$30. Registration: 626-1300; ourladyofflorida.org

7/6 - 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

7/6 - 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 - 7/7 - Prayer Circle at Trinity Lutheran Church Courtyard, 400 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every Th 8:05 am. 278-1737; trinitydelray.org

7/7 - Men’s Fellowship at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, 33 Gleason St. Every Th 8:30 am. Free. 276-6338; firstdelray.com

Friday - 7/8 - Women’s Bible Study Group at

St. Gregory’s Episcopal Church Youth House, 266 NE 2nd St, Boca Raton. Every F 9:15 am. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

7/8 - Couples’ Bible Study Group at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Childcare available upon request. Every F 7-9 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

7/8-10 - Annual Young Adults Retreat at Our Lady of Florida Spiritual Center, 1300 US Hwy One, North Palm Beach. Led by Passionists and Peers w/Diocese of Palm Beach. Ages 18-35. \$195. Registration/deposit required: 626-1300; ourladyofflorida.org

JULY 10-16

Monday - 7/11 - Monday Morning Women’s Bible Study at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, 33 Gleason St. Every M 10-11:30 am. Free. 276-6338; firstdelray.com

7/11 - Women’s Bible Study at Seacrest Presbyterian Church Conference Room, 2703 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every M 10 am. Free. 276-5633; seacrestchurch.com

Friday - 7/15 - Parents of St. Gregory’s at St. Gregory’s Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Potluck dinner, topic discussion (targeted to young parents with children ages 2-13), group feedback, childcare available. 3rd F 6-8 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

7/15-17 - Jehovah’s Witness Regional Convention at 1610 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd, West Palm Beach. 8:30 am-4 pm. Free. 703-2400; bwashington1063@gmail.com



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Health & Harmony



Ron London and his wife, Leona, sit in the garden of the Abbey Delray community where they live. Ron London has had two kidney transplants and is active with the Kidney Association of South Florida. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

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Transplant recipient, wife use experience to help others

When Ron London found out that both his kidneys had failed, his knowledge was scant. "I knew I had a pair of kidneys, and that's about it," said London, 81, a retired businessman from Philadelphia who now lives in Delray Beach with his wife, Leona.

They educated themselves on kidneys, health, nutrition and medical procedures. Now they are using what they learned to help others as volunteers for the Kidney Association of South Florida, an education and support group made up of kidney disease patients and their families.

One day in a doctor's waiting room, Ron London saw a brochure for the kidney association. "I thought, why not?" said London. "I'll be better off the more I know."

The Londons started as volunteers and later became board members of their local chapter.

They have lost count of how many dialysis centers they have visited, talking to nephrologists, social workers and patients — and always leaving brochures.

"I have a list of every nephrologist and dialysis center in South Florida," Ron said.

Leona London shares cooking and health information with wives and other caregivers. She also watches out for the caregivers' health and welfare.

"The caregiver needs support too," she said.

Besides providing information and support to kidney patients and their families, the kidney association helps with the sometimes overwhelming expenses of kidney patients not covered by insurance.

"We found one man who had lost his job, his wife and

Contacts

For information on kidney disease or to volunteer, visit www.kasf.info or www.aakp.org (American Association of Kidney Patients) or call Ron London (south Palm Beach County) at 403-7863 or Janice Symonette (north Palm Beach County) at 622-3745.

his house," said Leona London. "He was living in his car."

Janice Symonette, past president of the Kidney Association of South Florida, is a big fan of the Londons.

"They're diligent workers, they're giving people," said Symonette, of Palm Beach Gardens, who got her kidney transplant 20 years ago. "Ron has raised so much money in his community."

The Kidney Association of South Florida, a nonprofit group formed seven years ago, runs monthly support groups and sponsors an annual fundraising walk.

Organ failure a surprise

London is not sure why his kidneys failed. He had no history of high blood pressure or diabetes.

Physically active all his life, including rowing in a one-man scull until recently, London made his living in the wholesale meat business, which included lifting 100-pound cases.

He dates his problem to a serious auto accident 25 years ago, from which he developed a herniated disk in his back. He was given anti-inflammatory drugs for the pain.

"I don't know how you're still standing," London's doctor said after examining him.

A blood test showed a high level of protein and shortly thereafter he got the news that both kidneys had failed.

He went on dialysis, the long and uncomfortable process of mechanically cleaning the blood. Healthy kidneys process waste from the body; without them, the blood must be flushed to keep the patient alive.

London began dialysis and joined a waiting list for a kidney transplant. One working kidney is all a person needs.

"Every day waiting was like a month," he recalled. That was 10 years ago. Soon after, he got his first transplanted kidney, which lasted 2½ years, then failed. His second transplant has been working now for five years and counting. He was getting dialysis for long stretches before and between the two transplants.

London visits a nephrologist who checks his blood every four months. He will take anti-rejection drugs for the rest of his life and must be careful to avoid infections. He remains active and healthy.

He only recently gave up his beloved 16-foot single rowing shell because he no longer has easy access to water. So he has switched to walking as a daily activity.

Because of medical confidentiality, the Londons know only that Ron's kidney donor was a 51-year-old man who was shot to death. So London had no one he could formally thank, but he often thinks about his donor. "That kidney is keeping the memory of someone alive," he said.

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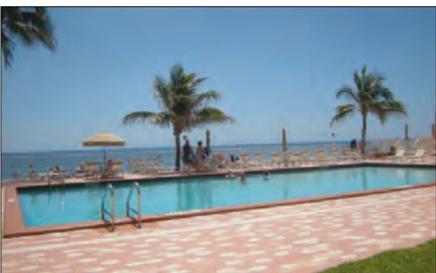
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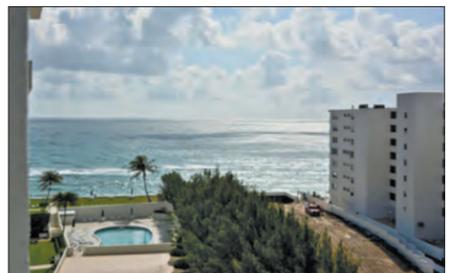
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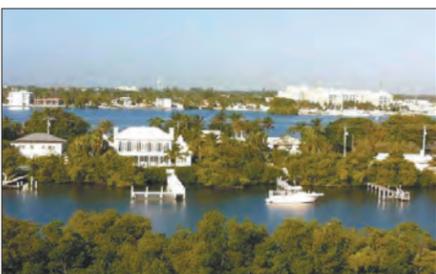
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JULY 2

Saturday - 7/2 - 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

7/2 - Qi Gong at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Ancient Chinese system of exercise, meditation. Improve flexibility, balance, muscle tone, energy, mental well-being. Adults. Every Sat 9 am. Free introductory class. \$40/month. Reservations: 419-5403; facebook.com/WestBocaTaiChi

7/2 - Yoga Class at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton. M-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

7/2 - Tai Chi/Chi Kung/Meditation Class at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Every Sat. Intermediate 9:30-10:30 am; beginner 10:45-11:45 am. Per class: \$15/resident; \$17/non-resident. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com

7/2 - Yoga Class at South Palm Beach Town Hall Chambers, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Every Sat 9:30 am. \$5/class. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com

7/2 - 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

7/2 - 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. 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

7/2 - Capoeira Fitness at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Ages 12 & up. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

7/2 - Zumba Class at South Beach Park Pavilion, 400 N State Rd A1A, Boca Raton. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org

7/2 - Tai Chi Class at Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute, 690 Meadows Rd, Boca Raton. W&F through 8/5. 10-11 am. \$10/class. 955-7227; brhh.com

7/6 - Stretch at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. M&W 10-11 am. \$5/member; \$10/non-member. Sign up in advance: 243-7360; delraytennis.com

7/6 - First Wednesdays at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Laurel Marco: Taboo of Money in Psychology. 11 am-noon. Free. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org

7/6 - 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

7/6 - 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

7/6 - 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

7/6 - Tai 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

7/6 - 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 7/13, 20, 7/30 (9-11 am) & 8/3. 6-8 pm. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

7/6 - Childbirth Education Prenatal Class at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Licensed nurse provides overview of natural labor and delivery process, medical interventions, postpartum and infant discharge care. Held again 7/13, 20 & 27. 6-8 pm. Four-week course: \$75/couple. Payment due before class date. Early registration recommended: 369-2229; publicrelations@bhinc.org

7/6 - 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

7/6 - Basics of Baby Care at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. Basics of baby caring for your newborn, taught by a registered nurse. 7:30-9:30 pm. \$40/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

Thursday - 7/7 - 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

7/7 - Quit Smoking Now: 6-Week Cessation Class presented by Good Samaritan Medical Center at Mandel Public Library, 411 Clematis St, West Palm Beach.

7/5 - 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

7/5 - Yoga with Cara at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Slow, intuitive vinyasa flow class. T 3:30-4:45 pm & Th 9-10:15 am. \$15/class; \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

7/5 - Community Consciousness with Marisol Yoga at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. T&Th 5:15-6:15 pm. \$5/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/5 - Adult Jazzercise Lo at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Dance workout targets 3 major muscle groups: upper body, abs, legs. M/T/F 9-10 am. 12 months \$39/month; 6 months \$49/month. \$25 membership fee. 499-1268; lisajar@comcast.net

7/5 - Breastfeeding Support Group at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Dawson Theater, 800 Meadows Rd. Every T noon -1:30 pm. Free. 955-5415; brhh.com

7/5 - Zumba Gold Fitness Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Enhance quality of life through music and dance. Ages 50 & up. Th&F 9:30-10:30 am & T 3-4 pm. Per class: \$5/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/5 - Tai Chi Class at Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute, 690 Meadows Rd, Boca Raton. Tone thighs and gluteals, strengthen

the body's muscular core, increase flexibility improving balance. T/Th through 8/5. 6-7:15 pm. \$20/class. 955-7227; brhh.com

Wednesday - 7/6 - 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

7/6 - Yoga 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

7/6 - CPR Class (American Heart Association Heartsaver/AED) at Ocean Rescue Headquarters, 340 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Open to all Delray Beach residents, taught by AHA CPR-certified Ocean Rescue. Topics include activating the emergency response system; adult, child, infant CPR; choking; defibrillation. AHA Heartsaver Certificate by mail upon completion. CPR masks can be purchased for \$5 (recommended). Ages 12 & up. 1st W 9 am-12:30 pm. Free. 243-7425; mydelraybeach.com

7/6 - 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

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Trained tobacco specialist. Every Th through 7/7, 5:30-6:30 pm. Reservations: 850-6023; wpbcitlibrary.org
7/7 - Yoga Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every Th 6:30 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org
Friday - 7/8 - 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
7/8 - Flow Yoga Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Slow intuitive vinyasa flow class. M&F 9-10:30 am. \$15/class; \$60/5 classes. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org
7/8 - Breastfeeding Support Group at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Dawson Theater, 800 Meadows Rd. Every F 1-3:30 pm. Free. 955-5415; brrh.com
7/8 - Adult Ballroom Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Instructor Lee Fox. Singles and couples welcome. Every F through 8/12. Beginner (Foxtrot) 6:30-7:30 pm; Intermediate (Salsa) 7:45-8:45 pm. \$72/resident; \$90/non-resident. 393-7807; ci.boca-raton.fl.us
Saturday - 7/9 - One Day Childbirth Preparation Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. Prepares couples for the birth of their first child by discussing birthing options, practicing birthing skills. 9 am-4 pm. \$125/couple. Registration: 955-4468; brrh.com

JULY 10-16

Monday - 7/11 - Chi Kung & Meditation at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every M 9-10 am. Per class: \$15/resident; \$16/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
7/11 - Yoga Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 9:30 am. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org
7/11 - Tai Chi for Beginners at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Every M 10-11 am. Per class: \$15/resident; \$20/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
7/11 - Anterior Hip Replacement at Lantana Road Branch Library, 4020 Lantana Rd, Lake Worth. Presented by Bethesda Heart Hospital's John Wang, MD, Orthopaedic Surgeon. 2-3 pm. Free. Register: 304-4500; pbclibrary.org
7/11 - Exercise Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 5:30 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org
7/11 - 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 - 7/12 - Neighbor2Neighbor hosted by MorseLife at Temple Sinai, 2475 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Resources to help seniors live with better health, safety, independence. 2nd & 4th T 3-4 pm. Free. 531-9844; morselife.org/neighbor2neighbor

JULY 31-AUGUST 6

Tuesday - 8/2 - 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. Age 16+. T/Th through 9/8. 7-8 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 742-6441; boynton-beach.org
Wednesday - 8/3 - CPR Class (American Heart Association Heartsaver/AED) at Ocean Rescue Headquarters, 340 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Open to all Delray Beach residents, taught by AHA CPR-certified Ocean Rescue. Topics include activating the emergency response system; adult, child, infant CPR; choking; defibrillation. AHA Heartsaver Certificate by mail upon completion. CPR masks can be purchased for \$5 (recommended). Ages 12 & up. 1st W 9 am-12:30 pm. Free. 243-7425; mydelraybeach.com
8/3 - First Wednesdays at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Ali Derer & Michelle Kameron: Art Therapy. 11 am-noon. Free. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
Thursday - 8/4 - Surgical Weight Reduction Symposium at Bethesda Heart Hospital Clayton Conference Center, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. How laparoscopic gastric bypass and lap-band surgery can change lives. 1st Th 6:30 pm. Free. 737-7733 x84688; publicrelations@BHInc.org
Saturday - 8/6 - Boot Camp for Dads Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Toppel Family Place Classroom C, 800 Meadows Rd. Strictly for men; introduces new fathers to all of the challenges of being a dad. 9am-noon. \$20. 955-3276; brrh.com

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than 1,000 fishing-related photos and more than 200 objects — memorabilia that show how intertwined fishing and diving were, and still are, with daily life in this ocean-front city.

Visitors also get a glimpse into the happy years following World War II, when bathing beauties competed for the title of “fishing queen” and charter boats helped popularize fishing for sailfish, kingfish, dolphin, wahoo and other ocean fish along the coast of southern Palm Beach County.

Ellingsworth said his father told him of the days when Delray Beach merchants would close their doors and go fishing during bluefish runs.

“The bluefish run was so massive that it looked like an enormous dark mass moving through,” said Ellingsworth, whose late father was Ken Ellingsworth, a former vice mayor and longtime executive director of the city’s Chamber of Commerce. “Almost the entire town would shut down, and all would go down to the beach to catch bluefish.”

John Miller, who co-chairs the exhibit with Ellingsworth, said his father, the late John “Dude” Miller, spent most of his boyhood fishing and especially liked to catch snook at the old Atlantic Avenue Bridge.

The elder Miller spent so much time fishing at the bridge, in fact, that the bridge tender would let him raise and lower the bridge when he



Clyde Smith, Norma (Miller) Brown, Henrietta (Wuepper) Frieberg, John “Dude” Miller Sr. and Bob Miller on Delray Beach in the early 1930s. **Delray Beach Historical Society**



Old spear guns and a mounted dolphin (mahi mahi) are part of the ‘Fish Tales!’ exhibit through December at the Delray Beach Historical Society. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**

wanted to take a break.

Miller’s grandfather, Albert Miller, was a former Delray

Beach mayor and barbershop owner who did a lot of fishing (mostly along the beach in

rowboats). He owned a tackle shop on Atlantic Avenue and called together a group of men in 1947 to start the Delray Beach Boating and Sportsmen’s Club.

Today, Miller owns two boats and enjoys fishing for snook and reef fish, often with his two sons in tow — an example of the families who have fished around Delray Beach for multiple generations.

Miller said the *Fish Tales!* exhibit should help raise awareness about Delray Beach’s history because so many people are interested in fishing.

If You Go

What: The *Fish Tales!* fishing history exhibit
When: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday through the end of December
Where: Delray Beach Historical Society’s campus, 3 NE First St. (off North Swinton Avenue)
Admission: \$6 non-members; free for Historical Society members and ages 16 and younger;
Info: 274-9578 or www.DelrayBeachHistory.org.

“We’ll have people at the historical society who didn’t even know the historical society existed,” Miller said.

Winnie Edwards, the historical society’s executive director, said the fishing history exhibit should be “a binding experience” for the many families who enjoy fishing in and around Delray Beach.

“I think it will bring people together,” said Edwards, whose father, Roy Diggans, fished from the beach “almost every day of his life.”

Although the exhibit focuses on fishing around Delray Beach, it includes stories, photos, tackle and trophy fish from Fort Lauderdale to West Palm Beach.

A second phase of *Fish Tales!* will be announced at the historical society’s annual autumn harvest dinner, set for Oct. 20.

Fishing skills workshops, environmental education and fishing stories told by the anglers are expected to be part of the fall lineup. ★

Outdoors Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 6/24. Please check with organizers for any changes.

JULY 2

Saturday - 7/2 - 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
7/2 - 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
7/2 - 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
7/2 - Lake Worth Lagoon: A Natural Treasure in Our Backyard Educational Talk at Manatee Lagoon Visitor Center, 6000 N Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. Presentation about the Lagoon’s environment, wildlife, history. All ages. W/Sat 2 pm. Free. Limited to 20 people/register: visitmanateelagoon.com

installed. All ages. 10 am. \$5. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature
7/6 - Moments at Manatee Lagoon at Manatee Lagoon Visitor Center, 6000 N Flagler Dr, West Palm Beach. Walking tour of visitor center; learn about manatee anatomy, physiology, GPS tracking devices. All ages. W/Sat 10:30 am. Free. Limited to 20 people/register: visitmanateelagoon.com

wonders hide off the beaten path. 7-9 am. Free. Registration: 233-2400; facebook.com/pbcperm/events

JULY 24-30

Tuesday - 7/26 - 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. 4th T 7-9 pm. Free. 703-5638; boynton-beach.org

Thursday - 7/28 - The Night Stalkers at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Join a Naturalist on a nighttime boardwalk tour looking at nature from the point of view of its nocturnal residents. Ages 9+. 8 pm. \$5/person. Reservations required: 966-7000; pbcgov.com/nature

Friday - 7/29 - Adventure Awaits: Sunset Photography Workshop at Loxahatchee Slough Natural Area, Pantano Trail, Jupiter. Guided photography tour of Winding Waters Natural Area. Approximately 2-4 mile hike. Bring only camera & accessories you can carry, water, bug spray; wear comfortable clothes; closed toe shoes and flashlight required. Ages 16 & up. Limited to 8 participants. 6-9 am. Free. Registration: 233-2400; facebook.com/pbcperm/events

7/29 - 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. 8 pm. \$5. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

Saturday - 7/30 - Sea Angels Beach Cleanup at Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Last Sat 8-10:30 am. 369-5501; seaangels.org

JULY 31-AUG. 6

Thursday - 8/4 - Adventure Awaits: Sunset Firefly Hike at Pine Glades Natural Area, 14122 Indiantown Rd W, Jupiter. Join Environmental Resources Management staff as they lead you on a guided walk as the sun sets over Pine Glades Natural Area. 7-9 pm. Free. Registration: 233-2400; facebook.com/pbcperm/events

JULY 3-9

Tuesday - 7/5 - Audubon Members’ Photos & Ice Cream Social at FAU Pine Jog Environmental Education Center, 6301 Summit Blvd Rooms 101 & 102, West Palm Beach. Ice cream followed by picture show. Bring nature photos, tell stories. Limit 10 prints/slides per member. Discussion: July Bird of the Month: Lesser Yellowlegs. 6:30 pm. Free/open to the public. Auduboneverglades.org

7/5-6 - 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. T&W 11 am-12:30 am. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

Wednesday - 7/6 - 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. Held again 7/20. 9-10:30 am. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. Reservations & pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

7/6 - 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

Thursday - 7/14 - Adventure Awaits: Growing Up Wild, Connecting Kids to Nature at Delray Oaks Natural Area, 2856 S Congress Ave. Fun-filled outdoor classroom with Environmental Resource Management staff provides children with a connection to nature. Children must be accompanied by an adult. 9-11 am. Free. Registration: 233-2400; facebook.com/pbcperm/events
Saturday - 7/16 - Birds & Breakfast at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Coffee, refreshments, one-hour walking tour with a naturalist. Ages 9+. 9 am. \$3. Reservations required: 966-7000; pbcgov.com/nature

JULY 10-16

Wednesday - 7/20 - Adventure Awaits: Sunrise Swamp Tromp at Cypress Creek Natural Area, 10033 Indiantown Rd W, Jupiter. Slog through the wetlands with Environmental Resources Management staff, see what

JULY 17-23

Wednesday - 7/20 - Adventure Awaits: Sunrise Swamp Tromp at Cypress Creek Natural Area, 10033 Indiantown Rd W, Jupiter. Slog through the wetlands with Environmental Resources Management staff, see what

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On the Water

Spearfishing competitions aim to lessen lionfish's roar on local reefs

Teams of divers competing in the Gold Coast Lionfish Derby helped rid the reefs around Boca Raton and Pompano Beach of lionfish — an invasive, nonnative fish that steals food from Florida's native fish and eats their young.

Eight four-diver teams used small pole spears to harvest a total of 655 lionfish during the June 18 event. They brought coolers filled with lionfish back to the docks at the Waterstone Resort & Marina in Boca Raton, where the fish were measured, counted and, eventually, eaten.

Derby organizers from World of Scuba in Boca Raton awarded cash prizes to the teams with the most, the largest and the smallest lionfish.

Team Painkillers speared the most lionfish, 153, to win \$600. The ZooKeeper team placed a close second, with 149 lionfish, to win \$300.

The Painkillers crew also took the \$600 top prize for the largest lionfish — 434 millimeters, about 17 inches. The ZooKeeper team won another \$600 by bringing in the smallest lionfish at 82 millimeters, about 3.2 inches.

Divers said they found many of the lionfish on reefs in 60 to 90 feet of water. Others went to depths over 100 feet in search of larger lionfish.

Lionfish experts from the Key Largo-based Reef Environmental Education Foundation measured and counted each lionfish brought to the docks — both for the contest and for size data used to track the status of lionfish populations.

Experienced lionfish divers who know how to avoid the fish's 18 venomous spines cleaned the lionfish before chefs from the Waterstone dipped the white fillets in beer batter and deep-fried them. Free samples of fried lionfish were served, topped with a chipotle lime aioli sauce.

Lionfish harvesting events help control populations of the invasive fish, but scientists believe the nonnative reef invaders are here to stay.

"No one believes eradication will happen," said Emily Stokes, lionfish program assistant for REEF. "But local control is very effective. Derbies like this make a huge difference."

More lionfish derbies are planned this summer in South Florida, including a July 16 event based at 15th Street Fisheries in Fort Lauderdale and another derby set for Aug. 13 at the Loggerhead Marinelife Center in Juno Beach.

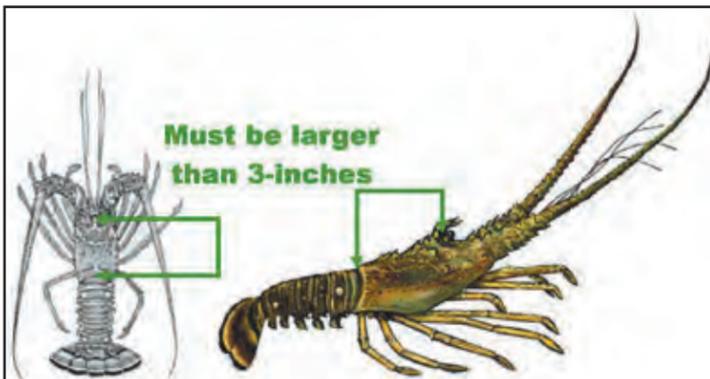
For a statewide list of lionfish harvesting competitions, go to www.myfwc.com/lionfish.

Two-day sport lobster season set for July 27-28

Sport divers will take the plunge to search for spiny lobster during the two-day



ABOVE LEFT: Emily Stokes of the Reef Environmental Education Foundation measured each of the 655 lionfish brought in by eight dive teams in the Gold Coast Lionfish Derby. **TOP RIGHT:** Morgan Ingegno of Delray Beach and Barbie Amaro of Los Angeles were among the curious who stopped by the cleaning table to check out the nonnative fish. **BOTTOM RIGHT:** Chef Michael Bickford prepares lionfish fried in a beer batter and served with a chipotle lime aioli sauce. Free samples of lionfish were served after dive teams returned to the Waterstone Resort & Marina in Boca Raton. **Photos by Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**



The lobster's carapace must measure more than 3 inches for a lobster to be legal to keep. Egg-bearing lobsters must be released. **Fla. Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission**

sport season July 27-28.

The Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission is again offering divers the opportunity to bag an additional lobster each day of the mini season — if they first document the harvest of at least 50 lionfish.

For a diver to qualify for the extra lobster, the 50 lionfish must have been harvested between May 14 and July 26 and documented. Lionfish can be brought to checkpoints, or photos can be submitted via email. (For details, go to www.myfwc.com/lionfish and click on "lionfish challenge.")

Here's a quick review of the basic rules for divers planning to search for "bugs" during the two-day sport season:

- A saltwater fishing license and lobster permit are required except for divers who are Florida residents under 16, over 65 or otherwise exempt.

- The daily bag limit is 12 lobsters, except in Monroe

County and Biscayne National Park, where the sport-season limit is six.

- A lobster's carapace, or head section, must measure more than 3 inches to be legal to keep. Egg-bearing lobsters must be released. (Look for the spongy orange mass under the tail.) Divers should measure lobster underwater and bring them back to land intact.

- Red-and-white dive flags are required by law. Dive flags on boats must measure at least 20 inches by 24 inches, should have stiffeners to keep them unfurled and should be displayed from the highest point on the boat. A float-mounted diver-down buoy should be towed by divers in the water.

Boaters must stay 300 feet away from dive flags on the open ocean and 100 feet away in inlets, rivers and navigation channels. Those approaching closer should do so at idle speed.

The regular lobster season opens Aug. 6.

Boat registration discounts take effect this month

Boating safety legislation approved earlier this year gives recreational boat owners a modest discount on their annual boat registration fee if they have a properly registered emergency satellite beacon, such as an EPIRB or personal locator beacon.

Satellite beacons transmit the location of boaters in distress, making the job of finding them far simpler for rescuers when the beacons are registered with NOAA. (www.sarsat.noaa.gov/beacon.html)

Boaters who own more than one boat can receive a registration discount for each boat with a registered EPIRB. Those with a registered PLB can receive a discount for only one boat.

The discount applies to boats registered between July 7 and June 30, 2017.

To receive the discount, boat owners should take their NOAA beacon registration certificate to a driver license/motor vehicle service center, such as the one at 501 S. Congress Ave. in Delray Beach.

Lake Worth Lagoon photo contest open to all

Photographers of all skill levels are invited to participate in the second annual Lake Worth Lagoon photo contest.

July 15 is the deadline to

submit photos for a chance to have images featured in the 2017 Lake Worth Lagoon calendar.

Photos should show the lagoon's environmental, recreational and economic value. Images can include landscapes, underwater photos, wildlife and people.

Photographers can submit up to five digital images.

The Lake Worth Lagoon is Palm Beach County's largest estuary, stretching about 20 miles from Ocean Ridge to North Palm Beach.

For details on the photo contest, go to www.LagoonFest.com and look for "photo contest." Questions can be emailed to: ERM-LagoonFest@pbccgov.org.

Kayakers catch 90-pound wahoo off Boynton Beach

An Iowa man got a backwrenching introduction to ocean fishing on the morning of June 12, when he and a Palm Beach County chiropractor caught a 90-pound wahoo from kayaks off Boynton Beach.

Alex Wasserman, a chiropractor with Health-Fit Chiropractic & Sports Medicine in Boca Raton, was fishing with Ryan Gutz, a summer intern in his office from Iowa.

They were drifting in 110 feet. After putting out a live goggle-eye for bait around 7 a.m., Wasserman said he was holding the rod, explaining

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Ryan Gutz, left, and Alex Wasserman hold the 90-pound wahoo they caught from their kayaks off Boynton Beach on the morning of June 12. Wasserman hooked the fish and handed the rod to Gutz, who fought it for 30 minutes while it towed his kayak. Watch a video of the wahoo catch at www.thecoastalstar.com. **Photo provided**

WATER

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to Gutz how the reel worked, when something began taking line — slowly at first, then at a “screaming” pace.

“I handed the rod to Ryan, who then spent the next 30 minutes getting dragged out to 320 feet,” Wasserman said. “He told me his hands were going numb. I was screaming instructions at him.”

Wasserman eventually took the rod, worked the wahoo to the surface and gaffed it. They paddled back to the beach for a photo.

Wasserman said the wahoo weighed 90 pounds. He said it was Gutz’s first time fishing in the Atlantic and his first time in a kayak.

Coming events

July 9: Basic boating safety class offered by Coast Guard Auxiliary in Boca Raton, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the headquarters building at Spanish River Park, 3939 N. Ocean Blvd. Fee: \$35. Register at the door. Bring lunch. Call 391-3600 or email fso-pe@cgauxboca.org.

July 9: Big Dog, Fat Cat KDW Shootout fishing tournament for kingfish, dolphin, wahoo and snapper, Sailfish Marina, Palm Beach Shores. Captain’s meeting 5:30 to 8 p.m. July 8 at Sailfish Marina. Entry fee \$200 per boat through July 5. Call 315-3722 or go to www.bigdogfatcat.org.

July 23: Coast Guard Auxiliary offers basic boating safety class, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at classroom next to the boat ramps, Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, 2010 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. It’s free. Class fees are being covered by a grant from the Perry J. Cohen Foundation. Register at the door. Call 331-2429.

Aug. 13: Mark Gerretson Memorial Fishing Tournament. Kicks off with captain’s meeting set for 6 p.m. Aug. 11. Weigh-in at Deck 84 restaurant in Delray Beach.

Entry fee \$200 per boat by Aug. 1 or \$225 thereafter. Details: www.mgmft.net.

Tip of the month

Snook season is closed until Sept. 1.

But even when snook are in season, they’re largely a catch-and-release fish because of the tight slot size limit.

Snook caught on Florida’s east coast must be 28 to 32 inches in total length to be legal.

How snook are handled before they’re released makes a big difference in whether they survive.

Keep the fight short and keep the snook in the water as much as possible. If you plan to photograph a snook, be sure to have the camera ready and lift the fish from the water for only a few seconds.

Snap the photo and lower the fish gently back into the water, supporting the fish under the belly.

To get the accurate weight of a snook (or other fish) to be released, consider buying a snook sling. Developed by the West Palm Beach Fishing Club, snook slings cradle fish and allow them to be lifted from and lowered gently into the water.

Slings cost \$65. They have eyes for attaching a scale and weigh a pound, so they’re easy to use for weighing and releasing fish.

For more information on snook slings, call the West Palm Beach Fishing Club at 832-6780 or order them online on the “store” section of the club’s website, www.westpalmbeachfishingclub.org.

Willie Howard is a freelance writer and licensed boat captain.

Reach him at tiowillie@bellsouth.net.



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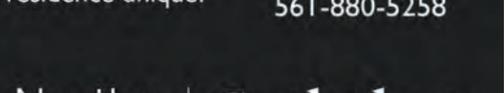


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Paws Up for Pets

Cat sanctuary is her 'Mount Everest' mission

Entering her retirement years in 2004, Ulla Oest enjoyed the financial security of having savings in the bank and a home with a paid-off mortgage.

But then she learned of a cat sanctuary in Lake Worth that was about to be closed, with the dozens of cats residing on this five-acre property facing eviction — or worse, euthanasia. Feeling a strong desire to help, she persuaded her husband, Ronald, to sell their home in Pompano Beach and take out a mortgage to obtain what she calls God's Creatures Great and Small Sanctuary in rural Lake Worth near U.S. 441.

A dozen years later, Oest, now 75, and her husband, who just turned 80, lack the same financial security, but feel blessed and enriched as they live on the property.

"When I heard that 150 cats were about to lose their lives, I had to do something," Oest says. "This is my Mount Everest mission. We applied the \$390,000 from the sale of our place in Pompano Beach toward this property that cost \$600,000. So yes, now at our ages, we have a mortgage again."

Born in 1941 in Nazi Germany, Oest spent her first four years living in bomb shelters to keep safe. When her father, a firefighter, befriended a Jewish neighbor, he was deemed a traitor to the "fatherland" and shipped to the Russian front. He survived the war, but struggled to get jobs to feed his family.

"He was 20 pounds underweight with his ribs showing and then he managed to reach out to an uncle living in New Jersey, and in 1954, that uncle sponsored us to come to the United States," recalls Oest.

She did not speak a word of English when she stepped onto American soil, but by age 19, she had obtained American citizenship and felt pride for her adopted nation.

"I love America and, for the first time in my life, I was not hungry anymore," says Oest, who worked as a telephone operator, a gymnastics teacher and at other jobs throughout her life.

Being saved — and saving others — has become Oest's lifelong mantra.

In 1989, she and her husband adopted a 10-year-old orphan from the Philippines. Their daughter, Benilda Milrad, is now married, with two children, Noah and Ariel, and lives in Coral Springs.

The mother-daughter connection between Ulla and Benilda has been strong and solid since that adoption day.

"She is my miracle, my absolute joy," describes Oest.

How to Help

If you would like to make a donation to God's Creatures Great and Small, contact Benilda Milrad at benilda79@yahoo.com. Or, drop off a tax-deductible donation in the name of this cat sanctuary to the Animal Medical Clinic of the Palm Beaches, 7 Hazzard St., West Palm Beach, FL 33406. Clinic receptionist Lisa Anselmo confirmed that donations will be applied toward the sanctuary's medical account.

"A fallopian tube burst when I was seven weeks pregnant and I was never able to give birth. We were able to later on adopt Benilda and she has been such a blessing in so many ways."

For a dozen years, Oest has quietly championed the cause of strays and feral cats living safely at her animal sanctuary. Currently, there are about 60 cats on the property. Sitting on the table next to her is Morris, a big-headed orange tabby rescued from living under a car. Morris is missing some teeth and drools, but Oest loves his sweet disposition.

There is Bunny, a cat who spent her first four months of life trapped in a crate; Seummilla, a laid-back cat with a crippled tail; and Sidney, a handsome, all-black cat named in honor of actor Sidney Poitier.

Assisting the Oests in the care of the cats is Thomas Raabe, who lives on the property, and their daughter, who ensures the sanctuary's 501(c)(3) nonprofit status remains current.

"I do not have email or use the internet, but my daughter does those duties and Thomas is a good cook and a nice, kind man," says Oest. "We cannot afford to pay him, but we provide him with free rent and utilities. We are fortunate."

The sanctuary features many feeding stations and enclosures with a special type of nylon netting to keep the cats from wandering outside the property. Oest transports cats in need of vaccinations, spaying, neutering and other medical attention to the Animal Medical Clinic of the Palm Beaches in West Palm Beach.

"Oh, yes, she has been bringing cats here for care for about 12 years," notes Lisa Anselmo, the main receptionist. "Ulla is a nice person and any time her cats need help, like dental problems, abscesses or anything else, she comes here."

Oest candidly acknowledges that money is tight, but she has never regretted her decision to



ABOVE: A group of felines greets visitors near the entrance of the cat sanctuary.



LEFT: (l-r) Ariel Milrad, Ulla Oest, Thomas Raabe and Benilda Milrad at God's Creatures Great and Small Sanctuary in rural Lake Worth. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

leave a paid-for home to run this cat sanctuary.

"I had a very hard childhood and then I lost my baby seven weeks into my pregnancy," she says. "But I have a T-shirt that features the words, 'Pursuing a dream heals a broken heart.' This sanctuary, caring for these

cats, has done much to heal my heart as has adopting our daughter. I feel lucky to pursue my purpose in life."

Arden Moore, founder of www.FourLeggedLife.com, is an animal behavior consultant, editor, author, professional speaker and master certified

pet first aid instructor. Each week, she hosts the popular



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Tots & Teens

Take a colorful spin as part of a fun-filled day

By Janis Fontaine

Ask any kid: Spinning around and making yourself dizzy is big fun.

Starting this summer, the city of West Palm Beach is offering parents a little help in the game.

Los Trompos, an interactive artwork with 20 larger-than-life-size spinning tops, is decorating the great lawn at the West Palm Beach waterfront.

The colorful structures can be pushed, pulled, ridden, spun, or simply used as a bench for an al fresco lunch break. Each top has a bench, a central pole and a cover or canopy. Long strands of colorful cords wrap and weave the tops to the bottoms. Each one is a little different.

Los Trompos is the work of contemporary Mexican designers Héctor Esrawe and Ignacio Cadena, two artists who believe art isn't art until it's seen or experienced or reacted to by someone else. Their focus isn't on the art but how the people interact with it.

The designers also built a social message into the artwork. To truly experience the spinning part, you need help. Friend or stranger, young or old, at least two people are needed to spin a top.

Mary Pinak, West Palm Beach's community events manager for the last 26 years, says her favorite part of this exhibition is that it's multicultural. "I love seeing all ages and all demographics playing together," she said.

Los Trompos is also unique because the city purchased the exhibition and owns the 20 giant tops. It cost about \$74,000 plus shipping (which was expensive). It was paid for by the city's Art in Public Places department.

"Now we have an asset," Pinak said. The city could rent it to another municipality, keep it intact where it is, remove all or part, scatter the

If You Go

Los Trompos — The Spinning Tops
Where: West Palm Beach waterfront, 101 N. Flagler Drive
When: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily until Aug. 28.
Admission: Free.
Info: 822-1515; wpb.org

Glow FORE It mini-golf
When: Noon to 10 p.m.
What: Mini-golf with glow-in-the-dark balls and obstacles.
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tops throughout the city or even sell it.

The art installation is open daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Pinak says the waterfront is a prime place to visit on our hot summer days (or evenings) because there is so much to do: Play on the tops, then cool off in the fountains, play a round or two of mini-golf and hit Sloan's for ice cream.

"That's pretty much a perfect day."

Want to add an educational component?

Make a day of your visit to *Los Trompos* in West Palm Beach.

Include one of these one-of-a-kind venues, which are also in the city:

South Florida Science Center and Aquarium's *Grossology* exhibit.

It runs through Oct. 10 and it's all about "The (Impolite) Science of the Human Body."

This exhibit educates kids ages 6 to 14 about the gross stuff the body does using exploratory labs, puzzles and games. There is a great play area for younger kids, too.

On July 23, the Science Center will host the E4 Life: Green, Health & Wellness Expo, an opportunity to learn about green, healthy living, environmental conservation and the sustainable initiatives that need your support.

The center is at 4801 Dreher



ABOVE: The giant spinning tops in downtown West Palm Beach can be ridden, pushed, pulled or simply used as a bench for an outdoor lunch break.

Photo by VMastudios



LEFT: (l-r) Sofia Giddings, 6, Riley Melvin, 6, and Charlotte Woolley, 7 — students at Trinity Lutheran School summer camp in Delray Beach — enjoy a colorful top.

The activity was organized and sponsored by the non-profit Taste History Culinary Tours and led by Lori Durante, who described the field trip as 'old-fashioned fun and play filled with education.'

Photo provided

Trail N., West Palm Beach.

Admission: \$15 adults, \$11 ages 3 to 12, \$13 for age 60 and older. Free for members and children younger than 3.

Info: 832-1988; sfsiencecenter.com.

Safari Nights at the zoo

As the sun sets, the zoo comes alive. Animals venture out of the cool, shady spots where they weather the heat and humidity of a South Florida day to eat and drink and maybe even take a little bath.

From now through August, the Palm Beach Zoo will stay open late on Fridays so you can visit when it's a little cooler and the animals are a little more active.

Safari Nights are held from 4:15 to 9 p.m., and each Friday has its own theme with a different family-friendly activity to match. Your Safari Night also features roving animal encounters, keeper talks and training sessions, interactive fountain play, kids games and eco-craft stations, live music and DJ dance

parties, plus giveaways and dinner specials at the Tropics Café.

July's themes are Dinosaur (July 8), Pajama (July 15), Party for the Planet (July 22), and Winter in July (July 29). Costumes are encouraged.

The Palm Beach Zoo is at 1301 Summit Blvd., in West Palm Beach.

Admission: \$16.50 adults, \$12.50 age 3-12, free for younger than age 3 and members.

Info: Call 547-9453 or visit www.palmbeachzoo.org. ★

Tots & Teens Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 6/24. Please check with organizers for any changes.

JULY 2

Saturday - 7/2 - Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, finger plays and action songs for children all ages accompanied by an adult. Every Sat 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org
7/2 - Family Fun: Make a Tanabata Wish at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Celebrate/learn about Tanabata. Japan's star festival. Make a wish to hang on bamboo "trees." Daily through 7/7. 10 am-5 pm. Free w/paid admission: \$15/adult; \$13/senior; \$11/student w/valid ID; \$9/child ages 6-17, free/museum member and child 5 & under. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org
7/2 - Accepting Applications for First Lego League at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Popular program introduces students to real-world engineering challenges by building LEGO-based robots to complete tasks on a thematic playing surface. Open to kids ages 9-14, meet

once a week from 6-8 pm Aug-Jan. Application deadline 7/21. 832-1988; cpait@sfsiencecenter.org
7/2 - 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. Free/member; \$5/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org
7/2 - All Art Class at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Ages 2-9. Every Th 3-3:45 pm and Sat 10:30-11:30 am. Free/member; \$5/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org
7/2 - Drop-in Craft at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 3 & up. Every Sat 10:30-11:30 am. Free w/paid museum admission: \$5/adult & child; \$4.50/senior. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org
7/2 - 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
7/2 - Story Time at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Stories, songs,

fingerplays parents and children enjoy together. All ages. Every Sat noon; T 11:30 am; W-F 11-11:15 am. Free w/museum admission: \$5/person. 368-6875; cmboca.org

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Sunday - 7/3 - Science Make & Take at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Drop in for a make and take every month. 11:30 am. \$5/project. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org
7/3 - Family Open House Pool Palooza at Pompey Park Pool, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. All ages. Noon-3 pm. Free. 243-7358; mydelraybeach.com
7/3 - Jr. Shark Biologist at Sandoway Discovery Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Ages 5-12. W & Sun 3:15 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org
Tuesday - 7/5 - Parents Morning Out at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Child:adult ratio is 4:1. Two classes: 6 weeks to 18 months; 18 months to 3 years. 9 am-noon. \$10/child/day. Register: 395-1244; funbcocaraton.org
7/5 - Toddler Tales at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Stories, songs, puppets teach the love of books. Ages up to 3 years; children

must be accompanied by an adult. Every T through 7/26. 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org
7/5 - Turtle Tales at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Ages to 3 years. Every T 10 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org
7/5 - 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
7/5 - Mother Nature & Me: Butterflies and Bees at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Experience exciting 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
7/5 - 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
7/5 - Bicycle License Plates at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Create your own license plate. Grades K-5. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org
7/5 - Teen Zumba at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. Every T through

7/26. 3-4 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
7/5 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Level 1 & 2. T&Th through 7/28. 4-4:45 pm. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 544-8540; ci.bocaraton.fl.us/rec/pools
7/5 - MakerLab: TinkerCad Workshop at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Learn TinkerCad; easy-to-use software teaches basics of CAD (computer aided design), helps create a design. Grades 6-12. 4:30-6 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org
7/5 - Youth Tennis: Sized Just Right for Kids at Ezell Hester Jr Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every T through 7/26. Ages 4-8 5-5:30 pm, \$30-\$38; ages 9-12 5:30-6:15 pm, \$40-\$50. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org
7/5 - Itty Bitty Baseball Academy at Patch Reef Park baseball field #2, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. End of the week Big Game followed by awards ceremony; everyone receives a sports medal and t-shirt. Bring water, sunscreen, baseball cap, sunglasses, long-sleeve shirt. Cleats preferred or sneakers. Ages 4-6. T-F 9:30-11:30 am. \$105/resident; \$131/non-resident. 367-7035; buildingupsportsacademy.com
7/5-8 - Baseball Academy at Patch Reef Park

baseball field #1, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. End of week World Series game followed by awards ceremony; everyone receives sports medal and t-shirt. Bring water, sunscreen, baseball cap, sunglasses, long sleeve shirt. Cleats preferred or sneakers. Ages 7-13. T-F. 9 am-noon. \$115/resident; \$144/non-resident. 367-7035; buildingupsportsacademy.com

7/5-8 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Young children must be potty trained. Weekdays through summer. Ages 3 & older. T-F 7/5-8/12. 9:45, 10:30 am, 4:30, 5:15 & 6 pm. Per week: \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

7/5-8 - Kid's Art Summer Camp presented by Talin Tropic at First Baptist Church of Greenacres, 201 Swain Blvd. Bring bagged lunch. Ages 6-14. M-F through 8/10. 9 am-3 pm. \$99/week; \$25/day. 573-0123; talin@talinstudio.com

Wednesday - 7/6 - Kindermusik with Miss Cathy at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children learn by singing, playing instruments, dancing. Materials fee paid to instructor. Every W through 8/24. Ages 0-16 mos 9:30-10:15 am; 15 mos-2.5 yrs 10:30-11:15 am; 2.5-4 yrs 11:30-12:15 pm. \$136/resident; \$170/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

7/6 - Family Storytime at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Ages infant to 5 yrs. Held again 7/13 & 20. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/6 - Music & Movement for 3s & 4s at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Literacy enrichment class with stories, music, movement. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Every W through 7/27. 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/6 - 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/member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

7/6 - Art Studio at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 3-5. Every W 10:30 am. \$3/museum member; \$4/non-member + admission. Register in advance: 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

7/6 - Summer Story Time: Movement Day at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10:30-11 am. Free. 655-2776; fourarts.org

7/6 - Lego Club at Boynton Beach City Library, 508 S Seacrest Blvd. Monthly build challenge or free build. Grades K-6. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/6 - Super Sensory Messy Play at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Explore, develop important readiness skills. Ages 18 mos-5 yrs. Every W 3-3:45 pm. Per class: \$3/member; \$4/non-member + admission: \$5/child & adult; \$4.50/senior. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

7/6 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. Level 1, 2, 3 & 4. W or F through 7/29. 3, 4 & 4:30 pm. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7851; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

7/6 - Teen Yoga at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. Every W through 7/27. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/6 - Teen Gaming at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Video games use Wii, PS3, Xbox 360. Grades 6-12. Every W through 7/20. 5-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/6 - Delray Divas Step Teams Registration 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. M&W Aug-May. 6-8:30 pm. Monthly: \$30/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

7/6 - Diamonds & Pearls Dance Team Registration 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, college students. Season runs Aug-May. T&Th 6-8 pm & Sat 9 am-1 pm. Monthly: \$30/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

7/6 - Family Date Night: Crafts at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. Held again 7/27. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/6 - Fencing/Epée 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. (954) 854-7843; sugarsandpark.org

7/6-7 - 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 2-5. Every T 10:30 & 11:15 am and W 2 pm. Free w/paid museum admission: \$5/child & adult; \$4.50/senior. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

Thursday - 7/7 - Kindermusik with Miss Cathy at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children learn by singing, playing instruments, and dancing. Materials fee paid to

Super time at Sports Camp St. Vincent Ferrer, Delray Beach – June 22



William Romac of Delray Beach shows fine form while catching a football at Palm Beach Sport Camp. He was one of dozens of kids taking part in non-contact sports games.

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the instructor. Every Th through 8/25. Ages 0-16 mos 9:30-10:15 am; 15 mos-2.5 yrs 10:30-11:15 am; 2.5-4 yrs 11:30-12:15 pm. \$136/resident; \$170/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

7/7 - 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

7/7 - Summer Story Time: Friends at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10:30-11 am. Free. 655-2776; fourarts.org

7/7 - Stories & Scissors at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Ages 4 years & older. Every Th 11 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

7/7 - Children's Special Programs at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Th 2:30 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

7/7 - Movie Break at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. All ages. Held again 7/14 & 21. 2:30-4 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/7 - 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: \$5/person. 368-6875; cmboca.org

7/7 - Taylored Athletes Elite Training Basketball Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. High-quality instruction for aspiring young professional athletes. Ages 9-14. Every Th through 7/28. 5:30-6:30 pm. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 347-3950; tayloredathletes.com

7/7 - Teen Movie Night at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/7 - Move It @ the Library: Glow in the Dark Kickball at the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/7-8 - 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

7/8 - Children's Special: Mr. Bob's Magic Show at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades K-5. Children 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/8 - Taylored Athletes Basketball Fundamentals Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. High-quality instruction for aspiring young professional athletes. Ages 5-8. Every F through 7/29. 5:30-6:30 pm. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 347-3950; tayloredathletes.com

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7/8 - Children's Special: Mr. Bob's Magic Show at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades K-5. Children 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/8 - 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

7/8 - 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). 8:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Saturday - 7/9 - Youth Tennis: Sized Just Right For Kids at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Sat through 7/30. Age 5-6 9-9:45 am \$40-\$50; age 7-15 10-11 am \$48-\$60. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

7/9 - Little Wonders: Spiders and Bugs at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Hike, crafts, stories. Ages 3-4. Children must be accompanied by an adult. 10-11 am. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

7/9 - Seedlings Preschool Open House at Sunflower Creative Arts, 227 N Dixie Blvd, Delray Beach. Play-based learning environment nurtures imagination, science and nature exploration, arts expression, literacy. Enroll now for Fall 2016. 10-11 am. Free. RSVP: 501-6615; sunflowercreativearts.org/preschool

7/9 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. Level 1, 2, 3 & 4. Every Sat through 8/27. 10:15, 11, noon & 1 pm. 8-class session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7851; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

7/9 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Levels 1-3. Ages 3 & older. Every Sat through 7/30. 10:30 & 11:15 am. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

7/9 - 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 through 7/30. 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Free. 832-5196 x1196; norton.org

7/9 - Rapunzel (G) presented by Curtain Call Playhouse at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 11 am & 1 pm. \$7/adult; \$5/12 & under. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

7/9 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Level 1, 2, 3, 4 & adult classes. Every Sat through 8/27. 11 am, noon & 1 pm. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-residents. 544-8540; ci.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

7/9 - Nature Detectives at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. New mystery each month. Ages 5-7 w/an adult. 1st Sat 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

7/9 - Art-E-Ology: African Masks, Colorful Constructions 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

7/9 - Our-kid-ecture at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 4-session course includes lots of building, architectural challenges, fun, crazy ideas. Ages 5-12 w/ parents. Every Sat through 7/30. 2-4 pm. \$10/member family; \$25/non-member family. 832-5196 x1196; norton.org

7/9 - 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. 2nd & 4th Sat 6-8 pm. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

7/9-10 - Disney's Aladdin Jr. at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Sat 7 pm; Sat/Sun 4 pm. \$15-\$18/adult; \$12-\$15/child 18 & under. 272-1281 x4; delraybeachplayhouse.com

JULY 10-16

Sunday - 7/10 - Mixed Media Collage Creations at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Part of ARTful Adventure Sunday series. Art workshops or live performances: interactive opportunity to learn, create, enjoy the arts. Family fare. 2-3 pm. Free w/museum admission: \$12/adult; \$10/senior; free/member; student w/ID and child 12 & under. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

7/11 Summer Theatre Camp at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7220 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. Ages 5-12 theme Bye Bye Birdie; Ages 13+ theme Bring it On The Musical. M-F through 8/5. 9 am-3 pm. \$1,000 + \$30 one-time enrollment fee for new students. Before care (8-9 am) \$10/day. Classes in dance or theater 3-6 pm \$10/class. 558-4148; centerstageboca.com

Monday - 7/11 - Club 1315 at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Hang out with friends, create awesome art projects, earn volunteer hours, positively impact the community. Field trips included. Ages 13-15. M/W/F through 8/5. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$275/resident; \$344/non-resident. Pre-registration required: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

7/11 - Tales for Tadpoles at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Ages birth to 2 years. Every M through 7/25. 10 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

7/11 - 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

7/11 - Fire Rescue Department Visit at

Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades K-5. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/11 - Let's Get Moving for 5-8's: Obstacle Course at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Explore science concepts with fun activities. Pick 2 of the 7 classes only. Every M through 7/25. 3-4 pm. Free. Registration required: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/11 - Edible Science: Water Games at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/11 - 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 through 7/25. 4-4:30 pm. \$30/resident; \$38/non-resident. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

7/11 - 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 7/25. Ages 6-8 4:45-5:15 pm \$36-\$45; ages 9-12 5:30-6:15 pm \$45-\$56. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

7/11 - Tweens Get Moving @ the Library: Summer Olympic Bingo! at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-11. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Tuesday - 7/12 - Claying Around at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Basic techniques of pottery including wedging, centering clay. Ages 8-14. Every T through 8/2. 1:30-3:30 pm. \$36/resident; \$45/non-resident. Pre-registration required: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

7/12 - Make Your Own Dominoes at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Learn a new crafting skill or bring a favorite activity to work on and share. Grades K-5. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/12 - Wiggles & Giggles at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach. Music & movement class. Ages 2-5. Every T through 8/9. 3-3:45 pm. 5-weeks: \$35-\$47/non-member; daily: \$8-\$10/non-member + paid admission. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

7/12 - Driver's Ed Workshop at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 4-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/12 - Teen Cooking 101 at 505 Teen Center & Hobbit Skate Park, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 6 pm. Free/member; \$2/non-member. 243-7158; mydelraybeach.com

7/12-14 - Mind Games, Activities & Academics Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Academic based to engage the mind with continuous learning. 3rd grade. T/W/Th. 8:30-11 am. \$155/resident; \$194/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

Wednesday - 7/13 - Children's Fitness Classes/Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Build confidence, coordination. W through 8/10. Age 3-4: Five 40 minute sessions: 9 am, \$45-\$56/25; age 5-6: Five 55 minute sessions: 9:45 am, \$65-\$81.25; age 7 & up: Five 55 minute sessions: 10:45 am or 11:45 am., \$65-\$81.25. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

7/13 - Family Date Night: Legos at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Thursday - 7/14 - Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead: Fun Physics at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Kindergarten readiness class. Every Th through 8/11. 10:30-11:30 am. \$35/member; \$47/non-member. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

7/14 - Summer Story Time: Ocean Day at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10:30-11 am. Free. 655-2776; fourarts.org

7/14 - Claying Around at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Basic techniques of pottery including wedging, centering clay. Ages 8-14. Every Th through 8/4. 1:30-3:30 pm. \$36/resident; \$45/non-resident. Pre-registration required: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

7/14 - Disney's Beauty and the Beast Jr. presented by Sol Children Theatre at Olympic Heights Performing Arts Theater, 20101 Lyons Rd, Boca Raton. 2 pm & 7 pm. \$15. 447-8829; solchildren.org

7/14 - Kids Korner at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 6-9. Different topics every week. Every Th through 8/11. 3:30 pm. 5 weeks: \$35-\$47; Daily: \$8-\$10. 742-6782; schoolhousemuseum.org

7/14 - Move It @ the Library: Human Foosball! at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Friday - 7/15 - Fabulous Fun Friday at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Ages 3-7. 1st & 3rd F. 10:30-11:15 am. \$3/member; \$4/non-member + admission. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

7/15 - Children's Special: Suzy Hammer "The Bookworm" at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades K-5. Children 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/15 - Beginner Piano at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Hal Leonard EZ Play Today method using the book *60 Favorite Songs to Play with 3 Chords*. Every F through 8/26. Children ages 6 & up 5-6:30 pm; adults 6:30-7:30 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

Saturday - 7/16 - Tot Time at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Enjoy crafts, snacks, indoor play stations. Drop in anytime during the program. Ages 2-5. 10 am-noon. \$5/child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

7/16 - Animal Fact or Fiction at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Find out the truth about many common animal myths, meet several live animals. All ages. 10:30 am. \$3/person. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcgov.com/parks/nature

7/16 - Master Cartoonist Jose Delbo Workshop at Center for Creative Education, 425 24th St, West Palm Beach. Basic cartooning techniques with an emphasis on personal expression in realistic and cartoon style. Learn body proportions, how to draw figures in motion, interpret storytelling, create superheroes, more. Ages 15 to adult. 1-3 pm. 805-9927; cceflorida.org/events/josedelboworkshop/

7/16-17 - Science Demonstrations at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science-inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. 3:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

JULY 17-23

Monday - 7/18 - Kids Activity Lab at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Board/video games using Wii, Wii U, PS3 or Xbox 360, or make wearable art with Rainbow Looms. Grades K-5. Held again 6/27. 2-3 pm. 742-6393; boyntonlibrary.org

7/18 - Let's Get Moving for 5-8s: KorfBall & Extreme Parachute with PEX Games at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Explore science concepts with fun activities. Pick 2 of the 7 classes only. Every M through 7/25. Registration required. 3-4 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/18 - Drama Kings & Queens at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Compete for best dramatic, comedic, interpretive readings from popular young adult novels. Grades 4-7. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/18 - Move-cise: Cool Runnings! at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Watch the movie *Cool Runnings*; every time a certain occurrence happens, exercise challenges will be completed. Grades 6-12. 5-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/18 - 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. Runs through 8/27. Every M 5:30-6:30 pm & Sat 9-10 am. \$75/resident; \$94/non-resident. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

7/18 - Tweens Get Moving @ the Library: Glow in the Dark Kickball! at the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-11. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Tuesday - 7/19 - Kindermusik with Ms. Deborah at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Music and movement program. 10-10:45 am (ages 3-18 months); 11-11:45 am (18 mos-3 years); 12-12:45 pm (3-5 years). \$108/resident; \$120/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/19 - Mother Nature & Me: Polar Party at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Experience exciting 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

7/19 - Popsicle Stick Catapults at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades K-5. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/19 - Teen CPR & Babysitting Class at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Boynton Beach Fire Rescue Department teaches hands only CPR (no certification can be given); library staff reviews basic babysitting skills, tips. Grades 6-12. 4-6 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/19 - Movies in the Park: Ghostbusters at 505 Teen Center & Hobbit Skate Park, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 6 pm. \$2/member; \$4/guest. 243-7158; mydelraybeach.com

7/19-21 - Mind Games, Activities & Academics Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Academic-based games engage the mind with continuous learning. 4th grade. T/W/Th. 8:30-11 am. \$155/resident; \$194/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

Wednesday - 7/20 - Summer Story Time: Frogs at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10:30-11 am. Free. 655-2776; fourarts.org

7/20 - Friendship Table at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades K-5. Noon-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/20 - Teen Book Brunch at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 1-2 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/20 - Family Date Night: Sports & Games at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. All ages. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/20-21 - Kids Fitness Festival of the Palm Beaches at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. 40 different sports clinics. Ages 5-12. 10 am-2:30 pm. \$12 registration. 233-3124; palmbeachsports.com

Thursday - 7/21 - Summer Story Time: Camping at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10:30-11 am. Free. 655-2776; fourarts.org

7/21 - Teen Detective at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 4-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/21 - Move It @ the Library: Yoga at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/21 - Acrobatics Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basic skills on mats - stretches, bridges, rolls, cartwheels, handstands and balances. Ages 5-10. Every Th through 8/11. 7-7:45 pm \$56/resident; \$70/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

Friday - 7/22 - Children's Special: Campfire Songs! at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades K-5. Children 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Saturday - 7/23 - Kindermusik with Ms. Deborah at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Music and movement program. Every Sat through 8/13. 10-10:45 am (ages 3-18 months); 11-11:45 am (18 mos-3 years); 12-12:45 pm (3-5 years). \$108/resident; \$120/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

7/23 - I Love Art Classes at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Create amazing art using recycled items. Ages 4-10. Every Sat through 8/13. 10:30 am-noon. \$72/resident; \$90/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

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Sunday - 7/24 - Sunday Movie: Walking With Dinosaurs (PG) at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 11 am & 2 pm sensory-friendly show. \$1 admission includes popcorn and beverage. 347-3948; sugarsandpark.org

Monday - 7/25 - Indoor Games at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Play fun indoor games like balloon tennis, tic-tac-toss. Grades K-5. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/25 - Let's Get Moving for 5-8's: Library Olympics at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Explore science concepts with fun activities. Pick 2 of the 7 classes only. Registration required. 3-4 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/25 - Fry Tries at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. French fry tasting and judging. Grades 6-12. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/25 - Tweens Get Moving @ the Library: Sundae Sundae at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 9-11. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Tuesday - 7/26 - Make & Take: Foam Finger at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades K-5. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/26 - Miss Sara's Dance Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basics of ballet, tap, gymnastics, fitness, creative movement. Adults wait outside the classroom. Every T through 8/16. Age 4-5 3:30-4:15 pm; age 6-8 4:30-5:15 pm. \$52/resident; \$65/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

7/26 - Kidokinetics at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children learn a new sport each week. Includes soccer, hockey, tennis, basketball, volleyball, golf, hula hoops, obstacle courses, T-ball and more. Ages 2-5. Every T through 8/30. Ages 3-5: 3:45-4:30 pm; ages 2-4: 4:30-5:15 pm (some parent involvement). \$66/resident; \$82.50/non-resident. 954-385-8511; kidokinetics.com

7/26 - Library Master Training at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Become a library master by learning ins and outs of database searching, the Dewey Decimal System, more. Snacks provided. Grades 6-12. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/26 - GEMS Club: Mysteries of the Night at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Empower young girls to explore STEM fields. NOTE: Live bats will be present during this session; it is not advised for children with severe animal allergies. Girls grades 3-8. High school girls can volunteer to be mentors. 5-7 pm. \$5/child. Registration: 370-7710; sfsccenter.org/gems

Wednesday - 7/27 - Miss Sara's Dance Class at Patch Reef Park Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basics of ballet, tap, gymnastics, fitness, creative movement. Adults wait outside the classroom. Every W through 8/17. Age 2 10:15-10:45 am \$40-\$50; age 3-5 11-11:45 am \$52-\$65. 367-7035; myboca.us

7/27 - Summer Story Time: Hair at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10:30-11 am. Free. 655-2776; fourarts.org

7/27 - Make Wearable Buttons at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades K-5. 2-3 pm. Free. 742-6380; boyntonlibrary.org

7/27 - Basketball Tournament at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Compete

tournament style in NBA2K16, enter the paper ball free throw shot competition. Grades 6-12. 5-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Thursday - 7/28 - Summer Story Time: Back to School at Society of the Four Arts Children's Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 10:30-11 am. Free. 655-2776; fourarts.org

7/28 - Teen Book Discussion at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

7/28 - Move It @ the Library: Sundae Sundae at the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/28-30 - Peter Pan Jr. Summer Camp Performance at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Th&F: 11 am & 2pm; Sat: 2pm. \$15/adult; \$10/child. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

Friday - 7/29 - Jairo, The Leatherback Hero Book Signing at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Meet author & illustrator Stacy Erin Myers in the gift shop. 11 am-2 pm. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

7/29 - Children's Special: Greg Phillips Magic Show at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades K-5. Children 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

7/29 - Superhero Night At The Museum at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Science crafts, activities, entertainment, exhibits, planetarium shows and a chance to view the night sky. 6-9 pm. \$13.95/adult; \$11.95/senior; \$9.95/child (3-12); \$6/adult member; free/child member & kids under 3. 832-1988; sfsccenter.org

Saturday - 7/30 - Story & Craft Time at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Discover nature through crafts and stories about animals and other nature-related themes! Ages 4-10. 10 am. \$2. Reservations required: 966-7000; pbcparcs.com/nature

7/30 - Li'l Sluggers Baseball at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Specially designed to introduce children to baseball. Every Sat through 9/10. Ages 4-5 9-9:45 am; Ages 3 10-10:45 am; Ages 2 11-11:45am. \$108/resident; \$135/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

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Monday - 8/1 - Harry Potter's Book Bash at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave, Celebrates the release of *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*. Sorting hat, games, trivia, crafts, refreshments, special showing of *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* (PG). All ages. 3-7 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

8/1 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ballet, acrobatics, theatrical prop handling. Every M through 8/22. Beginner 2 ages 5-6 3-3:55 pm \$70/resident; \$87.50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

8/1 - 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 through 8/29 (no class 8/15). 4-4:30 pm. \$40/resident, \$50/non-resident. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

8/1 - Tennis Fundamentals at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Based on USA Florida Youth Tennis Pathway. Smaller courts, shorter racquets, slower-moving and lower-bouncing balls. Every M through 8/29 (no class 8/15). Ages 6-8: 4:45-5:15 pm \$48-\$60; ages 9-12: 5:30-6:15 pm \$60-\$75. 742-6575; boynton-

beach.org

Tuesday - 8/2 - Group Swim Lessons at The Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd., Boca Raton. Level 1 & 2. T&Th through 8/25. 4-4:45 pm. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 544-8540; i.boca-raton.fl.us/rec/pools

8/2 - Youth Tennis: Sized Just Right for Kids at Ezell Hester Jr Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every T through 8/30. Ages 4-8: 5-5:30 pm, \$38-\$48; ages 9-12: 5:30-6:15 pm, \$50-\$63. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 8/3 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ballet, acrobatics, theatrical prop handling. Every W through 8/24. Beginner 2 ages 5-6 3:15-4:10 pm \$70-\$87.50; Beginner 1 ages 4-5 4:15-5:10 pm \$70-\$87.50; Intermediate 1 ages 7-12 3:45-5:15 pm \$90-\$112.50. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

8/3 - Cheerleading at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Develop teamwork and positive attitude; emphasis on safety. Every W through 9/28. 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 - 8/4 - Taylored Athletes Elite Training Basketball Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Designed to bring high-quality instruction to aspiring young professional athletes. Ages 9-14. Every Th through 8/25. 5:30-6:30 pm. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 347-3950; tayloredathletes.com

Friday - 8/5 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ballet, acrobatics, theatrical prop handling. Every F through 8/26. Mini Stars ages 3-4 2:15-3 pm \$65-\$81.25; Beginner 1 ages 4-5 3-3:55 pm \$70-\$87.50; Intermediate 1 ages 7-12 3:45-5:15 pm \$90-\$112.50. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

8/5 - Taylored Athletes Basketball Fundamentals Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. High-quality instruction for aspiring young professional athletes. Ages 5-8. Every F through 8/26. 5:30-6:30 pm. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 347-3950; tayloredathletes.com

Saturday - 8/6 - COBRA Girls Volleyball Registration at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Season runs Nov-Feb. Ages 5-6. 9 am. \$105-\$115/resident; \$160-\$170/non-resident. 347-3908; sugarsandpark.org/cobra

8/6 - COBRA Youth Basketball Registration at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Season runs Nov-Feb. Ages 5-6. 9 am. \$105-\$115/resident; \$160-\$170/non-resident. 347-3908; sugarsandpark.org/cobra

8/6 - Back to School Expo hosted by WPTV NewsChannel 5 at The Mall at Wellington Green, 10300 W Forest Hill Blvd. Gathering of public and private schools, trade schools, universities, education-related companies and services, health-related companies. Students, parents, teachers, families. 10 am-4 pm. Free. 653-5628; wptv.com

8/6 - Little Wonders: Sea Turtles Part 2 - Hatchlings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Hike, crafts, stories. Ages 3-4. Children must be accompanied by an adult. 10-11 am. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

8/6 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Levels 1-3. Ages 3 & older. Every Sat through 8/27. 10:30 & 11:15 am. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

8/6 - Fushu Daiko Japanese Taiko Drummers at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 3+. Rated G. 11 am & 2 pm. \$7/adult; \$5/12 & under. 347-3948; willowtheatre.org

8/6 - Science Stories at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. Every Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

8/6 - Family Fun: Paper Cut Craft at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Create a kirigami (cut paper) design. Pre-registration not required. Noon-3 pm. Free w/paid admission: \$15/adult; \$13/senior; \$11/student w/valid ID; \$9/child ages 6-17, free/museum member and child 5 & under. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

8/6 - Art-E-Ology: Carol Prusa - Doodle Creations 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

8/8-12 Dance Intensive Camp at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7220 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. M-F through 8/12. Ages 10 & under and 11+. 9 am-2:30 pm. \$250. 558-4148; centerstageboca.com

8/8-12 Summer Theatre Camp: Scream Queens and Disney Princesses at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7220 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. Ages 10 & under and 11+. M-F 9 am-3 pm. \$250. Before care (8-9 am) \$10/day. Classes in dance or theater 3-6 pm \$10/class. 558-4148; centerstageboca.com



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ABOVE: The kitchen has state-of-the-art appliances and Caesar-Stone countertops.

The master suite's bath has a separate shower and tub.



LEFT: The residence has a two-car garage.



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