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May 20, 2022 at 9:30AM



Around the Town



On April 29th, Lemon Bay Garden Club (LBGC) and Englewood Helping Hand (EHH) held an Arbor Day celebration with a tree planting at the site of the new Englewood Helping Hand building located on the grounds of Englewood United Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn. A native sweet gum tree was donated by Alice White of People for Trees, Inc. and planted during the ceremony. Remarks were made by Sue Killion, LBGC member; Barb Jacobson, LBGC President; Karen Harvey, EHH Board of Directors President; and Sarasota Commissioner Ron Cutsinger. Girl Scout Troop 419 members recited the poem, "Trees of the Fragrant Forest" by Henry Cutler Brunner. Children from the Foundations Early Education Center were also present. Planting the tree are (I to r:) Commissioner Ron Cutsinger, Sue Killion, Barb Jacobson, and Alice White, while Foundations Early Education students and Troop 419 members look on.

Healthy Community Day

Join the YMCA's initiative to improve the health and well-being of kids and families in the Englewood community. Guests will be able to use the Englewood YMCA facility for free on Saturday, May 7 from 9am to noon. There will

be a youth sports demo, group exercise class, water safety demo, and more. The Y is located at 701 Medical Blvd. For further information, call the Y at 941•475•1234.

Art Across the Libraries
Van Wezel Performing Arts
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Wezel Foundation, invites all ages to explore drama, visual art, and movement with Van Wezel teaching artists who will help you showcase your creativity. Stop by and create on **Saturday, May 7, 10:30am to noon** at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street or at the Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road from **1:30** to **3pm**. This free program is part of the Suncoast Remake Learning Days Festival.



In spite of the construction on West Dearborn Street, Cruisin' on Dearborn is still happening. Hundreds of cars and car lovers converge on Dearborn Street for this monthly car show on the first Saturday of the month from 2 to 8pm. Saturday, May 7 is the next Cruise In. Enjoy music to cruise by and music trivia sponsored by the Old Englewood Village Association. Don't forget to stop by the broadcast booth and get your raffle tickets for prizes.

Bands, Brews & BBQ FestDon't miss a fun day full of great live music, tasty BBQ, and over 40 craft beers to experience at

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native is stationed
at Naval Base
Kitsap (NBK),
homeport to west
coast ballisticmissile and
guided-missile
submarines. Lt.
Cmdr. Kate Tanner
serves as a staff
judge advocate
and joined the
Navy to continue a

family tradition of service and use her education previously acquired. "I joined the Navy for a chance to practice a different type of law and to follow a family tradition of military service," said Tanner. Tanner attended San Mateo High School and graduated in 2006. Today, Tanner uses skills and values like those found in Englewood. "Striving to be part of something bigger than myself is what inspired me to join the Navy," said Tanner. These lessons have helped Tanner while serving aboard Commander Submarine Group 9. "The policy work I did for the Chief of Naval Personnel is the accomplishment I'm most proud of," said Tanner. "Serving in the Navy is a way to give back to our country and honor people in the military, especially the women that came before me," added Tanner.

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Manasota Beach Yoga students of all abilities and ages enjoy another perfect morning on the beach. Classes are **Monday through Saturday at 8am and 9am** on Manasota Beach, 8570 Manasota Key Road. For more information go to yogamanasotabeach.com or call Katja at **941-313-0358**.

the Annual Bands, Brews, & BBQ Fest on Saturday, May 7, 1 to 9pm, at Laishley Park, 100 Nesbit Street, Punta Gorda. The event features a great lineup of all-day entertainment with Deb & the Dynamics, The Marker 5 Band, Pure Country Band, and direct from Nashville, the winner of The Voice, Jake Hoot! There will be a large craft beer selection in the Brew Tent, food vendors, BBQ vendors, and full liquor bar. General admission is \$8 in advance; \$10 at the gate. Website: www. PuntaGordaBBQfest.com.

CRA Board Meeting

The next Englewood CRA
Advisory Board meeting has
been scheduled for Monday,
May 9 at 1pm. It will be
held at Lemon Bay Park and
Environmental Center, 570
Bay Park Blvd. The public is
welcome. For more information,
call 941•473•9795 or email
Englewood@scgov.net.

Free Health Screenings

The Florida Department of Health in Sarasota County, Health in Motion staff, will be on-site at the Elsie Quirk Library to provide no-cost health screenings and referrals for general health and wellness on Tuesday, May 10 from noon to 4pm. Nursing staff will help individuals who lack medical insurance find a medical home for ongoing health care through referrals to the Community Health Centers of Sarasota County. No appointment needed. The bus will be in the west parking lot at 100 W. Dearborn Street. Wellness staff will also be available in the front lobby of the library. Due to construction on W. Dearborn Street, please enter the library property from Cocoanut Avenue, one block

north of Dearborn

Medicare Savings Programs Join Emmy Szoke on Wednesday, May 11, 1:30-2:30pm, to learn about Medicare Savings Programs that can help pay for Part B premiums, deductibles, co-insurance, copays, and prescription drugs. This free educational program will be held at Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Park, 6791 San Casa Drive. You could qualify for one of the Medicare saving plans that can pay for a portion, or all of the Medicare Part B expenses cited above. Call or text Emmy Szoke at 941-221-2455 to reserve your spot. Refreshments provided.

Music Festival Fundraiser

The Leadership Englewood Class of 2022 has announced EngleWOODSTOCK, a fundraiser to support local charitable organizations working to meet the needs of kids, vets, and pets. The event will feature music from the 60s with two bands on Saturday, May 14 at the Englewood Elks Lodge 2378, 401 N. Indiana Avenue from 4 to 9 pm. Paisley Craze and Coastal Jamz will perform a wide range of music from the British invasion, pop music, and rock and roll, to lighter, soft rock. Tickets start at \$69 and include entry for music, buffet, 2 drink tickets, silent auction, and fun. Event t-shirts on sale for \$35. Cash bar available. All proceeds will benefit Kids' Needs of Greater Englewood, The Long Walk Home, and Englewood Animal Rescue Sanctuary (EARS). Discounted tickets are presold only and on sale now. Table sponsorships are also available online. Limited tickets will be available at the door while supplies last. Cash and credit cards are accepted. Must be 21 or older to attend. Tickets

may be purchased at https://bit. ly/EnglewoodSTOCK2022.

Light Consciousness Expo The Light Consciousness Expo on Saturday & Sunday, May 14 & 15 will help you seek answers with like-mindedness in an atmosphere of healing, finding balance and peace. Discover your authentic self and walk your spiritual path with guidance from some of the best professional metaphysicians in the world. Renowned psychics, teachers, authors, artists, healers, medical intuitive people, massage therapists and energy workers are scheduled. A wide range of vendors will be showcasing their products and doing demonstrations. Keynote speakers, both paid and free lectures, and book signings. The Expo will be held at the Sarasota Event Center, 600 N. Beneva Road, Sarasota. Hours are Saturday, 10am to 7pm and Sunday, 10am to 6pm. Admission: \$10 for 1 day pass, \$15 for week-end pass. Online discount, \$3 off. Attendance guaranteed to wake up your absolute true self - step lighter, minimize stress, improve sleep patterns, and manage pain easier. For additional information and tickets, go to www.SherryLord.

Disaster Preparedness Webinar
Being prepared for a weather
disaster can save your life. Join
IF/UFAS Sarasota Extension as
they discuss ways you should
prepare to stay safe in a webinar
on Tuesday, May 17, 11am
to noon. What would you do
if basic services were cut off,
like electricity or water, or if
you had to suddenly leave your
home? This class, led by Dr.
Maria Portelos-Rometo, will
offer tips and ways to prepare
for unexpected disasters, such







On April 22nd, Angel Land Food Forest held its last watercolor painting class for the season. The subject was the Flamingo, taught by Gela Galant who donates her fee to the non-profit charity. Watercolor classes will resume in the fall. To learn more about Angel Land Food Forest, a non-profit 501(c)3 charity, visit www.AngelLandFoodForest.org or call **941-909-0500**. Pictured here with their completed paintings are: Back row (I-r) Luanne, Grace, Linda, Peggy, Noelle, Julie, Gela Galant, Cathy, and Paula. Seated (I-r) Sherry, Audrey, Sally, Laura, Cathy, and Sheri.

as hurricanes. Learn how to assemble an emergency supply kit and other ways to prepare for emergencies. Please register for this event **only** at ww.ufsarasotaext.eventbrite. com rather than any third-party websites, as they are not affiliated with the class. For questions or further information, please call **941-861-5000** or email sarasota@ifas.ufl.edu.

Pioneer Plaza Dedication

Finished! The renovations and improvements at Pioneer Plaza (formerly known as Pioneer Park and Dearborn Street Plaza) have been completed. The Sarasota County Commissioners along with the Englewood CRA cordially invite everyone to attend the dedication on Friday, May 20 at 9:30am. Come take a look at the new permanent bandshell and restrooms. landscaping, and walkways at 325 W. Dearborn Street. After the ribbon-cutting, there will be light refreshments and music until 3:30pm; food by Marie Laforge (Mango Bistro); music by Les Bernstein (Rehab on Dearborn,) and Joyce Colmar (Dearborn Street Farmers Market.) Bring your own seating. The music will be the first in a series of musical afternoons held on the stage in the Plaza. For more information, call the CRA at 941-473-9795.

Venice Beach Party

Save the date! There will be a Beach Party at Venice Public Beach on **Saturday**, **May 21**, **3 to 8pm**. Bands, food trucks, and lots of fun in sun! *Sarasota Steel Pan Band* will perform at **3pm** and *Karate in the Garage* at **6pm**. Free trolley from

Centennial Park in downtown Venice to the beach at 101 The Esplanade South. Chairs & blankets welcome but no coolers or pets. Rain or shine. Presented by Venice MainStreet: www. visitvenicefl.org.

Memorial Day Ceremony
The public is invited to the
Memorial Day Wreath Laying
Ceremony on Monday, May 30,
9am, at Gulf Pines Memorial
Park, 2401 Englewood Road.
The event will also include a
21-gun salute and special guest
speaker. The event is free and
open to the public. For more
information, call Gulf Pines at
941•474•2413.

County Wide Burn Bans

Dry conditions have prompted a countywide recreational burn ban in both Sarasota and Charlotte Counties. Both counties have issued a countywide recreational burn ban due to the dry weather conditions and an increased chance of wildfires. Recreational fires are defined as any noncommercial burning including campfires, bonfires and any open fire that is not specifically permitted by Florida Forest Service. This also includes discharge of fireworks and sparklers and yard waste. The only exception to the ban is cooking fires used on outdoor grills and burn permits issued by the Florida Forest Service. The mandatory burn ban will remain in effect until weather conditions change and the chance of wildfire decreases.

EWD Needs Your Help On December 16, 2021, the Environmental Protection Agency announced the

development of a new regulation, Lead and Copper Rule Improvements (LCRI), to better protect communities from exposure to lead in drinking water. As part of this ruling, all water systems are required to create a comprehensive service line inventory. Service lines are lines running underground from the Englewood Water District (EWD) meter at the curb to the household. In an effort to expedite the inventory process, the EWD is asking residents to self-report the material composition of their home's service line. Please fill out the survey on the website at www. englewoodwater.com or stop by our office for a questionnaire. EWD would like to have your survey by Wednesday, June 1. If your home was constructed prior



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to 1987, it is likely you may have lead pipes. For further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact EWD at **941-474-3217**.

Got Gardening Questions?

Master Gardeners are available at both the Elsie Quirk Library and Charlotte Englewood Library on **Tuesday mornings** from 10am to noon. Want to learn more about Florida-Friendly gardens, composting, or citrus trees? Need a plant or insect identified? Homeowners can receive free research-based lawn, landscape, and pest management help from the University of Florida/ IFAS Extension Service. Elsie Quirk Library is located at 100 W. Dearborn Street, phone 941-861-1225, and Charlotte Englewood Library is at 3450 N. Access Road, phone 941 • 861 • 3736.

County Public Transportation Sarasota County Area Transit's (SCAT) OnDemand service has carried thousands of passengers in less than a year, a success that has proven that new transportation alternatives provided cost efficiencies for the community. Launched in June 2021, this mobility option focuses on four specific zones that cater to residents and visitors alike. Those zones - North Port. Siesta Key, Englewood and Venice, and Lido and Longboat Key – provide rides within the zones and work in conjunction with fixed-route bus service to



U.S. Representative Gregory Steube of Congressional District FL-17 presented a Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition to Mitch and Shannon Mesenburg as the FL-17 district's April MVPs. Congressman Steube stated, "It was an honor to recognize Mitch and Shannon Mesenburg. Each month, I recognize an unsung hero from my District who has made an outstanding and unique contribution to our community. They have selflessly dedicated their time and resources to help Veterans & First Responders in Southwest Florida after the tragic death of their son, XinHua. "The Long Walk Home" is a veteran-owned-and-led 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to helping Veterans and their family members make the transition from military to civilian life. Learn more at www.Thelongwalkhome.org. Photo: (I to r:) Shannon Mesenburg, Congressman Steube holding certificate, and Mitch Mesenberg.

transport riders throughout the county. An OnDemand vehicle will pick up customers within 30 minutes of the ride request and take them to their destinations within the same zone. Other customers traveling similar routes may share rides. Minivans are used to deliver the service and are accessible for those using mobility devices or needing a ramp to board. Curb-to-curb rides for this new service will be available from 5am to 10pm, Monday through Saturday, and from 6am to 9pm, Sunday. Each ride will cost \$1.25. Rides can be booked using the OnDemand app, through www.scgov.net/SCAT website or by calling 941•300•1553. Riders can pay online through the app or by paying cash to the driver. Reservations are required to use this service. For more information, call 311 or visit www.scgov.net. Charlotte County also offers an OnDemand curb-to-curb transportation service within its county but doesn't connect with Sarasota County. Hours: Monday through Friday, 6:30am to 6pm and Saturdays, 9am to 6pm. Four-day reservations in advance are recommended by calling 941•575•4000, option #2.

Caring & Sharing

OneBlood Blood Drives

The following OneBlood "Big Red Bus" blood drives have been scheduled in the Englewood area. Please note that blood drives are subject to change at any time. Donors are requested to visit the OneBlood website, www.oneblood.org, to schedule an appointment. Monday, May 9, 10am to 4pm: Bealls Outlet, 425 S. Indiana Avenue. Saturday, May 14, 10am to 4pm: Walmart, 2931 S. McCall Road. Thursday, May 19, 1 to 5pm: Publix - Merchants Crossing, 1500 Placida Road. Saturday, May 21, 10am to 4pm: Winn-Dixie - East Englewood. Tuesday, May 24, **10am to 4pm**: Bealls, 1500 Placida Road. Wednesday, May 25, 10am to 4pm: Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road. Sunday, May 29, 2 to 5pm: Publix – Merchants Crossing, 1500 Placida Road.

Utility Assistance

The Charlotte County Human Services Department is now accepting applications for assistance with electric bills. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance is available once in a 12-month period to eligible households based on monthly gross income, to help offset the high cost of home energy. Applications accepted through September 30 or until all funds are expended. Low-Income Home Energy CRISIS Assistance may also be available to households with the power off, a past due bill, final notice, or security deposit. Applications accepted through September 30 or until all funds are expended. Emergency Home Energy Assistance Program, sponsored by the Department



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of Elder Affairs and the Area Agency on Aging of SW Florida and administered by Charlotte County Human Services may have funds available for those households with at least one member 60 years of age or older and a past due energy bill. Apply online at www.Charlottecountyfl. gov and complete the Fastrack application in the "help paying bills" section. For information, contact Human Services at 941.833.6500.

Shredding for Hunger!

Keller-Williams Realty Gold is hosting "Shredding for Hunger" on Saturday, May 21, 10am to 1pm. Safely shred your documents and donate a bag of nonperishable food items for The Jubilee Center at St. David's Food Pantry. This free event is in support of Keller Williams Red Day and will be held in their Englewood office parking lot, 1160 S. McCall Road. For more information, call 941-473-7399.

Boca Cares Grant Requests

Boca Cares has opened requests for applications from Greater Englewood Regional 501(c) (3) charities. All application submissions must be received no later than Friday, May **20, 5pm**. The application and

instructions can be accessed at: www.bocaroyalecares. com. Boca Cares is a charitable fund established to provide a meaningful opportunity for the Boca Royale community to support local 501(c)(3) charities.

Touchdown Club Golf Tournament

Sign up now for the Lemon Bay Touchdown Club Golf Tournament set for Saturday, May 14 at Rotonda Golf & Country Club's Hills Course. Shotgun start at 8:30am. Fourperson scramble. \$75 per person. This annual golf tournament is to benefit Lemon Bay High School Manta Ray football players and funds support purchases such as jerseys, equipment, bus transport, and pre- and postgame meals. To register, contact Jeremy Dowd at **941-223-4461** or Suzie Moore at 941-270-6248. For more information, email lbtdclub@gmail.com or contact them on Facebook: Lemon Bay Touchdown Club. The Hills Course is located at 100 Rotonda Circle.

Sunrise Rotary Golf Scramble Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary Golf Scramble takes place

on Saturday, May 21 at the Rotonda Hills Golf Course, 100 Rotonda Circle. Free Bloody Marys and Screwdrivers. Prizes for top three finishers. Checkin time is 7:30am with an 8am start time. Registration is \$75 per person. Register online at www.englewoodchamber.com. For more information, contact brianb@grandeaire.com.

Port Charlotte Habitat 5k/10k Join this Charlotte County Habitat for Humanity fundraiser at this inaugural 5k/10k Run/ Fun Walk on Saturday morning, May 21. Starting at 7am, this event will be an "inperson" family-friendly event this year. Come run through the beautiful streets and paved trails winding through West Port and Centennial Park in Port Charlotte. Be a part of the affordable housing solution. Charlotte County Habitat for Humanity is helping 36 families this year to achieve the dream of affordable homeownership. Registration fees vary according to race options and date of registration. For more information, go to www. raceroster.com/events and search for West Port Charlotte Habitat

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Dearborn Public Art Weekend

Submitted By Marie Laforge

From New York to the White House and around the world, "To Do" & "Wash Away Your Fears" public art projects are coming to Dearborn Street. Installations will be open for everyone to participate Thursday through Sunday, **May 19-22**. "To Do" will be installed on the large 24-foot wall on the side of Rehab on Dearborn (facing the plaza,) 349 W. Dearborn Street. The installation will be open to the public the day of the ribbon cutting, May 20th, for the newly renovated Pioneer Plaza and green space. Thousands of Post-It notes will be installed on the wall for people to write messages. From the refrigerator to the computer screen, from the purse to the bedroom door, to-do lists, commands, reminders, mantras and more have graced these tiny 3×3-inch squares all over the globe. Now is your turn to participate in this giant community message board!

This same weekend, "Wash Away Your Fears" will be installed in the same location on Saturday, May 21. "Wash Away Your Fears" first debuted in Provincetown, MA on August 6, 2020, and has since been installed at the

evokes the figurative phrase, "Wash away your fears," and transforms it into a literal and cathartic action. You are invited to participate by sharing and letting go of the fears you carry by writing them down in chalk on the sidewalk, washing them

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Tenement Museum in New York City, Providence, RI and Ithaca, NY. Participants of these installations have described the experience as "cleansing," "renewing," "facing reality," and equivalent to "throwing china against the wall." The premise is this: "Wash Away Your Fears"

away with a bucket of water, and sweeping them up with a broom. Check www.illegalart. org to find out about these fun projects and see where they were installed.

For more information about the event call Marie at 941•445•0819 or email zigamazoo@yahoo.com.



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Arts & Entertainment







Bess Wohl

DaMaris B. Hill

Kirya Trabor

Tony Award-nominated playwright Bess Wohl returns to Sarasota for "Cats Talk Back," an excerpt from her irreverent and insightful send-up of a fictional talkback with cast members from Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical, presented on Friday, May 13 at 6:30pm on the Hermitage Beach. Then, on Friday, May 20 at 5pm, Hermitage Fellows DaMaris B. Hill and Kirya Traber read and discuss their evocative work at "Hermitage Poet's Corner: The Contemporary Word" at $the \ new \ Bookstore 1\ location\ in\ Downtown\ Sarasota.\ Finally, in\ "Worlds: A\ Part", internationally\ renowned\ composer$ and performer Pauchi Sasaki and acclaimed poet Monica Youn share their words and music on Thursday, May 26 at **6pm** at the Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast's Bay Preserve in Osprey.

Centennial Park Concerts Venice Mainstreet's Friday Night Concerts continue during May

in the gazebo at Centennial Park,

200 W. Venice Avenue. John

George Durham & Company Band. Concerts run from 7 to 9pm. Bring your own seating.

Howard will perform on Friday May 13 and on Friday May 27,

Artist Series Concerts of Sarasota presents "2 Hot 2 Tango" Sunday, May 22 at 3pm, in the Historic Asolo Theater, 5401 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota. The duo is comprised of Ben Bogart on bandoneón and Winnie Cheung on piano and will be joined by world-renowned tango dancers Fernanda Ghi and Silvio Grand (shown here.) Tickets are \$25-\$45 and can be purchased online at ArtistSeriesConcerts.org or by calling 941-306-1202, M-F 10am-4pm.

Free. For more information, visit www.visitvenicefl.org.

"Wedding Belles" at **Langdon Theatre**

Charlotte Players presents

Wedding Belles from Friday, May 13 through Sunday, May 22 at the Langdon Theatre, 1182 Market Circle, Pt. Charlotte. Four garden-club ladies meet a young girl who has come to their little Texas town to marry an infantry man before he ships off for World War II. The women impulsively decide to throw the girl an elaborate wedding. Their lives and friendships are thrown into turmoil as they race to accomplish the nuptials in one frenzied afternoon. Thursday through Saturday performances are at 7:30pm and Sundays at 2pm. Ticket costs are \$22 adult and \$11 students. To purchase tickets, go to www. charlotteplayers.org or call the box office at 941-255-1022.

A Day of Celtic Music

Presented in cooperation with the Cultural Heritage Center of SW Florida, come enjoy a day of authentic Celtic music at Fishermen's Village on Saturday, May 14, noon to **9pm**. Enjoy Celtic music by multiple performers at 1200 W. Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda. Event headliner will be the Seven Nations Band, featuring Kirk McLeod, with three

performances between 6 & 9pm. Other performances include the Bryne Brothers, Emily & Kel Thompson, the Band Trinity, McIntyre Band, West of Galway, and Naples School of Irish Dance. Admission and parking are free. For more information, visit www.fishermensvillage.com or call 941.639.8721.

The Rocket Man Show

Venice Institute for Performing Arts presents The Rocket Man Show-Elton John on Saturday, May 14, 7pm, at the Venice Performing Arts Center, One Indian Avenue in Venice. Rus Anderson is Elton John's official body-double for his Farewell Yellow Brick Road world tour media. Picked by the man himself, Rus performs as a young Elton John in The Rocket Man Show – driving a night of Elton's greatest hits, with

spot-on vocals and fierce piano playing. With all the classic young Elton energy and antics, audiences are in for a night of nostalgia, singing, laughing and participation. Tickets range from \$36 to \$100 and may be purchased online at www. veniceperformingartscenter.com or by calling the box office at 941•218•0627.

Summer Movies at the Opera

Sarasota Opera is pleased to announce the lineup for the 2022 summer movie series: HD at the Opera House and Classic Movies at the Opera House. HD at the Opera House featuring filmed performances of opera and ballet from around the world will open on Sunday, May 22 at 1:30pm with Giuseppe Verdi's Rigoletto from the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden in London, with tickets at \$22, and \$20 for



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Hear new selections from Tony Awardnominated playwright Bess Wohl, whose play Grand Horizons recently concluded a run at Asolo Rep.

"Worlds: A Part"

Thursday, May 26 @ 6pm Live on the Hermitage Beach (Manasota Key)

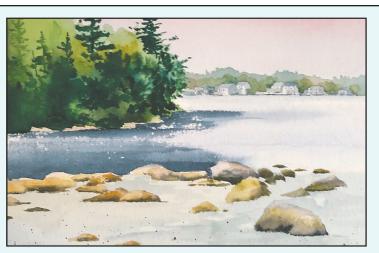
Internationally renowned composer Pauchi Sasaki and acclaimed poet Monica Youn share their words and music.

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To register (required) for upcoming programs: Hermitage Artist Retreat.org





A winter scene by Jim Beech.



Nancy VanTassell's jewelry piece "Ocean Wonders."

Now through July 7th, Sea Grape Gallery will be featuring two of their artists, James Beech, watercolorist and acrylic artist, and Nancy VanTassell, jeweler. Jim Beech always has had a passion for painting, and especially watercolor painting, focusing mostly on landscapes and buildings of unusual character. Being a storyteller, he began adding boats, ships, and other waterfront scenes to his story-telling subjects. As Jim says, "I want my art to leave the viewer wondering what might have gone on just before the image was captured." Nancy VanTassell has been creating art jewelry for 18 years. Her designs have evolved to her current obsession, wire weaving. Wire weaving is an age-old technique of taking different gauges of wire and intertwining them together. Nancy uses sterling and fine silver, incorporating semi-precious stones, faceted gemstones, and sometimes, it's all about the wire. She also teaches jewelry skills in private and group settings. Many of Jim's beautiful paintings and Nancy's unique jewelry are prominently on display and more of their art and the artwork of all Sea Grape artists can be viewed at www.seagrapegallery.com. Sea Grape Gallery is located at 113 W. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, and can be reached at 941.575.1718.

Sarasota Opera subscribers. The Classic Movies at the Opera House series will open with In the Heat of the Night on Friday, July 8 at 7:30pm with tickets at \$12. Additional movie titles and additional information

may be found at www. SarasotaOpera.org. Ticket buyers are encouraged to purchase tickets before arriving at the theater, 61 N. Pineapple Avenue, Sarasota. Information and tickets can be found online at www.

SarasotaOpera.org or by calling 941•328•1300.

Patriotic Pops Concert

The Venice Symphony is back with its third annual Patriotic Pops Concert and fireworks, Saturday, May 28, 7:30pm, at CoolToday Park, 18800 S. West Villages Parkway, Venice. This year's guest artist is the renowned a cappella group, Rockapella. Gates open at **5:30pm**. Music Director Troy Quinn will lead the orchestra in a rousing concert that will include classic music from the great American songbook, film music and an Armed Forces Medley. Vocal group Rockapella achieved national fame on PBS's "Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego?" Tickets are \$15 to \$55 for adults and \$10 for students and are on sale now at CoolToday Park and www. ticketmaster.com. Box office hours are Monday through Friday, 10am to 4pm. Box office phone is **941-413-5000**. Sponsorships and "MVP" tickets that include premier seating, access to air-conditioned suites and a donation to The Symphony are available by calling The Venice Symphony at 941•207•8822.

"The Little Mermaid"

The Little Mermaid comes alive on stage at Venice Performing Arts Center, One Indian Avenue in Venice, on Saturday, May 28 at 5pm. This timeless story comes alive through original



Creative Liberties, based on a foundation of artists helping artists, is presenting a "Blooming Flower Show Artists Market," Saturday, May 14, 10am to 4pm; "Wine & Design – A pARTy!" **Thursday, May 26, 5:30-8pm**, and the company's first open exhibition, "Here Comes the Sun," Thursday, June 9-Thursday, June 30, with the opening reception on Thursday, June 9, 5-8pm. There is a call for artist submissions for this exhibition. Submit work in person on Wednesday, June 1, 10am-4pm. Creative Liberties Artist Studios is located at 901-B Apricot Avenue, Sarasota, in the Limelight District. For more information, visit www. creativeliberties.net or call 941-799-6634. Photo: Artists Elizabeth Goodwill (left) and Barbara Gerdeman at work.



The Hermitage Artist Retreat is pleased to announce the launch of the new Ruby E. Crosby Alumni Music Series at the Hermitage. The premiere event, "Soulful Strings: An Evening of Harp Music," will be presented on Tuesday, June 7 at 8pm at Marie Selby Botanical Gardens, featuring acclaimed harpist and returning Hermitage Fellow Ashley Jackson. The outdoor event is free and open to the public with a

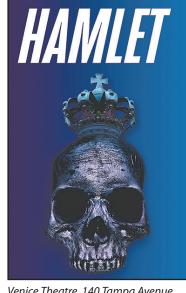
\$5/person registration fee. Register at www.hermitageartistretreat.org. Selby Gardens is located at 1534 Mound Street, Sarasota.

choreography by Prof. Vadim Fedotov and beautiful original music by Alexander Kostin that follows the mermaid on her journey to finding out how to truly feel alive and love selflessly. The performance features international guest artists from National Ballet of Ukraine, Atlanta Ballet, Orlando Ballet, and Cincinnati Ballet. Tickets range \$25 to \$60 and may be purchased online at www. veniceperformingartscenter.com or by calling the box office at 941-218-0627.

aactWorldFest Returns

Theatre lovers from around the globe are excited for the return of aactWORLDFEST after a forced hiatus due to the pandemic. For the fourth time since 2010, Venice

Theatre, 140 Tampa Avenue West in Venice, is hosting the international community theatre festival, which is sanctioned by the American Association of Community Theatre (aact.) The event is set for Monday-Sunday, June 20-26. At this time, ten countries will be performing in-person at the festival with theatre troupes coming from Armenia, Brazil, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Slovenia, Switzerland, The United Kingdom, and The United States. Shows and countries are still subject to change and more may be added to the schedule. Splash Theatre Company from Ukraine will now be presenting their show virtually. In addition to enjoying dynamic performances from around the



Venice Theatre, 140 Tampa Avenue West in Venice, presents "Hamlet" by William Shakespeare Friday. May 13 through Sunday, May 29. Danish prince Hamlet discovers that his uncle Claudius murdered his father and took the throne; Hamlet's mother has married the usurper. This action-packed interpretation of Shakespeare's tragedy will keep you on the edge of your seat. Curtain time is 7:30pm Tuesdays through **Saturday** and **2pm on Sunday**. Tickets are \$25 adult; \$20 college; \$15 youth. Purchase tickets online at www.venicetheatre.ora or call the box office at **941-488-1115**.

globe, festival goers can expect a wide selection of interactive educational workshops and social events. Registration packages prices range from \$175 to \$575 and are detailed on the website, VeniceTheatre.org/international.

Charlotte Players 2022-23

Charlotte Players has announced its 2022-23 season of plays and special performances and shows. The season kicks off with The Play That Goes Wrong



"The Wind in the Willows" is coming to Venice Theatre Friday, May 20 through **Sunday, May 29**. Based on the book by Kenneth Grahame, this play has been produced at over 200 theaters across the country. This musical tells the story of the friendship of the good-hearted Water Rat, the shy and curious Mole, and the sensible Badger. What tests that friendship are the antics of Mr. Toad, a wily and impulsive animal, given to sudden crazes such as stealing motor cars and driving them recklessly around the countryside. Their task is to save Toad from himself and then rescue the magnificent Toad Hall from the devious weasels, ferrets, and stoats. Tickets are \$20 adult; \$15 college; \$12 child. Evening performances are at **7:30pm** with **Sundays** at **2pm**. Tickets may be purchased online at www.venicetheatre.org or by calling the box office at **941-488-1115**. Venice Theatre is located at 140 Tampa Avenue West, Venice.

on Friday, September 9. Visit www.charlotteplayers.org to see the season schedule and get your season tickets now. You can also call the Box Office at

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WELCOME BACK NICHOLAS CAGE

The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent (R) is my favorite film and film title of the year so far and for a lot of reasons. It's got a sharp script, plenty of laughs, a solid cast, great music (extra Amanda points for a Warren Zevon song), it clocks in under two hours, and stars Nicholas Cage... as Nicholas Cage.

Movie Nicholas Cage is not in a good place. He can't find work. He's having problems relating to his daughter and he owes a lot of money. (If you recall a few years back, real Nicholas Cage blew his fortune, owed the IRS millions of dollars and had to make bad movies nonstop to get out of debt.) Then movie Cage's agent (Neil Patrick Harris) tells him he can pocket \$1 million if he attends a private party in Majorca. Initially reluctant, Cage agrees and becomes fast friends with his host, wealth businessman and Cage superfan Javi (Pedro Pascal). They bond over their love of movies and Nicholas Cage. The weekend is turning out better than Nick thought it would, when he's roped into doing espionage by two CIA agents (Tiffany Hadish and Ike Barinholtz).

So now Nicholas Cage has to be more like action star Nicholas Cage, rigging security cameras, fighting, shooting, and driving, so much driving. All this while Nick and Javi try to write the perfect Nick Cage movie. *Unbearable* takes an ominous turn when Javi's drug-dealer boss starts doing very villainy things. But it's nothing you wouldn't see in your average Nicholas Cage or Liam Neeson movie.



Cage is completely compelling in a role that is much more complicated than you might think as he's playing several different versions of himself. Cage and Pascal have perfect movie buddy chemistry and Irish actress Sharon Horgan, who I adored in the Amazon comedy Catastrophe, is wonderful as Cage's ex.

The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent is smart, funny and totally original, even more impressive as it is only writer/director Tom Gormican's second feature film. I loved it and can't wait to see what Gormican (and yes, Cage) do next.

The Unbearable Weight of Massive Talent

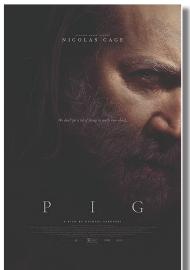


When I came home from the theater, I wondered what was the last Nicholas Cage movie I saw, not including my twice-annual viewing of 1987's Moonstruck. So I started scrolling Cage's IMDB filmography, all 110 entries. I had to go back to 2009 and a movie I'd long forgotten called Knowing. I hadn't heard of most of his recent films, Kill Chain, Primal, 211, Between Worlds, Mandy, Dark, Rage, Joe. Most received dismal reviews

and went straight to video. But his most recent film, 2021's Pig, looked intriguing and had impressive reviews, with most critics raving about Cage's performance. It was also available on Hulu. Could I watch two Nicholas Cage movies in one day?

In Pig, Cage plays Robin, a renowned chef turned recluse who lives in a remote part of Oregon, with his only companion, a trufflehunting pig. When the pig is stolen, Robin goes looking for the thief with a reluctant Amir (Alex Wolff), a young businessman who's been buying Rob's truffles and selling them at a profit to Portland chefs.

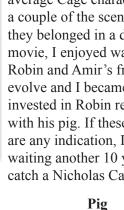
Pig has a bit of a John Wick vibe; both main characters are brooding widowers who are really attached to their pets. but Cage is no Keanu Reeves. He's unwashed, with a scraggly beard, ill-fitting, old clothes and for most of the



movie, a bloody and bruised face. Not exactly eye candy. The actors do have a similar straight-forward, low, clipped delivery, but thankfully there are about 171 fewer dead bodies in Pig than in a Wick film.

As Robin moves about the city, it's apparent his name still carries some weight in the restaurant world. He eventually encounters Darius (Adam Arkin), a semiscary guy who knows the

whereabouts of Robin's pig. Cage is in nearly every scene in the movie and delivers a surprisingly endearing and heartfelt performance, much more subdued than the average Cage character. While a couple of the scenes felt like they belonged in a different movie, I enjoyed watching Robin and Amir's friendship evolve and I became totally invested in Robin reuniting with his pig. If these two films are any indication, I won't be waiting another 10 years to catch a Nicholas Cage film.





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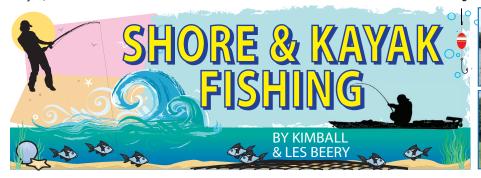
















Snook on the Beach

Spring has sprung. The gulf water temperature is climbing past 75°F, and spring breakers are invading the beaches. During the winter, anglers that surf fish watch the water temperature carefully and begin to celebrate as it climbs to 70°F. This is when snook begin moving out to the beach again.

Fly fishing folks stalk snook in the early morning with the sun behind them. With polarized glasses, look for their shadows in the trough between the sand and the first bar. Long casts aren't necessary if you approach them from their tail end. They always face into the shore flow so if you face that way too, you can sneak up on them from behind. Cast beyond them and allow your presentation to drift naturally into their space.

Not a fly fisher? No worries, these fish will hit small lightcolored lures or bait. We used to believe that snook only ate live shrimp, whiting, or pinfish on the beach. Lately we have found that snook are not as picky as we thought. On a recent trip with our son Terall, we arrived at the bait shop to find a shortage of live shrimp and resorted to some from our freezer. For situations like this, we always freeze any live shrimp not used and then bring them along wrapped in an ice blanket in a plastic baggie. This keeps them fresh and frozen. We still prefer to use live shrimp.

Arriving at Stump Pass
Beach, we saw anglers with long
surf rods casting beyond the first
bar for small pompano that they
released. The minimum size for
pompano and permit is 11". We
only had light spinning tackle
and frozen shrimp and were
looking to catch a few whiting
for a fish fry. At high tide, the
fish we sought feed along the
trough between the shore and the
first bar. No long casts and heavy
weights are needed to cover this
area. There were medium waves



Terall, Kim and Les with beach caught snook on a recent outing.

coming ashore with some flat water in between, making the curl by our feet rather turbulent, stirring up sand and shells and nutriments for fish. This was perfect for the feeding whiting. Many of our fish came from this close "curl."

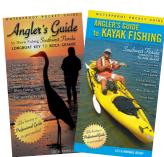
To our surprise, fishing with frozen shrimp, our catch included several snook, a large sheepshead and a bunch of whiting. Snook season is closed to help them recover from the red tide events of recent years but whiting and sheepshead are open year around. Another surprise was the absence of catfish or pinfish eating our frozen shrimp.

We "tail hooked" the thawed shrimp with the hook point coming out through the leg area on a 1/0 octopus hook and a split shot about a foot up the line. Making short casts to the inside of that first bar, a very slow retrieve brought our offering to the fish feeding in the trough. This works best on a either side of a high tide with plenty of water in the trough.

Light tackle fishing on a sandy beach means you can let the fish show their power with a lighter drag setting. On a crowded beach among spring breakers and Sunday beach goers, you must find an area without swimmers or shark tooth hunters nearby. Larger hooked fish will not come straight into your position. Rather, they will run a considerable distance

north or south and can entangle innocent bystanders. Fish at least 100' from folks in the water to be safe and considerate.

What began as a tentative trip down the beach to see if anything was happening, turned into a productive afternoon as the tide began to fall. Finding the whiting in a cooperative mood, Kim returned to the car to get a splash bucket that we carry our bait bucket in and used it to hold our whiting. Whiting are great bait stealers but for every 2-3 baits lost, a whiting hit the bucket. We only kept larger whiting as the smaller ones don't fillet well and are better left to grow up. We ended up with 6 whiting and a sheepshead all in the 14" + range for our fish fry, in addition to the many whiting and snook we released.



Kimball and Les Beery, authors of Angler's Guide to SHORE and KAYAK Fishing Southwest Florida, contribute these excerpts from both WATERPROOF books to promote the excellent fishing available in the Englewood area. They are available locally at Old Florida Gallery on West Dearborn, and for download at www.anglerpocketguides.com & www.amazon.com.



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A bia round of applause for owner Kathleen Callahan and her staff at Xpertech Auto Repair! Xpertech has been selected as the 2022 AAA Gold Top Shop for North America in the small shop category and they received their award on April 28th! The auto repair shop at 101 N. McCall Road has been providing outstanding service for many years and their efforts have been recognized nationally. This isn't the first award for the business. Last year Xpertech was the silver winner for Best in Auto Repair, in 2018 they won Female Shop Owner of the Year by Women in Auto Care, and in 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022, they received Best of Englewood award. "At Xpertech, we strive to provide the level of service that alians with the level of excellence that AAA and their clients have come to expect," said owner, Kathleen Callahan. "It is awesome to receive this award and it puts Englewood on the map nationally." With no background in auto repairs and never imaging that she

would own an auto shop, she took over ownership in 2009 and it has been a huge success, especially with female clients who have little experience with auto repairs. Kathleen also credits her success to the partnerships with AAA, NAPA, and her loyal customers. Upcoming plans include adding two more bays to the shop. Kathleen also plans to offer free Car Care Clinics in the coming months. Follow Xpertech on Facebook for updates. She is also very active with the Englewood Chamber of Commerce and currently serves as President. Again, congratulations to the staff of Xpertech: Kathleen Callahan, and her office staff, Jamie McNeil, Service Advisor and Diane Hamrick, Customer Service Representative, Jasmine Jaime, Chad Ruth, and Dean Jarosik. Pictured here at the award ceremony are (I - r:) Josh Houle, Chris Matthews, Sam Diliberto, Chad Ruth, Jasmine Jaime, Diane Hamrick, owner Kathleen Callahan, Dean Jarosik, Jamie McNeil, and Gene Detoma.



Cedar Valley Crafts is celebrating their second anniversary and you are invited to stop by the store to take advantage of their special sales and discounts Monday through Wednesday, May 16 – 18. There will be numerous store samples, precut preview sale, and a color focus discount each day. Owners Lee and Tom Renaud offer high quality fabrics, sewing notions, quilting, cross stitch, and embroidery supplies, as well as Amish and Mennonite crafts. The store, located at 232 N. Indiana Avenue, is open 10am to 6pm, Monday through Saturday. Lee plans to start offering special Saturday sessions. On the first and third Saturdays of the month, beginning May 21st, there will be sewing clinics by appointment for two-hour slots for only \$10. On the second and fourth Saturdays of the month beginning May 28th, will be three-hour slot Sew-Ins by appointment. Stop by the store or call 941-681-2313 for more information. You can also visit www.cedarvalleycrafts.com or on Facebook.

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Winn-Dixie Campaign to Aid **Pediatric Hospitals**

May is National Cancer Month and Southeastern Grocers Inc. (SEG), parent company and home of local Winn-Dixie grocery stores, is partnering with nine children's hospitals across the Southeast, including Golisano Children's Hospital and John Hopkins All Children's Hospital, to raise essential funds for pediatric care. Now through May 17. Englewood area customers are encouraged to support their local pediatric care facilities by rounding up their grocery bills while shopping at their neighborhood

Winn-Dixie grocery stores. The contributions collected during SEG's community donation program will be donated directly to nine children's hospitals to support each facility's pediatric specialties, family-centered support, therapeutic activities, research, child advocacy and other vital programs. In Englewood. Winn-Dixie stores are located at 1951 S. McCall Road and at 4100 McCall Road.

If you have an upcoming event you would like to have considered for "BIZ" please send info and/or photo to englewoodreview@comcast.net.



Beach Road Wine Bar and Bistro is closing, BUT only temporarily, while the popular eatery and wine bar undergoes phase one of its renovation. Owners Scott & Jill Hemmes are excited for the expansion and the changes that will come. So will you when the restaurant reopens sometime in the fall - bigger, better, and able to accommodate guests with more seating and more options. The Hemmes and their staff will miss their loyal customers, but you can still see some of their staff at the

Bistro's sister restaurant, The Waverly, which will continue to serve you at 2095 N. Beach Road. You can make reservations by calling **941-474-3500**. Please note that the Beach Road Boutique will remain open 10am to 6pm daily, as will Beach Road Watersports, 9am to 6pm daily (weather permitting). Please check their website, www.beachroadbistro.com, and Facebook page for updates.













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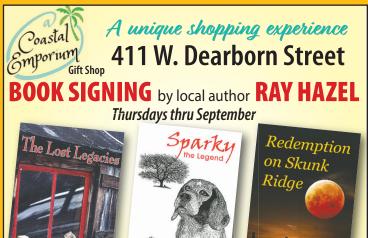
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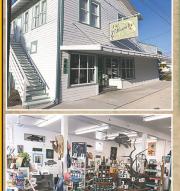






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The Business and Professional Women of Englewood and Venice (BPWEV) is pleased to announce the officers inducted for the 2022-2023 season. Pictured here I-r: Carol Kouba, Member; Esther Bird, President; Sue Hogrefe, Vice President, Debra Straw, Second Vice President; Cyndi Fredricks, Treasurer; Irene Slattery, Member. New member Teresa Karaffa of the Lemon Bay Soap Company was also welcomed. Learn more about BPWEV at www.BPWEV.org.



In early 2022, an EF-1 tornado with estimated 110 mph winds tore through the Gasparilla Mobile Estates, damaging or destroying more than 20 mobile homes. Luckily, no one died but residents suffered an estimated \$2 million in property damages, and few had insurance. At a recent meeting of the Englewood Lions Club, representatives of the Gasparilla Mobile Homeowners Association (GMHA) Ted Roberts and Cindy Wenzel, spoke of the damages, the aftermath, and the on-going recovery efforts. They spoke of the assistance received from Charlotte County citizens and organizations, particularly the county Fire Department and Emergency Services. Mr. Roberts praised the generosity of many organizations and private citizens in donating to a recovery fund and described in detail how donations are distributed to the estate residents in proportion to their losses. The Lions Club then presented Mr. Roberts and Ms. Wenzel a \$1,000 donation for the tornado recovery fund. Pictured with the donation check are I- r: GMHA Secretary Cindy Wenzel, Lions President Kathleen Lawless, and GMHA Treasurer Ted Roberts

KenDUCKY Derby Party The Rotonda American Legion Post 113 is hosting a

Legion Post 113 is hosting a KenDUCKY Derby Party on **Saturday, May 7** at the Post, 3436 Indiana Road. The fun starts at **4pm** with Duck Races and Spin the Wheel for prizes. The Auxiliary will be hosting the 50/50 Raffle and their "horse" races after the Duck Races. There will be Ladies Derby Hat and

Gentlemen's Bowtie Contests, too. Real Derby Race betting can be done before the race begins at **6:57pm**. The kitchen will be open from **5-7pm** and there are drink specials. Something new —



At the Thursday, April 21st General Meeting, the GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club Civic Engagement Program rolled out their new partnership with the Guardian ad Litem Foundation of the 20th Judicial District. The Guardian ad Litem (GAL) Program is a statewide child advocacy program commissioned by statute to represent the best interests of abused, neglected, or abandoned children who have been removed from their homes, due to no fault of their own, and placed under court supervision. Two GAL

Ambassadors attended the meeting to provide insight to the GAL, and they received their first quarterly donation of Bedtime Bags to be given to children as they enter foster care. The colorful, hand-made, draw-string bags contain age and size appropriate pajamas, hygiene items, a book, and a comfort toy. Club members provided or hand-made all the items. Pictured with Club members are Barbara Berman, who serves as Vice President of the Foundation, and Advocate Nancy Suarez.



The Englewood Lions Club was organized March 24, 1952, with 34 charter members. The club was the first service club in Englewood and has been in existence continuously since then. Membership has fluctuated over the years from nine to 72 members. In October 1987, history was made when 17 members were inducted at one time and seven of them were women. Serving in 1988-89 was the Club's first lady President, Katie Baumgarten. At the present time, the club has 19 members plus four associate members. The Clubs fundraisers have included selling pecan logs, grocery raffles, spaghetti dinners, corned beef & cabbage dinners, ham dinners, white cane collections, mints, flea markets and bingo. Recently a "Feed the Hungry" raffle was conducted with the proceeds going to two local food

banks and to Meals on Wheels. The newest fundraiser is selling Christmas and Easter plants. Like all Lions Clubs, 100% of the net proceeds from fundraisers are returned to the communities served. Club volunteers also provide diabetes, retinopathy, and children's vision screenings free of charge. And, with the Venice Lions Club, they operate a Lions Vision Clinic that provides free eye care to the needy. To anyone who would like to help the Englewood community, please consider joining the Lions Club. Visit www.englewoodfl-lionsclub.com or follow them on Facebook: facebook.com/englewoodlions. Pictured here, Lions from all over the state helped the Englewood Lions Club celebrate their 70th Charter Anniversary on March 27th at the Boca Royale Golf and Country Club in Englewood.

bring a dessert to share! Contact the Post at 941-697-3616 for further information. The public is welcome.

Englewood Fishing Club to Meet

The Englewood Fishing Club will meet on Thursday, May 12 at 6:30pm at the Rotonda Community Center, 646 Rotonda Circle, Rotonda West. The speaker will be Captain Mike Meyers of Reel Shark Charters and he will discuss current fishing conditions in this area and answer specific questions from the audience. The meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month and are open at

no charge to the public. Please arrive early. Club information is available by emailing englewoodfishingclub@gmail.

BFF May Celebration

May is a special month! The **Business and Professional** Women of Englewood and Venice (BPWEV) welcomes you to join them in honoring all the special women in your life. BPWEV is hosting the 4th Annual "BFF" May Celebration on Tuesday, May 17, 5:15 to 8pm, at the Plantation Golf & Country Club, 500 Rockley Blvd, Venice. Invite the special female in your life...

mother, daughter, sister, niece, granddaughter, friend, neighbor, co-worker etc. for a special evening. A delicious dinner will be served and followed by fun entertainment provided by The Shark Sisters and Katie Malloy! Chances for great prizes will be available - it will be a "BFF" May celebration to remember! Cost is \$35 per person. Registration deadline is Sunday, May 15. Visit www.BPWEV. org for more information and to secure your reservation today!

RWWC Anniversary Meeting

The May GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club General Meeting will be held on the third Thursday of the month. May 19th. The meeting will be the 48th Anniversary Celebration of Rotonda West Woman's Club. Presentations will be made of season-end check donations to **Englewood Community Care** Clinic, Englewood Helping Hand, Meals on Wheels, Back Pack Kidz, and Continuing Education Scholarships. Social hour from 9 to 10am; business meeting from 10 to 11:30am. For more information, visit www.gfwcrotondawest.org You are invited to the Anniversary Celebration at Broadmoor Park, 646 Rotonda Circle!

Memorial Day Spirit Walk

GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club invites you to walk and rekindle the original spirit of Memorial Day by walking any or all days in May to honor and remember a veteran. This is not an organized walk, but a personal, quiet tribute by you

at any time. Sign in sheets will be provided at Broadmoor Park, 646 Rotonda Circle, and in the Rotonda West Association Library. Just sign your name and add the Veteran's name for whom you are walking. Distance does not matter; it's the memory that counts. On Sunday, May 29, a memorial garden of American Flags will be quietly planted that will be seen at the driveway to Broadmoor Park on the morning of Memorial Day. You may also place a Veteran's name on the list of those honored, or to receive a sign-in sheet of your own

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On Tuesday, April 19th, The Englewood Moose Lodge #1933 presented The Lemon Bay Touchdown Club a \$642 check for their Fifth Annual Golf Tournament. Pictured (L-R) are Newt Webb, Jeremy Dowd, and Jim Thompson.



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Kids ages 6 through 15, can participate in Sarasota's most unique experience for kids by participating in Circus Arts Conservatory's Summer Camps. One and two-week sessions are offered weekdays, **June 6 – August 5**. Kids can engage in various circus arts: trapeze, Rolling Globe, Silks, Rolla Bolla, Trampoline, Hula Hoop, Wire Walking, Clowning, and Juggling in air-conditioned comfort. There will be a costumed performance at the end of each session. For more information and registration information, go to www.circusarts.org/programs. Sailor Circus Arena is located at 2075 Bahia Vista Street, Sarasota.

Stories in the Shade

Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road, hosts "Stories in the Shade" every Thursday from 1 to 1:45pm. This story time for children ages six and under, along with their favorite adult, meets outside the library in Tringali Park and allows kids to be active with their favorite stores, rhymes, and songs. Free. For more information, call the library at 941•681•3736.

Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead!

Kids ages 7 to 12 are invited on the second Friday of each month to participate in a S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics) session at the Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road. On **Friday, May 13 at 4pm**, the activity is Blooming Blossoms. In this spring science activity, children will create chromatography flowers using coffee filters and make paper

flowers bloom using only water! Registration is required at www. charlottefl.ent.sirsi.net (click on Calendar) or call the library at **941•681•3736**.

Burst Into Summer Carnival

Come one, come all to the Burst into Summer Carnival! The Literacy Center for Dyslexia (TLC), a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, presents games, prizes, food, crafts, face painting & more for families & children

of all ages! The carnival will be Sunday May 15, 2 to 6pm, at the Englewood Elks Lodge, 401 N. Indiana Avenue. Advance admission tickets: \$2 children ages 2-14 and \$5 adults. Tickets available at the door or in advance at www.tlcfordyslexia. com.

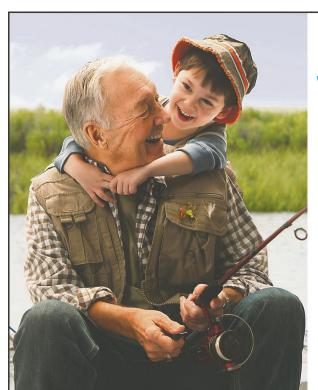
Teen Minute-to-Win-It

Teens are invited to come to the Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road, on **Friday**,

May 27 at 4pm to participate in the Teen Minute-to-Win-It Tournament! You're in the final stretch, and the pressure is on! Why not take a minute to stop by and play some quirky party games with your friends and library staff? Earn cool prizes, veg out, and just have fun as you try to beat each silly challenge. Light refreshments will be served. Registration is required at www. charlottefl.ent.sirsi.net and click on calendar or call 941•681•3736.



"My name is Brody, and I love my mom. She is a great working mom!" Brody is the son of Holly Lawrence, a nurse in the Medical-Surgical unit at HCA Florida Englewood Hospital, 700 Medical Blvd. Brody visited the hospital along with many other children of the caregivers on April 28th as part of Take Your Child to Work Day at the hospital. Steve Young, CEO, talked with the group about the hospital and shared cool facts about how many patients are cared for including kids. When asking the group who they think the best caregiver in the hospital is, all hands went up to vote for their mom or dad. "All of your parents are special because they take care of people," said Steve. The kids were treated to breakfast, designed get-well cards for patients and toured the hospital. The get-well cards will be delivered to patients along with their meal by the Culinary Services team. Photo: Angela Thomas, Director of Information Technology, gave her son David, a tour of the hospital and showed him the data and communications suite that houses core IT and computing service infrastructure.



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Girl Scout Troop #615 visited Kids' Needs of Greater Englewood recently with bags of clothing donations for their clothes closet. The troop brought clothes, shoes, school supplies, and toiletries. A big thank you to Gabby, Ashlynn, Myah, Kayley, Aria, Alexa, and (not pictured) moms Sarah and Claire.

Children's Theatre Camp

Lemon Bay Playhouse will be holding The Lemondrops Children's Theater Camp this July. The three-week camp, led by Cheryl Hastings, will include developing acting skills through team-building exercises, theater games, improvisations, arts and crafts, and rehearsals. All campers will have a role in the play The Great Gotzalot Bash, a comedy that takes place in The Roaring 20s. Some interesting characters include John Ringling, Mae West, Coco Chanel, Flappers, and Keystone Cops. The camp will run from 9am to noon, Monday through Friday, July 11–29, ending with two evening performances on Friday, July 29 and Saturday, July 30. The cost for the threeweek camp is \$210 per camper. A \$25 non-refundable deposit is required. The camp is limited to 21 students, ages 8-14. If a child has "aged-out" and has been part of the camp in the past, they are welcome to enroll. Applications are currently being accepted at www.lemonbayplayhouse.com or can be picked up at the Lemon Bay Playhouse box office, Monday-Friday, from 10am to **2pm**. Scholarships are offered on

a first come-first served basis.

Youth Sailing Camps

Registration is now open for Youth Summer Sailing Camps. The camps, offered by Englewood Sailing Association,

Inc., are five days long, Monday through Friday, 9am to 3pm, and held at Indian Mound Park, 210 Winson Avenue. Open to kids ages 10 to 17. Sessions are June 13-17, June 27-July 1, and July 11-15. Cost is \$150 per week. Need-based financial aid is available. Register online at www.englewoodsailing.org. For questions, call 941-681-8190.

Kids Summer Camp

Give your kids an outdoor adventure experience at Cedar Point Environmental Park's Kids Summer Camp. For kids ages 8 to 12, there will be water programs, field trips, hikes and more. Each week offers a different theme. July 11-15: Ancient Florida. July 18-22: Marine Explorers. July 25-29: Plant-a-Palooza, and August 1-5: Florida Animal Fanimalies. Camp hours are 9am to 3pm. \$150 per week. To sign up, call 941-475-0769 or email Gerald@ checflorida.org. Cedar Point is located at 2300 Placida Road.

Summer at Venice Theatre

Registration is now open for summer camps and classes at Venice Theatre. In-person and virtual opportunities for children, teens, and adults. To see the complete schedule, go to www. venicetheatre.org. Scholarship deadline is Tuesday, May 17.

Utilities Department Summer Internships

The Charlotte County Utilities

Department is seeking applicants for its six-week summer internship program. Applicants must be current high school students. The paid internship program will give students hands-on experience while learning about water distribution, treatment facilities, and wastewater collection. The program starts on Monday, June 13 and ends on Friday, July 22. The hours are from 7am to 3:30pm. For information, contact Jodi Sullivan at **941•764•4508** or Jodi.Sullivan@ CharlotteCountyFL.gov.

If you have an event or happening you would like to have considered for 'Keeping Up with Kids, 'please email information and/or photo to englewoodreview@comcast.net.





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Nature Calls

Florida Matinees Webinar Ever wondered how well manatees see underwater? Or how much food a manatee needs daily? How long they live? How far they travel? On Tuesday, May 17 at 4pm, Join Armando Ubeda, Florida Sea Grant agent with UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County, as he presents a wealth of information about the Florida manatee. The free webinar will cover some interesting facts about the Florida manatees, evolutionary adaptations of this magnificent aquatic herbivore, their present conservation status, and what you can do to help this marine mammal. Register early through ufsarasotaext.eventbrite.com to reserve your spot and receive notice of any changes. For questions or further information, please call 941.861.5000 or email sarasota@ifas.ufl.edu.

Sea Turtles Everywhere!

If you are curious about sea turtle nesting habits, behaviors, what they eat, the environment they live in, how big they get, and how to better protect them, you won't want to miss this program! You'll learn the answers to these questions and more, along with ways to help protect their nesting environments on the area's beautiful barrier islands. This free educational program is hosted by Barrier Islands Park Society and Friends of Stump Pass to raise awareness, foster stewardship, and preservation of the sea turtles that nest on our local beaches every year. The program is offered on Wednesday, May 18 and Saturday, May 28 at 8:30am. RSVP at www.bips.org/calendar and click on the event date. For questions, call **941-964-0060**.

Bite Back Against Mosquitoes

Are you frustrated by mosquitoes in your yard? Not only do mosquitoes deliver an annoying bite, but infected mosquitoes have the potential to transfer diseases to humans and animals through their bite. In this free online program by IF/UFAS Sarasota, Extension, you will learn about the life cycle of mosquitoes found in Florida and what you can do to reduce mosquito breeding sites around your home. Reducing breeding sites is critical to lowering the number of mosquitoes and

protecting yourself and your family from bites. The webinar will be **Wednesday, May 18, 11am to 12:30pm**. Please register for this event **only** at www.ufsarasotaext.eventbrite. com. Once registered through Eventbrite, the system will send you a confirmation email with

the webinar link. For questions or further information, please call **941**•**861**•**5000** or email sarasota@ifas.ufl.edu.

Lemon Bay Conservancy Activities

The Lemon Bay Conservancy activities listed below are open to the public. Lemon Bay

Coastal Wildlife Club Needs Your Help

Manasota Key Beach Walkers - your help is needed! Please report immediately any sea turtle you see nesting *during the day* to this number: 941•212•2214, Coastal Wildlife Club, Inc. Please take a few photos from a respectful distance. Provide location. To be sure you are looking at a sea turtle and not a gopher tortoise, here are some quick tips:

- A gopher tortoise is a land tortoise shaped like a helmet and is land-based. It has shovel-like legs with claws, not flippers. It weighs less than 20 pounds.
- A Kemp's ridley turtle is shaped like a flying saucer and is about two feet long. It is wider than it is long and weighs about 70 pounds.

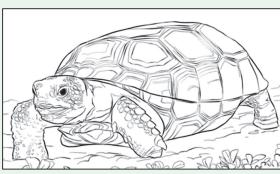
WHY?

1. The turtle could be a Kemp's ridley (Lepidochelys kempii). They are the smallest of the sea turtles and are critically endangered. They prefer nesting during the daytime and on a windy day early in turtle season, April - June.

- 2. Since the Kemp's ridley is so small and light, she leaves little trace that she was on the beach.
- 3. Once called, the turtle patrol will come immediately to mark the nest to protect it and will monitor it daily.
- 4. Your photos will help confirm species.
- 5. Your assistance is most appreciated and is vitally important to sea turtle conservation. Don't forget turtle season began on *May 1 and continues until October 31*.

DO keep the beach DARK and keep artificial light off the beach.

DO keep the beach clean by picking up any trash.



Gopher Tortoise.



Kemps ridley turtle.

in holes so turtles and hatchlings do not become trapped. DO remove furniture. toys, and any other items off the sand so nesting turtles can freely use the entire beach without obstructions.

DO fill

Conservancy's mission is to protect and preserve the natural features of Lemon Bay, Charlotte Harbor, their surrounding waters and uplands, and vital fish and wildlife habitat, through property preservation, environmental education and advocacy for sustainable land and water conservation policies and practices. Membership and volunteer opportunities are open to all who wish to help support their mission. Charitable donations are always welcome. Many of their activities take place at Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve, formerly an abandoned golf course, which the Conservancy purchased in 2010, and continues to enhance the natural habitats. The Preserve is located at 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd and is open to members daily and to the public for scheduled events. Learn more at

lemonbayconservancy.org.

Wildflower 101: Intro To the Preserve

Thursday, May 12, 9 to 11am: Take a guided nature walk with Tonya & Steve Bramlage and get an introduction to the beautifully restored habitats at the Preserve. This walk is especially designed for those who may not have visited the Preserve recently, but everyone is invited to come out and enjoy this leisurely walk.

Butterflies and Insects Sunday, May 15, 9 to 11am: Join Mike Weisensee on a visit

to the preserve Butterfly Habitat and nearby trails and observe some of the many butterflies and other amazing insects present in the Preserve.

Juvenile Tarpon Research Saturday, May 21, 7:45 am: Volunteers work with Florida Fish & Wildlife staff to pull in the seine net and in completing the research activities. Advance registration required. Contact Jim Cooper at 941-979-6258.

Intro To the Preserve Thursday, May 26, 9 to 11am:

Take a guided nature walk with Tonya & Steve Bramlage at Wildflower Preserve and get an introduction to the beautifully restored habitats. This walk is especially designed for those who may not have visited the Preserve recently, but everyone is invited to come out and enjoy this leisurely walk.

Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center (CHEC) Nature Walks

On these casual walks with CHEC volunteers, you will search for and learn about plants, animals, fungi, and more that live in Charlotte County preserves. Prepare for each walk with plenty of water, insect repellent, sunscreen, and clothing that will protect you from insects and plants. Advance registration is required. The health and safety policies for CHEC programs are subject to change. For information on programs, mask requirements and Covid-19 safety precautions, please call **941•475•0769** or email gerald@checflorida.org. Go to www.CHECflorida.org for a complete program calendar.

Saturday, May 21, 9am:

Seagrass Wading Trip: Join CHEC for a free wading adventure through the seagrass beds of Lemon Bay! All participants will be guided approximately a half-mile to the wading site, where they will collect and view creatures of the bay. Participants will need to wear closed-toe shoes and clothes that may get wet during the trip. Participants are also encouraged to wear sunscreen and insect repellent and to bring plenty of drinking water. Advance registration is required at 941-475-0769. Trips fill up fast! Meet in the Cedar Point Visitor Center at 2300 Placida Road

Friday, May 27, 9am: Join CHEC on a free guided walk through the scrub and

pine flatwoods of 217-acre Amberjack Environmental Park, 6250 Gasparilla Pines Blvd in Rotonda. Meet at the end of Gasparilla Pines Blvd. Please call 941•475•0769 to register or for more information.

Tuesday, May 31, 9am: Join CHEC on a free guided walk through the old-growth pine flatwoods and mangrove fringe of 125-acre Ann and Chuck Dever Regional Park, 6791 San Casa Drive. Meet at the San Casa entrance. Please call 941•475•0769 to register or for more information.

The items appearing in this column are as accurate as possible. Please call the listed numbers for confirmation and further information.



The National Wildlife Federation (NWF), America's largest wildlife conservation and education organization, is pleased that **Alison and Lawrence Horton**. in Englewood, have successfully created a Certified Wildlife Habitat® through its Garden for Wildlife™ program. "This is a great opportunity for everyone to aet involved", savs Alison. We may not be able to save our world, but we can save our wildlife, one backyard at a time!" NWF celebrates this effort to create a garden that supports birds, butterflies, bees, frogs, and other local wildlife. Every Certified Wildlife Habitat Garden provides natural sources of food, water, cover, and places to raise young and is maintained in a sustainable way that incorporates native plants, conserves water and doesn't rely on pesticides. "Anyone anywhere can restore wildlife habitat right in their own yards and communities," said NWF naturalist David Mizejewski. "Whether you garden in a suburban yard, an urban area, or a rural plot of land, you can make a difference for local wildlife. Creating a Certified Wildlife Habitat Garden is fun, easy and makes a real difference for neighborhood wildlife. It's the perfect grassroots way to think globally and act locally and help birds, butterflies, bees, and other wildlife," he added, Participants who have their wildlife habitat garden certified receive a personalized certificate with a unique habitat number, a one-year membership to NWF with a subscription to National Wildlife magazine, a subscription to the Garden for Wildlife e-newsletter, a ten percent discount to National Wildlife catalog, and the exclusive right to post a Certified Wildlife Habitat yard sign. Every certified garden is also part of the Million Pollinator Garden Challenge, a national effort to create a million gardens that provide habitat for declining pollinator insects such butterflies and bees. For more information, visit www.nwf.org/garden or call 800.822.9919.





Englewood Charlotte Public Library 3450 N. Access Rd. 941-681-3736



Saturday, May 7, 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Bring your imagination as we explore working with artist Kathryn Sjogren to create an imaginary animal using oil pastels. Your animal will be inspired by the illustrations created by Eric Carle from his book The Mixed Up Chameleon.

Stories in the Shade Thursday, May 12, 1 to 1:45 p.m.

The sun is shining, and we are all a-buzz to get out and active with our favorite stories, rhymes, and songs. Join us at Tringali Park for storytime fun in the shade for children ages 6 and younger!



Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead!

Friday, May 13, 4 p.m.

Blooming Blossoms - In this spring science activity, children will create chromatography flowers using coffee filters and make paper flowers bloom using only water! For kids ages 7-12. Registration required.



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Calendar at a Glance

These are the shortened calendar events that were added to our website www.englewoodreview.com as of Noon on Friday, April 29. They represent events from May 6 - May 27. For the most up-to-date listings and to read about these events in full detail, visit our online calendar. All listings in our "Calendar At A Glance" must be entered on our website. Click on Calendar and fill out Event Submission Form.

PLEASE NOTE: POSTED EVENTS MUST BE OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. SOME CLASSES MAY REQUIRE MASKS. PLEASE CALL BEFORE ATTENDING.

FRI MAY 6

Sounding the Deep: Words and Music Inspired by Nature

Hermitage Artist Retreat Beach 6660 Manasota Key Rd. 6:30-7:30PM HermitageArtistRetreat.org

SAT MAY 7

Fellowship Church Men's Prayer Breakfast 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 8-9AM 941-475-7447

Cruisin' on Dearborn Vintage Car Show, W. Dearborn St. 2-8PM

KenDUCKY Derby Party American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Rd., Rotonda W, FL 33947 4-8PM 941-697-3616

SUN MAY 8

K of C Council 7672 Pancake Break-

fast St. Francis of Assisi Church, 5265 Placida Rd. 8:30-11:30AM dkasson@comcast.net

MON MAY 9

Reading with the Dogs Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn St. 3:30-4:30PM 941-681-1225

TUES MAY 10

Charlotte County Trump Club Meeting The Grill at 1951, 1951 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte 11AM-1PM cctrumpclub@yahoo.com

WED MAY 11

Medicare Savings Plans (What you need to know) Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Park, 6791 San Casa Dr. 1:30-2:30PM 941-221-2455

THURS MAY 12

Englewood Fishing ClubRotonda Community Center,

Rotonda Community Center, 646 Rotonda Circle 6:30-8:00PM 941-697-3685

FRI MAY 13

Hamlet Venice Theatre, 140 Tampa Ave. W. Evenings 7:30PM, Monday 2PM. Runs thru May 29. venicetheatre.org

"Cats Talk Back" – A Reading with Tony Award Nominee Bess Woh Hermitage Artist Retreat Beach,

6660 Manasota Key Rd. 6:30-7:30PM HermitageArtistRetreat.org

SAT MAY 14 Wading Adventures

Port Boca Grande Picnic Pavil, 880 Belcher Rd., Boca Grande 9:30AM-12PM 941-964-0060

Fiction Writers Group Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Rd. 10:45AM-1PM Tamiamifl@comcast.net

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SUN MAY 15

FC F.U.E.L. Fellowship Church, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W 5-7PM 941-475-7447

FC BLAST KIDS

Fellowship Church Worship Center, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 5-7PM 941-475-7447

SUN MAY 16

Englewood Area Orchid Society Meeting St. David's Episcopal Church, 401 S. Broadway 6:30-9PM 941-697-9237

WED MAY 18

Sea Turtles Everywhere Stump Pass Beach State Park, 900 Gulf Blvd. 8:30-9:30AM 941-964-0060

Englewood Genealogical Society

of Florida Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn St. 12-2PM info@egsfl.org

THURS MAY 19

Fellowship Church Senior Fellowship Worship Center, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 11AM-12PM

FRI MAY 20

The Wind in the Willows Venice Theatre, 140 Tampa Ave. W. Evenings 7:30PM, Monday 2PM. Runs thru May 29. venicetheatre.org

Hermitage Poet's Corner: The Contemporary Word

Bookstore1, 117 S. Pineapple Ave., Sarasota 5-6PM HermitageArtistRetreat.org

THURS MAY 26

"Worlds: A Part" with Pauchi Sasaki and Monica Youn Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast, 400 Palmetto Ave., Osprey 6-7PM HermitageArtistRetreat.org

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ONGOING WEEKLY EVENTS

EVERY DAY

Englewood Beach Yoga 2100 N. Beach Rd. 8:30-9:30AM 941-473-0135

MON, TUES, WED

Jubilee Center Food Pantry

Jubilee Center at St. David's, 410 S. Broadway, 10AM-12PM 941-681-3550

MON & THUR

941-681-2081

Englewood Community Care Clinic Mac Horton West County Annex, 6868 San Casa Dr. 5-8PM

MON, WED & FRI

Hatha Yoga Englewood Sports Complex, 1300 S. River Rd. 9-10AM 941-861-1980

St. Francis Food Pantry

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 5265 Placida Rd. 9:15-11:15AM 941-697-4899

MON - SAT

Yoga Classes Loving Light Yoga Studio, 3455 S. Access Rd. 8AM-6PM 941-473-0135

Manasota Beach Yoga

8570 Manasota Key Rd. 8-8:35AM & 9-9:35AM 941-313-0358

TUES & THURS

Boogie Chair by Laurentz

Englewood Sports Complex, 1300 S. River Rd. 9-10AM 941-237-8983

Arboretum Tour at the Elling Eide Center Elling Eide Center,

Center Elling Eide Center, 8000 South Tamiami Trail, Sarasota 10AM-12PM 941-893-4712

WED & THURS

Englewood Helping Hand Food

Pantry Englewood United Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn St. 8AM-1PM 941-474-5864

WED & FRI

Line Dancing with Eve American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Rd. 9:30-11:30AM 941-697-8733

MONDAYS

Boogie Chair by Laurentz Centennial Park.

1120 Centennial Blvd., Pt. Charlotte 11:45AM-12:45PM 941-237-8983

Creative Magic of Mosaics Arts Alliance of Lemon Bay, 452 W. Dearborn St. 1-5:00PM 941-258-6873

Zumba Toning with Denise Lemon Bay Woman's Club, 51 N. Maple St. 4-5PM 941-268-8086

Music Jam Session Indian Mound Park, 210 Winson Ave. 6-8:15PM

Venetian Harmony Chorus

Rehearsal Christ Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall, 701 N. Indiana Ave. 6:30-8:30PM 941-525-2376

TUESDAYS

Line Dancing with Eve

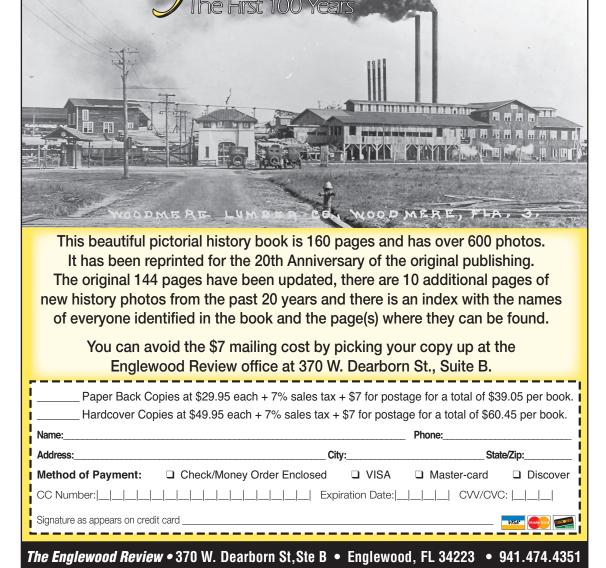
Rotonda Elks, 303 Rotonda Blvd. East, 10AM-12PM 941-697-8733

Hawaiian Hula Body Shaping Fitness, 1499 S. McCall Rd. 10:15-11:15AM 941-474-6412

Beginner Tai Chi

Venice Community Center, 326 Nokomis Ave. 10:40-11:40AM 941-492-2167

Zumba with Laurentz Centennial Park Rec. Center, 1120 Centennial Blvd. Port Charlotte 11AM-12PM 941-237-8983



Fellowship Church Friend to Friend Fellowship Worship Center (REA) 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 1-3PM 941-475-7447

Writers on the Air Common **Grounds Meeting Hall,** 12737 US 41 South, North Port 5:30-7PM 941-223-1262

WEDNESDAYS

Englewood Car Crazy Englewood Square Shopping Center, 445 S. Indiana Ave. 8-10AM

Zumba with Laurentz Englewood Sports Complex, 1300 S. River Rd. 8:45-9:45AM 941-237-8983

Zumba Fitness with Denise Rotonda Elks 303 Rotonda Blvd. E. 9:30-10:30AM 941-268-8086

St. David's Noonday Prayer St. David's Episcopal Church, 401 S. Broadway, Noon 941-474-3140

Celebrate Recovery

Fellowship Church of Englewood, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 6-8PM 941-475-7447

Divorce Care Englewood United Methodist Church, 700 East Dearborn St. 6:30-8:00PM 941-474-5588

THURSDAYS

Farmers Markets W. Dearborn St. 300 to 500 Block 9AM-1PM

Line Dance Club Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave. 9:30-11:30AM 941-474-6027

Line Dancing with Eve American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Rd. 9:30-11:30AM 941-697-8733

Zumba Toning with Denise

Rotonda Elks, 303 Rotonda Blvd. East 9:30-10:30AM 941-268-8086

Homeschool Weekly Meet-Ups Various Englewood Area Parks svelte76@gmail.com

Line Dancing with Eve

American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Rd., Rotonda 9:30-11:30AM 941-697-8733

Outdoor Family Story Time

Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn St. 10:30-11:15AM 941-861-1214

Contemporary Batik Class Arts Alliance of Lemon Bay, 452 W. Dearborn St. 1-4PM 941-275-4874

FRIDAYS

Zumba with Laurentz Englewood Sports Complex, 1300 S. River Rd. 8:45-9:45AM 941-237-8983

Beginner Tai Chi Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave. 10-11AM 941-492-2167

Boogie Chair SGC HOA Clubhouse 14859 Ingraham Blvd. 10:30-11:30AM 941-237-8983

Lemon Bay Woodcarvers

Community Presbyterian Church Kastner Hall, 405 S. McCall Rd. 12-2PM 941-473-0626

SATURDAYS

Zumba Fitness with Denise Lemon Bay Woman"s Club, 51 North Maple St. 9-10AM 941-268-8086

Closet of Hope Gulf Cove United Methodist Church, 1100 McCall Rd. 9:30AM-12PM 941-697-1747

Adventures with Needle Felt Arts Alliance of Lemon Bay, 452 W. Dearborn St. 1-4PM 412-477-8658

Arts Advocates Member Exhibit -Isabel Anchin Becker Sarasota Arts Advocates Gallery, 3501 S. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota 2-5PM

SUNDAYS Christ Lutheran Church

701 N. Indiana Ave. 9:30AM 941-474-1989

ECC Sunday Worship Englewood Christian Church, 9600 Gulfstream Blvd. 10:30-11:30AM 941-475-4973

Englewood United Methodist Church 700 E. Dearborn St. 8AM-12PM 941-474-5588

Faith Lutheran Church Worship 551 Rotonda Blvd. West 9:30AM. 941-697-3313

Fellowship Church Worship Center, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 8:30 & 10:30AM 941-475-7447

Gulf Cove United Methodist Church

1100 S. McCall Rd. 8-Noon, Also available online at www.GulfCoveChurch.com 941-697-1747

Living Hope Church 881 South River Rd. 10AM 941-460-8506

New Vision Church

6401 Sunnybrook Blvd. 9-11AM 941-475-2906

St. David's Sunday Worship

St. David's Episcopal Church, 401 S. Broadway, 9AM 941-474-3140

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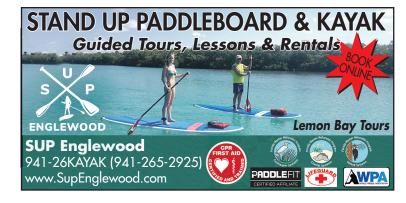


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Free Microchipping Event Gulf Pines Memorial Park, in partnership with Pet Passings and Companion Meadow, are hosting a free microchipping event, also featuring dogs for adoption on Saturday, May 7, 10am to **2pm**. Besides microchipping, there will be dogs available for adoption by Rescue Garage, dog treats, bully sticks, pet stories, and local pet vendors. The event will be held at Gulf Pines Memorial Park, 2401 Englewood Road. For more information, call Holly Coleman at Gulf Pines Memorial Park, 941-474-2413.

EARS Thrift Store Moving Englewood Animal Rescue Sanctuary (EARS) is re-locating their thrift store. EARS has learned their current location at

353 W. Dearborn is being sold and this presents the opportunity to move to a larger space. The thrift store will be moving close by to 280 S. McCall Rd., near Will's Honky Tonk and Funky Thrifty, in the former location for Millie's Trading Post. EARS is sad to be leaving Dearborn Street, but unfortunately, there isn't a retail space that fits their needs and budget. They are glad that they will be close by with plenty of off-street parking. The new location will provide great space for an array of great items. Follow them on Facebook to stay posted on the grand opening with a target of June 1st. EARS is always in need of fosters as all their dogs are placed in loving foster homes while they wait for their forever homes. If interested, call 941.681.3877.





These are just a few of the many animals waiting for adoption. You can see all of Suncoast Humane Society's adoptable animals by visiting their Website, www.humane.org.

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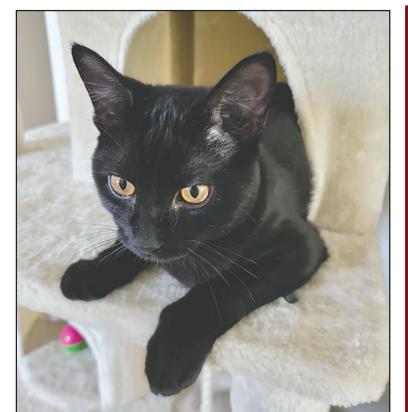
Meet & Greet and Adoption Hours (By appointment only) Tues - Fri: 10:00 AM-4:30 PM; Sat: 10:00 AM-3:30 PM Contact our Adoption Specialists at 941-474-7884 x 419 6781 San Casa Dr.

Danni is a brindle beauty looking for her cuddlina/ running partner. She loves snackina and will happily give kisses to her person. If you want a dynamic doggo with amber eyes in your life, then look no further.



Louie is called "The King" around here, and he helps us run things in the feline department. He is confident, affectionate, and handsome, too! He really is the whole package. Come by so you can see him free roaming our cattery.





Introducing Buzz – This cozy kitten was adopted from the Suncoast Humane Society and is adored by his parents, Sonnie Hall and Scott Seymour, who adopted him when he was six weeks old.





Ask how you can become a foster home for EARS. To see all the EARS animals, visit us at 500 N. Indiana Ave. (SR776), or visit Petfinder.com, or EarsAnimalRescue.com.

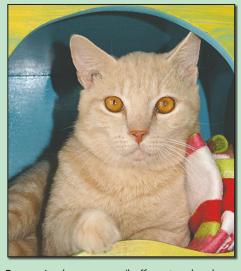
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Adoptions events are at EARS Tuesday thru Saturday, 10a.m.-3:00p.m.

All of EARS pets are spayed or neutered, vaccinated and micro-chipped in your name.

> Photos by **Bobbi Austin**

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Roman is a large orange/buff, neutered male with fabulous gold eyes. He is friendly and has lived with other cats.

Meet **Daisy**. She is an 8 yr. old, fun-loving Beagle. Daisy is 21 pounds and knows some commands, such as sit and shake. She is friendly and verv food motivated.



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