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**No Cruisin' in June**  
The Cruisin' on Dearborn event for **Saturday, June 6** has been cancelled. Please

refer to the online calendar at [OldEnglewood.com](http://OldEnglewood.com) for updates regarding future events.

**Charlotte County Pools Open**

The pools at Port Charlotte Beach Park, Ann and Chuck Dever Regional Park and South County Regional Park are now open with restrictions on the number of patrons allowed. Pool patrons must make a reservation for one-hour blocks of lap swimming or water aerobics classes. No walk-ins allowed. Pool admission and program fees will be collected upon entry and will be credit card transactions only. Online reservations will be accepted for only the next day. Visit [www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov) and click the County Pools banner. Shower and changing areas will be closed. All swimmers should arrive in their suits. Each registered patron will have one chair available to them to hold towels and personal belongings only. No lounging will be permitted on

deck furniture. Water fountains will not be available. Patrons are encouraged to bring their own water and wear face coverings when entering the facility and speaking with staff. Facilities will have dedicated entry and exit points. Patrons should practice social distancing while moving through the facility. No spectators will be permitted in the facility. For information, contact Sean Vitarelli at **681-3744** or [Sean.Vitarelli@CharlotteCountyFL.gov](mailto:Sean.Vitarelli@CharlotteCountyFL.gov).

**Daredevil Drive-In Show**

Nik Wallenda, known for his high wire walks, is producing a Daredevil Rally Drive-In Thrill Show on two weekends in early June. The show features Nik, his wife Erendira and a group of daredevil performers (FMX freestyle jumpers, BMX riders, human cannonball.) The excitement takes place at Nathan Benderson Park in Sarasota. Guests will watch from the safety of their own vehicle like

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**Selby Gardens Reopens**  
Marie Selby Botanical Gardens has reopened its outdoor areas to the public, both at the downtown Sarasota campus, 900 S. Palm Avenue and at its newly merged companion campus, Historic Spanish Point, 337 N. Tamiami Trail, Osprey. During this phase one re-opening, only outdoor areas are available to the public. General admission tickets have been reduced to \$15 at the Selby Botanical Gardens. The Tropical Conservatory, Museum of Botany & the Arts, Children's Rainforest Garden, Kid's Corner and the Garden Shop remain closed. Website: <https://selby.org>. Tickets are \$10 at Historic Spanish Point. The White Cottage, Mary's Chapel, Guptill House, Packing House and Gift Shop remain closed. Website: [www.historicspanishpoint.org](http://www.historicspanishpoint.org). Drinking fountains are closed at both locations so bring your own water.

**Summer Fertilizer Ordinance**  
Sarasota County reminds the community to skip using nitrogen and phosphorus fertilizers on lawns and landscapes from **June 1 through Sept. 30**, as part of an effort to keep the community's waterways healthy. According to Sarasota County Air and Water Quality Supervisor John Morgan, the frequency and amount of rain we experience during the summer months causes fertilizer to be washed away before it can be absorbed into the landscape. The nutrients found in fertilizer, particularly nitrogen and phosphorus, add to what is already a nutrient rich environment in our local water bodies. Excessive nutrients contribute to algae blooms, diminish water quality and threaten aquatic life. Use only fertilizers with zero nitrogen and zero phosphorous. Apply iron, found at most garden centers, as an effective and environmentally

friendly alternative to keep lawns green during the summer. For questions, call Sarasota County at **861-5000** or visit [scgov.net](http://scgov.net).

**Tax Collector In-Person Appts**  
Charlotte County Tax Collector motor services agencies located in Punta Gorda, Port Charlotte, Murdock and Englewood are accepting appointments for services that cannot be provided online, by telephone, drop box or by mail. Visit [taxcollector.charlottecountyfl.gov](http://taxcollector.charlottecountyfl.gov) to conduct transactions online or to schedule a required in-person appointment. For your safety and the safety of county staff, all appointment customers are asked to wear a face mask or cloth face covering and observe social distancing by keeping at least six feet of distance from others while inside the agency offices. For information, call **743-1350**.

**The Ringling Reopens**  
The John & Mable Ringling Museum of Art, 5401 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota, has reopened according the Phase I operations. All visitors are encouraged to purchase tickets online, prior to arrival. All staff will wear masks and visitors are encouraged to wear masks, sanitization is increased, and there is limited occupancy & the closure of select areas and tours. For questions, email [info@ringling.org](mailto:info@ringling.org).

**Mote Marine Opens**  
Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium is pleased to announce that they are open again to the public with controlled capacity and timed entry. All visitors, ages 5 & over, will be required to wear a face mask/covering. Guests must purchase tickets online that will only allow entrance during a certain hour of the day. High-touch experiences like animal touch habitats and virtual reality experience remain closed. Website: [www.marine.org](http://www.marine.org). Mote Marine is located at 1600 Ken Thompson Pkwy., Sarasota. Phone **388-4441**.

**Virtual Childbirth Classes**  
Bayfront Health Port Charlotte is resuming childbirth education classes but in a new fashion. Now mothers and families can prepare for the birth of a child through real-time classes using the Google Hangouts Meet platform. All classes are free. Currently scheduled classes include Basic labor & Support, Breast-feeding Education, Baby Care and Safety and Postpartum and Transition to Parenthood. Also offered is anytime education

designed to give convenient access to valuable, evidence-based information on prenatal care, labor & birth, postpartum, breast-feeding and newborn care. To learn more about how to register for an upcoming virtual class or how to receive access to anytime education, visit [www.bayfrontbabies.com](http://www.bayfrontbabies.com).

**Open Car Show**  
There will be a free open car show on **Saturday, June 27, 11am to 2pm** at Fisherman's Village, off Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda. All cars, trucks, motorcycles (including Modified) welcome! DJ music by Tom's Traveling Tunes. Show is presented by the Vintage Motor Car Club of America. For more information, contact Lee Royston at **626-9359**. Sponsor requests that all vehicles must be parked before **11am** to avoid pedestrian traffic. Social distancing will be followed and if you are comfortable doing so, wear a mask. Learn more at [www.fishville.com](http://www.fishville.com).

**MPO's Transportation Survey**  
Sarasota/Manatee MPO is asking the public for input regarding the long-range transportation plan (LRTP) that is being developed for the next 25 years. The public is encouraged to share their transportation priorities and Drive the Future by taking a 3-5 minute survey at <https://publicinput.com/K420>. The survey is open through **July 1** and will be used to identify transportation priorities and define which programs and projects will be submitted to state and federal transportation departments for

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funding. You can also pinpoint transportation needs at specific geographic locations by visiting <https://publicinput.com/R083> and commenting on your community needs map. To learn more about the Sarasota/Manatee MPO Long Range Transportation Plan, visit <https://publicinput.com/R083>

**Prepare Now!**  
Once again Florida has entered hurricane season which runs officially from **June 1 through November 30**. Sign up now to receive emergency text alerts from your county. For Charlotte County, go to [www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov) and click the Alert Charlotte banner to sign up for texts, email notifications or phone messages. For Sarasota

County, go to [www.alertsarasotacounty.com](http://www.alertsarasotacounty.com) or call Sarasota County Contact Center at **861-5000**. Due to the COVID-19 situation, it is suggested that evacuees stay with family or friends as space in shelters will be limited due to social distancing. The National Hurricane Center suggests these steps to prepare.

**Know Your Zone.** Find out what your evacuation zone is by visiting your county's website at [charlottecountyfl.gov/services/emergencymgmt](http://charlottecountyfl.gov/services/emergencymgmt) or [scgov.net/government/emergency-services](http://scgov.net/government/emergency-services). Then decide where you would go in a storm – stay in place, go to family or friends or where the nearest shelter is. If leaving home, only travel until you are out of the evacuation zone (don't travel hundreds of miles.) There is a lot of helpful info about preparing for a storm and evacuation center locations on both county websites.

**Put Together an Emergency Kit.** A lot of the same items that you stocked up on for the COVID-19 Shelter in Place guidelines are also useful for your hurricane emergency kit. You will need seven days-worth

of food, bottled water and other supplies. You will want flashlights, battery-powered or hand crank radio, cell phone & charger, first aid kit, medications, clothing changes, pet supplies, disposable dinnerware, paper towels, toilet paper, manual can opener, clean up supplies & trash bags, cash, important family documents, insurance card, driver license or photo ID, extra clothing, bedding & pillows and personal entertainment items (book, ipad, games.) If you need to shelter in an evacuation center, bring face masks and sanitizer.

**Write or Review Your Family Emergency Plan.** Sit down with family and friends to decide how you will get in contact with each other, where you will go and what you will do in an emergency.

**Review Your Insurance Policies.** Review your insurance policies to ensure you have adequate coverage for your home and personal property. Keep a copy of your policies with contact numbers in your emergency kit.

**NP Firecracker 5K**  
The North Port July 4<sup>th</sup> 5k is now a virtual event. This year participants will run/walk between **Monday, June 29 – Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>** and where it's convenient for them. There is not a set route. You will enter your own results. All proceeds go to XC/NPHS Athletics. Register at [www.northportfirecracker5k.com](http://www.northportfirecracker5k.com).

*If you have an upcoming event you would like to have considered for "Around the Town" please send info and/or photo to The Englewood REVIEW, 370 W Dearborn St, Suite B, Englewood, FL 34223 or [englewoodreview@comcast.net](mailto:englewoodreview@comcast.net).*

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# Englewood Community Hospital: SAFE BET IN A 'STORM'

By Dean M. Laux

Hospitals are where sick people go. Aren't they? Well, yes and no. During the present pandemic, many hospitals are filling up with coronavirus patients, so they are, indeed, full of sick people. Others in the community, not wanting to risk contracting the deadly disease, don't go to the hospital even if they should, making hospitals also places where sick people do *not* go.

That might be all well and good for minor problems, but what about people with infections, the flu, animal bites, head injuries, heart problems or stroke symptoms, for example? These people are all at risk of serious illness or death simply by not getting professional care in time, or at all. It's a dilemma: Choose your poison.

Englewood Community Hospital's Emergency Services Director, Kristine Sedra, says her 100-bed hospital is a safe bet during this "perfect storm" of COVID-19 and flu. "We're a small hospital in a quiet area, with 11 ER beds," she says. "When this all started the first week in March, we screened people before they got in the door. We go to their car and mask them, and then escort them to a separate waiting room we have created for anybody with a fever or other symptoms of COVID. So they aren't mixed in with the general public, and then if they require treatment or a stay in the respiratory area, they are treated and eventually discharged from there. We have back hallways and back areas to get them their X-rays, and they are kept completely separate from our general population until their departure."

Sedra says, "Though we're very busy, we haven't had



Englewood Hospital's emergency entrance at the rear of the main building is well marked.

a positive inpatient in May. We've been very fortunate in that respect. We've been very diligent in our hygiene practices, sanitizing surfaces every couple of hours in the lobby, limiting visitors, wearing masks and full isolation gear when dealing with a potential COVID case, and keeping all high-risk patients who have symptoms completely away from the general public. It has definitely worked." ECH is well stocked in PPEs and ventilators, and receives what it needs under the umbrella of its parent organization, Hospital Corporation of America (HCA). So they won't be running out of the equipment and supplies they need to treat their patients. "And we have the capability to create additional ICUs in our hospital if we need to, but we haven't had to pull that lever yet," Sedra says.

"If people feel they need the ER, we don't want them to stay away because they're scared of COVID," she remarks. "We have worked hard to make the ER a safe place. We've put so much work and effort into it that it's like Fort Knox. You get your temperature taken, you get screened in a special spot. If you have COVID symptoms, you don't interact with any other patients in the hospital. We've worked very hard to keep COVID out of our hospital, and we've been very successful at it. I personally don't want people to delay care or not get it at all because they're scared

of COVID. I've seen too many people come in with heart attacks and strokes that could have been prevented if they had come in earlier."

Her message is clear. "Don't delay care. You're at much higher risk of getting the virus at the grocery store than here. We are safe, and we want people to know we've spared no expense or effort to keep them safe."

So stay out of the storm if you can. But if you have a serious health issue, the ER at our local hospital sure looks like a safe bet.

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# Arts & Entertainment



The Hermitage Artist Retreat recently announced the dates for the organization's two signature fundraising events in 2020-2021. The highly popular Artful Lobster will be **Saturday, November 14, 11am to 2pm**, at the Hermitage's historic campus on Manasota Key. This event raises valuable funds for the artist residency program. The Hermitage Greenfield Prize Dinner, which will honor the 2021 prize recipient, is scheduled for **Sunday, April 11, 6-8:30pm**, at Michael's On East in Sarasota. Details for both events, including ticket prices, sponsorship opportunities and entertainment, will be announced later in the summer. (In the event of any changes due to COVID-19, further details will be announced.) For more information about the Hermitage, visit [HermitageArtistRetreat.org](http://HermitageArtistRetreat.org). Photo: Daniel Bernard Roumain performs at the 2019 Artful Lobster.

clay tree faces, found object sculptures, printmaking, textile dying, painting and much more. Samantha Parkinson, director of Englewood Art Center, says that moving the classes online creates opportunities for students who are maintaining social distancing or are away from the area for the summer. "Now, more than ever, people are searching for ways to stay engaged, productive and creative," she says. For more information, visit [www.ringling.edu/EAC](http://www.ringling.edu/EAC) or call 474-5548.

**Bluegrass Music Fest**  
Fisherman's Village in Punta Gorda announces their fourth annual Bluegrass Music Fest will be held **11am – 3pm** on **Saturday, June 13**. Live bluegrass and folk music will be performed in all three sections of the Village featuring Southwind Bluegrass Band, Harvest Moon and Paul Cottrell. Shops/ Boutiques will be open **10am to 6pm**. Restaurants stay open later. Fisherman's Village is located off Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda. Visit [www.fishville.com](http://www.fishville.com) for complete details.

**Summer Art Classes**  
Englewood Art Center, a division of Ringling College of Art and Design, is responding to the COVID-19 pandemic

by offering its summer term classes online, **June through September**. Classes cover a variety of topics, including urban sketching, drawing, oil

and acrylic painting, and figure and face drawing. Through the Zoom platform, students can learn from and interact with instructors, while receiving real-

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The time has come for new artwork to be displayed at Englewood's Sculpture Garden. Sarasota County Government, Englewood Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) is pleased to announce that they will be soliciting original artwork to be displayed in the Art Scape Sculpture Garden, located in the 400 block of W. Green Street. Seven pieces of artwork will be selected and displayed in the sculpture garden for a period of three years. The contest is open to all established and emerging 3D visual artists in the Englewood community. A \$500 honorarium will be awarded to each artist whose artwork is selected. The deadline for receipt of entry form and submission photos is **October 16<sup>th</sup>**. Visit the Englewood CRA homepage for more information and to access the entry forms: <http://ow.ly/JGfe50zH8tK>. For more information or to become a sponsor, contact Diane Davidson at **223-2208** or the CRA at **473-0795**. Photo: "The Nature of Englewood" by Jacob Rhoads.

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

### MON - SAT

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

### Horse Back Riding & Lessons

Branded Heart Stables, 1030 Morningside Dr. 10AM-4PM 809-6389

### WED, FRI

#### Line Dancing (Intermediate)

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

### WED, SAT

#### Horse Back Riding Summer Camp

Branded Heart Stables, 1030 Morningside Dr. 10AM-4PM 809-6389

### MONDAYS

**Zumba Gold & Toning** Lemon Bay Woman's Club, 51 N. Maple St. 6-7PM 445-1310

### TUESDAYS

**Auxiliary Penny Bingo** American Legion Post #113, 3436 Indiana Rd. 11:30AM-2PM 697-3616

### THURSDAYS

**Beginners/Improvers Line Dancing** American Legion Post #113, 3436 Indiana Rd. 9:30-11:30AM 697-8733

### Fellowship Church Senior

**Fellowship** Worship Center, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 11AM-12PM 475-7447

**Bingo** Rotonda Elks Lodge, 303 Rotonda East 6:30-9PM 697-8733

### SATURDAYS

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### SUNDAYS

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### Fellowship Church Communion

**Service** Worship Center, 140 Rotonda Blvd W. 8:30-11:45AM 475-7447

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# Notable NEIGHBORS

## This Gal Has Had A Moving Career

Kristine Sedra was and is a travelin' gal, to put it mildly. In her 24 years as a professional caregiver, she has, by her count, "worked in 37 emergency departments in 12 states." That averages out to just over one-and-a-half new locations every year. "I have to write them down, because I don't remember them all myself," she admits, with a touch of awe in her voice.

That's not to say that Kristine can't hold a job. Her job was, for many years, to move around—under contract—going where her nursing services were needed. And nurses are needed pretty much everywhere.

She was born in Two Harbors, Minnesota, on Lake Superior in the mining region north of Duluth: "one stoplight, a big lighthouse, and the Ore Docks, where I'd go down and watch the ships come in when I

was a kid. It's a fun little town," she says. Her dad, Charles Amesbury, was a carpenter and lumberman, her mom, Marie, a nursing assistant who later became a pharmaceutical technician.

"I grew up across the street from a funeral home, and I wanted to become a mortician," Kristine says. "I became friends with the owner's children, and I thought it was really neat that they were there for grieving families. But after I got into high school, I realized I wanted to take care of the living more than the dead." At Two Harbors High School she liked the science courses, especially anything health-related. "I took advanced placement courses in chemistry and physiology, and at one point I took a competency test, which indicates what you'd be most successful in, and nursing was off the charts." That helped her settle her sights on nursing.

Kristine was an honors student at Two Harbors. "I put my studies



Kristine Sedra.

first," she says. "My family was not very affluent, so I knew I'd have to get some scholarships to go to college." She got enough to get started at the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth. "Then I worked part-time while I was in college. I became a nursing assistant like my mother was. St. Scholastica is rated as one of the top schools, and it's tough to get into. It was a lot of work for sure.

It was an expensive education, and I'm still paying for it 25 years later."

She graduated with honors in 1996 with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. "I just love nursing," she says. "I love being in the field. When I started my clinicals I thought I wanted to be a labor and delivery nurse, but I like variety. I liked learning something new and trying new things. One of my very first jobs was in the ER in Two Harbors, which is basically two stretchers attached to a nursing home. It was a really tiny rural ER, and I loved it. You didn't know what was going to come through the door. It was intriguing to me, and it was a lot of fun to work with the professionals in that little ER."

For the first five years of her career, Kristine was a "float nurse" at St. Luke's Hospital, a level two trauma center in Duluth. That meant she was part of a pool of nurses who could be called upon by the hospital to go wherever she was needed at the moment. "Some of the

time I worked internal float pool, which was all the general floors. But most of my shifts I spent in the ER, and I really enjoyed the variety of it. I became part of that family. Especially in the ER it's very family-oriented, because you witness some really bad things, and you're together as a team, and you build a camaraderie that you don't have on the other floors. You're dealing with life and death, and it's a way of coping, especially when you have a pediatric case or when you have a situation that went bad and you didn't anticipate it. It's hard. Every death is hard. It's just a way for us to cling together and tap into our humanity and be able to cope. You know when somebody is having a bad day, and you just grab onto them, get them to take a walk and try to lift their spirits. That's part of being a family, and you don't see that so much in other departments."

After being a float nurse and also a clinical nursing instructor at one of the local technical colleges, Kristine made what could be called a life-changing

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decision in 2001. She decided to get to know the country she was living in. "I was young, I was single. There were a great many opportunities for travel nursing at the time, so I just sold my house, packed my bags and was a vagabond for about 11 years." Well, not quite a vagabond. She signed on with a healthcare agency that arranged to supply nurses on temporary assignments in places that had a desperate need for emergency nurses. "My agency would have a pool of jobs in, say, Rutland, Vermont or Anchorage, Alaska. All of the contracts were for about 13 weeks. So I would get a temporary license for that state, pack my bags and just show up. They would have everything ready for me.

"I could go wherever I wanted to. If I wanted to go to Boston for the summer, I'd say, 'Find me a spot in Boston,' and they'd find me a spot in Boston. I'd spend my winters in Florida. That's how I got to know Florida quite a bit, and I knew that I wanted to live in Florida eventually. So I did a lot of contracts in Florida over the winter months. When I'd start my contract I'd have a rental car waiting for me and a fully furnished and paid-for apartment waiting for me. The only thing I had to do was bring my stuff, and I made really good money and had no living expenses. I'd work three days and have four days off every week. So I'd be a tourist in those days off. In the long run, I got paid to travel the country and see some really neat things. It was a sweet ride for 11 years." Sweet, indeed.

It was at the very beginning of her travel nursing, while she was in Alaska, that she met a man who became very special to her: Karim Sedra. Well, sort of met him. "I met him online, believe it or not, when online dating sites were not yet a thing." Karim was a paramedic in Canada, looking at starting up a medical company, and the two began chatting about healthcare in the U.S. Over a period of several months they got to know each other a bit more. And right after 9/11, like a scene from "Sleepless in Seattle," Kristine decided to go to Montreal to meet Karim. "My family thought I was crazy, driving to Canada to meet a total stranger I'd met on the internet," she recalls. "But I knew after several months of

chatting with him that he was just a great human being. He's been my best friend since 2001." And her husband since 2007.

The "sweet ride" ended in 2012, when Kristine and Karim moved back to Minnesota to care for her ailing mother. Six months after their arrival, Kristine was diagnosed with breast cancer. She was able to work as an ER nursing supervisor during her treatment and recuperation from cancer, but the two K's decided to move south in 2017. Five months after they arrived, Kristine hooked on with Hospital Corporation of America (HCA), and she has progressed to positions of increasing responsibility in the HCA organization since then: from Emergency Services Nurse Manager at Palms West Hospital in Loxahatchee to Associate Director for Emergency Services at JFK Medical Center in Atlantis, and now Emergency Services Director at Englewood

Community Hospital since April of last year.

Kristine had only been in the HCA system for four months when she was invited to register for their Director Development Program. "It was unexpected," she says, "but it was nice to be considered, that they thought I had the caliber to be a director after such a short time with them." After completing the program in April of 2019, she was promoted to the directorship in Englewood—a fortuitous appointment because, as she says, "my plan always was to live on the West Coast of Florida."

As Emergency Services Director, she considers her main responsibility to be "operational excellence: being safe and making sure that our staff is doing the right thing for our patients and their families." But it's not solely the nursing staff, she notes. "A lot of the metrics

include our ancillary partners. Maybe you came here in our ambulance. When you come into the emergency room you don't just see the ER nurse. You see radiology, you get lab work done, you see the provider group. I have to look at the whole scope of activity to make sure that we provide safe, high-quality care for our patients. I look at our ER metrics for laboratory and radiology turnaround times, dealing with the concerns of our EMS providers, handling any complaints that might come up, all the things that touch on the patient's experience."

Kristine must be doing her part well, because Englewood Community Hospital consistently earns high grades from the agencies that rate hospital performance. And she's not done with her professional growth: She's enrolled in a postgraduate program with Western Governors University to earn a master's degree in health leadership.

"It's a new program, looking at thinking outside the box, being very creative with healthcare and inspiring us to try new and different things. Are we doing the best we can, or are there better ways?"

Kristine is done with her role as a travel nurse, as sweet as it was. Now she's looking at a bigger picture. "I want to be at a level where I can really impact the decisions that are being made about best practices," she avers. Though she may not be moving around, it's likely that she'll still be moving ... up and up in her profession.

*Dean Laux is exploring interesting folks living in our community. If you know of anyone with an interesting background please send an email to: tomnewton@englewoodreview.com. Include the person's name, contact info and give a brief description of the person's background.*

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It didn't take a quarantine to get me on a soup cooking binge. I have been making soup for comfort and to combat stress for decades.

It all started when I was hired for my first catering job. After preparing an asparagus walnut salad almost sent me to the hospital, the owner decided soups were the safest place to deal with my severe tree nut allergy.

It turned out to be a good move and within weeks I was dubbed the *Soup Queen*, preparing my boss's favorites and inventing my own.

As a mom, I found that soup was a relatively simple way to feed my family (unless you count the squash soup disaster of 2001, but we won't go there). A pot of cream of potato soup with bacon always meant a happy family.

Making soup was such a weekend ritual that every Monday my coworker would ask me what soup I made. One weekend I bragged that I had actually made two soups and from that point on, I had my second soup-related nickname, Sharyn "Two Soups" Lonsdale.

In quarantine, I have significantly upped my soup game. A bag of bargain corn at the produce store determined that week's corn chowder. Passover meant Matzah Ball Soup. When I couldn't fit a package of ground turkey in my freezer I made chili. Bloody Mary mix and salsa in the fridge inspired a Sunday gazpacho.

Since my daughter and I can eat only so much soup, I've been sharing with friends and family, even doing hand-offs in parking lots. Several people have asked me for recipes and that's the one thing I can't give them. Because if I use one, I change it.

I rarely use an Instant Pot or slow cooker. I have them, but when I make soup it has to be on the stove in my blue wanna-be Creuset stockpot which has taken up permanent residence on my rear burner. I need to stir, taste, season and tweak.

In order to aspire to soup queen or king royalty, you do need to have some pantry staples. I make my own stock sometimes, but I always have chicken, beef and vegetable broth in boxes, cans and jars, as well as "emergency" packets and cubes. You should also have red and white canned beans, frozen vegetables, grains and pastas on hand. I'm a big fan of barley, tortellini and for old-school fun, alphabet pasta. The bare spice essentials are salt, pepper, bay leaves, thyme, garlic, onion powder and celery flakes for when you don't have the real thing. Everglades Seasoning and Sazon Goya packets are my go-to all-purpose weapon,

available at all grocery stores, and If your diet limits salt, try Mural of Flavor from [www.Penzeys.com](http://www.Penzeys.com)

Since we aren't going to the grocery as much, plan to make a soup



around your protein of the week. The end of a rotisserie chicken

is a perfect starter for chicken soup. If you're making something with ground beef, save some for mini meatballs for Italian Wedding Soup.

Soup is also a fantastic way to use food in the fridge that has seen better days. You can make a simple and healthy vegetarian soup by combining frozen and fresh vegetables, beans or chickpeas and a half-cup of quick-cooking barley. Throw everything in a pot with vegetable stock, add a can of tomatoes if you like, and season to taste.

And if you're thinking, "I live alone it's not worth the time to make a pot of soup, think again. Soup is one of the most economical and healthy meals you can make and almost all non-creamy soups freeze like a dream. Portion in quart freezer bags and label with the soup and date.

So, why scour the supermarkets for yeast to bake another loaf of bread, when you can get creative, use what's already in your kitchen, and eat healthy with homemade soup? You might even earn your own nickname.

## Tips from the Soup Queen

- The difference between a good soup and a great soup often comes down to one word—salt. Taste your soup when it's almost done, and if it's not quite there yet, add salt. It's the not-so-secret way to bring it all together.
- You can also brighten a soup's flavor by adding citrus (lime in gazpacho, orange or lemon in squash soup) or balsamic vinegar (tomato-based and vegetable soups).
- Buy an immersion/stick blender. It is a lifesaver when you are puréeing soups and also breaks up beans and tomatoes, creating a more complex texture.
- Use chicken legs for chicken soup. They're inexpensive and two will give you enough meat for a pot.
- Before you toss out leftovers, produce, meat or bones, think "Can I use this in soup?" Most likely you can. Label it and keep it all in one section of the freezer. I even freeze the rinds from hard cheese for bean soups or minestrone.
- While I don't "follow" recipes, I do often start with one. I recommend checking out the soup chapter of your favorite cookbook, or go to [allrecipes.com](http://allrecipes.com) where you can search by ingredients and check out the changes other cooks recommend for the recipe. Also search for the cooking method you plan to use, i.e. "Minestrone in slow cooker."





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## The Big Scoop on Soil Health by Jocelyn Hoch

Soil structure is so important to long term health of soil. There are 10 billion bacterial cells that inhabit 1 gram of soil. It's a micro world we really don't quite understand. As humans, we strive to grasp a hold of life and ride the proverbial bull by the horns, and take that fun ride. However our destination is never truly known. Why should gardening be any different from normal life? It's all relative to finding that deeper understanding and the truth, which we all are seeking at this confusing time.

So we peek under our plants, checking under leaves and examine the color... Disease! What did we do wrong? We thought we added good soil and fertilizers. We thought we watered lovingly on a daily basis. We even talk to the plants telling them how beautiful they are. That still wasn't enough. So we must delve down into the soil and examine what is really happening.

Soil is teaming with life, bacteria & fungi. Archaea are the most abundant microorganisms in the soil, and serve many

important purposes, including nitrogen fixation. Some bacteria can colonize minerals in the soil breaking down of these minerals. Nitrogen is often the most limiting nutrient in soil and water. These bacteria are responsible for nitrogen fixation. So it is so very important to interplant nitrogen fixers in and around your plants. Leguminous plants such as alfalfa and clover (perennials), and beans, peanuts, pigeon peas, black eyed peas, black locust, mimosa, golden chain tree, and acacia are examples of plants and trees that support nitrogen in soil with the help of bacteria.

We are currently doing a project for our farm where we are collecting microorganisms and making fermented plant juice, in hopes of bringing our plants to optimal health. One microbe we are trying to collect is



trichoderma harzianum, a fungus that is also used as a fungicide. It is used for foliar application, seed treatment and soil treatment for the suppression of various diseases causing fungal pathogens. One of the most notable characteristics of the actinomycetes is their ability to produce antibiotics. Streptomycin, neomycin, erythromycin and tetracycline are only a few examples of these antibiotics. Streptomycin is used to treat tuberculosis and infections caused by certain bacteria and neomycin is used to reduce the risk of bacterial infection during surgery. Erythromycin is used to treat certain infections caused by bacteria, such as bronchitis, pertussis (whooping cough), pneumonia, and ear, intestine, lung, urinary tract and skin infections. These bacteria and fungi help us to treat human infections as well as in the soil and on plants.

Fungi are abundant in soil, but bacteria are more abundant. Fungi are important in the soil as food sources for other larger organisms, beneficial symbiotic relationships with plants or other organisms and soil health. Fungal roots called mycorrhizae can transport nutrients to trees and different species. They channel sugars and nitrogen to trees and neighboring plants and actually assist saplings to grow through this intelligent system. See Paul Stamet's book "Mycelium Running." Fungi and bacteria are so necessary to all soil health. This is a symbiotic relationship with our human microbiome. The soil and our gut are so similar. If our intestines aren't healthy and balanced neither are we. Even minor changes in abundance of certain bacteria can have a major effect on plant defenses and physiology, with only minimal effects on overall microbiome structure. The same thing occurs inside of us.

Adding synthetic fertilizer, pesticide and herbicide destroy soil's microbial ecosystem. This causes us to constantly fertilize the grass, kill pests and remove any plants we consider weeds. These plants actually create diversity and attract beneficial organisms. What we are learning is, those plants have medicine for us and the soil. If we just allow the plants to naturalize, they bring balance without much intervention from us. Health returns to the garden.

Just like our body, the plants and soil need natural sugars, amino acids, flavonoids, and fatty acids. These attract and feed beneficial microbial species while repelling and killing harmful ones. Just like our plants and soil, it is important for us to have a strong microbiome so we can naturally fight off diseases and strengthening our immune system. Now we can truly see how much we are actually connected to our Earth.

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# JUNE

## South Florida Gardening Calendar



Both Sarasota and Charlotte Counties restrict the use of fertilizers containing Nitrogen and Phosphate from June 1 through September 30. This protects the water quality in our creeks, lakes and marine water that receive runoff from the storm water system. The counties suggest using iron, manganese and magnesium to help keep your lawn green. For more information go to [www.scgov.net](http://www.scgov.net) or <http://charlotte.ifas.ufl.edu/horticulture>

### WHAT TO PLANT

#### Annuals/Bedding Plants:

Annuals that can take full sun during the increasingly hot summer months include celosia, portulaca, vinca, and some coleus.



**Palms:** Summer's warm, rainy months are the perfect time to plant palms. Make sure not to cover the trunk with soil.

**Herbs:** Plant heat-loving herbs, including basil, ginger, summer savory, cumin, Mexican tarragon, and rosemary.

#### Vegetables:

Plant tropical vegetables, such as boniato, calabaza, and chayote this month.

#### WHAT TO DO

**Pests:** Monitor the landscape and garden weekly for harmful insects. Knowing which insects attack a

whether yellow and brown lawn patches are caused by chinch bugs, disease, or lack of water. Take time to determine the cause so your remedy is effective. Rejuvenate areas where grass does not grow well by replacing it with versatile groundcovers. Summer rains usually begin this month as do lawn fertilizer restrictions in some areas of the state. Check with your municipality to see if this applies to your area.



plant can aid in identification and treatment.

**Irrigation:** Watch for drought stress and water as needed if rainfall has been spotty. Focus on new plantings and follow watering restrictions. When rains begin, shut down the irrigation system.

**Propagation:** Produce more plants by air layering, grafting, division, or cuttings.

**Palms and Cycads:** Watch for nutrient deficiencies or other problems and use an appropriate treatment.

**Pruning:** Lightly prune summer-flowering shrubs, like hibiscus, oleander, and ixora, during the warmer months to increase blooming.

**Lawns:** Check frequently for damaged areas and keep insects in check with early treatment. Determine

**Soil Solarization:** Clean up your vegetable garden and solarize the soil for 4-6 weeks to kill pests and disease.

**Lightning Safety:** Be safe outdoors during storm season.

\* Information courtesy of the University of Florida IFAS Extension: [www.edis.ifas.ufl.edu/ep452](http://www.edis.ifas.ufl.edu/ep452)

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- UF/IFAS Publications (EDIS) <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/>
- Florida-Friendly Landscaping <http://fyn.ifas.ufl.edu/>
- Solutions For Your Life <http://solutionsforyourlife.com>
- Gardening in a Minute Radio Program <http://gardeninginaminute.com>
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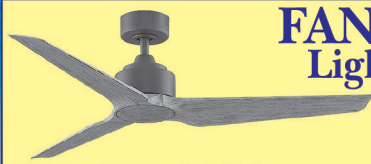
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# Club Chatter

**BPWEV Scholarship Deadline Extended**

Business and Professional Women of Englewood and Venice (BPWEV) offers Adult Learner Scholarships to women who are returning to college or vocational schools to improve their education to earn a better living for their families. BPWEV extended the deadline for scholarship applications to **June 30th** due the closure of colleges and universities. For information and scholarship applications go to: [www.bpwev.org](http://www.bpwev.org).

**Who Are GFWC?**

GFWC Florida is a volunteer, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization comprised of 193 women’s clubs, junior women’s clubs and juniorette clubs, whose members are dedicated to community improvement by enhancing the lives of others. Inclusive and unified in their diversity, the 8,400 GFWC FL members attend to the needs of their communities through hands-on service projects, fundraising, education, leadership and friendship. Dianne Foerster of Brandon begins a two-year term as President through May 2022. Foerster’s two-year President’s project encourages GFWC Florida clubwomen to focus on serving those with special needs and special abilities with love, respect and kindness. “I have invited our volunteers to make

it personal to their community”, said Foerster, “as they identify service projects where they can make a difference for these very special residents.” GFWC is part of the General Federation of Women’s Clubs with over 80,000 members in affiliated clubs in every state and more

than a dozen countries. In Charlotte County there are three GFWC Woman’s Clubs. Please visit the following clubs on-line for meeting locations, dates and times. Membership is not restricted to specific locations. You are welcome at any location.

- GFWC Woman’s Club of Port Charlotte @ Facebook.com/ GFWCof PC/
- GFWC Punta Gorda Woman’s Club @ Facebook.com/ puntagordawomansclub/
- GFWC Rotonda West Woman’s

Club @ [www.gfwcrotondawest.org](http://www.gfwcrotondawest.org)

*All items appearing in this column are as accurate as possible. Please phone the listed numbers for confirmation and further information. If you have an upcoming event you would*



National Red Nose Day was May 21. The campaign exists to end child poverty, one nose at a time, by raising money and awareness to keep children safe, healthy and educated. During recent years, the Rotary Club of Englewood has partnered with Walgreens to raise funds. Due to the COVID-19 situation, it was decided not to hand out red noses due to kids and adults touching their face to put the nose on. Instead of noses, the club visited Sky Academy and the Boys & Girls Club of Charlotte County during the student food giveaway to pass out Red Nose bracelets to the kids. Nine hundred and thirty five dollars in donations were raised on the Red Nose Day website and 200 bracelets were passed by Rotary Club members. If you would like to learn more about Rotary, visit their webpage at [therotaryclubofenglewood.org](http://therotaryclubofenglewood.org) or their Facebook page. Photo: In the Rotary People of Action, T-shirts Rotary members (l-r) Esther Horton, Alfred Current, Julia Mercier (club president) and Traci Hamill pose with Sky Academy staff who hand out free meals to children.

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Continuing its Community Outreach efforts, the Englewood Democratic Club was happy to present a donation of \$600 to Englewood Helping Hand. This human service agency provides short term assistance to Englewood residents of both Charlotte and Sarasota Counties. They provide temporary aid to Englewood families who need a helping hand getting on their feet such as providing food, rent, paying electric and water bills, help with mortgage and much more. Their group of dedicated volunteers help in so many ways that make a difference in the lives of Englewood friends and neighbors. The Englewood Democratic Club says, "Thank you, Helping Hand!!" In this photo, Mark Rennie(left,) Executive Director of Englewood Helping Hand, receives the club's gift of \$600 from David Jones, President of the Englewood Democratic Club.



GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club supported the GFWC President's Project for Operation Smile by raising more than \$5,000 to provide worldwide Smiles Across the Miles. Operation Smile provides funds to perform cleft palate surgeries on children around the world. Rotonda club members also sew and knit constantly, providing more than 400 items for "Smile" and for Healing Art Missions in Dumay, Haiti. Pictured from left to right are members: Rachel Mariano, Joyce Crumpton and Sandi Gladstone.



The speaker at the **June 16<sup>th</sup>** Business and Professional Women of Englewood and Venice (BPWEV) dinner meeting at Plantation Golf and Country Club will be Beth "Annie" Stockdale. Annie changed careers after she had served as a Federal and State Prosecutor for 10 years. Stockdale changed her focus to health and wellness education. Her mantra is "It's hard to have a clear thought with a toxic body." She created Your Total Body LLC in 2012 to focus on customized personal training; however, the company quickly began transforming into a total wellness community. We are all getting older, but the rate at which we "age" is up to us! Annie is currently thriving as a nationally recognized Brain Health Coach and Consultant with Amen Clinics. She is a Speaker and Writer on important aging and cognitive health topics. You can see her out in the community educating on conditions such as Stress, ADD, Anxiety, Depression, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and Dementia. The Wellness Center is located at 800 East Venice Ave., Ste. C, Venice. The public is invited to attend this informative presentation. BPWEV is happy to meet again on the **third Tuesday of each month at 5:15pm**, following social distancing guidelines. For dinner reservations, go to [www.bpwev.org](http://www.bpwev.org).

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Anglers spend a lot of time and energy trying to get their bait or lure into the strike zone. Then they spend more time trying to figure out the best retrieve from there. Often the best retrieve out of a strike zone is no retrieve at all.

Whether you are a kayak angler drifting along a mangrove shoreline or a bass chaser from a kayak or shore, casting to pockets under overhanging branches takes practice and control. It's always rewarding to cast your offering into the exact spot you targeted. Once you achieve this, pause to let the lure sit or sink in that special place. There may or may not be a hungry fish there but why take it away from them too soon?



Unless you manage to cast it on their head without spooking them, they may have to cruise over to the commotion your lure made at splash down. What a shame it would be if a big, slow, heavy gamefish of your choice made the trip to see what's for dinner and your lure was already gone. The time, energy and practice required to get to this moment can be wasted if you get in a hurry.

Sure, there are species like mackerel and bluefish that only react to fast moving shiny stuff, but they aren't the ambush feeders found along shorelines. Redfish and snook will claim an area of shoreline and either patrol it regularly or stage in their favorite spot and wait for something to happen. A splash

nearby will usually get their attention but one on top of their head may spook them. So even if you miss your target spot, let it be for a moment and see what happens. Even after a lure has hit bottom, a curious redfish will pick it up if it just lays there.

In the mangroves, we like to use lures that work without much retrieve action. The classic DOA shrimp or a crab imitation works well in this situation. Kayak anglers working a mangrove shoreline put in a lot of time

and effort to get in position to make the perfect cast under the branches by a deep pocket. Be sure and let the lure settle before beginning your retrieve out of this magic spot. Again, it may take a while for a nearby fish to mosey over to see the new arrival. Even if you can see your target fish, try to get the lure close but not on it to lower the chance of spooking your quarry.

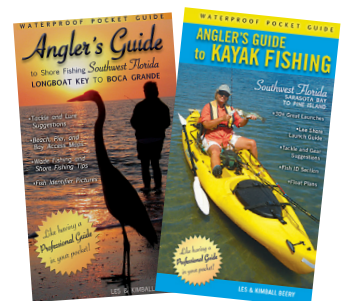
Expanding this concept to docks and sand holes is pretty straight forward. Gamefish know that most prey in the water column will head for the safety of the bottom and the grasses or debris that will conceal them there. This principle is the idea behind a popping cork over a live shrimp, DOA shrimp or plastic jig used on the flats. The noise attracts their attention and the slow drop afterwards gets the strike.

When fly fishing in freshwater, bass and bluegill will often study bait or a lure for a while before deciding to eat...



or not. Bluegill especially noted for this slow approach, often hang below a foam spider or popping bug for a full minute before striking. It might be they are just lazy and confirming it is really dead, so it won't be hard to catch. The best plan is to let it lie still for at least 15-20 seconds. If there are no takers, give it the tiniest twitch, just enough to wiggle the legs and wait some more. In a drifting kayak, it is important to cast far enough ahead of your drift to allow a long wait before drifting past a cast.

So, the next time you get lucky and land a cast exactly where you wanted it to go, don't be too quick to begin your retrieve. Whether you're slinging a slow sinking lure, a top water lure, a popping bug or a foam spider, be patient. Enjoy the moment while your hungry fish sizes up the offering. Hey, it's summer and the living is easy. Relax and wait them out. Don't work so hard, let them come to you.



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](http://www.anglerpocketguides.com) & [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).





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# Nature Calls



Coastal Wildlife Club, Inc. (CWC) is pleased to announce the launch of a derelict crab trap clean-up program. CWC has been authorized by the FWC (Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission) to remove crab traps that wash onto Manasota Key beaches throughout the sea turtle nesting/hatching season, May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 31<sup>st</sup>. Traps and lines may obstruct the progress of nesting turtles and even entangle them. Readers who know of derelict traps on Manasota Key beaches in Charlotte or Sarasota counties are asked to e-mail CWC at [info@coastalwildlife.org](mailto:info@coastalwildlife.org). A member of the CWC Crab Trap Removal Team will be dispatched to evaluate the trap and take appropriate action. The authorization was achieved through the efforts of turtle patroller Carol McCoy. Carol reports that since April 30<sup>th</sup>, the team has removed 10 traps from local beaches: 3 blue crab and 7 stone crab traps. Of those, 2 were in Sarasota County and 8 were in Charlotte County. Unauthorized removal or tampering with traps, trap contents, lines or buoys belonging to another including derelict traps or those in the water during closed season, may result in a third-degree felony conviction, fines of up to \$5,000 and permanent revocation of fishing licenses. Coastal Wildlife Club is an entirely volunteer, non-profit organization, whose members monitor sea turtle activity on local beaches, primarily on Manasota Key, where nest density is greater than anywhere else on the Gulf coast. In recent years, CWC patrollers have documented more than 4000 sea turtle nests here annually. Photo: Gene McCoy removes a derelict crab trap.

**True or False?**  
 “I can toss my banana peels, apple cores and other “natural” foods on the ground because they’ll decompose.” Friends of Stump Pass Beach State Park hope you answered *False* because the fact is that these

“natural” food items will NOT decompose quickly. If animals don’t eat the food waste, decomposition will likely take much longer than you think – some fruit products can take years to decompose depending on the environment they are in! And, if

animals do eat the food waste, it will increase their inhabitation. Throwing food waste out of your car window draws wildlife around roads where they may be hit by a passing vehicle. Also, wildlife eating the food waste probably will not digest it well



The Florida Department of Environmental Protection announces the permanent protection of the 5,777-acre Orange Hammock Ranch in Sarasota County, within the city of North Port. Conserving Orange Hammock Ranch has been an environmental priority for decades, critical to the region’s drinking water supply and providing vital habitat for threatened wildlife. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission will manage the ranch as a wildlife management area with eagerly anticipated public access. The ranch is located on the north side of Interstate 75 within the City of North Port. It connects RV Griffin Preserve with the Longino Preserve through about six miles of shared boundaries and increases the 120,000-acre buffer surrounding the Myakka River and strengthens the connection between the Myakka and Peace Rivers. Immense volumes of rainfall collect on the property and feed the Snover Waterway and RV Griffin reservoirs, both of which are critical sources of North Port’s clean drinking water. Learn more at [www.conservationfoundation.com](http://www.conservationfoundation.com).

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# Keeping Up with KIDS

## Elks Scholarship Winners

The Englewood Elks Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the winners of the 2020-21 Scholarships. The winners of \$3000 per year for four years are Carly Brzostek and

Austin Scheetz. Carly Brzostek will be attending Marymount Manhattan College and majoring in the film industry. Austin Scheetz will be attending Florida Southern College with a major in Computer and Information

Sciences. The winner of the Bill Wellbaum Memorial Scholarship in the same amount is Aidan Moore who hopes to attend the University of South Florida to major in Civil Engineering. In addition, the following students have been awarded \$1000 vocational scholarships: Adam Berry, Caleb Joyce, Etienne Beaugrand and Abigail Parker. The winners are all graduates of Lemon Bay High School. Congratulations to all from Englewood Elks Lodge #2378!

may be accessed on the Charlotte County Library System website by visiting [www.tinyurl.com/CCSummerReading](http://www.tinyurl.com/CCSummerReading) or on the libraries Facebook page [www.facebook.com/CCLibraries/](http://www.facebook.com/CCLibraries/). The Englewood Charlotte Library is located at 3450 N. Access Road. Phone: **681-3736**.

**through July 31** with reduced enrollment at five locations. A sixth week minicamp will be offered at Colonial Oaks Park and Woodmere Park from **August 3-7** (pending registrations and staff availability.) The number of spots available at each site will be reduced to help maintain social distancing. Day camp will be offered for children entering grades 1-5. There will be no Adventure Camp offered this year. There will be no C.I.T. Program this year. Specialty Camps scheduled **June 1 - June 28** are also cancelled. Financial assistance will remain in place as a small portion of spots will be reserved for families in need. For more information, visit [www.scgov.net/gov/parks-recreation](http://www.scgov.net/gov/parks-recreation) or call **861-5000**.

## Sarasota County Camps

Sarasota County continues to monitor the ongoing situation regarding summer camps and has made some initial decisions for camps this summer. Online and drop-off registrations open for both Specialty Camp and Day Camp programs **Monday, June 8 at 9am** (Drop-off registration will accept payment by check only.) Five weekly summer camp sessions will begin **June 29**

## Summer Reading Program

Charlotte County Library System is set to kick off its 2020 Summer Reading Program: "Imagine Your Story." The goal of the Summer Reading Program is to keep Charlotte County kids and teens on track by maintaining their reading skills and providing entertainment over the summer. Program participants are challenged to read at least 20 minutes a day. Reading will be tracked through Reader Zone, a web-based reading log. Instructions

Comcast announced it has awarded \$10,000 in scholarships for 2020-21 school year to four Sarasota County students as part of its annual Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program. One of those students is Jillian Alexander of Englewood, who was a senior this year at Venice High School. Students are selected for their outstanding community service, academic performance and leadership skills. Jillian plans to attend Vanderbilt University in Nashville to study Environmental Sociology. Her volunteer and extracurricular activities include volunteering at Elsie Quirk Library, participating in American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, performing and serving as a junior usher at the Venice Theatre, volunteering as a third grade teacher's aide at Venice Elementary School, student board member for Venice Economic Development Advisory Board and High School Docent at Mote Marine Laboratory and Aquarium. The award, funded by Comcast NBCUniversal Foundation, is a one-time \$2,500 scholarship to be used toward undergraduate education-related expenses. Congratulations, Jillian!



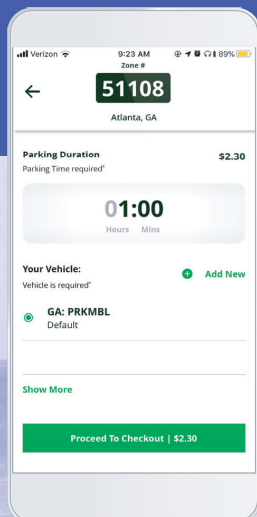
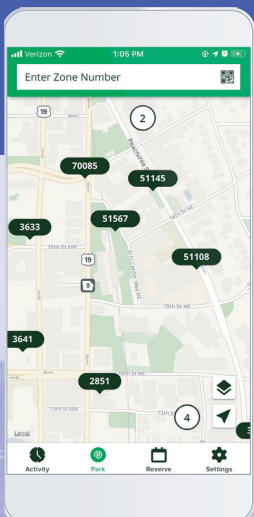
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Violet, a member of Girl Scout Brownie Troop 617, has earned the title of "Top Cookie Entrepreneur" for selling the most cookies in the Englewood area during the 2020 Girl Scout cookie program. Violet's goal was to sell 2,020 boxes of cookies to commemorate the year 2020. When the sales were tallied, she learned she had sold 2,034 boxes. "I like to earn money to help other people and do fun activities," explained Violet, who will be a Girl Scout Junior in the fall. "Selling cookies taught me to work hard for things I want. I like to set my goals high to see if I can meet them. I like to learn while having fun and go on fun field trips with my friends. I love helping my community. Girl Scouts teaches me to serve God and others. Girl Scouts helps me make the world a better place." Violet is a third grader at Redeemer Lutheran Elementary School and in her fourth year of Girl Scouts. Her troop was planning to use their cookie proceeds to attend the national Girl Scouts convention in Orlando, which is held every three years, but has been postponed until 2023. Although Violet and her fellow Girl Scout are disappointed that the national convention won't be happening, they are making plans to go to Orlando once in-person Girl Scout meetings and activities are safe to resume. Meanwhile, the girls have collected food and used some of their cookie funds to purchase additional donations for Englewood Helping Hand. They also participated in Girl Scout Spirit Week by posting videos and photos online for activities including "Mindful Monday" to show appreciation for everyday heroes and "Wash Your Hands Wednesday" to demonstrate proper hand washing. Girls, K through grade 12, continue to be Girl Scouts through relevant and engaging programming through online workshops and chats as well as home projects. For more information, visit [www.gsgcf.org](http://www.gsgcf.org).





by Amanda Glam

# Amanda's PICKS

If you're like Amanda, you're watching about 70 different TV series right now, mini, maxi, drama, comedy, reality and docu. Like Amanda, you also might be confusing characters. Does every drama have a bearded, bad-boy bartender love interest? And how many of you are waiting for a spouse to catch up with you so you can watch the next episode of Ozark or Succession together? Maybe it's time for a little non-commitment TV, something you can turn on, watch and cross off your to-do list, let's call it an anti-bingeathon.

Step one of course, is to play catch up. Still haven't seen Amanda's favorite movie of 2019, The Farewell? It's on Amazon Prime or if you don't have Prime, you can watch it for 99 cents. Love the comedy of Jim Gaffigan or the more adult humor of Sebastian Maniscalco? Hit IMDB.com to see if you're caught up on all their comedy specials. Speaking of IMDB, it's a great way to discover movies and TV shows featuring

your favorite actors that you might have missed the first time around. Helpful hint: Not all undiscovered content is good content. Plug your pick into rottentomatoes.com for further guidance. That way, if you're a George Clooney fan, you can avoid The Men who Stare at Goats.

Here are a few suggestions for your anti-bingeathon.

If there was a theme for life right now it might be the title of Jerry Seinfeld's first original stand-up special since 1998 - 23 Hours to Kill (Netflix). Seinfeld isn't referring to how much time we have to watch TV these days, but his special provides a great way to kill at least one hour. The comic is in rare form, moving around the stage in a much more commanding way than we're used to. He sticks to familiar subject matter, relationships, restaurants, texting etc. It's comfort comedy at its best.

I loved the 2019 documentary Linda Ronstadt:

The Sound of My Voice, (Netflix). The legendary singer provides a charming and honest narrative to this story of her extraordinarily successful career, detailing her childhood in Arizona, her days as a barefoot folk-rock singer, and ultimately, one of the most successful pop singers of all time. Ronstadt explored a dizzying array of music genres until Parkinson's Disease forced her to give up singing. Growing up, I was a huge fan and played several of her albums constantly, and I still am amazed by the power of that voice.

You may want to watch more than one episode of Amy Schumer Learns to Cook, especially since the Food Network is airing two half-hour shows back-to-back on Monday nights. Leave it to Schumer to bring some adult humor to a cooking show as she and her husband, Chris Fischer (an actual chef), cook together in quarantine. Watching them fight about fennel is almost as cute

as their infant son Gene, who makes an occasional appearance.

I've mentioned Magic for Humans before, and I am excited that the third season has made it to Netflix. Charismatic magician Justin Willman ponders the human experience while blowing the minds of every person he meets with the most amazing close-up magic you'll ever see. It's the perfect half-hour of getaway TV and very family-friendly.

For a bit of old-fashioned Hollywood glamour and mystery, check out Natalie Wood: What Remains Behind. This HBO documentary examines the life and tragic death of the movie star as recalled by her daughter Natasha Gregson Wagner and others. The documentary devotes a significant amount of time to Wood's death. Gregson Wagner sits down with her stepfather Robert Wagner in an attempt to basically erase any doubt about his part in her drowning. For me,

it was the stories from costars and photos from on and off the movie set that made this worth watching.

Blow the Man Down on Amazon reminded me of the Oscar-winning movie " Fargo," but with a bit less gore and with New England accents. The atmospheric 2019 Independent film tells the story of two sisters who get involved in murder and slightly sinister occurrences in a Maine fishing village. The "man" in the title is ironic since the movie is dominated by women. That's refreshing, but not quite enough to make up for the lack of character development and unanswered questions. Still, it's a very diverting 90 minutes, and oh those accents!

*Amanda Glam is a former B-movie queen who appeared in such movies as "Space Shark" and "Horror at Hoosier High" and the British mini-series "What's All This Then?" She has retired to Englewood and is thrilled to share her Hollywood know-how and movie insight with Review readers.*

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Once again Florida has entered hurricane season which runs officially from June 1 through November 30. However, Mother Nature does not pay attention to human defined seasons as there have already been three named tropical storms before the season began, though fortunately neither affected Florida. So, do you have your

game plan and know the rules that will enable you to survive the 2020 hurricane season?

The National Hurricane Center suggests these steps to prepare.

• **Know Your Zone.** Find out what your evacuation zone is by visiting your county's website at charlottecountyfl.gov/services/emergencymgmt or scgov.net/

government/emergency-services. Then find out where you would go in a storm – stay in place, go to family or friends or where the nearest shelter is. If leaving home, only travel until you are out of the evacuation zone (don't travel hundreds of miles.)

• **Put Together an Emergency Kit.** A lot of the same items that you stocked up on for the COVID-19 Shelter in Place

 **DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST** 

<p><b>General</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> At least two weeks supply of medication, medical supplies used regularly and a list of allergies</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> List of the style, serial number, and manufacturer information of required medical devices</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight <i>Do not use candles and be sure to have enough batteries</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Radio <i>Battery operated or hand cranked radio, a NOAA weather radio</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Cash <i>Banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>First Aid</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Manual</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sterile gauze pads</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Hypoallergenic adhesive tape</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Triangular bandages</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Scissors</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Tweezers</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sewing needle</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Moistened towelettes</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Antiseptic</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Thermometer</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Tube of petroleum jelly</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Safety pins</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Soap</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Latex gloves</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin or other pain reliever</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Anti-diarrheal medicine</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Antacid</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Laxative</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Cotton balls</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Q-tips</li> </ul>	<p><b>Important Documents</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Insurance cards</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Medical records</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Bank numbers</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Credit card numbers</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Copy of social security card</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Copies of birth and/or marriage certificates</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Other personal documents</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Set of car, house, and office keys</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Service animal I.D., veterinary records, and proof of ownership</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Information about where you receive medication, the name of the drug, and dosage</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Copy of will</li> </ul> <p><i>*Items should be kept in a water proof container</i></p>
<p><b>Pet Care Items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Pet food and water</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Proper identification</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Medical records/ microchip info</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> A carrier or cage</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Muzzle and leash</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Water and food bowls</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Medications</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Supplies for your service animal</li> </ul>	<p><b>Food and Water</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Food <i>Enough for at least seven (7) days, nonperishable packaged or canned food and beverages, snack foods, juices, baby food, and any special dietary items</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Non-electric can opener</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Paper plates</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Napkins</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Plastic cups</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Utensils</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Water (1 gallon per person)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Vehicle</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Keep your motor vehicle tanks filled with gasoline</li> </ul>
<p><b>Clothing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Include seasonal or rain gear and sturdy shoes or boots.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Phone Numbers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Maintain a list of important phone numbers including: county emergency management office, evacuation sites, doctors, banks, schools, veterinarian, a number for out of town contact, friends &amp; family</li> </ul>	<p><b>COVID-19 Supplies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Face masks</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Disinfectant wipes</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Hand sanitizer</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Needs Items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Be sure to include specialty items for infants, small children, the elderly, and those family members with a disability.</li> </ul>		

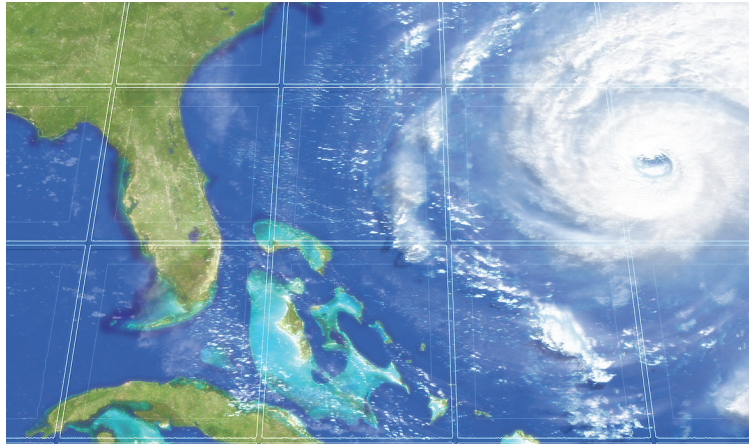


guidelines are also useful for your hurricane emergency kit. You will need seven days-worth of food, bottled water and other supplies. You will want flashlights, battery-powered or hand crank radio, cell phone & charger, first aid kit, medications, clothing changes, pet supplies, disposable dinnerware, paper towels, toilet paper, manual can opener, clean up supplies & trash bags, cash, important family documents, insurance card, driver license or photo ID, extra clothing, bedding & pillows and personal entertainment items (book, ipad, games.) If you need to shelter in an evacuation center, bring face masks and sanitizer.

• **Write or Review Your Family Emergency Plan.** Sit down with family and friends to decide how you will get in contact with each other, where you will go and what you will do in an emergency.

• **Review Your Insurance Policies.** Review your insurance policies to ensure you have adequate coverage for your home and personal property. Keep a copy of your policies with contact numbers in your emergency kit.

Prepare your home. Bring in all outdoor furniture and other items that could be tossed around in strong winds. Keep trees around your home trimmed well before a storm to prevent damage from broken branches. Board up windows to protect them from flying debris. Secure all doors. The garage door is usually the most vulnerable. Fill your vehicle with gas and move it inside a garage or to another secure location. Secure your boat. Turn refrigerator & freezer dials to the coldest settings and avoid opening doors to help keep perishable food in case of a power outage. Place an ice cube or two in a sealed plastic



The 2020 NOAA forecast calls for a likely range of 13 to 19 named storms (winds of 39 mph – 63 kph – or higher), of which six to 10 could become hurricanes (winds of 74 mph – 119 kph – or higher), including three to six major hurricanes (category 3, 4 or 5; with winds of 111 mph – 179 kph – or higher).

bag in freezer. If ice has melted down, you will know power was out. If power goes out, turn off appliances, A/C, pool water heater, etc. to avoid a power surge. Fill bathtub and sink with water just prior to storm. If leaving home, turn off water at main valve.

For Englewood, the closest Sarasota County evacuation centers are in North Port. These are North Port High School (6400 W. Price Blvd.), Heron Creek Middle School (6501 W. Price Blvd.), Woodland Middle School (2700 Panacea Blvd.) and Atwater Elementary School (4701 Huntsville Ave.) Domestic dogs and cats are permitted in designated areas. Twenty square feet is planned for each evacuee but may be less if necessary. If you cannot drive to an evacuation center, Sarasota County will provide bus transportation from a transportation rally point for you and your pets to and from an evacuation center up until eight hours before landfall. In Englewood, those rally points are Buchan Airport Community Park, 1390 Old Englewood Road, and Englewood Sports

Complex, 1300 S. River Road. You must complete an online registration form prior to a storm at [scgovmedicalneeds.formstack.com](http://scgovmedicalneeds.formstack.com).

Charlotte County has no certified Red Cross shelters. In the event of a hurricane, Charlotte County staffed shelters may be opened for citizens to take shelter. All are pet friendly. Charlotte County shelters of last resort may not be able to open depending on the size and direction of an approaching storm. Check local media and [CharlotteCountyFL.com](http://CharlotteCountyFL.com).

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gov to ascertain which location may be open. The locations in Port Charlotte are Kingsway Elementary School, 23300 Quasar Blvd., Liberty Elementary School, 370 Atwater St., Neil Armstrong Elementary School, 22100 Breezeswept Ave. and the Harold Avenue Regional Park Recreation Center, 23400 Harold Ave. People with special needs can register online at [snr.floridadisaster.org](http://snr.floridadisaster.org), download an application at [charlottecountyfl.gov/services/emergencymgmt](http://charlottecountyfl.gov/services/emergencymgmt) and then by emailing it to [Emergency.Management@CharlotteCountyFL.gov](mailto:Emergency.Management@CharlotteCountyFL.gov) or mailing it to Charlotte County Emergency Management, Special Needs Program, 26571 Airport Rd., Punta Gorda, FL 33982.

This year with the COVID-19 situation, shelters are considered

a place of last resort as capacity will be limited according to CDC guidelines. Both counties' shelters accept domestic dogs and cats, and for each pet, you must provide a carrier or cage, one week's supply of food, one gallon of water per pet per day, current vaccination records, cat litter pan, proper ID collar and rabies tag, waste bags and current photo of you with your pet.

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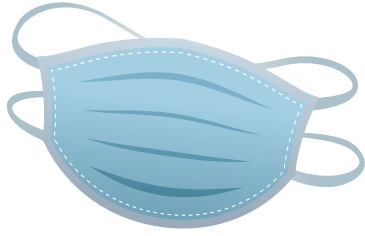
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# Zeke Speaks

**Face Masks & Gloves Needed**  
Suncoast Humane Society (SHS) is excited that their three thrift stores reopened on May 21st. They take health seriously and do their best to keep staff, volunteers and shoppers as safe as possible. In just one day, each thrift shop went through nearly 100 masks by offering them for free to those who wanted to shop and did not have one. Because of the demand for face masks and gloves, SHS is holding a Facebook fundraiser to stock up on these supplies to continue in offering them to those who need one. Your contribution will



allow them to promote health and safety in the thrift shops and Adoption Center. You can contribute by visiting [facebook.com/donate/247755523231081](https://www.facebook.com/donate/247755523231081) or if you prefer to give via PayPal: <https://bit.ly/2UOF8zw>. The Englewood store location is 1951 S. McCall Road.

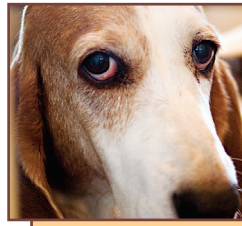
## Charlotte County Pet Licensing Options

Charlotte County Animal Control is announcing several new ways to purchase your pet's license tag. In addition to the partnership with PetData Inc. (PetData.com) which launched in January, all Charlotte County Tax Collector's Offices will be offering animal tags at any of their four locations, but you must make an appointment. The Englewood office is 6868 San Casa Drive. Pet owners that currently

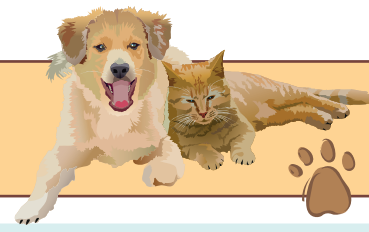
use their veterinarian to obtain pet tags can continue to do so. Pet owners are required to have a current and verifiable rabies vaccine for each pet to utilize these services. Please do not bring pets to the office, but service animals are welcome. Visit [www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov](http://www.CharlotteCountyFL.gov) for additional options or contact Tracie Baird at 833•5684 or [Tracie.Baird@CharlotteCountyFL.gov](mailto:Tracie.Baird@CharlotteCountyFL.gov) for more information.



Over Memorial Day weekend, Suncoast Humane Society was busy working with overwhelmed rescues in Tampa to coordinate transportation and care for multiple litters of orphaned kittens. A compassionate team of shelters and rescues banded together to create a solutions-driven safety net for orphaned kittens in this region, whose vulnerability is profound and requires immediate intervention. Without a mama cat to feed and tend to their needs, time was of the essence. Compounding the problem, animal shelters can be dangerous for orphans as disease spreads quickly, and these orphans do not have immune functions to survive. Transporters brought kittens to meeting points where SHS collected and evaluated each one-pound kitten preparing them for their foster families. They will receive medical oversight, and once they are two pounds, be spayed or neutered, and be ready to be adopted into their forever homes. But they won't be the last to need help. SHS is diligently working to expand their foster network so more animals can have a fighting chance. If you've always wanted to foster a kitten or kittens, **RIGHT NOW** is the time to get on board! Another way to help right now is by making a donation to offset the costs of care. Visit [www.humane.org](http://www.humane.org) to volunteer to foster or to make a donation.



# Pets



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 Web site, [www.humane.org](http://www.humane.org).

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Photos by Suncoast Humane Society

Hi there, my name is **Jack!** As you can see, I'm a very handsome boy. I currently weigh 69 lbs. I am house-broken and crate-trained already. I am nervous in new environments and with new people, so I definitely need time to warm up! I'm really looking for an opportunity to show someone how amazing I truly am. Just remember, patience and allowing me to open up at my own pace is key.



Hi, my name is **Monkey!** I suppose that was more fitting back in my hay day. I'm a mature gal now and really laid back. I love to be around my humans, and if you have a calm and mellow cat or dog, I could fit right in.



Ask how you can become a foster home for EARS. To see all the EARS animals, visit us at 145 W. Dearborn, or visit [Petfinder.com](http://Petfinder.com), or [EarsAnimalRescue.com](http://EarsAnimalRescue.com).

For more information, call EARS: 941-681-3877. Adoption events are either at EARS or Pet Supermarket Saturday, 10am-1pm. Call to confirm location.

**Animal Rescue & Pet Food Store**  
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EARS Animal Rescue's Thrift Store is the shelters main source of income. Since we were closed due to the virus, any cash or check donations to help the animals at this time is very much appreciated. We are a 501c3, so any donation is tax deductible.



**Edie** is a sweet Torti cat, a spayed female, 9 years old. She would love to be the only cat and have an owner with a lap she can call her own.



**Sammy** is a 13- year old orange and white, neutered male kitty. Sammy is quiet and lovable and would love his own person to shower him with love.

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

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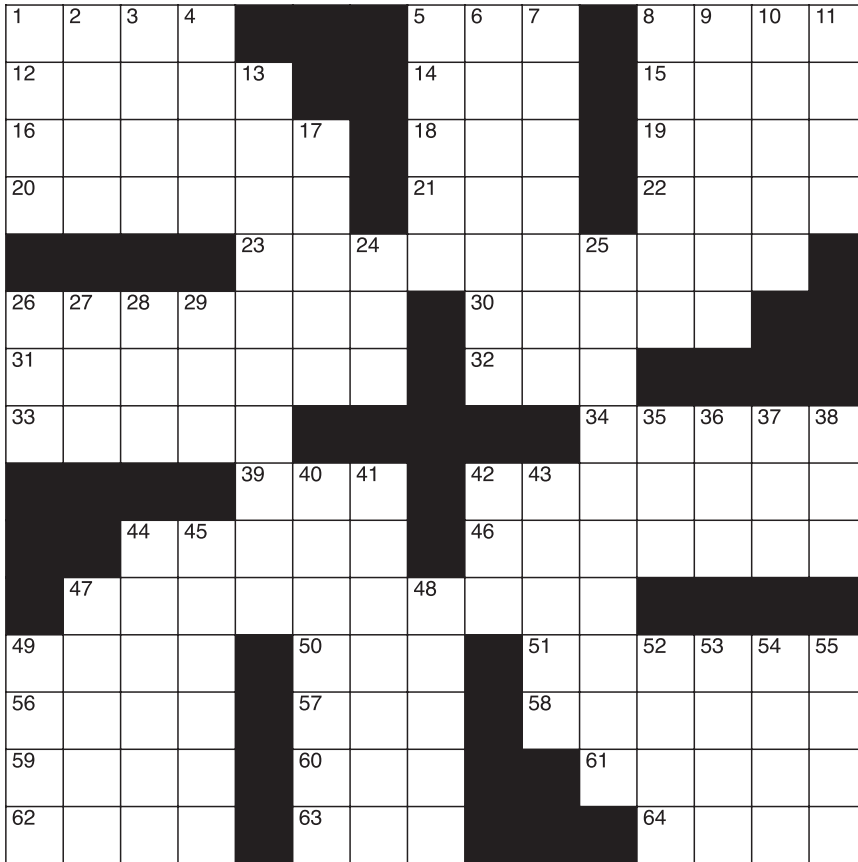
**All donations of clothes and housewares are needed to help the EARS animals.**



# Crossword Puzzle

## CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Bond villain Mikkelsen
- 5. A team's best pitcher
- 8. French river
- 12. Mountain nymph (Greek)
- 14. City of Angels airport
- 15. Military force
- 16. Scrawny
- 18. Value
- 19. One billionth of a second (abbr.)
- 20. Highly seasoned sausage
- 21. Trouble
- 22. Prong
- 23. Showing varying colors
- 26. Cloaked
- 30. Renters sign one
- 31. Acquires
- 32. Type of language (abbr.)
- 33. Partner to pains
- 34. Third portion of the small intestine
- 39. Excessively theatrical actor
- 42. Infraction
- 44. Classical music for the stage
- 46. Slogged
- 47. One who terminates
- 49. Breakfast is an important one
- 50. Moved earth
- 51. Medical procedures
- 56. Genus of clams
- 57. Not well
- 58. Comparative figure of speech
- 59. Covered thinly with gold
- 60. Principle underlying the universe
- 61. A parent's sisters
- 62. Professional

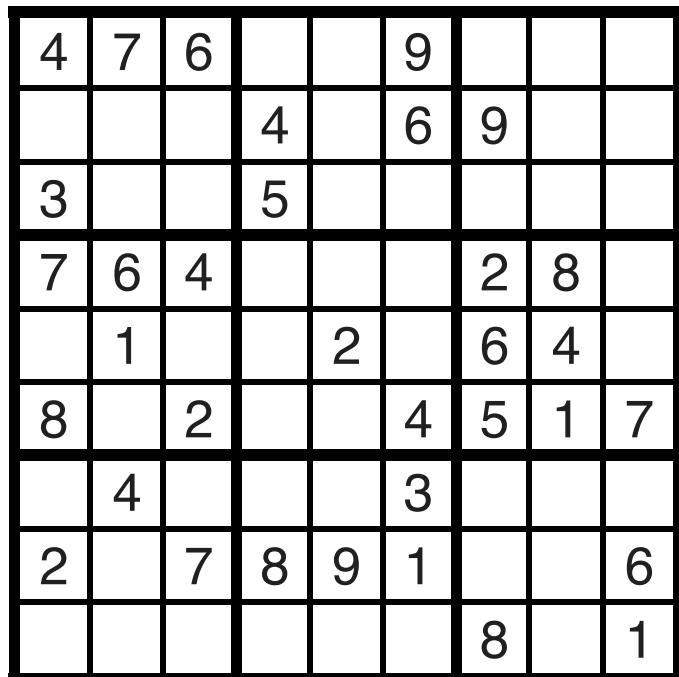


- 13. Destroyed
- 17. A way to alter
- 24. Promotional materials
- 25. American state
- 26. Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
- 27. "Modern Family" network
- 28. Last or greatest in an indefinitely large series
- 29. Exercise system \_\_\_-bo
- 35. Type of bulb
- 36. Opposite of beginning
- 37. Utilize
- 38. Type of student
- 40. Deficiency of moisture
- 41. Areas of the eye
- 42. Select
- 43. Sheets of floating ice
- 44. Priests who act as mediums
- 45. Roof of the mouth
- 47. Unnatural
- 48. Illuminated
- 49. There are three famous ones
- 52. Large, fast Australian birds
- 53. "Dracula" heroine Harker
- 54. Substitutes (abbr.)
- 55. Tax

## CLUES DOWN

- 1. Female parents
- 2. Region
- 3. Transaction
- 4. Heroic tale
- 5. Of algae
- 6. Luminous intensity unit
- 7. Uncovers
- 8. French commune name
- 9. Poisonous gas
- 10. Pearl Jam's bassist
- 11. Horse groom in India

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Level: Beginner

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