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The Englewood Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Englewood Alumni has adopted the stretch of North Beach Road from The Waverly Restaurant to Tamarind Condominiums. They were aided in their efforts by Home Depot's generous donations of supplies and picked up five huge construction-sized bags of trash.

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# Live for Today. *Plan for Tomorrow.*



Trust Development Officer Kerry Hunter is offering free estate-planning seminars to help you prepare for the future. Seminars will be held at **10 a.m. at the Englewood Chamber of Commerce, 601 South Indiana Ave., Englewood.**

## **Estate Planning Basics**    **Thursday, July 13**

Review the basic elements of an estate plan, including last will and testament, power of attorney, and health care directives. Presented with Attorney Lori A. Wellbaum, Esq. Wellbaum Law, P.A.

## **Becoming a Floridian**    **Thursday, July 20**

Explore your checklist to be a Floridian, common problems with other states' documents, and some helpful tips. Presented with Dean Hanewinckel of the law office of Dean Hanewinckel, P.A.

**While the seminars are free, reservations are required. Please register with any teller or personal banker, online at [www.Englewoodbank.com](http://www.Englewoodbank.com) or contact Kerry Hunter at 941-473-3629.**

**Schedule a free, 30-minute one-on-one appointment to review your estate planning documents or get a second opinion on your investments. We will help you answer these questions:**

- Are your will, trust, durable power of attorney, and health care documents up to date?
- Does your living will and designation of healthcare surrogate accurately reflect your wishes?
- Is your will or trust fully funded to avoid probate?
- Will your estate plans from your home state function properly in Florida?
- Are your assets properly titled and appropriate beneficiaries designated?
- Are your investments on track to meet your financial goals?
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# Around the Town



Join the Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary Club in celebrating this nation's Independence Day as they present the largest top-quality fireworks display in Southwest Florida on **Tuesday, July 4 at 9:05 pm** over Lemon Bay, weather permitting. The fireworks will once again be shot off from Middle Beach. The viewing area is anywhere along the Intracoastal Waterway of Lemon Bay from the Tom Adams Bridge to Englewood Isles and along Manasota Key. Prime spots on the mainland are Indian Mound Park, Veterans Memorial, Cherokee Park, and Lemon Bay Park. If you are watching from the water, please stay a safe distance from the launch area. Parking is limited at Middle Beach, 7770 Manasota Key Road, and spots fill early as well as on the mainland viewing areas. WENG Radio 1530 will be broadcasting patriotic music synchronized with the fireworks. Any donation to the fireworks fund is appreciated. Tax deductible donations can be mailed to LBSR Fireworks at PO Box 897, Englewood FL 34295-0897. Make your check out to LBSR Community Trust and put Fireworks in the memo line. You may also donate online at [lbsrfoundation.com](http://lbsrfoundation.com) and click on the Fireworks Donate button.

## Cruisin' on Dearborn

"Cruisin'" on Dearborn, a gathering of people and their classic cars, continues through the summer on the first Saturday of the month from **2 to 8 pm**. Anyone with a classic car or a love of cars is invited to this free event. **Saturday, July 1st** is the next Cruise In. Enjoy music to cruise by and music trivia sponsored by the Old Englewood Village Association. Don't forget to visit the businesses that are open for your shopping pleasure and stop by the broadcast booth to get your raffle tickets for prizes.

## Celebrate America

Fellowship Church of Englewood invites everyone to Celebrate America on Englewood Beach **Saturday, July 1, 5:30 to 7:30 pm**. There will be a cookout with burgers & hot dogs provided, just bring a side dish or dessert to share. Following the dinner there will be a Believer's Baptism Service for anyone who wants to follow the Lord. Bring your own seating. For more information,

call **941-475-7447** or visit [fcenglewood.com](http://fcenglewood.com).

## Great American Picnic

Kick off your Independence Day weekend with family and friends at Downtown Wellen's Great American Picnic on **Saturday, July 1 from 11 am to 11 pm**. Live music, family friendly activities, augmented reality experience, a pie bake-off, watermelon eating contest, and plenty of places to enjoy food and drink, plus much

more. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets and find a place on the Great Lawn to enjoy a day of fun in the sun! Bring a picnic lunch or purchase food there. Live music featuring Rob Hazen (**11 am to 2 pm**), Derek Lersch Country Band (**2 to 6 pm**), Queen Kay Duo (**6 to 8 pm**) and Nightbreakers (**8 to 11 pm**). Learn more at [wellenpark.com/events/great-american-picnic](http://wellenpark.com/events/great-american-picnic). Downtown Wellen Park is located at 19745 Wellen Park Blvd., Venice.

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**July 4th Barbeque**  
The public is invited to the July 4th Barbeque at American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Road in Rotonda West. The event runs **1 to 4 pm on Tuesday, July 4** and features a delicious BBQ lunch, live music by the Bandana Band, games and a 50/50 (proceeds to Kids' Needs). \$15 per person; tickets available at the bar and at door (if not sold out). Guests are encouraged to bring shoes & socks for Kids' Needs. Don't miss seeing one of the area's most popular bands. For more information, call the Post at **941-697-3616**.

**Fourth of July BBQ**  
The VFW Auxiliary 10178 welcomes you to their 4th of July BBQ on **Tuesday, July 4** from **2 to 4 pm**. The menu will be hamburgers and hot dogs, potato salad, macaroni salad and watermelon. There will be a basket raffle, 50/50 drawing and a wreath drawing. Donations are appreciated to benefit the Auxiliary. VFW Post 10178 is located at 550 N. McCall Road. For more information, call **941-474-7516**.

**Family Fun Festival**  
The Military Heritage Museum is hosting a full day of fun activities for the whole family to celebrate and remember the USA's patriotic heritage on **Tuesday, July 4** from **10 am to 4 pm**. There will be Huey cockpit tours, a flight simulator, virtual reality, remote control tanks obstacle course, Liberty's Kids videos, storytelling with Veterans, MASH tent experience, and discover & explore activities for kids. Kat Craig, Nashville

recording artist, will provide live music. Enjoy live performances of the "Story of Our Flag" and "Meet the Daughters of the American Revolution". Admission is \$5 for kids up to 14 years, \$12 Veterans, and \$14 adults. The complete schedule of events can be found at militaryheritagemuseum.org. The museum is located at 900 W. Marion Avenue in Punta Gorda. For questions, call **941-575-9002**.

**Independence Day Celebration**  
Fishermen's Village, 1200 W. Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda, is proud to announce their

Edge Band takes the stage from **5 to 9 pm** with their unique blend of country, rock and dance music. The fireworks display begins at **9 pm**. KingFisher Fleet will offer a fun Sunset/Fireworks Cruise departing from Fishermen's Village at **7:30 pm**. Visit kingfisherfleet.com for pricing/tickets.

**Freedom Swim**  
Don't miss the 2023 Charlotte Harbor Freedom Swim! The swim will start at **2:30 pm** on **Tuesday, July 4** and participants will gather in the water near the public beach on the northwest side of the north end of US 41

**Food Forest Garden Tour**  
Join Matt Beebe on **Sunday, July 2, 4 to 6 pm**, at the Garden of the Arts to relax and learn. Matt is a plant enthusiast who is highly knowledgeable about native, perennial and edible plants in SW Florida and will talk about planting a living, green mulch, fast growing trees & plants, and why to grow a canopy layer. Registration fee is \$10 and includes a free plant. To reserve your spot, call/text **941-681-0213** or online at gardenofhearts.com. Location: 272 Cedar Street.

**Fireworks on the Lake**  
Fireworks on the Lake returns to Nathan Benderson Park in Sarasota on **Monday, July 3**. This year's patriotic party starts at **5 pm** and features live music by Kettle of Fish, Mote Marine Laboratory & Aquarium Kids Zone, food trucks, fun & games and a spectacular fireworks show around **9 pm**. Free admission. Parking passes range from \$20 to \$50 per carload and may be purchased online at fireworksonthelake.com. Nathan Benderson Park is located at 5851 Nathan Benderson Circle, Sarasota.



Independence Day Holiday Celebration on **Tuesday, July 4th**. Admission and parking are free. The festivities begin with live music featuring musician Dan Meadows from **noon to 4 pm**. The annual Freedom Swim begins at **2:30 pm**. From the

North bridge at the start of the swim (close to Live Oak Point Park at 5100 N. Tamiami Trail in Charlotte Harbor) and to sign in. Participation is free, and no reservations are required. You must sign in the day of the swim. Paddleboards, inflatable








*"Great tour", "lots of fun", and "very well organized" were some of the comments made by those who participated in The Learning Center (TLC) for Dyslexia golf tournament fundraiser held June 17th at the Rotonda Golf & Country Club. The tournament drew 84 players and a large contingent of volunteers, parents, and board members contributed to its success. Participants enjoyed 18 holes of golf and lunch, a silent auction, and could win Opportunity Chance Baskets donated by generous members of the Englewood community. The event generated \$8,600 for TLC for Dyslexia. The day's golf winners were First Place: Shaffer Drywall Services; Second Place: Sawyer's Squad; and Third Place: Gold Rush BBQ. TLC for Dyslexia thanks everyone who participated and supported them for this event. Learn more about TLC for Dyslexia at [tlcfordyslexia.org](http://tlcfordyslexia.org). Pictured here awaiting their turn to tee off are (l-r): Jim Harrison, Ray LaBadie and Andy LaBadie.*

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**Venice July 4th Fireworks**  
Fireworks will shoot from the South Jetty in Venice on **Tuesday, July 4th**, shortly after **9 pm**. The free show will last about 30 minutes. Although the South Jetty and Jetty Jacks Refreshment Deck will be closed for safety, the fireworks display may be viewed on area beaches from Caspersen to Nokomis, as well as from other locations around Venice. Boats should be at anchor by **8:15 pm** on **July 4th**, as the Venice Inlet will be closed to boat traffic at **8:30 pm**.

**Freedom Festival**  
Ready for some fireworks? The City of North Port's annual Freedom Festival, presented by American Irrigation, will kick

off at **5 pm** on **Tuesday, July 4** at CoolToday Park, 18800 W. Villages Parkway, Venice. This family-friendly signature event will include fun activities, children's activity section, great vendors, plenty of food options, and of course, fireworks. Live music throughout the evening by the Tim Charron Band. Fireworks show at **9 pm**. Seating available in the stadium or on event lawn (bring own seating). The fireworks show will be livestreamed on Facebook at [facebook.com/northportparksandrec](http://facebook.com/northportparksandrec).

**July Book Sale**  
The Friends of Elsie Quirk Library bookstore is holding a half-price book sale for any book priced \$2 and up from **Monday, July 3 through Monday, July 31**. Take advantage of this great opportunity to stock up on books for summer reading and for your book collection. The bookstore is located just inside the front door at the Elsie Quirk

Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. Hours are **Monday through Friday, 10 am to 4 pm** and **Saturday, 10 am to 1 pm**.

**Bike Clinic Canceled For July**  
Due to the July 4th Independence Day holiday, the free Englewood Bike Clinic will not be held in July. The next scheduled date for the clinic will be **Tuesday, August 1st** from **10 am to noon** at The Jubilee Center at St. David's, 401 S. Broadway.

**Fun at the Library**  
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**Genealogy 101**  
Interested in your family's genealogy but don't know where to start? Join Gail Finney from the Englewood Genealogical Society of Florida as she provides instructional information on beginning your

**"Deadly Games" is now appearing in the Circus Arts Conservancy's Summer Circus Spectacular.**

*There is nothing that will keep you on the edge of your seat like watching knives being thrown within inches of a person's body and you will experience that feeling during Alfredo Silva and Aleksandra Kiedrowicz's, better known as "Deadly Games", act. The family-friendly circus arts show at the Historic Asolo Theatre, 5401 Bay Shore Road, Sarasota, runs now through Saturday, August 12. Enjoy some of the finest circus artists from around the world. Shows are Tuesday-Friday at 11 am and 2 pm and Saturdays at 2 pm and 5 pm. Tickets are \$20 adult and \$13 child (age 12 & under). Tickets may be purchased online at ringling.org. When you buy a ticket to the Summer Circus Spectacular, for just \$5 more, you can get a wristband to see both circus museums. For more information, call 941•360•7399.*



genealogy journey. "Discovering Your Family Roots" will be held on **Wednesday, July 5, 2 to 4 pm**, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers. This session will offer a hands-on demo of searching the Family Search database. Participants should bring their own laptop or mobile device to follow along. Registration is required and limited to 25 participants, ages 13 to adult. Register online at scgovlibrary.librarymarket.com. For more information, call **941•861•1225**.

**Habitat for Humanity ReSale Store Reopens**  
The Charlotte County Habitat for Humanity ReSale Store in Englewood is set to reopen on **Wednesday, July 5th**. The store, located at 3325 S. Access Road, was badly damaged by Hurricane Ian. Store hours are **Monday through Saturday, 9 am to 5 pm**. For more information, call **941•681•3600**. For donation pickup, call **941•639•0586**.

**Florida-Friendly Landscaping**  
Learn the basics of the **Florida-Friendly Landscaping™ 101** approach; how it can help you

have a beautiful landscape and save you money. This free program by UF/IFAS Extension Sarasota County will be offered **Wednesday, July 5, 4 to 5 pm**, at the North Port Library, 13800 Tamiami Trail North, North Port. Learn the nine principles that can help you have a successful, beautiful landscape while protecting natural resources. Register for this event only at ufsarasotaext.eventbrite.com. For questions, call **941•861•5000**.

**Senior Show & Tell**  
This summer Charlotte County Community Services is offering

several free educational and informative topics which will be presented by guests from local businesses and organizations. All presentations will take place at Harold Avenue Regional Park located at 23400 Harold Avenue, Port Charlotte. Program topics are **Saturday, July 8, 9 - 10:30 am**: Gardening: Plant Propagation. **Saturday, July 22, 9 - 10:30 am**: Animals-Cat Health & Behavior. **Saturday, July 29, 1-2:30 pm**: Science: Hurricanes & Weather Tracking Tools. **Saturday, August 5, 9-10:30 am**: Science: Solar Eclipses & Solar Observing. **Saturday, August 19, 9-10:30 am**: Animals: Understanding Your Dog. **Saturday, September 16, 9-10:30 am**. **Saturday, September 30, 9-10:30 am**: Technology: How to Use Social Media. Pre-registration is required by calling **941•627•1074**. Free transportation is provided through Charlotte County Transit Service vans by calling **941•575•4000** and making reservations at least 3 days in advance. For more information, call **941•627•1074**.

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calling 941-413-5004, or at the box office.

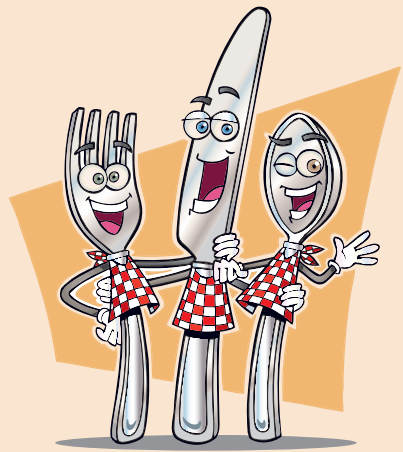
**Sunset Yoga & Crystal Bowls**  
Relax and unwind with a gentle yoga practice on Englewood Beach with Loving Light Yoga on Thursday, July 6 at 7:30 pm. Enjoy a sound bath with the healing tones and vibrations of the crystal bowls and the setting sun with Lata and Robert. Bring your own blanket or mat. Suggested donation is \$5 but

all are welcome with or without donation. Note: there is a fee for parking at Englewood Beach, 2100 N. Beach Road. For more information, call 941-473-0135 or email Lata528@gmail.com.

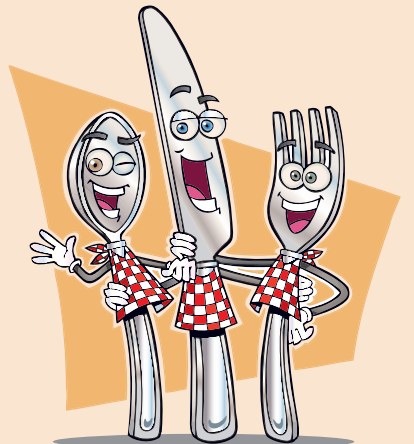
**FL 101 Summer Webinar Series**  
UF/IFAS Extension Charlotte County is hosting an eight-part webinar series on the basics of living in Southwest Florida. At noon every Wednesday

starting July 12th, speakers will provide 30-minute Zoom lectures that will be recorded and posted on YouTube following the live broadcast. Speakers will include UF/IFAS staff and faculty, representatives from the Charlotte County Emergency Operations Center & Utilities and Florida Master Naturalists. Topic schedule: July 12 – Welcome & Florida History. July 19 – Prickly & Poisonous Critters. July 26 – Hurricane

Preparedness. August 2 – Big Animals. August 9 – Marine Life. August 16 – Utilities. August 23 – Wild Edibles. August 30 – Florida Friendly Landscaping. Participants are invited to as many or as few webinars as they are interested in. Register at: FL101.eventbrite.com?aff=oddtcreator. For information, contact Kate Rose at Kate.Rose0210@ufl.edu or 941-764-4346.



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Englewood Alano Club held the drawing for their Ford Escape Fundraiser on June 24th and the winner was Paula Allen of Nashville, TN. Since all 600 tickets were not sold in order to win a 2023 Ford Escape, the drawing was converted to a 50/50 raffle. Englewood Alano Club extends a huge thank-you to Bri Walsh and Rusty at Englewood Ford for their support and amazing efforts for the fundraiser. Bri Walsh said Englewood Ford chose to support the Englewood Alano Club because it provides a great, much needed service to the community and that Englewood Ford steps up to support many worthy causes here in the community. The Englewood Alano Club, Inc. is a nonprofit 501c3 organization serving all 12-Step meetings in Englewood and surrounding areas. Fundraising efforts are currently underway to secure their "Englewood Alano, Club, Inc. Permanent Home" for future generations. All donations are greatly appreciated and can be mailed to Englewood Alano Club, Inc., 2936 S. McCall Road #B, Englewood, FL 34224.

**Estate Planning Basics**  
Englewood Bank & Trust presents a free seminar on estate planning on **Thursday, July 13, 10 am**, at the Englewood Chamber of Commerce, 601 S. Indiana Avenue. This seminar will review the basic elements of an estate plan, including last will and testament, power of attorney, and health care directives, focusing on the specifics and benefits of each and the pitfalls to avoid. The seminar will also include planning tools for non-married couples and couples who have remarried, plus ways to protect yourself, your loved ones, and your assets. Presenter will be Lori A. Wellbaum of Wellbaum Law, P.A. To register, visit [englewoodbank.com](http://englewoodbank.com) or contact Kerry Hunter at **941-473-3629** or [khunter@ebtfl.com](mailto:khunter@ebtfl.com).

**Let's Talk Turtles**  
The beaches of Manasota Key are an important nesting habitat for sea turtles. The Coastal Wildlife Club invites you to

come out for a free program on sea turtles on **Thursday, July 13, 3 to 5 pm**, at the main pavilion at Englewood Beach, 2100 N. Beach Road. Learn about the five turtle species that nest in Florida and ways you can help in their conservation. Registration is not required. There is a parking fee at Englewood Beach. Stormy weather can impact program so check the Coastal Wildlife Club Facebook page for any cancellations. This event is also offered on **Thursday, July 22 at 3 pm**.

**Women's Self Defense**  
Are you interested in gaining confidence in your ability to protect yourself? Now is your chance to join Charlotte County Sheriff's Office free Women's Self-Defense class, taught by highly skilled and dedicated instructors from Shuman's ATA Martial Arts. Open to women, ages 16 and up, the class is offered **Thursday, July 13, 6:30 to 8 pm**, at the Harold Avenue

Recreation Center, 23400 Harold Avenue, Port Charlotte. This class is individualized, considering each student's abilities, including strength, size, conditioning, and age. Students are trained to the best of their own ability. Sign up here: [ccso.org/PublicInterest/self-defense.cfm](http://ccso.org/PublicInterest/self-defense.cfm). For more information, call **941-639-2101**.

**Christmas in July**  
Get ready for the biggest sale of the season on **Friday, July 14 and Saturday, July 15** from **10 am-4 pm** at participating locations presented by Venice MainStreet. Enjoy Christmas-themed windows and great discounts, register to win one of several gift baskets, ride the trolley both days and meet Santa. There's no place like Venice to celebrate Christmas in July. Website: [VisitVeniceFL.org](http://VisitVeniceFL.org).

**Rain Barrel Workshop**  
Learn about the benefits of rain barrels with the option of

purchasing a recycled food-grade plastic rain barrel for your property at the UF/IFAS Rain Barrel Workshop offered **Saturday, July 15, 10 to 11 am**, at the Morgan Family Community Center, 6207 W. Price Blvd., North Port. The workshop is free and, if you wish to purchase a rain barrel, it needs to be ordered before the class. Rain barrels are \$26.50 (plus fee & sales tax) and purchased rain barrels will be available to be picked up at the workshop. Register for the workshop and purchase rain barrels only at [uf Sarasota ext.eventbrite.com](http://uf Sarasota ext.eventbrite.com).

**Sarasota Mystic Faire**  
The Sarasota Mystic Faire is set for **Saturday & Sunday, July 15 & 16** in the Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota. The Faire brings together psychics, spiritual counselors, light workers, alternative health practitioners, vendors and others for health and wellness. Over 75 exhibitors. Lecturers are included with your admission cost of \$7 for one day & \$10 for both days. Kids ages 12 & under are free. Hours: **10 am to 5 pm**.

**Summer Farmer's Market**  
The Open Studio, 310 Old Englewood Road, invites you to their Summer Farmer's Market on **Thursdays, 8 am to 1 pm**. Shop for fresh organic produce, handmade jewelry, food vendors, and more. Enjoy live music. Potential vendors can call **802-323-4068** for more information.

**Drop In Sewing**  
Want to learn some basic sewing skills? On **Tuesdays from 2 to 4 pm**, volunteers are available to help you with simple sewing techniques on a sewing machine at the Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road. For questions, call the library at **941-681-3736**.

**Roof Fund Raffle**  
Saint Francis of Assisi Church is holding a Roof Fund Raffle to assist in paying for damages sustained through Hurricane Ian. The church and its associated buildings sustained \$1.4 million in damages with \$700K to be raised. The raffle drawing will be held on **Sunday, August 20** in the parish hall, after the **10 am** Mass. The grand prize is two E-bikes (LaFree +), second prize is an iPad Pro 12.9 and third prize is a \$250 gift certificate to Nicola's Italian Kitchen. Tickets can be obtained at the parish office located at 5265 Placida Road, Grove City, or on the parish website, [SFOChurch.com](http://SFOChurch.com), under Fundraising. Suggested ticket donation is \$20. For questions, call **941-697-4899**.

**FantaSea Fishing Tournament**  
Join the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office for a night of dinner, dancing, music, FantaSea Fishing, silent auctions, fun, prizes, and more at the FantaSea Fishing Tournament on **Saturday, September 30**, starting at **5 pm**. The event will be held at TT's Tiki Bar, 33 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda. Cash bar. Ticket price is \$50 single/\$90 couple and may be

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The Englewood Alano Club, 2936 S. McCall Road, celebrated with a Grand Re-Opening on June 22nd. Like so many other businesses and homes, the building sustained damage from Hurricane Ian. Many people have not heard of this community asset. The Englewood Alano Club provides a safe, substance-free venue for individuals and families seeking sustained recovery through 12-Step meetings, workshops and social events. It is considered a "recovery oasis", offering 12-Step fellowships a place to meet. They supply information, outreach, programs, and social interaction for all people affected by alcohol, drug, other addictions, and their family members. There are fellowship groups for all ages, including two young people's programs. The Englewood Alano Club is outgrowing their current space and they are embarking on a fundraising effort in order to expand awareness of their availability and give back to the community by presenting a space where people can heal, grow and receive support. If you would like to help Englewood Alano Club expand its mission, donations can be mailed to Englewood Alano Club, 2936 S. McCall Road #B, Englewood, FL 34224. You can learn more at [Englewoodalanoclub.com](http://Englewoodalanoclub.com) or call Darla at 847-494-6039

purchased at any CCSO District Office. The CCSO office in Englewood is located at 11051 Willmington Blvd. FantaSea Fishing starts at 7 pm and the top prize is \$1,500 (note: this is a "Fantasy" tournament and you will be "fishing" in kiddie pools for toy fish). For questions, please call 941-575-5252.

**Local Oral History Collection Online**

Charlotte County Libraries and History is pleased to announce a collection of oral histories is now digitally accessible through the library catalog, located at [charlottefl.ent.sirsi.net/client/en\\_US/libraries](http://charlottefl.ent.sirsi.net/client/en_US/libraries). To access the collection, click on the "Oral History" tile or select the "Archives" box below the main search bar. Composed of approximately

50 interviews completed from August, 2017 through March, 2020, the oral histories offer unique perspectives of long-term residents of Charlotte County, including politicians, judges, businessmen and women, and members of the general public. These personal narratives provide important insight into the history and development of Charlotte County since its creation in 1921. For more information, contact Dr. Jennifer Zobelein at 941-629-7278 or [Jennifer.Zobelein@charlottecountyfl.gov](mailto:Jennifer.Zobelein@charlottecountyfl.gov).

**Seeking Hunks in Heels**  
The 2nd Annual Hunks in Heels is coming up on **Saturday, September 16th**. Spread Spencer's Sparkle is seeking some male hunks to compete for this year's top three.

Sponsors and silent auction items are also being sought. Go to [spreadspencerssparkle.com](http://spreadspencerssparkle.com) for more information and hunk application.

**Caring & Sharing**

**OneBlood Blood Drives**  
The OneBlood "Big Red Bus" has scheduled the following blood drives in Englewood during **July**. Donors are requested to visit the website at [oneblood.org](http://oneblood.org) to schedule an appointment. Please note that blood drives are subject to change at any time. **Sunday, July 2, 11 am to 5 pm:** Publix-Merchants Crossing, 1500 Placida Road. **Monday, July 3, 10 am to 4 pm:** Bealls Outlet, 425 S. Indiana Avenue. **Sunday, July 9, 10 am to 4 pm:** Winn-Dixie East Englewood, 4100 McCall Road. **Tuesday, July**

**11, 10 am to 4 pm:** Bealls, 1500 Placida Road. **Friday, July 14, 11 am to 5 pm:** Babe's Ace Hardware Englewood, 450 N. Indiana Avenue. **Friday, July 21, 10 am to 4 pm:** Gulf Coast Hardware, 975 S. McCall Road. **Tuesday, July 25, 11 am to 5 pm:** Publix-Merchants Crossing, 1500 Placida Road.

**Fireworks Sponsors Needed**  
Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary is planning to once again "Light Up Lemon Bay" with the annual July 4th fireworks displays, one of the best in SW Florida. But they need your help to make this happen. Please consider a sponsorship or donation to the fireworks fund. Sponsorships run \$100 to \$10,000, but any donation amount is greatly appreciated. Several sponsorship levels include access to eat and drink in the VIP tent prior to the show and a great seat to watch the fireworks. The cost of fireworks and insurance have skyrocketed, so your support is needed more than ever. Please go to [LemonBaySunriseRotary.com](http://LemonBaySunriseRotary.com) to donate or mail a check with Fireworks in the memo line to Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary Club, PO Box 897, Englewood, FL 34295. For more information on sponsorship opportunities, contact Rick O'Neal at 941-286-3358.

**SportsWheels & Wings Bike Ride**  
The Wheels & Wings CAAM Cycling Series bicycle ride takes place in Punta Gorda on **Sunday, July 9th**, starting at 7:30 am. The start & finish location is Beef O'Brady's, 1105 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda. Choose from four road route options: 15, 31, 50 and 62 miles. Your cost includes a light breakfast, 3 fully stocked rest stops, SAG support, meal tickets for wings, two "beverages", a Wheels & Wings jersey, and you can watch the Tour de France, which will be televised during the event. Current price is \$80 until ride day. Learn more and register at [wheelsandwings.raceroster.com](http://wheelsandwings.raceroster.com).

The items appearing in this column are as accurate as possible. Please call the listed numbers for confirmation and further information. 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 email: [englewoodreview@comcast.net](mailto:englewoodreview@comcast.net).



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**Englewood Rotarians** were well represented at the Rotary District 6960 annual changeover and awards conference at Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort and Spa in Bonita Springs on June 23rd. **Alfred Current** (The Rotary Club of Englewood) has taken on the high honor of District Governor 2023/2024 of Rotary International District 6960. **Dennis Guzik** (Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary) will be the District 6960 Area 7 Governor to Governor Alfred Current. Two Rotarians received President's Awards from the Governor for Distinction: **Thomas Hinck** (The Rotary Club of Englewood Sunset) and **David Wampler** (Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary). **Emerson King** (The Rotary Club of Englewood Sunset) won the Governor's Award for Sergeant-of-Arms for the year. **Karen Current** (The Rotary Club of Englewood) was awarded Distribution Coordinator for coordinating the relief efforts after Hurricane Ian. **Jim Harrison** (Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary) was also nominated for that honor.



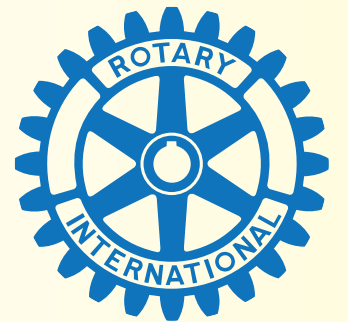
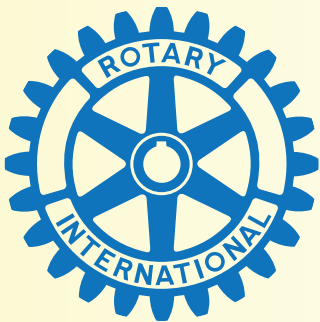
Tom Hinck and Theresa Dailey of the Rotary Club of Englewood Sunset smile for the camera.



Pictured here (l-r): Alfred Current, Jim Harrison and Dave Wampler at the awards conference.



Karen Current and Jim Harrison were nominated for the Distribution Coordinator Award.



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# Arts & Entertainment

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Join instructor Olga Halo to learn and apply the six main elements of art: line, shape, form, space, texture and value in this beginning drawing class offered during July at the North Port Art Center, 5950 Sam Shapos Way, North Port. You will use pencils and explore other drawing mediums like charcoal, white pencils and graphic illustration pens. The July session runs **Tuesdays, July 11 through 25, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm**. Cost: members \$55; nonmembers \$80. Learn more and register at northportartcenter.org or call **941-423-6460**.

## Adult Art Classes

Come have fun and express yourself through art classes at the Englewood YMCA during July. Sessions will be held on **Wednesday evenings from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm**. These classes are open to both members and the public. Schedule: **July 5** – Painting. **July 12** – Resin. **July 19** – Painting. **July 26** – Resin. Cost per class is \$10 member/\$20 nonmember for the Painting class and \$25 member/\$35 nonmember for the Resin class. You can

register online at [ymcaswfl.org/register-programs](http://ymcaswfl.org/register-programs) or call the Y at **941-475-1234**. The YMCA is located at 701 Medical Blvd.

## America's Storyteller: Norman Rockwell

Norman Rockwell (1894-1978) was a 20th-century American painter, illustrator, and commercial artist. His works enjoy broad popular appeal in the United States for their reflection of American culture. Rockwell is most famous for his 324 Saturday Evening Post magazine covers. Join Baila Miller on **Wednesday, July 12, 2 to 3:30 pm**, at the Jacaranda Library to learn more about this iconic artist. The program is free but registration is required at [segovlibrary.librarymarket.com](http://segovlibrary.librarymarket.com) or call **941-861-1260**. Jacaranda Library is located at 4143 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice.

## Think of One Jazz Duo

Swing by the Jacaranda Library, 4143 Woodmere Park Blvd., Venice, to enjoy some jazz music by the outstanding duo Think of One on **Thursday, July 13, at 11 am**. Dwayne White is an experienced jazz trumpeter, music educator, clinician, composer, and arranger. The

program is free. For more information, call **941-861-1260**.

## The Cemetery Club Returns to Venice Theatre

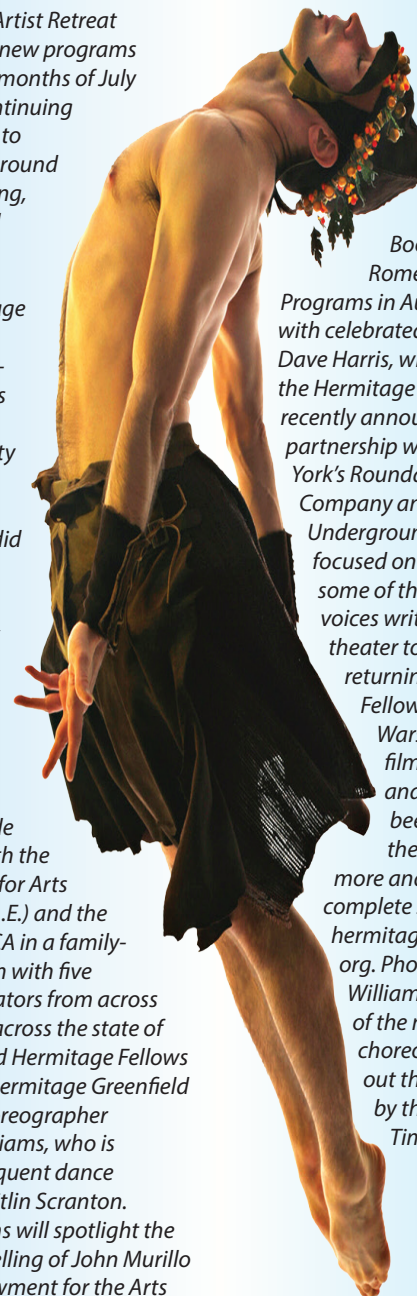
The Cemetery Club returns for an encore presentation at Venice Theatre, **Friday, July 14 through Sunday, August 13**. Brad Wages directs this funny, sweet-tempered, moving romantic comedy about three Jewish widows who meet once a month for tea before going to visit their husbands' graves. Evening performances are **Wednesday-Saturday at 7:30 pm and Sundays at 2 pm**. Tickets are \$35 adult and \$15 youth. Purchase tickets online at [venicetheatre.org](http://venicetheatre.org) or call the box office at **941-488-1115**. Venice Theatre is located at 140 Tampa Avenue West, Venice.

## Summer Art Market

The Englewood Art Center invites you to their Summer Art Market scheduled for **Friday & Saturday, July 14 & 15, 10 am to 3 pm**. Shop local art and artisan vendors, enjoy demonstrations by instructors, and there will be fun activities for kids. Food trucks will be onsite. Enjoy live music by Shindig on **July 14th** and

## THE HERMITAGE

The Hermitage Artist Retreat has announced new programs throughout the months of July and August. Continuing its commitment to innovative year-round arts programming, these events will be presented all across Sarasota County. Hermitage programs introduce world-renowned artists to Florida's Gulf Coast community and audiences across the country for candid and engaging conversations, open rehearsals, play readings, and film screenings. Newly announced summer programs include partnerships with the Florida Alliance for Arts Education (F.A.A.E.) and the Englewood YMCA in a family-friendly program with five gifted arts educators from across disciplines and across the state of Florida. Featured Hermitage Fellows in July include Hermitage Greenfield Prize finalist choreographer Christopher Williams, who is joined by his frequent dance collaborator Caitlin Scranton. August programs will spotlight the powerful storytelling of John Murillo (National Endowment for the Arts Fellow and 2021 Kingsley Tufts Poetry Award winner) and Nicole Sealey (PEN Open



Book Award and Rome Prize winner). Programs in August continue with celebrated playwright Dave Harris, who comes to the Hermitage as part of the recently announced partnership with New York's Roundabout Theatre Company and their Underground Series, focused on producing some of the most exciting voices writing for the theater today; and returning Hermitage Fellow Hilan Warsaw, whose films about music and opera have been seen around the world. Learn more and see the complete schedule at [hermitageartistretreat.org](http://hermitageartistretreat.org). Photo: Christopher Williams is called "one of the most exciting choreographic voices out there" by the New York Times.

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The Hermitage Artist Retreat partners with the Englewood YMCA to present the "2023 Hermitage STARS" on **Friday, July 14th at 1 pm**. Selected by F.A.A.E., these exceptional teachers apply for two weeks of residency at the Hermitage to focus on their own artistry. This year's teaching artists include Jeffrey Brown (Music, Orange County), James Finch (Painting, Brevard County), Omar Otero (Photography and Painting, Seminole County), Rachael Pongetti (Visual Art, Escambia County), and Katherine Gebhart (Writing and Illustration, Palm Beach County). The 2023 STARS program culminates in a family and student friendly program on the Hermitage campus on the beach at 6630 Manasota Key Road. Please RSVP at [hermitageartistretreat.org](http://hermitageartistretreat.org) (\$5 registration fee).

The NepTunZ on **July 15th**. Englewood Art Center is located at 350 S. McCall Road. For more information, call **941•474•5548**.

**Concert in the Park**  
Join the fun in historic downtown Venice for the bimonthly Friday Night Concert Series at the gazebo in Centennial Park, 200 W. Venice

Avenue, Venice. This event, hosted by Venice MainStreet and sponsored by Neal Communities, is held every second and fourth Friday of each month and is free and open to the public. Attendees are asked to bring their own chairs and blankets. No alcohol permitted in Centennial Park. Sara Nelms will perform on **Friday, July 14 at 7 pm** and

Larry & Jeannie on Friday, **July 28 at 7 pm**.

**EPAS to Return!**  
Englewood Performing Arts Series (EPAS) was started over 40 years ago and provided Englewood community with beautiful music up to 2020 when COVID caused the suspension of the series. EPAS is returning

## SUMMER PHOTO CONTEST WINNER

Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast is excited to announce the juried selections and winners for their fourth annual Summer Photo Contest exhibit. Photographers of all ages and experience levels were invited to submit their original work showcasing the beauty of natural Florida. Over 300 photographs from across the state were submitted for consideration. The winners for each category are: *The Big Picture – Wonderful Morning View* by Saskia A. Weber; *The Art of Nature – Water Botanical* by Katherine Kelly; *Fabulously Florida – Equine Portrait* by Susan Beausang; *Best of Show and Winged Life – Queen Butterfly on Thistle Flower* by Christopher Harrington and *Youth Perspective – Anhinga in Flight* by Cody Cianfrance. The exhibit may be viewed at [conservationfoundation.com/summerphoto2023](http://conservationfoundation.com/summerphoto2023) or by visiting Conservation Foundation of the Gulf Coast on Facebook. Pictured here is the Best of Show and Winged Life categories winner *Queen Butterfly on Thistle Flower* by Christopher Harrington.



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The Artist Colony Gallery will open their Concert Series on **November 14th from 5 to 7 pm**. The season will feature concerts on the **second Tuesday of the month, November through April**, at Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. They are looking for musicians interested in playing classical, Broadway and easy listening music at the concerts or during the Wednesday Outdoor Artist Gallery on the **first and third Wednesdays** of the month, **October-April**. To find out more, email Renee Irene at [ReneeWold@gmail.com](mailto:ReneeWold@gmail.com).

for the 2023/24 season and is partnering with Englewood Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn Street, to serve the community once again. There will be five monthly evening concerts starting in November, presented on **Fridays at 7 pm**. The line-up will be announced in July, but the concert dates

will be **November 17** (multiple Grammy and CMA Award winner), **December 8** (holiday program by an outstanding local orchestra), **January 12** (world famous Big Band touring worldwide for almost a century), **February 9** (a trio featured on CBS, performed at Wimbledon, and played for a presidential

inauguration), and **March 8** (Bluegrass meets Rock ‘n Roll). More information and ticket sales will be coming up soon so save the dates. Stay up to date by following them on Facebook – [facebook.com/EnglewoodPAS](https://facebook.com/EnglewoodPAS).

## “Black Pearl Sings”

Florida Studio Theatre, 1241 N. Palm Avenue, Sarasota, presents “Black Pearl Sings”, **now through Sunday, July 30th**. In 1935 Depression-era Texas, two women from very different backgrounds discover the other holds the key to everything they’ve each been searching for. Susannah is an ambitious Library of Congress musicologist, determined to record undocumented slave songs. Pearl is an African American woman with a soulful voice, a steely spirit, and a sentence in a high-security female prison. Pearl’s memory is a treasure-trove of unrecorded slave era music, but can she hand over her ancestors’ songs without giving up something of herself? Both evening and matinee performances are offered. Tickets are \$25-\$39 and may be purchased online at [floridastudiotheatre.org](http://floridastudiotheatre.org) or by calling **941-366-9000**. Pearl is played by Alice N. Gatling (pictured here).



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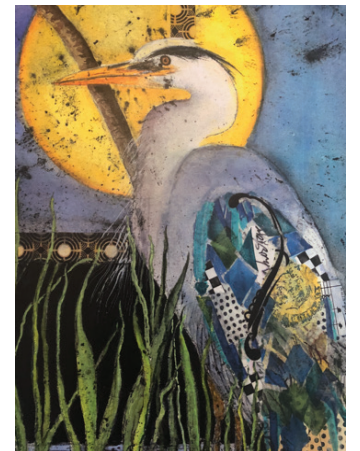
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### Calling All Artists

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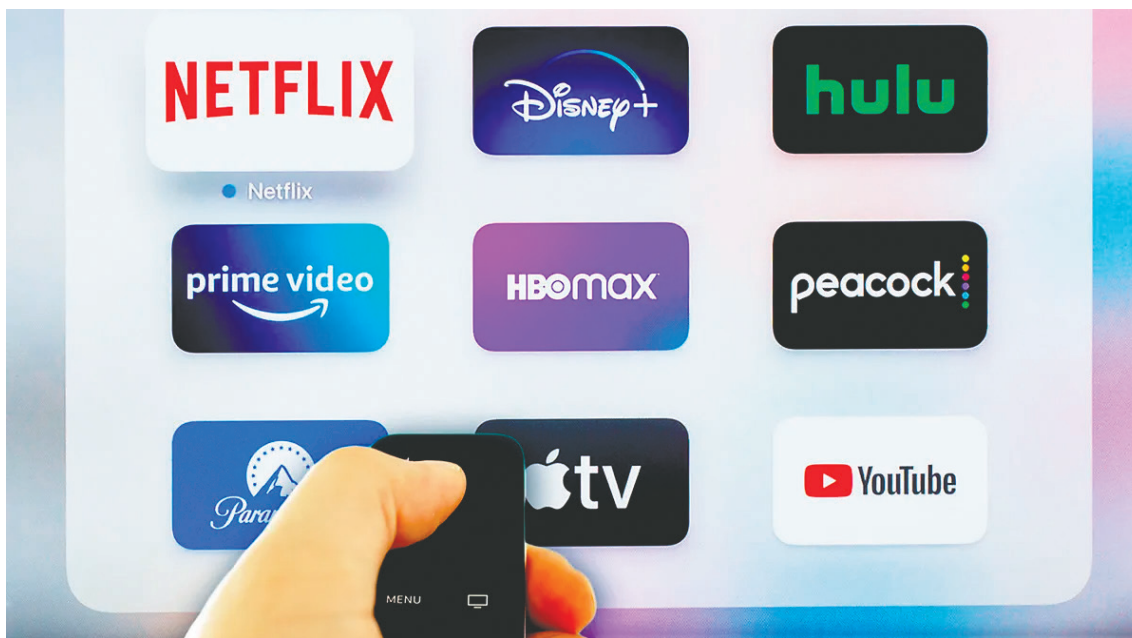
If you are of a certain age, you probably remember complaining to your parents, "Nothing's on TV." Now, even with the writers' strike stopping production on talk shows and scripted series, with just one paid streaming service, you likely have more shows available than you have time to watch.

However, if you have been putting off watching a particular show, you might be out of luck. In what my daughter Emma cleverly labeled "merge and purge," streaming networks are joining forces to combine content and save money. With mergers like Disney+ and Hulu and whatever is happening at HBO, shows and movies that have been around for years may disappear or only be available for rental.

In order to save money, streaming services are downsizing inventory and pushing content to the rentalverse. Already gone are *The Lord of the Rings* Trilogy, the first three *Spiderman* movies and one of my personal all-time favorite movies *Jerry Maguire*, which is leaving Netflix on July 1.

Iconic HBO shows like *The Sopranos* and popular new series like *The Last of Us* are safe from "merge and purge." However, if you're a fan of the HBO science fiction hit *Westworld* and didn't quite finish the final season, you'll have to pay about \$2.99 per episode from a service like Google Play to watch even if you are still subscribing to Max.

HBO Max subscribers don't have to do anything to benefit from its parent Warner Bros. streaming consolidation, as the new Max adds programming from Discovery including HGTV and the Food Network. Of course, then you have to choose if you want your home renovation programs with ads or if you want to up your viewing game to Max Ultimate Ad Free for a few more dollars a month.



One way to get more content is to combine streaming services. Bundling isn't just for Flo from Progressive. Now you can purchase bundles like Disney Trio (Disney+, ESPN+ and Hulu) which recently became available for \$12.99 a month.

This week Paramount Global combined Paramount+ and its Showtime app. You can stick with just Paramount+ and keep watching for \$5.99 a month (up from \$4.99) or move up to Paramount+ with Showtime for \$11.99. And yes, that's the name of the service.

So now that you've decided what services to keep and what to cancel, how do you decide which programs to watch? You can eliminate the guesswork by following the "We think you'll like" or "based on your viewing" recommendations on your home screen. That sometimes works. It led me to *Bad Sisters* on Apple+ and *Jewish Matchmaking* on Netflix. Would I be watching *Merpeople* right now if it hadn't shown up on my recommendations? Probably

not, and then I'd never know all about these crazy kids who are determined to become professional mermaids despite the risk of hypothermia, tail breakage and other "findustry" perils.

Unfortunately, the all-knowing viewing advisors at Netflix also suggested *Your Place or Mine*, a trivial, chemistry-free romcom with Reese Witherspoon and Ashton Kutcher. Netflix was wrong again with *Glamorous*, a badly-written "non-com" that debuted June 22. I can see why my past viewing of the original *Sex and the City*, *The Mindy Project* and *Emily in Paris* (which Netflix could not possibly know that I only watch for the clothes and the scenery), would lead the all-knowing streamer to suggest *Glamorous*. It took all of 17 minutes for me to know they were wrong.

I do give my streamers credit. I almost never watch horror, reality shows and science fiction so those genres are rarely recommended to me. I am also intrigued by some of

I find that a more successful method of program selection is to make my daughter Emma watch the first episode of a potential show and report back if I'd like it or not. She's right almost every time. I also suggest checking out the ratings and reviews at [rottentomatoes.com](http://rottentomatoes.com). If I had done that I would have seen that *Your Place or Mine* scored a 36. Spoiler alert: that's not great.

Recently my friend found herself living the dream when she learned she would have the house to herself for nearly a week. That meant total control of the TV and the time to start powering through the backlog of shows in her queue. She asked her friends, including me, "What should I watch?" If more than one of us insisted she would enjoy a certain show, she watched it, and loved it. Sorry streamers, you don't know best.

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# Club Chatter

Englewood Country Liners (ECL) recently honored Nancy Vargo on her 80th birthday to thank her for her leadership as president and hard work for over 13 years that has kept the club active, even through the pandemic. Member Joan Schmidt provided a delicious lemon cake and Nancy received a greeting card with sentiments and signatures, and a monetary gift to celebrate the occasion. ECL has been in existence for over 25 years and is always seeking new members. The club meets at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 North Indiana Avenue, every **Thursday from 9:30–11:30 am** and offers an hour each of Beginner and Improver/Easy Intermediate lessons. All are welcome. For further information contact Nancy at **941-474-6027** or [linerscountry@gmail.com](mailto:linerscountry@gmail.com). Also, find ECL on Facebook at [facebook.com/englewoodcountryliners](https://www.facebook.com/englewoodcountryliners). Pictured here (l-r): Margot Kidman, ECL Vice-President; Joan Schmidt, ECL member; and the birthday celebrant Nancy Vargo, ECL President.



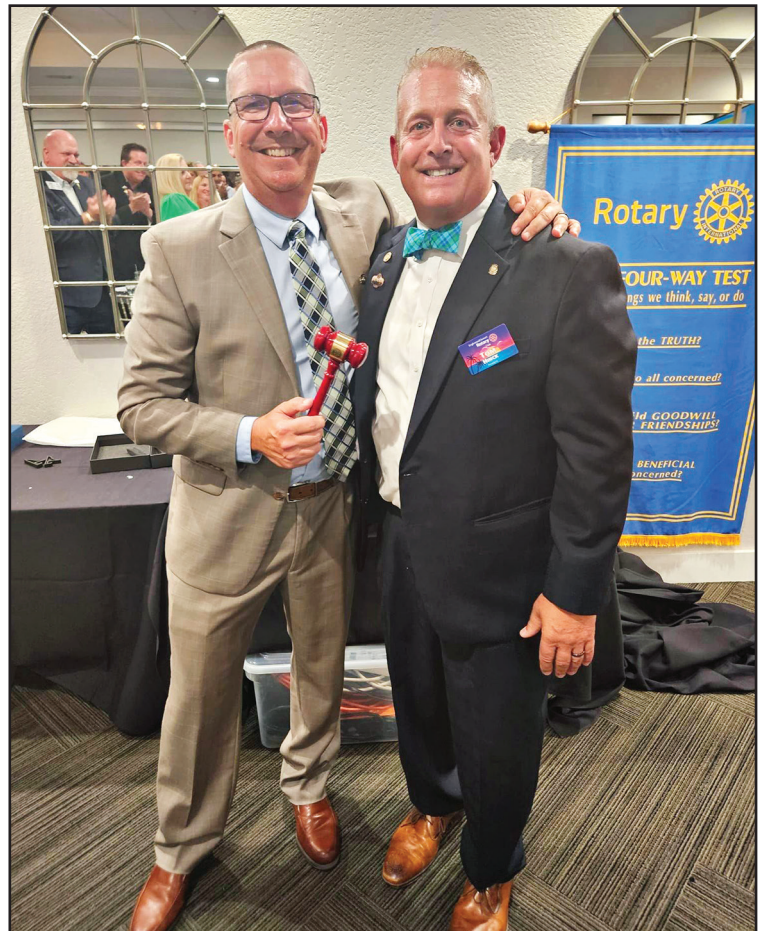
On Saturday, June 24th the Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary Club held its Installation and Awards Banquet at Plantation Golf & Country Club. Out-going president Dave Wampler (l) passed the torch to Eric Howes.



The Englewood Amateur Radio Society (EARS) participated in the Summer American Radio Relay League Field Day event, "Tune in the World", the weekend of June 24/25 at Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Park. The club contacted 80 different stations, ranging from British Columbia to New York to South Dakota. The club members are just a few of 750,000 active ham radio license holders in the US. The public generally knows these enthusiasts by the moniker Ham Radio Operator. Part of the attraction is the thrill of communicating with other operators from around the country and different parts of the world depending on radio frequency signal strength and weather conditions. Start-up costs for an operator aren't that expensive. You can purchase a simple radio transmitter for around \$50 and there are signal relays,

"repeaters", in this area that can relay your signal farther than the radio's actual range. Training can be obtained through workshops offered by area clubs and online. To become certified, you take a test by the FCC and then receive your radio call name, a combination of letters and a number. Besides the fun of communicating with operators around the country and internationally, some individuals volunteer to serve their community during emergencies as a liaison with area law enforcement and emergency management. They provided Charlotte County Emergency Management with important feedback on real time conditions after Hurricane Ian. Two members, Steve Malone (KN4YIV) and his wife, Shirley Duke (KN4YIU), are members of CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) with

Charlotte County. One of the training modules offered was ham radio which they took and became active club members. Michael Reid (N3MR) started as a young man listening to short wave radio back in the 1960s and became a ham radio operator to be able to talk with the people he was listening to. Club treasurer Bob McAlister (KN4RKE) says, "You can have awful lot of fun being a ham operator." He would like to see more young people get involved and experience the fun of communicating with others and building friendships through ham radio. If you would like to learn more, visit [earsradioclub.org](http://earsradioclub.org) or email [info@earsradioclub.org](mailto:info@earsradioclub.org). Meet some of the 20 club members who participated in the Field Day event (l-r): Steve Malone, Shirley Duke, Michael Reid, Kelly Combes, Bill Dolan, Bob McAlister, Steve Bishop, and Bill Reid.



On Friday, June 23rd the Rotary Club of Englewood Sunset held its Installation and Awards Banquet at The Waverly. Tom Hinck (r) handed over the reins of the presidency to Bob Bedford.





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During National CPR Week, Michael Ehrat, market lead and CEO of HCA Florida Fawcett Hospital, Steve Young, CEO of HCA Florida Englewood Hospital and Kristine Aristide, senior development director with the American Heart Association, met with Charlotte County Public Schools Superintendent Stephen Dionisio to present CPR & First Aid in Youth Sports Training kits. The kits include 10 Mini Anne Plus inflatable mannequins, 10 AED training simulators, a facilitator guide with lesson plans, five practice-while-watching videos and all of the supporting items needed to provide education for students. When asked why the hospitals chose to donate the CPR training aids to the schools, Steve Young said, "Teaching high school students and student athletes lifesaving CPR skills and how to use an AED will allow them to help in an emergency on and off the field. I would encourage everyone to learn CPR." Photo (l-r): HCA Florida Englewood CEO Steve Young; CEO HCA Florida Fawcett Hospital Michael Ehrat; Charlotte High Principal Cathy Corsaletti; Charlotte County Public Schools Superintendent Stephen Dionisio and Kristine Aristide, Senior Development Director with the American Heart Association.



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out all our branches." Active in the community, Jerome has served as a board member of the Veterans Organization Operations Warrior Resolution and Deputy Grand Knight of his local Knights of Columbus council. In his spare time, Jerome enjoys spending time with family, volunteering and watching his favorite sports teams. Based at the Englewood Bank & Trust Gulf Cove branch, 12651 S. McCall Rd., Port Charlotte, Jerome may be reached at [jjerome@ebtfl.com](mailto:jjerome@ebtfl.com) or **941-473-2713**.

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**Stump Pass**

Recently, after avoiding one of our favorite launches for outstanding kayak water all winter, we ventured back to Stump Pass Beach State Park. During high season, parking issues, combined with the ongoing reconstruction of the utility building, made this a challenging launch. There was another launch at the north end of the lot that backed up to the water but at this time, only the southern launch with the stairs is available. Due to the small size of this parking lot, no trailers are allowed.

So, after months of season, we were surprised to find plenty of parking available including two prime spots by the kayak launch. This park opens at 8 AM daily and closes one half hour after sunset. We got there on a weekday just after opening to find good spots. By the time we returned at 4:30 PM, the lot was full but beginning to empty out.

Most kayak anglers know about “ski alley”, technically known as Petersen Cut where the launch is located. Not so obvious from water level is another channel to the east of Petersen Island that has no high-speed boat traffic. This has always been our favorite channel to kayak and fish. Defined by Petersen Island to the west and Whidden Key to the east, this spot is protected from all but a Northwest wind.

We don’t know the name for this channel, but it has plenty of grass with navigable water for boats but the deeper water meanders back and forth which makes it tricky for boaters. This serpentine flow creates a multitude of shallow bars and grass flats where tidal currents move bait on both outgoing and incoming tides. Add this topography in the channel to the myriad mangroves that line both sides and you’ll see why we like it here.



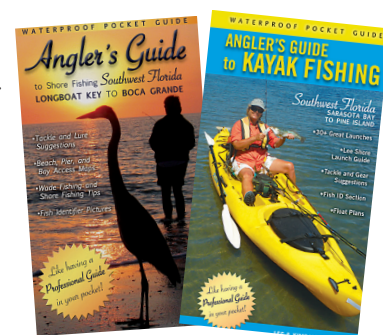
Stump Pass

On this particular day, we had a huge high tide in mid-afternoon, so we headed east to paddle around the east side of Whidden Key then south towards Stump Pass. We wanted to explore the shallow flats that extend a half mile east to the ICW. Kimball fished out by the ICW, catching numerous large spotted seatrout, while Les kept working the mangroves looking for redfish taking advantage of the high tide to forage back among the roots. The tide was still incoming when we rounded the south end of Whidden Key which made paddling west a challenge. We recommend caution around Stump Pass, particularly if you are paddling over the shallow sand bars. Boat wakes, while manageable in deep water, tend to be amplified over these shallow spots.

We have kayaked there many times but this day, with the extreme high tide, we explored a narrow cut on the southern end of Whidden Key. It led into a small, shallow lagoon that was stacked with juvenile snook, mangrove snapper and sheepshead. We may have spooked them, but as the tide was peaking, these fish realized that they would soon be high and dry in this lagoon. We saw schools of 50 snook swimming under our kayaks. These little snook portend good days ahead for the fishery. Kimball caught and released an example of the snook we saw.

The usual afternoon thunderstorms began to rumble over the mainland, so we headed north and back towards the kayak launch. We don’t mind fishing in the rain but when the electrical storms show up, we call it a day. Being in a kayak makes us the highest point around but it’s our graphite rods that create the biggest hazard.

The best part of this trip was the incredibly clear water around the pass. We enjoyed remarkable clarity after a winter of red tide and windy flats with marginal visibility for spotting fish. Kayak anglers should take advantage of this clarity and launch early to avoid electrical issues in the afternoon. This clear water won’t last as the summer algae bloom gets underway so enjoy it while it’s here.



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 & amazon.com.



# Nature Calls



**Fireworks: Bad News for Shorebirds & Sea Turtles!** Fireworks are a favorite part of July 4th celebrations but not everyone is thrilled by them. Nesting shorebirds and sea turtles are two examples that suffer as the result of fireworks being shot off on the beaches along the Gulf. Fireworks are bright, loud and deadly to nesting shorebirds, if they are displayed too close to a colony nesting on the beach. Fireworks are prohibited at Stump Pass Beach State Park, and at all Florida State Parks. According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, adult Least Terns completely abandoned a nesting site that was a football field away from a fireworks display. Their report notes that fireworks within three quarters of a mile also caused birds distress and they temporarily abandoned eggs and chicks. When the adults are frightened away, the eggs in their nest or their tiny chicks can easily be eaten by gulls, raccoons, fish crows or other predators. Sea turtles, which are nesting on the beaches now, are interrupted in their nesting efforts and may be stressed by the lights and the noise. Hatchlings may get disoriented. The beach is a bad place for fireworks, which stress wildlife and create pollution for marine creatures. Last year, Coastal Wildlife Club turtle patrol volunteers found a disoriented adult loggerhead on the landward side of a house. She had crawled from the beach through a yard and into the street several houses away, likely disoriented by the lights and noise of fireworks. Keeping the beach dark will go a long way in preventing incidents like this. This photo shows how much the night is lit up when fireworks are shot off.

### LBC Awarded Grant

Lemon Bay Conservancy is pleased to announce it has received a \$6,800 grant from the Charlotte Community Foundation as part of a special grant program providing Hurricane Ian relief funds for Charlotte County nonprofits. These funds will support replacement of the maintenance shed at Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve that was destroyed by Hurricane Ian. Lemon Bay Conservancy is a 501c3 nonprofit working to protect the beautiful local environment by saving land, promoting water quality initiatives, providing environmental education, and advocating for sustainable environmental policies. At the 80-acre Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve, native habitats at the defunct golf course have been restored. Eva Furner, chair of the Conservancy's preserve management committee, noted, "The shed is a very important

asset for ongoing preserve management efforts. CCF's funding for this replacement shed is greatly appreciated." To learn more about Lemon Bay Conservancy and how you can become involved, visit [LemonBayConservancy.org](http://LemonBayConservancy.org) or call **941-830-8922**.

### County Protects Land Along Curry Creek

During their March 7th meeting, the Sarasota County Board of County Commissioners approved the purchase of 32 acres formally known as Edmondson Farms, Inc. The county purchased the land as a fee simple purchase through the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Protection Program (ESLPP). In addition to archaeological features, the property is home to the historic headwaters of Curry Creek and the baygall swamp, mesic hammock and pasture provides crucial habitat for native wildlife, like a variety

of wading birds, eastern grey squirrels, and gopher tortoises. Public access to Curry Creek Preserve will be expanded with a trail and preserve entrance planned for the future. The ESLPP is a voter-approved and taxpayer-funded program that began in 1999 to acquire and protect environmental land. Since its inception, the ESLPP has protected and preserved more than 40,300 acres of natural habitat, with more than 21,000 of those acres placed under a conservation easement. Learn more about the ESLPP by visiting [scgov.net](http://scgov.net) or call 311.

### Charlotte Harbor Environmental Center (CHEC) Activities

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

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each walk with plenty of water, insect repellent, sunscreen, and clothing that will protect you from insects and plants. **Advance registration is required.** For more information on programs, please call 941-475-0769 or email [tome@checflorida.org](mailto:tome@checflorida.org). Go to [CHECflorida.org](http://CHECflorida.org) for a complete program calendar.

**Nighttime Seagrass Wading Trip**

Embrace your nocturnal side and join CHEC for a two-hour nighttime wading adventure through the seagrass beds of Lemon Bay on **Monday, July 3, 7 to 9 pm**. Search for, catch & release sea creatures in Lemon Bay while learning about the unique aquatic plants and animals with help from a CHEC naturalist. Program fee is \$15 per person. Advance registration is required by emailing [Tome@checflorida.org](mailto:Tome@checflorida.org) or calling 941-475-0769. Meet at Cedar Point Environmental Park, 2300 Placida Road.

**Bill Coy Nature Walk**

Join CHEC on a guided walk through the 80-acre Bill Coy Preserve on **Wednesday, July 5 at 8 am**. The scrubby flatwoods

and mangrove swamp border Buck Creek, which flows into Lemon Bay. Meet in the parking lot at 5350 Placida Road. Please call 941-475-0769 to register or for more information.

**Cedar Point Nature Walk**

Join CHEC for a guided tour of the 115-acre beautiful Cedar Point Environmental Park on **Saturday, July 15 at 8 am**. Meet outside the visitor center at 2300 Placida Road. To register or more information, call 941-475-0769 or email [tome@checflorida.org](mailto:tome@checflorida.org).

**Seagrass Wading Trip**

Join CHEC for a free wading adventure through the seagrass beds of Lemon Bay on **Saturday, July 29, 9 to 11 am**. 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.** Trips fill up fast! Meet outside the Cedar Point Visitor Center at 2300 Placida Road.

**LBC Guided Nature Walks**  
The free guided nature walks shown below are sponsored by Lemon Bay Conservancy and will be held at Lemon Creek

Wildflower Preserve, 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd., Englewood. Please come prepared for a hike. The preserve can be "buggy" this time of year. Consider wear-

ing long sleeves and long pants. Water, a hat, sunscreen, bug spray and hiking shoes are recommended. Some people like to bring a walking pole. Binoculars



Lemon Bay Conservancy celebrated National Pollinator Week (June 19-25) by building and installing pollinator houses in the Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve Butterfly Habitat. Pollinator homes support solitary bees, providing a cozy nesting site. The U.S. has around 4,000 species of native bees, of which 90% are solitary nesters using reeds, hollow logs or underground burrows as homes. These solitary bees do not make honey, are non-aggressive, and they do not swarm. Bee populations continue to decline so these houses will help these important pollinators to survive. You can help pollinators by placing bee houses, providing clean water and limiting the use of pesticides in your yard and neighborhood. Learn more about Lemon Bay Conservancy at [lemonbayconservancy.org](http://lemonbayconservancy.org).

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are useful for observing more distant birds and other animals.

**Summer Evening Walk**

One **Wednesday, July 12** from **6:30 to 8 pm**, Tonya and Steve Bramlage will guide a tranquil walk through the Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve at 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd. Everyone is invited to come along to explore and discover the many sights of summer evenings at the Preserve. Remember to wear bug spray, a hat, comfortable walking shoes and be sure to bring along your water bottle, a friend, your camera, and binoculars.

**Labyrinth on the Hill Walk**

Join Labyrinth facilitators Tonya

Bramlage and Lary Stuhlmiller as they lead a Labyrinth on the Hill walk on **Wednesday, July 19, 6 to 7 pm**, at Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve, 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd. Located on top of a berm that overlooks all four directions of the Preserve, the labyrinth offers walkers a winding circular path on the ground that winds itself to the center and then back out again. This is a meditative, peaceful walk with a spectacular view. You will receive simple guidelines on how to walk the labyrinth, a time for sharing and opportunities for reflecting, extended learning and Q/A. This is a public event and everyone is welcome.

**Rock Painting Workshops**

You are invited to join Lemon Bay Conservancy for their ongoing rock painting series. The workshops are held every two weeks at the Sanctuary at Cape Haze Condominiums Clubhouse, located at 6610 Gasparilla Pines Blvd. throughout the summer months. Upcoming dates are **July 11, July 25, August 8, August 22, and September 5** from **9 am to noon**. Paint, brushes, cocktail napkins, mod podge for decoupage, and a couple of different types of acrylic pens for group use are provided. Participants are encouraged to bring rocks or shells to decorate and if you

have your own supplies, you are welcome to bring those. River rocks are ideal. Parchment paper is also good, so be sure to bring a sheet or two along with you if you wish. Decoupage takes a bit of time to dry, so workshop instructor Bonnie Stuhlmiller will take these items home to coat with spray. Participants will need to make arrangements for pick up or for donation of their finished rocks to be used at the Labyrinth on the Hill rock garden. Everyone is welcome to participate and bring along creative ideas and scissors if you have them. For more information, call **941-830-8922**.

**Wildflower Preserve Walk** On **Sunday, July 23** from **9 to 10 am**, Tonya and Steve Bramlage will guide a short walk through the heart of Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve at 3120 Gasparilla Pines Boulevard. This walk is open to the public and the ideal opportunity to come out and see the unique ecology that can be found at the Preserve. This walk is sure to provide special summer sights and a host of hidden delights. Remember to wear sunscreen, bug spray, a hat, comfortable walking shoes, and be sure to bring along your water bottle and a friend.

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**Men's Prayer Breakfast** Fellowship Church, 140 Rotonda Blvd W. Meets first Sat each month 8:00-9:00 AM. All men are invited. 941-475-7447 [dina@fellowshipenglewood.com](mailto:dina@fellowshipenglewood.com)

**Cruisin' on Dearborn.** West Dearborn Street. 2 to 8pm. Anyone with a classic car or a love of cars are invited to this free event on W. Dearborn Street. Enjoy music & music trivia. Shops & eateries remain open.

**Celebrate America on Englewood Beach** Englewood Beach, 2100 N. Beach Road. 5:30-7:30pm. Fellowship Church invites all to a cookout. Bring side dish or dessert. Believer's Baptism Service to follow dinner. Bring your own seating. 941-475-7447. [fcenglewood.com](http://fcenglewood.com).

## SUN JULY 2

**Communion Service** Fellowship Church, 140 Rotonda Blvd W. 8:30 AM & 10:30AM 941-475-7447 [dina@fellowshipenglewood.com](mailto:dina@fellowshipenglewood.com)

## TUE JULY 4

**Bike Repair Clinic** Canceled due to the 4th of July. The Jubilee Center, 401 S. Broadway, 10AM - 12 Noon, Free bike repair

**July 4th Barbeque** American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Road, Rotonda West. 1-4pm. BBQ lunch, live music by Bandana Band, games, & 50/50. \$15 pp. Get tickets at bar or at door. 941-697-3616.

**Fourth of July BBQ** VFW Post 10178, 550 N. McCall Road. 2 to 4pm. Lunch, basket raffle, 50/50 drawing, and wreath drawing. Donations appreciated. 941-474-7516.

**Lemon Bay Fireworks** Middle Beach, 7770 Manasota Key Road. 9:05pm. Viewing area anywhere along Lemon Bay from Tom Adams bridge to Englewood Isles. WENG radio will synch patriotic music.

## WED JULY 5

**Rock Music History** Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. 10:30-11:30am. Enjoy rock music history for the whole family with Stephanie Daige who will perform songs on the saxophone. Free program. 941-861-1225.

**Genealogy 101** Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. 2 to 4pm. Free informational workshop on beginning your genealogy journey. Register online at [scgovlibrary.librarymarket.com](http://scgovlibrary.librarymarket.com) or call 941-861-1225.

## THUR JULY 6

**Sunset Yoga** Englewood Beach, 2100 N. Beach Road. 7:30pm. Unwind with a gentle yoga practice with the sounds of crystal bowls. Suggested donation \$5. [Lata528@gmail.com](mailto:Lata528@gmail.com).

## SAT JULY 8

**Mothers Helping Mothers Relief** Trailer at Gulf Cove United Methodist Church, 1100 McCall Road, PC, 10AM - 1PM on 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month. Free clothing for the entire family and other basic necessities. 941-697-1747.

**Pirates in Paradise** Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. 10:30-11:30am. Jacob Winge presents high sea stories & legends of piracy in Florida. All ages welcome. Free program. Limited seating. 941-861-1225.

## MON - THUR JULY 10-14

**VBS-Hero Hotline** Englewood Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn Street. 9am to noon. Hero Hotline -Called Together to Serve God. Vacation Bible School for ages 4 through 4th grade. Free. Register at [englewoodmethodistchurch.com](http://englewoodmethodistchurch.com) or call 941-474-5588.

## TUE JULY 11

**Englewood Amateur Radio Society Meeting** Englewood Chamber of Commerce, 601 S Indiana Avenue 7-8:30 PM. All are welcome. 941-474-0662 [info@Earsradioclub.org](mailto:info@Earsradioclub.org)

## THUR JULY 13

**Let's Talk Turtles** Englewood Beach pavilion, 2100 N. Beach Road. 3-5pm. Learn about the 5 sea turtle species in Florida and how you can help them. Free. Facebook: Coastal Wildlife Club.

## FRI JULY 14

**Hermitage STARS Program** Hermitage Beach, 6630 Manasota Key Road. 1pm. Family-friendly event featuring the 5 Hermitage STAR teacher winners. \$5 registration fee. [Hermitageartistretreat.org](http://Hermitageartistretreat.org).

**Anything Goes Performance** Grades 9-12 students of the Anything Goes class will perform their pieces and demonstrate their work at 7:30PM on the Raymond Center Stage. 941-486-8679

## FRI & SAT JULY 14 & 15

**Summer Art Market** Englewood Art Center, 350 S. McCall Road. 10am to 3pm. Shop local art and artisan vendors, kids activities, instructor demos. Live music. 941-474-5548.

## MON JULY 17

**Orchid Society Meeting** St David's Episcopal Church, 401 S. Broadway 6:30-8:30PM [Jamishane06@hotmail.com](mailto:Jamishane06@hotmail.com)

## THUR JULY 20

**Senior Fellowship** Fellowship Church of Englewood 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 11AM-12PM 941-475-7447

## SAT JULY 22

**Mothers Helping Mothers Relief** Trailer at Gulf Cove United Methodist Church, 1100 McCall Road, PC, 10AM - 1PM on 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month. Free clothing

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### TUES & THURS

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### TUE- FRI

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**WED & THURS**

**Englewood Helping Hand Food Pantry** Englewood Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn St. 8AM-1PM 941-474-5864

**WED & FRI**

**Line Dance With Eve** American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Rd., Rotonda 9:30-11:30AM. \$5/class moraghan@comcast.net 941-697-8733

**MONDAYS**

**Myakka River Woodcarvers Club** Harbour Lakes RV Resort Club House, 3737 El Jobean Rd, PC, 8-11AM, Classes available, Jim O'Dear, 941-697-2002, jeodea@aol.com

**Zumba with Laurentz**

118 Sullivan St., Punta Gorda 10:45-11:45AM 941-237-8983 lalitenors410@gmail.com

**Spaghetti Dinner**

American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Rd., Rotonda W. 5-7PM 941-697-3616

**Venetian Harmony Chorus**

Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave. 6:30PM. A women's a cappella chorus meets weekly. Visitors welcome. 941-473-1370 franden@comcast.net

**TUESDAYS**

**Line Dancing** Lemon Bay Woman's Club, 51 N. Maple St, 9:30-11AM, \$4/class 941-474-9762

**Jubilee Center Clothes Closet**

401 S. Broadway, Free Clothing 10AM-12PM 941-681-3550

**Line Dancing with Eve**

Rotonda Elks, 303 Rotonda Blvd E., 9:30-11:30AM \$5/class 941-697-8733 moraghan@comcast.net

**Beginner Tai Chi**

Venice Community Center, 326 Nokomis Ave., Venice. 10:30-11:30AM 941-492-2167

**Friend-to-Friend**

Fellowship Church Worship Center, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W., 1-3PM, 941-475-7447 dina@fellowshipenglewood.com

**Open Mic Garden Party**

The Open Studio, 380 Old Englewood Rd. 5-8PM Musicians/Singers bring your instruments. bonnie@comprocomputers.net 941-473-8977

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**WEDNESDAYS****TOPS Meeting**

Englewood Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn St. 8:00-9:30AM 941-662-8079 overbyathome@gmail.com

**Circl Mobility with Laurentz**

Englewood Sports Complex, 1300 S. River Rd. 9:15-9:45AM. Bring a mat if you will use one, a bottle of water and a towel. Unlock your body's potential through flexibility, breath work and mobility. lalitenors410@gmail.com, 941-237-8983

**Aqua Zumba with April**

Ann and Chuck Dever Pool, 6791 San Casa Dr. 10:15-11:15AM \$7/class No pool membership required. all4fitness@comcast.net 603-620-4027

**Grief Share Support Group**

Fellowship Church, Worship Center, 140 Rotonda Blvd. W. 4-6PM 941-475-7447

**Celebrate Recovery**

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

**Wednesday Night Bible Study**

Englewood Christian Church, 9600 Gulfstream Blvd. 6-7PM 941-475-4973

**THURSDAYS****Line Dancing with Eve**

American Legion Post 113, 3436 Indiana Road, Rotonda 9:30-11:30AM. Join our Beginners/Improvers Class, moraghan@comcast.net 941-697-8733

**Zumba Toning with Denise**

303 Rotonda Blvd. E., 9:30-10:30AM \$7 a class. Bring 2 light hand-weights and water. 941-268-8086

**Line Dance Club**

Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave. 9:30-11:30AM 941-474-6027 linerscountry@gmail.com

**Boogie Chair by Laurentz**

Centennial Park, 1120 Centennial Blvd., PC, 11AM-12PM 941-237-8983

**FRIDAYS****Boogie Chair By Laurentz**

Rotonda Elks, 303 Rotonda Blvd E., 9-10AM 941-237-8983 lalitenors410@gmail.com

**Beginner Tai Chi**

Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Ave. 10-11AM 941-492-2167 ndellamura@aol.com

**Jewelry Classes**

Englewood Arts Alliance, 452 West Dearborn Street, 1-4PM, a different wire related jewelry class each week, 845-242-1869

**Dinner/Music - American Legion**

Post 113 3436 Indiana Rd., 5-9:30PM 941-697-3616

**SATURDAYS****Zumba Fitness with Denise**

Lemon Bay Woman's Club, 51 North Maple Street, 9-10AM, \$7/class, 941-268-8086

**Cornhole - American Legion Post**

113, 3436 Indiana Rd., 12:30-3PM 941-697-3616

**SUNDAYS****Christ Lutheran Church**

701 N. Indiana Ave. 9:30AM. 941-474-1989 tommaryanne@centurylink.net

**Englewood Christian Church**

9600 Gulfstream Blvd. 9AM & 10:45AM, 941-475-4973

**Englewood Methodist Church**

700 E. Dearborn St. 8AM, 9:30AM, 11AM. Also available online at englewoodmethodist.com

**Community Presbyterian Church**

405 S. McCall Rd. 10AM First Sunday Communion, online at www.cpcenglewood.com 941-474-9579

**Faith Lutheran Church Worship**

551 Rotonda Blvd. West 9:30AM. 941-697-3313 office@alivingfaith.org

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

**Gulf Cove United Methodist Church**

1100 S. McCall Rd. Services 8AM, 9:30AM & 11AM. Online: www.GulfCoveChurch.com 941-697-1747

**Living Hope Church**

881 South River Rd. 10AM 941-460-8506

**New Vision Church**

6401 Sunnybrook Blvd. 10AM, 941-475-2906

**Rotonda West Community Church**

501 Rotonda Blvd. West 10:30AM, Celebrate Holy Communion on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Pot luck dessert and fellowship following service on the last Sunday of the month. 941-697-2100

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# Keeping Up with KIDS



It's a keeper! Nathan Woolston, visiting his grandmother, Lisa Coffey, in North Ft. Myers, found this large shark's tooth on Manasota Key Beach on June 15th. What a souvenir to take home!

## Rock Music History

All ages will enjoy Rock Music History for the whole family on **Wednesday, July 5, 10:30 to 11:30 am**, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. Teaching artist, Stephanie Daige, will lead a jam session in rock music history. She will also perform some famous rock songs on the saxophone that everyone will enjoy. Free. For more information, call **941•861•1225**.

## Catalyst Youth Camp

Catalyst Youth Camp is where any sixth through twelfth grader can come together for a summer to remember at Westcoast Church, 240 Pine Street. This three-night, camp-style event gives youth a place to make new friends, participate in outdoor activities and team competitions, and encounter the presence of God during nightly services. The camp will be held **Wednesday-Friday, July 5-7 from 5:30 to 11 pm**. Cost is \$100 (includes registration & food). For more information and to register, visit [westcoastchurch.churchcenter.com](http://westcoastchurch.churchcenter.com).

## Pirates in Paradise

Join Jacob Winge as he presents high seas stories and legends of

piracy in Florida on **Saturday, July 8, 10:30 to 11:30 am**, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. Meet some of the swashbuckling buccaneers who called these backwaters home and learn about 17th and 18th century life, clothing, weapons, and more. The program is free and open to all ages. Seating is limited. For more information, call **941•861•1225**.

## VBS - Hero Hotline

Englewood Methodist Church is hosting Vacation Bible School: Hero Hotline - Called Together to Serve God! It will be held **Monday-Thursday, July 10-14, 9 am-noon**, for ages 4 years through 4th grade. The church is located at 700 E. Dearborn St. To register online, visit [englewoodmethodist.com](http://englewoodmethodist.com), click on Ministries, Children, VBS. EMC VBS is free and open to any kid in the community. Register today! For more information call Beth Ann at **941•474•5588**.

## Cedar Point Summer Camp

Cedar Point Environmental Park, 2300 Placida Road, presents four weeks of Summer Camp from **July 10 through August 4** for ages 6 to 10. Camp is held **Monday through Friday, 9 am to 3 pm**, with a new adventure theme each week. Enjoy field trips, outdoor excursions, water activities, crafts, games, and more. Pre-and post-care is available **8 to 9 am**

and **3 to 4 pm**. **July 10-14**: "The Wild Wild West Florida". Become a young master naturalist through wilderness skills. **July 17-21**: "Hey Now, You're an All-star". From the stars of the sea to the stars of the sky, explore Florida's aquatic creatures and learn all about star navigation. **July 24-29**: "Build Your Own Pollinator". Learn the fundamentals of gardening from various pollinators' perspectives. **July 31-August 4**: "Fossilized Stone Age". Travel back in time to explore Florida's ancient tales, fossilized dinosaur bones, and more. Program fee is \$150 per week. Register online at [cheeflorida.org/summercamp2023](http://cheeflorida.org/summercamp2023). For more information, contact Mel@cheeflorida.org or call **941•475•0769**.

## YMCA Kids Sports Clinics

Keep your kids physically active this summer by having them participate in a fun clinic or class at the Englewood YMCA, 701 Medical Blvd. These activities are open to both members and non-members. From **July 12-August 2**, there will be pickleball clinics and mini-basketball clinics hosted at SKY Academy, 871 River Road. Pickleball will be from **5 to 5:45 pm** and mini-basketball will be **6 to 6:45 pm**. Kids will learn the basic rules and skills of the sports with time provided for game play. Fee: members \$30/ non-members \$40. **July 10-July 21**, on **Monday, Tuesday and**



Three members of Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida Troop 617 of Englewood are building beach toy borrow bins and, pending approval, the bins will be placed at Stump Pass Beach State Park and Englewood Beach at Chadwick Park at the end of summer. The bins the girls are building are intended to lessen plastic waste by helping reduce the amount of discarded beach toys left on the beach by providing toys to be borrowed by visitors to the beach. Additional toys can be added to the bins by families who don't want to take their sand buckets, shovels, and other toys home, repurposing the toys for other children to use while at the beach. "We are building bins for beach toys because plastic hurts sea life and water. Beach toys end up in the ocean when left on the beach," explained Violet, age 12, who has been scouting since age 5. Carol McCoy, who helps monitor local beaches for sea turtle activity through Coastal Wildlife Club, has given the Girl Scouts a bag containing more than 30 plastic toys she has picked up during her beach patrols. She shared with the girls that there are 105-500 pieces of plastic found in every sea turtle, according to a global study. To build the bins, the Girl Scouts are using a wood-alternative material that stands up to Florida weather and was donated by EZ Dock Marine. Home Depot also supported the project. Rhonda Harvey, of Keep Charlotte Beautiful, is serving as the Girl Scouts' Silver Award project advisor. Nicole Hopkins is the volunteer troop leader. Those wishing to donate toys before the borrow bins are placed at the beach can drop them off in a bin that is on display outside the office at Redeemer Lutheran School, 6970 Mineola Rd, Englewood. Khloe, Violet and Arabella are working to earn the Silver Award, the highest award a Girl Scout in middle school can receive. Photo: Arabella (left) and Violet construct a beach toy borrow bin to hold the plastic toys.



Congratulations to Cami Fuson! Cami is a member of the Sarasota Hawks team that competes in the sports of Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clays, part of the Florida Sporting Clay Association Youth Shooting Program. Recently, Cami competed in Jacksonville at the SCTP State Championship and placed first in Ladies Trap with a score of 91/100 and fifth overall. She will attend the SCR National Championship in Marengo, Ohio this summer. Since the State Championship, Cami has received an invitation to be on the team that represents the State of Florida at Nationals. Cami is the daughter of Danny and Nicole Fuson of Englewood. Cami will be celebrating her 16th birthday this summer. She is a student at SCFCS Venice going into her Junior year in the fall with an interest in the science field for college. She also enjoys scuba diving. Cami volunteers at EARS animal rescue and at the Englewood VFW Post 10178. Good luck, Cami, at the National Championships!













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# Zeke Speaks

out a pre-adoption application to make the process go faster when you arrive. Website address is awlshelter.org. The Animal Welfare League is located at 3519 Drance Street, Port Charlotte. For more information, call 941•625•6720.

### New License Plate Features K9s

K9s United, a Florida-based nonprofit, is dedicated to providing essential equipment for canine crime fighters across the nation and is encouraging Florida drivers and dog lovers to pre-register for their own K9s United speciality license plate to support the cause. Three thousand license plates must pre-sell before they can go into production, and while this dog-loving nonprofit is more than halfway to its goal, more help is needed. Florida drivers can pre-register online at K9sUnited.org for \$34, and \$25 from each license plate sold will help K9s United provide essential paws-on training workshops, resources, equipment and advocacy to law enforcement K-9s and their handlers, and EMS professionals.

### Donations Sought

If you have household items, men's or ladies' clothing, books, DVDs, or household glass items that you no longer want, bring them to EARS Thrift Shop, 280 S. McCall Road. EARS Thrift Shop is here to support the animals of the Englewood Animal Rescue Sanctuary and all proceeds go right to their care. Be sure to look around for new-to-you treasures for your home. They are open **Tuesday through Saturday, 10 am to 3 pm.** Phone: 941•460•6757.

animals are going through scary times already. This BBQ event is being held for any member of the community to come and join the staff and volunteers in comforting, cuddling and playing with the animals to keep their mind off the loud scary noises that will be all around. Enjoy hamburgers & hot dogs and then stay to give love to the SHS animals and comfort them during the fireworks. This is a family-friendly event, so the little ones are welcome to give love, too. For more information, call the shelter at 941•474•7884.

### Help Comfort Animals on the 4th

Suncoast Humane Society, 6781 San Casa Drive, invites you to join them for their 4th of July Red, White & BBQ Event on **Tuesday, July 4, 4 to 10 pm.** Fireworks are a scary thing for animals, and the SHS shelter

### Looking to Adopt a Dog?

The Animal Welfare League of Charlotte County is in immediate need of fosters and has over 80 dogs looking for their furever home. All of their adoptable dogs are on their website, and you can fill



## DOGS at WORK

**MEET:** Lizzy from Lemon Bay Soap Company, an online handmade soap business located here in Englewood, offering soaps, bath bombs, body care, lip balms, CBD products and more. Website: lemonbaysoap.com.



**Pedigree and Age:** Lizzy is a Kelpie who is 9 years old.

**Likes:** Long walks with Dad, swimming in the pool and her 8 pm treat.

**Dislikes:** Loud motorcycles, even though her Dad has two Harleys that her Mom & Dad love to ride.

**Pet Peeves:** Having her nails clipped.

**Office Jobs:** Since Teresa and

David Karaffa work from home, Lizzy doesn't have to greet as many customers as she did in the shop, but there still are a few customers who stop by the house to pick up their order and Lizzy goes right back to greeting with her warm welcome squeal.

**How Did You Acquire Your**

**Human?** Mom and Dad rescued me from the Jefferson County Humane Society in Ohio.

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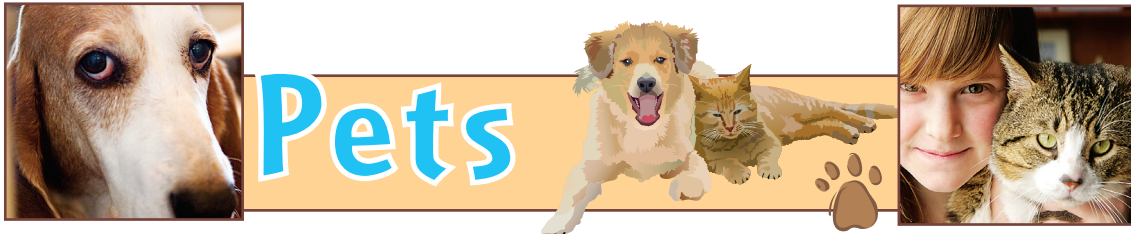
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Hey there! Name's **Gorditto!** I'm very handsome, short and stout, and I would be the perfect best friend for you. I'm a big silly boy who can sometimes forget just how big and strong I am. I just have a lot of love to give and want to be the center of your world. I love to go on walks and I'm a sucker for some yummy treats. Stop in today and let's be best pals!



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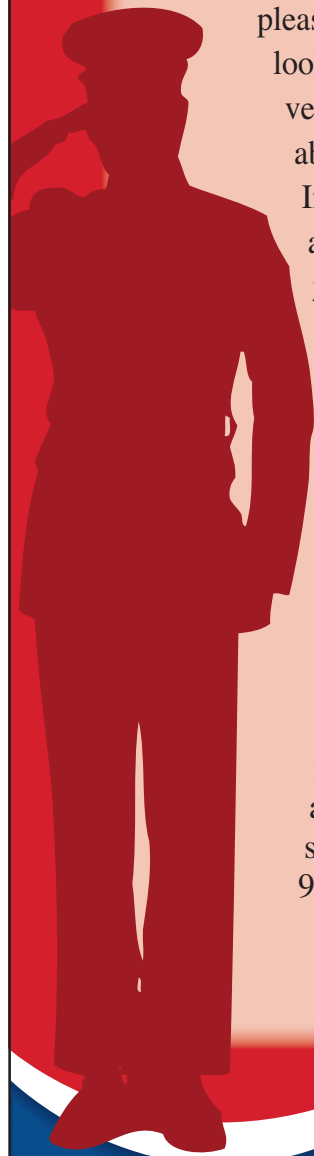
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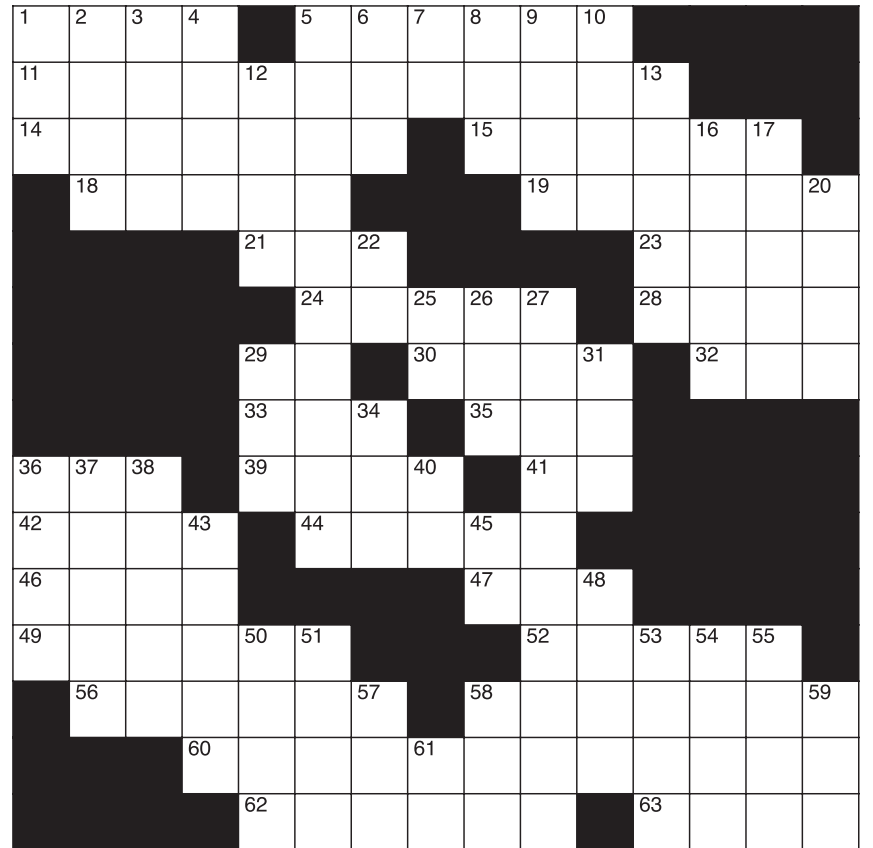
## Crossword Puzzle

**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Greek mountain
- 5. One dependent on something
- 11. Gratitude
- 14. Glazed ceramic ware
- 15. Paddling
- 18. Step
- 19. More greasy
- 21. Upper-class young woman
- 23. Light beige
- 24. Belief in a supreme being
- 28. Indigenous people of Scandinavia
- 29. A beloved princess
- 30. Transfer property
- 32. Field force unit
- 33. Automated teller
- 35. When you hope to get there
- 36. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.)
- 39. Politicians Fischer and Conroy are two
- 41. Blood type
- 42. Stringed instrument
- 44. Curses
- 46. Barbary sheep
- 47. Belonging to a thing
- 49. Supporters
- 52. Leaf-footed bug
- 56. A shower of water
- 58. Attribute to
- 60. Intermittent
- 62. Soda waters
- 63. Scottish island

**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Klutz
- 2. Relaxing places
- 3. Expel saliva
- 4. The extended location of something
- 5. Certified
- 6. Cease to exist



- 7. Powerful legal pro
- 8. The OJ trial judge
- 9. Popular greeting
- 10. "90210" actress Spelling
- 12. \_\_\_ Blyton, children's author
- 13. "This Is Us" star Fitch
- 16. Battery cell with a nickel alode
- 17. Full of bacteria
- 20. Remains of an old building
- 22. Exist
- 25. It gets you into places
- 26. Witness
- 27. The spreading of a disease to another part of the body
- 29. Father
- 31. Touch gently
- 34. Licensed for Wall Street
- 36. Herring-like fish
- 37. Lute used in N. Indian music
- 38. Mirabel shouldn't talk about him
- 40. Atomic #62
- 43. Religious
- 45. Silvery-white metal (abbr.)
- 48. Influential civil rights organization
- 50. Acknowledgment (abbr.)
- 51. Turn away
- 53. Kidney disease (abbr.)
- 54. Smooth-feeling fabric
- 55. Competently
- 57. Sea eagle
- 58. General's assistant (abbr.)
- 59. It helps you see
- 61. Emerging technology

## Sudoku

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