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Around the Town

Latte Art Class

Learn the fundamentals of making your favorite espresso drinks with John Watson on **Friday, October 20, 5 to 7pm**, at The Dearborn Coffeehouse & Bakery (aka Joe Maxx Coffee), 450 W. Dearborn Street. From whole bean to cup, you will go through the process of steaming milk and making your own latte art creation. This class is designed for beginner/intermediate skill level. Cost is \$60 (discount available to hospitality industry employees). For more information, call **941-208-5135**.

Sun Fiesta

The Women's Sertoma Club of Venice presents Sun Fiesta, **Friday, October 20 through Sunday, October 22**, at Centennial Park, 200 W. Venice Avenue, Venice. There will be live music & entertainment, arts & crafts vendors, beer & wine tent, food vendors, raffle & auction. Hours: **Friday 5 to 9pm; Saturday 9am to 9pm; Sunday 9am to 5pm**. Bed race at **9:30am Saturday**. Website: womenssertoma.com/sun-fiesta.

Community Clean-Up

It's time to clean out your garage and gather discarded household items, yard waste, tree trimmings, and any other garbage, as Sarasota County hosts a free community cleanup in south Venice from **8am to noon on Saturday, October 21**. Free dumpsters will be available for Sarasota County residents at South Venice Civic Association, 720 Alligator Drive, Venice, and South Venice Ferry Landing, 2000 block of Lemon Bay Drive, Venice. Appliances & up to four car tires will be accepted only at the South Venice Civic Assoc. location. Hazardous materials such as paint, oil, aerosol cans, and electronics will not be accepted but may be taken to 8750 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, **Monday through Saturday, 8am to 4pm**. For additional information, call **311**.

Taste of North Port

The third annual "Taste of North Port Food & Fall Festival" takes place on **Saturday, October 21, 10am to 3pm**, at the City Hall Center Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd., North Port. The event



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Lemon Bay Woman's Club

Learn about the Lemon Bay Woman's Club (LBWC) at a program offered by Lemon Bay Historical Society on **Tuesday, October 24, at 7pm**. Sherrie Cook, a member of the club since 2012 and past president for 2018 & 2019, will speak on the "History, Past, Present, & Future, of the Lemon Bay Woman's Club. The club owes its success to its founders, consisting of eleven women who saw a need in the Englewood community in 1918. Their motto, "Service to All", has been reflected in the many acts of kindness to promote civic, community, and child welfare throughout its history. Hear how LBWC has survived and grown, serves the community today, and its future plans. The program will be held in the historic Green Street Church Museum located at 510 S. Indiana Avenue. The program is free to the public, but as always, donations are appreciated. Website: lemonbayhistory.com.

will feature local vendors, crafts, artisans, local food trucks and more. There will be a children's costume parade and contest at **1pm** with prizes for the top three winners. Free admission.

Orchids 101 Class

UF/IFAS Extension Charlotte County will be hosting a class on orchids **Saturday, October 21, 10am**, at Centennial Park Recreation Center, 1120 Centennial Blvd., Port Charlotte. Master Gardener Noreen Chervinski will demonstrate how to grow and care for orchids. There will also be orchids for sale. There is a \$5 fee to cover the cost of the materials. Registration is required and can be done online at eventbrite.com and search for Orchids 101.

K9s for Warriors Benefit

Come out for a good time while supporting "K9s for Warriors" on **Saturday, October 21**, starting at **1pm**, at The Barn, 11832 Xavier Avenue, Port Charlotte. Some of the area's finest musicians will be performing on stage throughout the day. Enjoy some barbecue and wear an ugly shirt for the theme, if you would like. There will be raffles, 50/50, and auction.

Your support is appreciated by "K9s for Warriors" fight to prevent veteran suicides. For more information, contact Terry Hargis on Facebook or call **941-759-3596**.

Beirut Peacekeepers Remembrance Events

Please join Charlotte County on **Saturday, October 21** for the Beirut Peacekeepers 40th Anniversary Bombing Remembrance Event. First there will be 40th Anniversary Bombing Remembrance ceremony starting **3pm** at the William R. Gaines, Jr. Veterans Memorial Park, 20499 Edgewater Drive, Port Charlotte. Please bring your children, grandchildren, and your neighbors to share your love of freedom and liberty. The program includes a sheriff's department helicopter flyover; a welcome by Sarasota County Commissioner Stephen Deutsch; remarks by Florida House of Representative Michael Grant; guest speaker William Sterbinsky, Esq., USMC; Chad McCollum, USA IAFF District VP; Shannon Messenburg; a wreath presentation; and a 21-gun salute. The program will be followed by

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Dearborn Community Cleanup
Leadership Englewood Alumni are holding a community cleanup on West Dearborn Street on **Saturday, October 21, 8-11am**. Everyone who cares about the appearance of the landscaping that was planted during the Dearborn Street renovations is invited to help give the landscaping "a little love". Please bring your gloves and gardening tools for pulling weeds. Water and other supplies will be provided. Meet at the Rowley Insurance parking lot at 250 W. Dearborn Street. For questions, email janae@keyagency.net or erica.raymond@comcast.net.

Burgerfest in Paradise
Who will be the 2023 winner for the Best Burger in Paradise? Find out on **Saturday, October 21** when local teams heat up their grills and cook their best burgers for the championship at Pioneer Plaza, 300 W. Dearborn Street. Teams will provide "bites" that can be purchased for tasting. Grilling starts at **11am** and tasting begins at **11:30am**. The blind tasting by local chefs and restaurant owners will be done between **2:30 & 3:30pm**. Winners will be announced at **3:45pm**. Live music by Kenny Rose. An elite three burner outdoor griddle will be raffled off (tickets \$10 each or 12 for \$100). This is a fundraiser by The Rotary Club of Rotonda. For more information, go to burgerfestinparadise.com.

Fall Home & Garden Show
There will be a fall home &



Hancock Grills, a local grill company, is hosting its **Third Annual Mullet Fest** on **Saturday, November 4, 10am to 10pm**, at Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. The event features a mullet smoke-off competition, mullet hair competition, cast net throwing competition, live music, local arts & crafts, and much more. **10am to 5pm: Arts & crafts. All day - Cast net competition. 1 to 2pm: Smoked mullet competition. 4 to 5pm: Mullet hair competition.** Scheduled music line-up: **10 to 11am - Jimmy Bishop; 11am to noon - Larry Hoskins. 2 to 4pm - What's Going On Band. 6 to 7pm - Joshua Morris. 7 to 10pm - Hor!zen.** Hancock Grills owner/founder, Brandon Hancock, is a Florida native who wants to bring back some Florida history to the community. Admission is \$5 (kids are free) and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to Lemon Bay Conservancy. The mission is to bring the community together to support the local mullet fishery, artists, and small businesses. For more details, visit engagewoodmulletfest.com.

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a motorcycle procession to the Twisted Fork Restaurant, 2208 El Jobean Road, Port Charlotte. A special music fundraising event, Peacekeepers Memorial Concert, will be held there starting at **5:30pm** with a \$10 suggested donation. Scheduled bands are "Once an Outlaw", featuring Chris Anderson, and the "Winters Brothers Band". Tickets may be purchased at twistedfork.freshtix.com. Proceeds will go to the William R. Gaines, Jr. Veterans Memorial Fund to help fund the 45-foot Beirut Peacekeeper Memorial Tower scheduled to be constructed soon. Bill Gaines, Jr. from Port Charlotte was one of the 240 Americans killed in the bombing of the Beirut Towers in 1983. Learn more at wrgainesjr.org.

K of C Pasta Dinner
St. Raphael Church Knights of Columbus invite you to come enjoy a Pasta Dinner on **Saturday, October 21**, from **5 to 7pm**, at the church, 770 Kilbourne Avenue. Tickets are \$12 in advance and may be purchased in the parish office, \$15 at the door. Take-out available. There will also be a 50/50 raffle. For questions, call the church at **941•474•9595**.

Arcadia Fall Rodeo
The 10th annual Arcadia Fall Rodeo will be **Saturday & Sunday, October 21 & 22**, at the Mosaic Arena, 2450 NE Roan Street, Arcadia. On **Saturday**, the gates open at **3pm**, preshow begins at **5pm**, and the rodeo is at **6pm**. On **Sunday**, gates open at **11am**, preshow begins at **1pm**, and the rodeo is at **2pm**. Tickets

garden show at the Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center the weekend of **October 21 & 22**. The industry leader in home and garden shows presents the latest in products and services that beautify your home, maximize the efficiency of your space, increase the security of your property, and turn your home and garden into your personal paradise. Hours are **10am to 4pm both days**. Free. The Event Center is located at 75 Taylor Street in Punta Gorda.

Computer Basics Class
Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street, is offering a free workshop on computer basics for those who are new to using a computer or want to build more confidence using Microsoft Windows on **Tuesday, October 24, 10:30-11:30am**. Topics covered include terms related to using the computer keyboard and mouse, how to navigate the desktop, open programs, save and delete files, and create and access files. Registration is required and limited to 15 adults. Laptops are not required.



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If the Bucs and Lightning are both back in action, it must be time for men's softball! The Englewood Men's Senior Softball League (ESSL) is a slow pitch softball league for men 60 years and older, and a great way to make new friends and get in some good, fun exercise. The league holds open practice for all interested players at the Englewood Sports Complex (1300 S. River Road) **weekdays 8:30-11am** on Adult Softball Fields 1 & 2. With three divisions of play - Gold, Silver and Bronze - all abilities are welcome, from beginner to highly experienced. All you need is a glove! The winter season starts early January and runs through the end of March. For more information, visit englewoodseniorsoftball.weebly.com or contact Mark Johnson, Commissioner, at **717-982-8456**. Meet you at the fields! Photo: Jake Marzucco pitches at an ESSL practice.

To register online, go to segov.net/government/departments/libraries and click on Library Events or call **941-861-1225**.

Meet the Artist Event

The theme for the October Discover Dearborn event will be "Meet the Artist". Thirteen local artists will be set up along West Dearborn Street creating their art as you stroll the street from **4 to 7pm on Tuesday, October 24**. A variety of mediums will be exhibited by the artists, and you are free to chat with them. This is not a sales event; artists will have contact info available if you are interested in their work. Scheduled artists are Gloria Urban, Daniel Logue, Virginia Howell, Debra Rhoads, Rita Schwab, Barbara Knodel, Bethany Taulbee, Kathleen Callahan, Kim Demko, Christie Watson, Carol Faith, Carroll Swayze, and Dena Kittleson. Keep up to date on the Discover Dearborn Facebook page.

Art Show & Auction

In honor of Dyslexia Awareness for the month of October, The Learning Center for Dyslexia is showcasing their students' unique talents and abilities with their art at TLC's First Annual Art Show and Silent Auction. Plan now to attend this event on **Tuesday, October 24** from **5:30 to 7:30pm** at the center

located at 695 Old Englewood Road. You will be amazed at the artwork – the Dyslexic mind flows with creativity and out-of-the-box thinking. At the event you can meet some of the students, teachers, and board members, take a tour of the facility, learn more about dyslexia, enjoy refreshments & hors d'oeuvres, and of course, bid on the students' artwork. There is a silent auction Facebook page to allow you to start your artwork bids now at "TLC Art Show Silent Auction". Learn more about TLC for Dyslexia at tlc4dyslexia.com or call **941-473-2266**.

Keeping Your Neighborhood Safe

Join #SRQCounty Neighborhood Services & the Englewood CRA staff for a special event on **Wednesday, October 25, 10am to noon**, at the Dignam Family Stage in Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. You will learn about reducing crime through urban and environmental design and the management and use of built environments in your neighborhood. Simple concepts to help make your neighborhood safer include natural surveillance, natural access control, territorial reinforcement, and maintenance & management. There will be door prizes and Florida native plant raffles. For

more information, call **311** and ask for Neighborhood Services.

Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia

The Englewood YMCA Lunch & Learn series invites you to attend a program to learn about the impact of Alzheimer's, the difference between Alzheimer's and dementia, the stages & risk factors, current research treatments available for some symptoms, and Alzheimer's Association resources. This free informative program will be held on **Friday, October 27, 11:30am**, at the YMCA, 701 Medical Blvd. Speaker is Lisa Fink, RN, CDP, Alzheimer's Association Community Educator. To RSVP, call the YMCA at **941-475-1234**. Enjoy a free lunch sponsored by McKenney Home Care.

Game Night

Come down to The Dearborn Coffeehouse & Bakery, 450 W. Dearborn Street, on **Friday, October 27, 4 to 7pm**, and have fun playing games, both digital and analog, along with lawn games outside. There will be stations with multiple game systems, and a multitude of board games. For more information, call **941-208-5135**.

CERT Basic Training

Charlotte County is offering CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) basic training on **Monday-Wednesday, October 30 to November 1**. This three-day class meets from **9am to 3:30pm** each day at the Emergency Operations Center, 26571 Airport Road,

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Punta Gorda. CERT volunteers assist the community following a disaster or emergency. To find out more, go to charlottecountyfl.gov, call **941-743-1200** or email CharlotteCountyCERT@gmail.com. To register, go to signup.com.

Fall Mug Making Craft

Come to the Elsie Quirk Library on **Tuesday, October 31** for a fun experience making your own mug. The free workshop runs from **10:30am to noon**. Use the Cricut Mug Press to design your very own, dishwasher-safe mug. You will learn how to combine infusible ink transfer sheets with infusible ink markers to create a beautiful fall-inspired design. Supplies and time are limited. First come, first serve seating. No RSVP needed. For more information, call **941-861-1225** or stop by the library at 100 W. Dearborn Street.

St. Francis Card Party

St. Francis of Assisi Church Parish Women's Guild holds monthly card parties on the **first Wednesday of the month at 11am** during season. The next party will be **Wednesday, November 1st**. All are invited

to come and enjoy lunch and then play cards. \$9 per person includes lunch, card play, and door prizes. To register, go to sfoachurch.com, click Parish Life, and select Card Party or call **941-697-4899, ext. 6**. St. Francis is located at 5265 Placida Road.

EPIC Grand Opening

You are invited to attend the Grand Opening of the EPIC Community Resource Center, 655 N. Indiana Avenue, on **Wednesday, November 1, from 4:30-6:30pm**, with a ribbon cutting at **5pm**. Come learn about this new community resource center whose mission is to meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs in the Englewood community through the power of Christ. EPIC partners with other nonprofits, like the Jesus Loves You Ministry, On the Spot, Inc., Marah Mutual, and Veterans services, to serve those in need. Support, educational, and friendship groups are being formed and all at no cost. To learn more, visit epiccommunitycenter.org or plan to stop by during the grand opening. Those attending the grand opening are asked to please RSVP by **Tuesday,**

October 24 to Angela at **941-460-6022**.

Memory Café

The Englewood Charlotte Library is the location for a new program designed for people with new or developing memory or cognitive issues and their caregivers to share in conversation, activities, and games. The group meets on the **first Friday of the month** and November date is **Friday, November 3, 10:30 to 11:30am**. The library is located at 3450 N. Access Road. For more information, call **941-681-3736**.

Community Garage Sale

Rotonda West is holding a neighborhood garage sale on **Friday & Saturday, November 3 & 4 from 9am to 5pm**. Over 60 homes throughout the Rotonda West neighborhoods will be participating. An address list of sellers will be posted outside the front doors of the Community Center, 646 Rotonda Circle, on the mornings of the sale. The list will also be posted on the Rotonda West property owners group and Rotonda West Facebook pages. For more information, contact Deb at communityoutreach@rotondawest.org.

Eco-Fair

Join Englewood Charlotte Library for a fun-filled day at the Tringali Community Center for the Charlotte County Eco

Fair on **Saturday, November 4, 11am to 1pm**. The Eco Fair will inform the community of current environmental issues while providing ideas for ways in which you can do your part to make a difference in curbing climate change. The event will include a variety of local organizations that are working toward a more sustainable future for Charlotte County and the Englewood area. Learn about alternative energies, endangered species, and the threat to our local waters. Learn about native landscaping and how to grow your own food. For more information, call **941-681-3736**.

Florida International Air Show

The Florida International Air Show returns to the Punta Gorda Airport, 28000 A-1, Airport Road, Punta Gorda, on **Saturday & Sunday, November 4 & 5**. Performers include the USAF Thunderbirds, the SOCOM Para-Commandos, Patty Wagstaff, Extreme Flight, Redline Airshows, Scott Farnsworth, Randy W. Ball with MiG-17F Jet Aerobatics, and the Racers Jet Team. There will also be interactive simulators, food trucks, Static Display, and a kids' zone. Air show announcer will be Matt Jolley, a national Edward R. Murrow Award-winning

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Best-selling fantasy author Neil Gaiman, creator of the "Sandman" comic book series, leads a stellar lineup of successful authors at an upcoming event hosted by Sarasota County Libraries and Historical Resources. Off the Page Literary Celebration launches **Wednesday, November 1st** and features two plus weeks of author talks, writing workshops, book signings, and more – all free to the public. No registration is required, attendance is first come, first seated. The schedule of bestselling authors is as follows:

- Author talk and book signing with Sarah MacLean at **1pm on Saturday, November 4** at Selby Library (1331 First St., Sarasota.)
- Author talk with Dr. George Eisen at **10:30am on Monday, November 6** at Elsie Quirk Library (100 W. Dearborn Street).
 - Songwriting workshop with Hermitage Fellow Kirya Traber at **3pm on Monday, November 6** at Elsie Quirk Library (100 W. Dearborn Street).
- Author talk and book sale with Neil Gaiman at **7pm on Tuesday, November 7** at Venice Performing Arts Center (1 Indian Ave., Venice).
- Author talk and book signing with Raina Telgemeier at **2pm on Saturday, November 11** at Shannon Staub Library, (4675 Career Lane, North Port).
- Discussion with science writer Sam Kean at **6pm on Monday, November 13** at Gulf Gate Library (7112 Curtiss Ave., Sarasota).
- Author talk and book signing with Sarah Penner at **6pm on Thursday, November 16** at William H. Jervy Jr. Venice Library (300 Nokomis Ave. S., Venice).

Participants can also explore the world through programming associated with "Off The Page" that occurs daily at every Sarasota County library location with additional events scheduled for Ringling College of Art and Design and Hermitage Artist Retreat. "Writing and literature is a form of art that deserves to be celebrated as part of Sarasota's world-class art scene," said Renée Di Pilato, Director of Sarasota County Libraries and Historical Resources. Events range from teen writing workshops led by Ringling professor Ryan Van Cleave to a carnivorous plant sale hosted by botanist Kenny Coogan to an after-hours mystery night with Ocean View Publishing. For a full programming lineup, visit OffThePageFL.org, call **311, or 941-861-1110**. Author Neil Gaiman is pictured here.



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Sarasota Medieval Fair

Spend a weekend in medieval times when the Sarasota Medieval Fair returns to Myakka City weekends, **Saturday, November 4 to Sunday, November 26, 10am to 5:30pm**. This reenactment celebrates the history of European ancestral forefathers, including demonstrations, history lessons, petting zoo, children's activities, archery contests & more. Daily ticket prices are \$23.95 adult; \$20.95 senior/student; and \$12.95 child. The Fair is located in the Woods of Mallaranny, 29847 E. Florida Route 70, Myakka City. For more information and online ticket purchase, visit sarasotamediavalfair.com.

Creative Arts Project

Englewood Community Coalition is launching a new project called Englewood Creative Arts, to facilitate out-of-school performing and visual arts instructions/mentoring for Englewood youth. The project's purpose is to enhance affordable and accessible positive mentored experiences for youth to explore their talents. Rather than telling young people to "Just Say No"

to drugs, the project will give them things to say "Yes" to. If you would like to learn more and become involved, there will be an open community organizational and planning meeting at Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street, on **Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30pm**. You can learn more about Englewood Community Coalition at ccenglewood.com or contact them at office@ccenglewood.com.

Tropical Nights

This year's Tropical Nights will be held on **Saturday, November 18, 5pm**, at the Palm Island Resort, 7092 Placida Road, Cape Haze. Your ticket includes a gourmet dinner catered by Rum Bay Restaurant, live music by "Tropical Avenue", dancing, and the opportunity to bid on auction items. Attire is beach casual. This fundraiser for the YMCA of Southwest Florida benefits the Children & Families Scholarship Fund and programs at the Englewood YMCA. Tickets are \$250 per person and may be purchased online at ymcaswfl.org/events/tropical-nights-2023 or stop by the YMCA at 701 Medical Blvd. For questions, call **941-475-1234**.

Waterfest Tickets

Englewood Beach Waterfest is fast approaching, and tickets are now on sale for this weekend blockbuster on **November 18 & 19, 10am to 4pm**, when the finals

for the world Offshore Powerboat Association (OPA) championship come to Englewood Beach. The fun kicks off with PowerUp Pre-Race Party on **Thursday, November 16, 5 to 10pm**, at The Waverly Restaurant & Bar, 2095 N. Beach Road. The Boat Block Party on Dearborn is **Friday, November 17, 5 to 10pm**. See the race boats up close, pick up your shirt orders, and enjoy some great food, drinks, and live music. Advance ticket price for the weekend is \$30 for the two-day ticket, which includes bus transportation and parking. VIP tickets range from \$75 to \$225. Visit englewoodbeachwaterfest.com for more information.

Grace Community Church

Grace Community Church of Englewood is now meeting in a new location and at a new time while they look for a new church home of their own. The congregation will be meeting for worship at **11:30am Sundays** at Faith Lutheran Church, 551 Rotonda Blvd West in Rotonda West. All are welcome to come worship with Grace Community Church. Learn more at gccenglewood.org or call **585-802-3490**.

FEMA Help for Idalia

Homeowners and renters who sustained losses from Hurricane Idalia in Charlotte and Sarasota Counties can apply for FEMA Individual Assistance. Survivors can apply by calling



Country music star Rodney Atkins will be taking the field with Atlanta Braves' Andruw Jones and other celebrities, including congressman Greg Steube, on **Saturday, November 4th** for the first annual Celebrity Softball Game at CoolToday Park, 18800 S. West Villages Pkwy., Venice. The teams will also have members of local active-duty military personnel, Veterans, and First Responders participating. Following the game, country music star Rodney Atkins will take the stage at **7pm** performing his number one hits. Gates open at **2:30pm**. Celebrity batting practice starts at **2:40pm**. Pregame ceremony at **3:40pm**. Game starts at **4pm**. Opening the concert will be local celebrity, recording artist, and law enforcement officer Jason Brownie. 100% of the proceeds will go to programs & services that directly help "our" heroes, including My Warriors Place. Tickets are \$45 and include both the game & concert. Purchase tickets online at celebritiesandheroes.com. This event is presented by The United Way of South Sarasota County. Country star Rodney Atkins is pictured here.

800-621-3362, going online at disasterassistance.gov, or using the FEMA mobile app. The line is open every day from **7am to 10pm ET**. Help is available in most languages. If you use a relay service, such as video relay (VRS), captioned telephone or other service, give FEMA your number for that service. Disaster assistance may include financial help for temporary lodging, basic home repairs, and other disaster-caused expenses. The deadline for applications has been extended to **Wednesday, November 29, 2023**. For the latest information on Florida's

recovery from Hurricane Idalia, visit floridadisaster.org/updates/ and fema.gov/disaster/4734.

Idalia SBA Loans

Homeowners, renters, business owners and certain nonprofits who had losses from Hurricane Idalia may be referred for a disaster loan from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). FEMA may refer survivors to SBA with information on how to apply for a disaster loan. It's important to submit the loan application as soon as possible. If the application is approved, you are not obligated to accept

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homeowners, and renters. Survivors may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via the SBA's secure website at disasterloanassistance.sba.gov/ela/s/. Disaster loan information and application forms can also be obtained by calling the SBA's Customer Service Center at **800-659-2955**.

You Love Sarasota County! Residents have offered high praise for their quality of life in Sarasota County, as shown in the 32nd annual Citizen's Opinion Survey. The Sarasota County Commission values the information collected as it provides the data and historical trends to show a high-level view of the community. The survey, which was conducted through random calls to both landlines and cell phones, measures trust in government, satisfaction with county services and economic growth priorities, among other topics. The survey is conducted by the University of South Florida on behalf of Sarasota County. The survey examples show respondents would continue to recommend Sarasota County as a place to live, raise a family, open a business, retire and vacation; and 80% trust county government. In addition, 98% of respondents rated their quality of life in Sarasota County as good or excellent. To view the survey results, go to scgov.net and search for Citizen Opinion Survey.

Migraine Clinical Trial Sarasota Memorial Health Care System (SMH) is participating in a clinical study that combines two FDA-approved migraine therapies --- onabotulinumtoxinA (Botox), which is used as a preventive therapy for "episodic" migraine and milder, less frequent headaches; and atogepant, the

only drug of its kind approved to treat both episodic and more frequent, chronic migraine --- to determine if the treatments can control the often disabling headaches more effectively when used together. The clinical study (NCT05216263) will not involve placebo. Rather, individuals ages 18 to 75 who currently are receiving standardized therapy with onabotulinumtoxinA and enrolled in the trial will receive one atogepant tablet daily as an add-on treatment over a 24-week treatment period. The study sponsor, AbbVie Inc., will closely evaluate the safety of combining the therapies and potential to prevent migraines. Approximately 125 participants will be enrolled. For more information about the trial and enrollment criteria, call the Sarasota Memorial Research Institute at **941-917-2225** or visit the FDA clinical trial web page at classic.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/NCT05216263?term=atogepant&recrs=adf&draw=2#contacts

Caring & Sharing

Grocery Benefit Tickets on Sale Tickets are now on sale for Dollars For Mammograms' 22nd Annual Grocery Benefit. Three lucky winners will receive a \$350 grocery gift card. Tickets

sell for seven for \$10. Dollars For Mammograms provides mammograms for uninsured or underinsured women and men. Drawing will be on **Monday, December 11**. Tickets may be purchased at Key Agency, 1201 S. McCall Road; Just Counters & Other Stuff, 1489 Market Circle, Port Charlotte; RAVE Imaging, 900 Pine Street; Wampler Varner Insurance, 31 W. Green Street; Mary Jones at WENG News/Talk, 1355 S. River Road; Irene Slattery at Michael Saunders, 1200 S. McCall Road; Rumours Wine Bar, 1807 Englewood Road; and Ann's Flowers, 151 S. McCall Road. Learn more at DollarsForMammograms.org.

Bike Repair Clinic Needs Volunteers

Do you know a little about repairing bicycles? If so, the Bike Clinic at The Jubilee Center, 401 S. Broadway, could use your skills to help out at the free clinic that is held on the **first Tuesday of the month from 10am to noon**. The clinic serves anyone who needs help with bicycle problems such as flat tires, brake pad replacements, shifter adjustments, and broken

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Look Who's Reading the REVIEW

Sandy Kimmel, who frequently visits family in Englewood, brought the Englewood Review to Times Squares, where she and her husband, David, were enjoying a long weekend of theater and adventures.

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Sports

L.A. Ainger Golf Tournament

Come have fun while supporting L.A. Ainger Middle School at their 10th Annual Golf Tournament on **Saturday, November 11** at Rotonda Golf & Country Club, 100 Rotonda Circle. Registration starts at **7:15am**; shotgun start, scramble format at **8:30am**. Cost is \$75 per person and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, green fees, lunch, prizes, and more. There will be tournament prizes, raffle prizes, and a 50/50. Funds raised help the Cougars with school socials, band, STEAM, field trips, tech programs, and more. Register by

Friday, October 13 and receive an event T-shirt. To register, go to yourcharlotteschools.net/lam and search for golf tournament, email aingergolftournament@gmail.com, or call Katie Mullins at **941•445•0911** or Dana Lutz at **941•815•3669**.

Englewood Turkey Trot

The popular Thanksgiving tradition, the Englewood Turkey Trot, returns this year on **Thursday, November 23, 7:30-9:30am**, at Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Park, 6791 San Casa Drive. Start your Thanksgiving off by giving back through this Family Fun Run/Walk 5K (non-timed event) to benefit the Englewood Area Cancer Foundation. Register at Real Bikes Englewood, 445 S. Indiana Avenue, (cash or check only) or online at runsignup.com (Englewood Turkey Trot). Advance fee is \$15 adult and \$5 child; day-of-event \$20. All registration fees go directly to cancer warriors in this area through the Englewood Area

Cancer Foundation. There are no awards as all proceeds go directly to those fighting cancer. All goody bag items, food, prizes, etc., have been donated. Sponsors are Real Bikes, Amberjack Sanitation, and Erin Halstead, Michael Saunders & Company. For questions, call Real Bikes at **941•445•7325**.

*The 2023 Orchid Show is on display through Sunday, November 26th at Marie Selby Botanical Gardens' Sarasota campus. Innovative horticultural displays in the Tropical Conservatory feature spectacular orchids from the Garden's living collection. The exhibition continues in the Museum of Botany & the Arts, where a selection of rare artifacts and historical images tell the story of Selby Gardens' first 50 years, with emphasis on the plants and people who have made it such a special place. Selby Gardens is located 1534 Mound Street, Sarasota, and is open **daily, 10am to 5pm**. For ticket information & purchase, go to selby.org.*



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Halloween Haunted Hike
Cedar Point's Halloween Haunted Hike event is a spooktacular fundraising event occurring **Saturdays, October 21 and 28, between 6 and 9pm**. The event will feature a spooky guided haunted hike, food trucks, pumpkin patch, keynote speakers, crafts, and more. Admission fees are \$5 per person (kids under six are free). The guided haunted hike will be accessible to a younger crowd from **6-7pm** while there is still light outside. Later on, "scare-ers" will be hidden along the trail to make for a truly spooky event! Cedar Point Environmental Park is located at 2300 Placida Road. For ticket sales and for more information, visit cheeflorida.org/events or call **941-475-0769**.

Halloween Notte
This year's Halloween Notte is back at the Charlotte County Fairgrounds, 2333 El Jobean Road, Port Charlotte, on the weekends of **October 20-22, and October 27-31, 5 to 10pm**. The Port Charlotte Pumpkin Festival Scare Park (Halloween Notte) is a Jekyll & Hyde festival celebrating the joys of childhood imagination with the monsters that go bump in the night. There will be bounce houses & rides, haunted houses, and food available for purchase. Haunted houses are open **6 to 10pm**. Every evening from **9 to 10pm** is a dance party. **Sunday, October 29** is costume contest night: youth costume contest at **6pm**, crazy canine costume contest at **7pm** and an adult costume contest at **8pm**. Safe Trick or Treating among the vendors & throughout the fairgrounds will take place on **Tuesday, October 31, 6:30 to 7:30pm**. Admission is free with \$5 for parking. Tickets for the haunted houses are \$15-\$20 each with a \$40 unlimited package deal. The Maze & Moon Bounce tickets are \$20. Visit halloweenotte.com for more information and ticket purchase.

Lights at Spooky Point
Lights at Spooky Point, the Selby Garden's Halloween-themed light show, returns for a second season at the Historic Spanish Point campus, 401 N. Tamiami Trail, Osprey. The show is on view **nightly through Halloween**. Visitors will follow an eerily lit path through the wooded campus and past several of its historic structures, encountering fantastically fun creations and unique Halloween light displays around every bend. The show is designed for all ages. A limited number of tickets will be sold for each night, with two entry times available: **6:30pm and 7:45pm**. Ticket prices are \$30 for adults (\$20 for Selby Gardens members), \$15 for ages 5-17, and free for children 4 and under. To learn more and purchase tickets, go online to selby.org.

Fruitville Grove Pumpkin Fest
Fruitville Groves is celebrating their 35th Annual Pumpkin Festival on **weekends during October**. Activities include a petting zoo, playground, Torres Family Circus (showtimes: **12pm & 3pm**), decorated photo spots, costume contest on **Saturdays at 2pm**, and their Farmers Market. Some rides & activities, including pony rides, rock wall, bounce houses, and pumpkin painting have a cost of \$1 to \$10. Hours are **Saturday & Sunday, 10am to 5pm**. Free admission. Fruitville Groves is located at 7410 Fruitville Road, Sarasota and can be reached at **941-377-0896**.

Haunted Trails
Plan to attend this frightfully fun family event, Haunted Trails, on **Friday & Saturday, October 20 & 21** at Oscar Scherer State Park, 1843 S. Tamiami Trail, Osprey. The Haunted Trail winds along the dark, haunted road to a terrifying Haunted House for those who truly dare to be scared from **8 to 10pm both nights**. For the kids, the Trick or Treat Trail is open **7:30 to 9:30pm both nights**. There is

also a fun kids' area, games, and Lil' Monster Manor. Bring nonperishable food items for the food drive to benefit South County Food Pantry. Admission is \$14 adult, \$6 child ages 6 to 12, and free for ages 5 & under. Online ticket sales have begun so get yours before they sell out at halloweenhauntedtrails.com. Proceeds benefit the Friends of Oscar Scherer Park, Nokomis Volunteer Fire Department, and the Osprey Nokomis Chamber of Commerce.

Trick or Trot 5k Trail Run
Zoomers Southwest Florida Running & Triathlon Club hosts its annual scholarship fundraising race on **Saturday, October 21, 7:30 to 10am**. All ages are welcome to join in this Halloween-themed 5k trail run through Myakkahatchee Creek Environmental Park, 6968 Reisterstown Road in North Port. The course is on a mixed-surface trail of mostly dirt and gravel. Finisher's medals for all runners and a shirt. Awards for top runners in age groups. Proceeds benefit Zoomers youth scholarships and area high school athletics. Costumes are encouraged with prizes awarded. Cost is \$40 adult and \$23 for ages 1-14. Sign up at runsignup.com/Race/FL/Englewood/TrickorTrot5KTrailRun.

Pumpkin Plunge
The Pumpkin Plunge, a family event, incorporates traditional harvest-time activities with a new aquatic twist and takes place on **Saturday, October 21, 9 to 11am**. Participants can select their pumpkin from a floating pumpkin patch in the competition pool at the North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd., North Port. Then they can decorate their pumpkin at the art station. Fee: \$9 per child; supervising adult free. Pre-registration is required at bit.ly/pumpkinplunge2023. For more information, call **941-429-7275**.

Halloween Trivia Challenge
Charlotte Players Comedy for a Cause Alumni are



The Charlotte County Sheriff's Office is excited to announce this year's Cops and Goblins event will be held at the Port Charlotte Town Center Mall, 1441 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, on **Tuesday, October 31, 5 to 8pm**. Don't worry, there will still be all the fun displays, games, and vehicles, located at the food court and the parking area outside. Stay up to date on Facebook page: [copsngoblins](#). Charlotte County Sheriff Bill Prummell poses with some trick-or-treaters at a prior event.

sponsoring a Halloween Trivia Challenge, Trick or Trivia, on **Saturday, October 21, 6pm**, at Beef O'Bradys, 1105 Taylor Road, Punta Gorda. \$50 per person/\$200 per team includes a full buffet & beverage and individual door prize. Prizes for the top three teams and more. Purchase tickets online at [charlotteplayers.org](#) or call **941-255-1022**.

Haunted History Tour
Join Venice Florida Tours on a walk through Venice while learning about its history, ghost stories, and ghost hunting 101. There is even an opportunity to use real paranormal investigation tools. Tours start at **8pm** on select evenings of the week. The 75-minute tour is \$20 per person. The tour meets at the gazebo in Centennial Park, 200 W. Venice Avenue, Venice. Book online at [VeniceFLTours.com](#) or call **817-714-6092**.

Adults Only Halloween Paddle
Why should the kids get all the Halloween fun? Glass Bottom Rentals is hosting an adult only Halloween Paddle on **Saturday, October 28** starting at **10am**. Destination will be the Boca Grande sandbar (off the Boca Grande Causeway). Wear a costume and bring a cooler for a day of fun. Use your own kayak or paddleboard or rent one from Glass Bottom Rentals, 5810 Gasparilla Road. For more information, call **941-237-1756**.

GCUMC Trunk or Treat
Join Gulf Cove United Methodist

Church for two hours of Trunk or Treat fun on **Saturday, October 28, 4 to 6pm**. There will be food, candy, and fun – plus it's all free. Gulf Cove UMC is located at 1100 South McCall Road in the Gulf Cove area of Port Charlotte. The church can be reached at **941-697-1747** or at GulfCoveUMC@gmail.com.

LB Plaza Trunk or Treat
Lemon Bay Plaza, 1851 Englewood Road, is hosting a Trunk or Treat on **Saturday, October 28, 5 to 7pm**. Bring the kids to have some fun collecting candy from participating "trunks". No costume prizes for kids. All children must be with a supervising adult. If you would like to decorate your vehicle and hand out candy, email or call/text Emily at **941-855-0830** or emily@bayfitclub.com. Winning prizes for best decorated cars will be handed out at the end of the event.

Monster Beach Bash
Fishermen's Village is holding a Monster Beach Bash on **Saturday, October 28, 6 to 10pm**, at the Dry Beach (Sunset Beach Club Tiki Bar). There will be a costume parade for children, a costume contest open to all ages with prizes, bounce houses, a DJ putting out

the hits, and themed cocktails. For more information, visit [fishermensvillage.com](#) or the Fishermen's Village Facebook page. Fishermen's Village is located at 1200 W. Retta Esplanade, Punta Gorda.
Trunk or Treat at EMC
Children from the church & community are invited to come trick-or-treat at the safe Trunk or Treat event on **Sunday, October 29, 5 to 7pm**, at Englewood Methodist Church, 700 E. Dearborn Street. There will be food, music, and great decorated trunks giving out candy. New this year is a Haunted Path for children to wander through. For questions, call Beth Ann at **941-474-5588**.

Halloween Safewalk
Save the date! The 28th Annual Halloween Safewalk will be **Tuesday, October 31, 5 to 7pm**, on West Dearborn Street, west of McCall Road down to Cedar Street. The street will be closed to provide a safe venue. Bring the kids for trick-or-treating fun from area businesses and community groups who set up tables to hand out candy. Costumes are encouraged. If your business or community group would like to participate, please email your request for a registration form to President@oldenglewood.com. Completed forms may be emailed or dropped off at the Kathy O office at 170 W. Dearborn Street, Suite B. There is a mail slot for after hours. Candy must be store-bought and individually wrapped. Groups must bring their own tables. If you are not pre-registered by **Friday, October 20**, your group cannot participate. For questions, call the Kathi O office at **941-208-5246**.



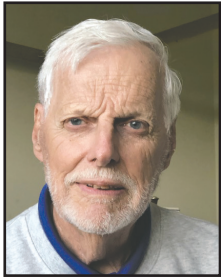
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Living Life In The Fast Lane

If you're going to be an actor, writer, musician, singer, lighting technician, director AND (not or) entrepreneur, you'd better start early in life and move fast. And that's exactly what John Munn has done.

Born of Walter and Catherine Munn in Washington D.C., John miraculously survived a childhood tragedy at age 4: the loss of his mother in a fatal highway crash when she was taking him, asleep with his head on her lap, to a new home in Florida. He still bears the scars, both physical and emotional, from that deadly event. But, he says, "I didn't know any different, so I had to accept it as what it was. I adapted."

"After the accident, we moved around a bit," John says. "My father had to really get a grasp on the loss, so I stayed with my uncle in West Virginia during my first grade in school." Then John's father, recovered and remarried, took him first to South Carolina for a year and then, with his new wife Henrietta, to Rogers Heights,

Maryland, where they bought a house and John was able to complete his elementary and high school years.

"I was not an academic achiever," he acknowledges. "I was more into extracurricular activities" – a vast understatement. During those school years he was in the concert choir, the drama club, president of the photography club, photography editor of the school newspaper and yearbook, as well as president of the lighting club. He also directed several productions of the musical "Godspell" and performed in one-act plays.

"I think I romanticized writing when I was in elementary school. In high school, directing those musicals and taking a part-time job as a professional photographer, I knew that I would be involved in some way in performing arts, maybe filmmaking." But he also realized that to be a creative artist, whether writing or directing, he had to gain the experience to have something meaningful to say.

After graduating from high school, John enrolled at the University of Maryland in College Park to study television and film production, thanks to a four-year federal grant he received due to his father's disability with a serious heart condition. "I knew then that I wanted to direct: TV shows, films, theater – it didn't matter much to me. I'm a comedy guy, and I was particularly enamored of Woody Allen. He's kind of high-brow, and I've seen just about everything of his. He went beyond writing to edit and direct the production of his movies. I learned a lot from him."

By the time he got his bachelor's degree in communications in 1979, he had also learned a lot just from doing it. "When I did a production in the television department, I would basically cast it first, find my talent, write something for their specific talents and then shoot it. When I was in the theater department, I was building sets, hanging lights, running spotlights and learning how to direct."



Lifelong partners: Nancy McCune and John Munn

With degree in hand, he decided to leave the cold north and go "California Dreaming," heading to Hermosa Beach with one of his college roommates. He got a job as an audiovisual technician, doing mostly trade shows at the Bonaventure Hotel in downtown L.A. But he didn't intend to stay too long. The reason? "If ever I was to be a writer," he says, "I knew I had to see the world and experience it," so he'd have something worthwhile to say. Thus began a series of what he calls brief "retirements," taking off work and going on trips until the money ran out and then getting a new job. "Once I built up enough money in Hermosa Beach, I took off for Miami, picked up my grandmother and took her on a trip to West Virginia, where she and my mother had lived." That lasted for about a month, until he indeed ran out of money and went back to the West, this time to stay with his brother Don at his house in Las Vegas. "I stayed there awhile and got a job in the audiovisual field, because there are lots of conventions in Las Vegas," he avers. A little later he worked with the famed animal trainers, Siegfried and Roy, for about a month at the Frontier Hotel.

In 1980 he went to North Hollywood in the L.A. area as assistant rental manager for Obie Lighting Productions, a company that rented lighting for musical acts, mostly rock and roll bands on tour. His work included building a show for The Cars, a "new wave" group that had formed in Boston in 1976. When they took the show out on tour, he got a call to replace their lighting technician, and he hit the road with the band's Panorama

Tour for three months. It was the start of a new chapter in John's life.

From that point on, John became a legitimate and long-term roadie, joining "one tour after another after another," he recalls. It was brutal, with long bus rides, 18-hour workdays and almost no time off. "It was a young man's job," he says, "but I was making the best money of my life at the time, and at the end of a tour I could retire again for a little while." He stayed with this regimen for about ten years, as a roadie for some big-time celebs: Kenny Rogers, Dolly Parton, the Moody Blues, Christopher Cross, Linda Ronstadt and Neil Young, to name a few. One bonus for his hard work was in sharing some of the adoration the fans lavished on the famous entertainers and the opening acts.

Nonetheless, in 1990, at age 34, John realized that it was time to get off the road. "I wanted to buy a house somewhere, but L.A. was too expensive," he says. A high school friend urged him to come to Miami, and he decided to check it out. He went, bought a house in North Miami, and started working in Miami's burgeoning film industry as a video tech specialist. And that's where his life took two new twists.

First, he met his lifelong partner-to-be, Nancy McCune, when she answered a clever personal ad he had put in the Miami Herald. They met for a soda, hit it off right away, and though they didn't go through a formal marriage ceremony, they've been together now for 32 years. That's a promising start.



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John performing in his high school production of *Godspell* in 1973

Second, they were both accumulating savings from well-paying jobs, and they had two houses, one of which could be rented or sold to accumulate more. John had bought another small, dilapidated property just before he met Nancy, and he spent three or four years fixing it up before renting it out. He began reinvesting in one piece of real estate after another, specializing in studio apartments in the Art Deco buildings along the shores of Miami Beach. Whether renting or reselling them as condos, "I made great money," he says. "I never lost a dime in real estate and probably did \$3.5 to \$4 million in sales and rentals."

In 2007 John and Nancy decided to move to Nashville, Tennessee and continued their real estate investments in a locale where there was a huge influx of newcomers. For about a decade, it was a goldmine for them, but it just grew too big and too fast. In 2016 they sold out their holdings and started looking in earnest for a place back in Florida. They eschewed the Miami area and looked at St. Augustine, Daytona Beach and Venice before deciding on Englewood. "We wanted a funky beach town where we could live near the beach but not on it," John says, "and we felt that Englewood had a lot of potential. It is Olde Florida, and some people are reticent to change," he acknowledges – but things are changing here, and John Munn is now playing an important role in the process of making the community a destination as well as a nice place to retire to.

"I'm a musician – a bass player and a singer," he notes, "and I got involved with a garage band. After a while I said, 'Let's get out and play in front of people.' The band got a spot at the Open Studio on Old Englewood Road for about a month as 'Groovin' in the Garden,' which morphed into 'Groovin' in the Gallery' at the Englewood Art Center. That was a big success for a year and a half until March 22d of 2020, when COVID-19 shut the nation down. As things eased up, he formed another band called "Vinyl Recall," which he has kept alive for about three years.

"More than anything, I wanted to bring more culture to Dearborn



Silvano Stasolla, Dan Klein, Roger Cummings and John Munn performing at Wednesdays@5.

Street," John asserts. "Some places have music, and there are art shops, but they haven't had enough events that bring people together to celebrate. So I started what I call PUMA – Pop Up Music Areas." He got several Dearborn shops to allow his band to play out front, thereby bringing listeners who would then visit the shop. It worked, and now Culture Coffee, for one, has a regular Friday night performance called "Culture Coffee Open Mike" from 5 p.m. until closing.

"Then we went to places where normally there wasn't a Pop Up venue. I've created a community music appreciation program called

'Wednesdays@5,' because nobody does anything on Wednesdays," he says. "The musicians have their gigs on the weekends, and they'll be happy to get a spot in midweek. Wednesdays@5 has already found a home in the courtyard at the Old Florida Gallery, where there's a covered bar area, a nice grassy knoll where there are trees and some shade, and a little stage." And it's free!

"My next step," says John "is to create Bayside Arts, a registered 501(c)3 nonprofit, which will be the umbrella for PUMA and Wednesdays@5. I'll also create subgroups for painting, sculpture and other forms of art, and we

should be able to use the Pioneer Plaza, the \$1.2 million stage which Englewood just recently completed. Dearborn is about to blossom, and I want to help make that happen."

Dearborn Street, fresh from its makeover, just needs to use the fast lane if it wants to keep up with John Munn.

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Local Author Book Signing

Come meet local author Ray Hazel on **Saturday, October 21, 11am to 1pm**, at Culture Coffee, 405 W. Dearborn Street. Ray will be signing copies of his latest book, "Lemon Bay Ticket to Paradise", the third of his historical fiction trilogy about the history of Lemon Bay. He spent time researching the history of Englewood while writing the trilogy which starts out with "Moonshine Over Lemon Bay," about a local man, Skipper, who builds a life and empire rum-running during Prohibition. His second book, "Lemon Bay's Hidden Secrets", is based in the 50s and 60s in Englewood and also continues the life of Skipper, the protagonist from the first book. His new book, "Lemon Bay Ticket to Paradise", introduces new characters, two middle-aged retired single men's friendship in Englewood. Visit Ray's website, rayhazel.com, to learn more.

John Williams' Star Wars

The Punta Gorda Symphony kicks off their Masterworks Concert series on **Sunday, October 22, 3:30pm**, with John Williams' "Star Wars – A Galaxy Far, Far Away" featuring Star

Wars & other favorites. The concert will feature a Family Fun Day with lobby activities, including musical adventure zone, trick-or-treating, costume contest and more. The concert will be held at the Charlotte Performing Arts Center, 701 Carmalita Street, Punta Gorda. Ticket prices are \$15 to \$65. Purchase tickets online at pgsymphony.org or call **941-205-5996**.

Pickleball Comes to Venice Theatre

Pickleball aficionados will want to see "Pickleball", a quippy screwball comedy by Jeff Daniels, coming to Venice Theatre, **Friday, October 27 through Sunday, November 19**. Goofy, lightning-fast, and slightly naughty, this production about the predominant mania of this time, it's a "pwocking" good time that will "pickle" your funny bone. Evening performances are **7:30pm, Tuesday through Saturday, and 2pm on Sundays**. Tickets are \$35 adult and \$15 youth. Purchase tickets online at venicetheatre.org or call the box office at **941-488-1115**. Venice Theatre is located at 140 Tampa Avenue West, Venice.



LET'S MURDER MARSHA

Lemon Bay Playhouse presents "Let's Murder Marsha", **running now through Sunday, November 5**. A happy housewife named Marsha, hopelessly addicted to reading murder mysteries, overhears her loving husband discussing her upcoming birthday surprise with an interior decorator. To her ears, though, it sounds like they are planning to murder her! With the assistance of her next-door neighbor, she tries to turn the tables on them with a poisoned potion. Marsha thinks her mother & her maid's date are in on the scheme as well. This is a terrific show for family audiences who like their comedy broad, fast, and nonstop. Show starts on time **7:30pm Wednesday through Saturday and 2pm on Sundays**. No late seating. Reserved tickets are \$25 adult; \$20 student. Purchase tickets online at lemonbayplayhouse.com or from the box office, **10am to 2pm weekdays**, at 96 W. Dearborn Street, or call **941-475-6756**. Cast photo: Standing (l-r): Trish Maxwell, Jim Litwin, Kathleen Gallagher, Judy Tilley, L'Tanya VanHamersveld, and Henry Barre. Seated: Gary Cook.

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Hermitage Beach Event

The Hermitage Artist Retreat presents "Siddhartha: A Hermitage Collaboration of Words & Music" on **Friday, October 27, 6pm**, on the Hermitage Beach, 6660 N. Manasota Key Road. Herman Hesse's canonical work, "Siddhartha", is the inspiration for a new collaboration between celebrated poet Melissa

Studdard and Grammy Award-winning composer Christopher Theofanidis. \$5/pp registration fee. Register online at HermitageArtistRetreat.org.

WEAC Open House

Englewood Art Center (EAC) invites you to join them for their Fall Open House on **Saturday, October 28, 11am to 4pm**. Visitors can browse the galleries and see the teaching

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studios. There will be instructor demonstrations, live music, food trucks, exhibitions, and hands-on art activities. Displayed in the galleries are "Living in a Bubble" Earth's 17 Spheres" by

Traci Kegerreis; "Wonderland: Surrealist Adventure"; "Forever Glades" by Ben Saucier; and "Scareamics" by L.A. Finfinger. This event is free and open to the public. EAC, a division of



Songwriting Workshop

Music and song are some of the most powerful and evocative tools for communicating stories. Whether you're a writer who has always been curious about music, or a musician who wants to compose their own lyrics, here is a workshop for you. Offered as part of the Sarasota County Libraries "Off the Page" celebration, this is a participatory workshop. "Writing from the Bones: A Songwriting Workshop" on **Monday, November 6 at 3pm** offers an intuitive approach to songwriting. The workshop will be held at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. An award-winning writer and librettist, Hermitage Fellow Kirya Traber will share her process for writing lyrics by surfacing the emotional truth of language, and the innate human connection to rhythm and melody to help spark participants' creative process. There are no audience critiques during the workshop; rather, all writing prompts are seen as invitations to everyone in the room. No knowledge of theater or lyric writing is required – just an open mind and a willingness to explore the creative process. \$5pp registration fee. Register online at hermitageartistretreat.org.



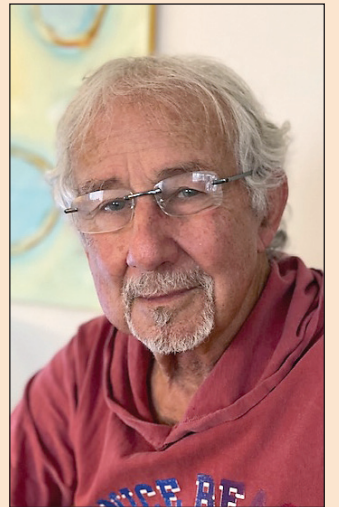
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Artist Colony Gathering
The Artist Colony in Englewood, Florida will be holding their next outdoor gallery on **Wednesday, November 1, 10am to 3pm**, at Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. The outdoor gallery features local artists creating, exhibiting, and selling their original creations from **10am to 3pm on the first and third Wednesdays** of the month. Bring a chair and enjoy the Artist Colony Ensemble performing classical, opera and Broadway

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BOOK CHAT WITH DR. GEORGE EISEN

Local author, Dr. George Eisen, will discuss his latest book and the chain of events that led to the writing of this untold chapter of the Holocaust during a free lecture on **Monday, November 6, 10:30am to noon**, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. His book, "A Summer of Mass Murder – a 1941 Rehearsal for the Hungarian Holocaust", tells the tragic story of the 20,000 Hungarian Jews who were forcefully deported and executed in the early days of WWII. Eisen introduces a multitude of layers of politics, culture, and psychology for both the victims and executioners. Seating is first come, first served. For more information, call **941-861-1225**.





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Venice Art Festival

The 35th Annual Downtown Venice Art Festival will be **Saturday & Sunday, November 4 & 5** along the sidewalks in the 100-300 blocks of W. Venice Avenue. Hours are **10am to 5pm both days**. More than 100 artists will be exhibiting their work, ranging in mediums from photography to jewelry, paintings to sculpture, ceramics, glass, mixed media, and more. Free admission. Website: visitvenicefl.org.

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*Westcoast Black Theatre Troupe is thrilled to open its 24th season with “Once on This Island.” Set on a verdant Caribbean island, this Tony Award-winning musical tells the coming-of-age story of a peasant girl searching for love and her place in the world, while dealing with complicated social issues of race, class and affairs of the heart. Based on the novel “My Love, My Love” by Rosa Guy, the musical tells the story of Ti Moune, a young peasant girl who saves the life of a rich, aristocratic boy from the other side of the island after a car crash. She falls in love with him; unbeknownst to her, though, the same gods who saved her when she was lost and alone in a terrible storm years ago make a wager over which is stronger, love or death, the stakes being Ti Moune’s life. The show is running **now through Sunday, November 19**. Show times are **7:30pm Tuesdays-Saturdays, 2pm matinees Saturdays-Sundays**. All performances take place in WBTT’s Donelly Theatre (1012 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota). Tickets are \$40-\$50/adults, \$20/students or active military (prices include ticket fees). Visit westcoastblacktheatre.org for tickets & more info.*

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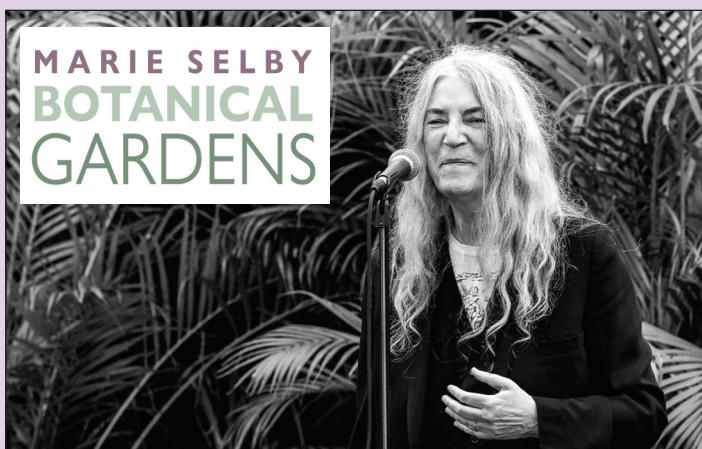
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Venice Concert Band

The Venice Concert Band returns to the stage at Venice Performing Arts Center (One Indian Avenue, Venice) on **Monday, November**

6, at 7pm with a concert that will honor this wonderful country. As always, there will be a special recognition of the nation's military personnel, both living and dead. The Venice High School MCJROTC Honor Guard will open the concert. The Venice Chorale Youth Chorus to sing "God Bless America," and "Let There Be Peace on Earth." Opening the second half of the concert, you will hear a new

march, "181st Field Artillery March," written and conducted by Daniel Bowles, assistant conductor. Also on the playlist is "American Overture," "The Best of Billy Joel", "Star-Spangled Salute," and John Philip Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever." Tickets will be available for online only purchases beginning **Monday, October 23 at 10am** on the band's website VeniceConcertBand.com. Tickets may also be obtained at the door for \$14, cash purchase only.

"Florida's Got Soul"

Award winning author John Capouya reveals the rich but under-appreciated musical heritage of the Sunshine State in a free program on **Thursday, November 9, 2 to 3pm**, at the Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road. Don't miss the classic soul music and vintage photographs of this lively presentation. Free. For more information, call the library at **941-681-3736**.

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Save the date for this year's F.A.M.E. Music Festival. This fundraiser by the Friends for the Advancement of Music Education (F.A.M.E.) is set for **Friday & Saturday, November**



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The highly popular Artful Lobster is a signature fundraising event for the Hermitage Artist Retreat, and this year it will be held on **Saturday, November 11, 11:30am to 2pm**, at the historic Hermitage campus, 6600 Manasota Key Road. With a luscious lobster feast catered by Michael's On East and live entertainment featuring Hermitage Fellows, you won't want to miss it. The Grammy Award-winning string quartet, ETHEL, featuring Hermitage alumni, will headline the event. ETHEL members are composer-performers Ralph Farris (viola), Kip Jones (violin), Dorothy Lawson (cello), and Corin Lee (violin). Hermitage Fellow Emi Ferguson, a widely celebrated flutist & composer, will also perform. For more information, go to hermitageartistretreat.org. For ticket prices & purchase, contact Amy Wallace at **941-475-2098, ext. 2** or development@hermitageartistretreat.org.

10 & 11 at Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. This event is all about music, and with two stages, there will be nonstop music alternating between the stages. So come enjoy local music talent, food, beverages, and plan to participate in the silent auction. The music & fun is **5 to 11pm on Friday** and **11am to 11pm on Saturday**. F.A.M.E. is a nonprofit tax exempt 501(C)3 organization

that supports the music programs in Englewood schools. Over the last 18 years, F.A.M.E. has raised over \$380,000, which is used to purchase musical instruments for the schools so any student who wants to participate can be provided with an instrument. Learn more at famesupportmusic.com. Volunteers are needed; if interested, message Denise at 941-661-0916 or Jim at 941-661-7917.



"THE GEOFF PFEIFER QUINTET"

The Bands of Lemon Bay High School invite you to attend the upcoming performance by "The Geoff Pfeifer Quintet" on **Tuesday, November 7, 6:30pm**, at the Lemon Bay High School Performing Arts Center, 2201 Placida Road. This performance is sponsored by the Charlotte Country Jazz Society and features Geoff Pfeifer, a renowned Nashville-based musician and composer. With extensive experience in saxophone & composition, Pfeifer has studied under some of the biggest names in the industry. He is a saxophonist and arranger with the R&B Band, "Chubby and the Dots", and plays the 2nd Tenor Saxophone Chair in "The Establishment Big Band". Tickets are \$10 standard admission or a VIP premium ticket for \$25. Tickets may be purchased online at teachtix.com/lemonbayhighband/the-geoff-pfeifer-quintet. Don't miss this chance to see a world-class musician perform locally!



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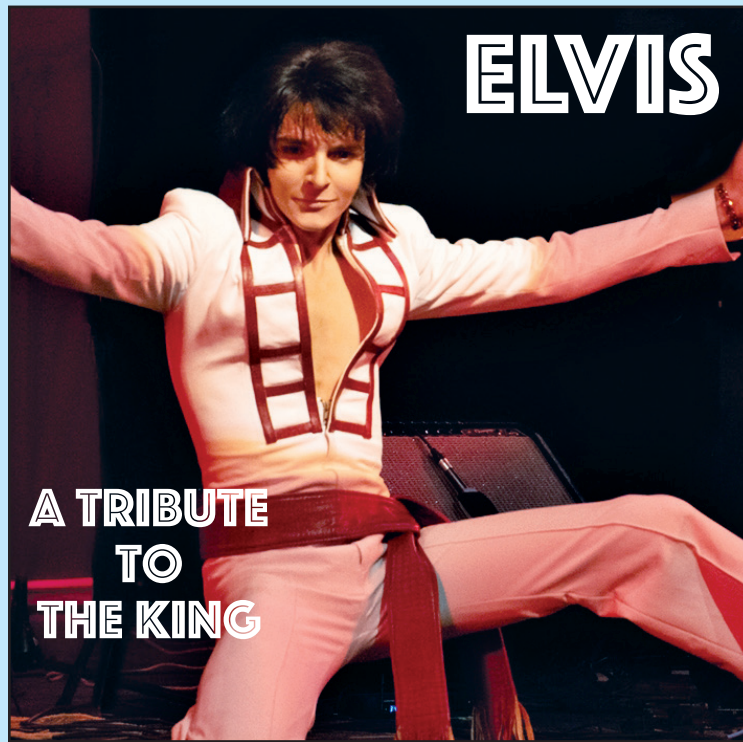
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The Artist Colony Kicks Off Their Dinner Concert Series



The Artist Colony kicks off their Dinner Concert Series on **Tuesday, November 14** from **5 to 7pm**, at Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. This concert's featured performers will be the Lemon Bay High School Theatre Department and Englewood Elementary School's Soaring Eagles Show Choir. The LBHS theatre department will present songs from their upcoming musical, "Matilda". The Soaring Eagles Show Choir will sing the three songs they will perform at their next competition at Disney World on December 1st. The choir will also host a bake sale during the concert to raise funds for choir expenses. The Artist Colony Ensemble will perform "A Salute to Broadway". Besides the bake sale, The Dearborn Coffeeshouse & Bakery and Rumours Wine Bar will sell beer, wine, and a selection of beverages. The concert is free; donation containers will be available to show your appreciation. The Dinner Concert Series will be on the **second Tuesday of the month through April**. Performing at a concert last season are (l-r): Sherry Gillette, Renee Irene, Jeff Cowherd, Tamara Brandes, and John Watson.



Lemon Bay Playhouse, 96 W Dearborn Street, will host Matt Stone, a world-class Elvis Tribute Artist from South Florida, on **Saturday, November 11** at **2pm** and **7:30pm**. In 2022, he was named by Graceland as one of the Top Ten Elvis Tribute Artists in the world. Unlike many other tribute artists on the market, Matt Stone portrays the King in his prime: young, agile, and full of energy... the way he should be remembered. Priding himself on being an encyclopedia on the King, there's no tribute artist on the market with a greater "burning love" for all things Elvis. Because of his years of research and intense analysis of the small details that truly bring the King to life, Matt Stone portrays the closest thing to Elvis any fan has seen since 1977. Tickets are \$25 and are selling fast! Get your tickets at lemonbayplayhouse.com or call the box office at **941-475-6756 (M-F 10am-2pm)**.



Don't miss comedian Lee Hardin when he appears at Lemon Bay Playhouse on **Saturday, November 18** at **7:30pm**. This is a clean comedy show! Based out of Nashville, Tennessee, Lee Hardin has been touring the country, telling relatable jokes and stories. Over the years, Lee has been able to share the stage with comedians like Henry Cho, Ryan Hamilton, and Nate Bargatze. In 2019, his comedy special, "Not Quite A Grown-Up", was released on DryBar Comedy. Lee also made his television debut on "The Mike Huckabee Show", where he also performs regularly as the warm-up act. Tickets are \$25. Get your tickets at lemonbayplayhouse.com or call the box office, 96 W. Dearborn Street, at **941-475-6756 (M-F 10am-2pm)**.

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Keeping UP with KIDS

Family Movie Night
Gulf Cove United Methodist Church invites you and your family to a free showing of the movie "The Haunted Mansion" from 2003 with Eddie Murphy. It will be shown on **Friday, October 20 at 6pm** inside the church. Bring your own snacks and drinks. Free popcorn will be available. Please, no drop-offs. Gulf Cove UMC is located at 1100 S. McCall Road, in the Gulf Cove area of Port Charlotte. For more information, please call the church at **941-697-1747** or email GulfCoveUMC@gmail.com.

LBHS Football Dyslexia Night
The Lemon Bay High School Manta Rays football game on **Friday, October 20, 7:30pm**, has the theme, High School Dyslexia Awareness, and special

guests will be the students from The Literacy Center for Dyslexia. These students will be running through the tunnel with the football team. October is Dyslexia Awareness month, and the students will be selling red ribbons for dyslexia. They will also be offering tempting goodies for sale such as cakepops, truffles, and taffy. There is also an opportunity to purchase chances for "teenage opportunity baskets". Proceeds will benefit TLC for Dyslexia Center. To learn more, visit tlc4dyslexia.com. The football game is at home at 2201 Placida Road.

Boca Grande Fall Festival
Kids, bring your parents out to the Boca Grande Community Center for the Fall Festival on **Thursday, October 26, 3 to**

5:30pm. Festivities include bounce houses, a cake & pumpkin walk, tractor pictures, guess the candy jar count, face painting, and goodie bags. Free. The Community Center is located at 131 First Street West, Boca Grande.

Youth Rugby Clinic
There will be a youth rugby clinic on **Saturday, October 28, 10am to noon**, at Ann & Chuck Dever Regional Park, 6961 San Casa Drive. The clinic is free for boys & girls, ages 4 to 14. Hosted by the SWFL Sharks Rugby Club, Inc. For more

information, contact Michelle Postma at **661-281-9899**. Website: floridasharksrugby.com.

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Join Cedar Point Environmental Park for free nature classes for children between the age of 3-7 years old and their families



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October Herons of the Month

Please join Vineland Elementary School in congratulating the October Herons of the Month. The students each receive a Heron of the Month ribbon provided & presented by the Rotonda American Legion Post 113 Ladies Auxiliary. This program recognizes students who display the attributes of the Vineland motto: Where Herons Soar (Show Respect, Own Actions, Accept Differences, Realize Potential.)



Grades K-2 Herons of the Month

Front Row (l-r): Rebekah Hernandez, Alayna Van Doren, Kane Gerber, Anya Maddox.
Middle Row (l-r): Luke McIntyre, Jasmyn Brannan, Madalyn Guelmes, Jayce McCarron.
Back Row (l-r): Garrett Tressmer, Robbie Borrero



Grades 3-5 Herons of the Month

Front Row (l-r): Kayley-Anne Cornish, Danika Schreffler, Liam Garland.
Middle Row (l-r): Autumn Cox, Maximus Brotherton, Brynleigh Alden, Aria Hendricks.
Back Row (l-r): Bailey Page, Braxton Payne, Isaac Cassara, Stefan Buswell, Jasiah Brown, Tair Alymkulov, Leo Tran, Derrick Zou.

on **Friday, November 3, 9 to 10am**. Bring your little explorers to learn about nature, animals, and science and participate in dynamic learning activities with environmental educators. Advance registration is required. To register, please email Mel@checflorida.org. Meet at the Cedar Point Visitor Center at 2300 Placida Road. For more information, call **941-475-0769**. Also offered on **Tuesday, November 7, 9 to 10am**.

Let's Pretend Day

Children ages 2-8 and their caregivers are invited for Wednesday morning free-play time, with an assortment of toys and props to inspire the young imagination, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. Drop-in anytime between **10:30 and 11:30am any Wednesday morning**. For more information, call **941-861-1225**.

Little Adventures for Tots

Bring your child, aged 2 to 5, to the Elsie Quirk Library on **Thursday mornings** for story time, filled with a variety of early literacy activities that include music, stories, movement, crafts, and school readiness. Come to the children's department and join in for story time from **10:30 to 11:30am**. Free. For more information, call **941-861-1225** or stop by the library at 100 W. Dearborn Street.

Rotary Youth Exchange Applications Open

Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) has been one of Rotary's premier youth programs for almost 50 years. Selected students attend high school for a full academic year in one of about 25 countries

Lemon Bay High School Athletes of the Month and Sportsmanship Award Winners

On behalf of the Lemon Bay High School Athletic Department, a big congratulations to the LBHS September, 2023 winners of Athlete of the Month and the Sportsmanship Award. The entire athletic department at Lemon Bay High School thanks you for your support of the Manta Rays! School website: lemonbayhigh.com. Facebook: [Facebook.com/mantaathletics](https://www.facebook.com/mantaathletics). Twitter: @mantaathletics. Photos: courtesy of Tim Kern.

Taron Sanders, Football. Earning the Sportsmanship Award for September is **Taron Sanders**, senior, Football. The school athletic director was approached by a parent of a band member who told the director how much it meant to his child that **Taron** approached them at McDonalds and thanked him for playing at the football games and how much he appreciated their support. Receiving Honorable Mentions for September are **Clayton Donahue** (Sr.) and **Owen Tannehill** (Sr.), Football; **Makaila Lindsey** (Fr.), Girls Golf; **Andre Gerber** (Jr.), Swimming; and **Wiley Paver** (Sr.), Cross Country.



TARON SANDERS

in Europe, Asia, and South America. RYE students are hosted by the local Rotary club, live with host families, learn a new language, experience a different culture, and make new friends from across the world. During their year abroad, RYE students grow tremendously in maturity, independence, self-confidence, and international awareness. RYE experience can also be a real "door opener" in the college admissions process.

Applications to study abroad as a Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE) student for the 2024-25 school year are now available. Students, ages 14-18, may now apply online at yehub.net/OER-obapp. The application deadline is **Friday, December 1st**. Interested students, parents, school officials, and Rotarians may contact their local Rotary club for more information. The four Englewood Rotary Clubs are The Rotary Club of

LBHS Athletes of the Month

The Lemon Bay High School Athletic Department would like to extend congratulations to the September 2023 Athletes of the Month winners. Please congratulate **Torey Miccio**, senior, Boys Golf, and **Monica Heeg**, sophomore, Girls Swimming.



TOREY MICCIO

Torey Miccio is the #1 player on the boys' golf team, helping lead his team to an undefeated team record of 9-0. Torey recently helped his team with the county championship and earned first team All-County. He is ranked #1 as an individual in the district and has a .223 IWR ranking that places him as 37th in the state.



MONICA HEEG

Monica Heeg is the number one swimmer on the girls' swimming team. Monica leads the team in points and versatility. She steps up and puts the team's needs ahead of her own. Monica is also an outstanding student.

Receiving Honorable Mention for September are **Ron Marquette** (Jr.), Boys Cross Country; **Mackenzie Martin** (Soph), Girls Cross Country; **Amry Wells** (Sr.), **Lorenzo Mauceri** (Sr.), **Joe Scott** (Sr.), and **Landon Spanninger** (Sr.), Football; **Savannah Pope** (Fr.), **Rachel Gillis** (Soph), **Haley Hall** (Sr.), Girls Golf; **Lucas Newcomb** (Sr.), **Wyatt Seckel** (Jr.), and **Connor Murphy** (Sr.), Boys Golf.

Englewood, Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary Club, The Rotary Club of Rotonda, and the Rotary Club of Englewood Sunset. They may also contact Southwest Florida RYE Outbound Coordinator Paul Blaine at pblaine4529@gmail.com or **419-305-6224** for

program information, help with the application, or to schedule a local information meeting.

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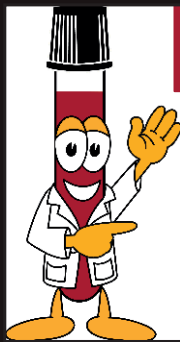
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Club Chatter

Order Your Poinsettias Now

The Englewood Lions Club has taken on the business of Joe the Poinsettia Man to sell flowers and plants (poinsettias) as a fundraiser for their community projects. The club is selling red poinsettias in a variety of sizes and red winter roses. Poinsettia prices: 4-inch pot for \$6; 6.5-inch pot \$12; 8-inch pot \$20; 10-inch pot \$28. Winter rose is \$15. Deadline to order is **Saturday, November 11** but early ordering is encouraged to assure availability of plants. Plants will be delivered to you by club members. Please call **941-698-7508** to leave a message and someone will get right back to you. You can also email flowers@englewoodlions.org.

RWWC Craft Bazaar

GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club is holding a Craft Bazaar on **Saturday, October 21, 9am to 1:30pm**, at the Rotonda West Community Center, 646 Rotonda Circle. There will be handcrafted items made by the organization's crafts, knitting, sewing, and baking teams, along with a Chinese auction and Cookies by the Pound (the most popular station). The General Federation Women's Club organization, as a nonprofit 501(c)3, uses contributions towards local nonprofits in the community. They also help with the International Coastal Cleanup and the Charlotte County Sheriff's Domestic Violence Unit, among the many other functions and organizations. For more information, contact Linda Bermea at lbermea1@hotmail.com.

Family Tree Maker Program

The Englewood Genealogical Society presents a program on Family Tree Maker software on **Wednesday, October 25, 10:15am to 12:30pm**, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. Join D-Ann as she answers your questions and outlines the features of the Family Tree Maker software, including recommendations on certain do's and don'ts. To participate over Zoom, register at egsfl.org. For questions, email info@egsfl.org.

EGSFL Monthly Meeting

The October general meeting for the Englewood Genealogical



All are welcome to join the Beginner Tai Chi classes and improve your balance and immunity, plus more. Tai Chi classes meet on **Fridays, 10 to 11am**, at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Avenue (Rt. 776). Pay \$10 at the door. A class is also available in Venice at the Venice Community Center, 326 S. Nokomis Avenue, on **Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11:30am** (cost \$10). Call Nancy Dellamura at **941-492-2167** or Susan Brown at **941-828-2688** for questions.

Society of Florida will be **Wednesday, October 25, 1 to 4:45pm**, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. Guest speaker Bryan Mulcahy will talk about the "Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps and Genealogical Research", originally created for assessing fire insurance liability in urbanized areas in the United States. The maps include detailed information regarding town and building information in approximately 12,000 U.S. towns and cities from 1867 to 2007. The public is welcome to attend. To attend via Zoom, go to egsfl.org and register. For questions, email info@egsfl.org.

Thrifty Treasures & Boutique Sale

Mark your calendar for the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Women's Guild's Thrifty Treasures & Boutique Sale that runs **Thursday, October 26 through Saturday, October 28**. Shop clothing, shoes, holiday decorations, books, toys, sporting goods, small appliances, knick-knacks, jewelry, and more. Early Bird Sale is **Thursday, 3 to 5pm**, with a \$5 entry fee. **Friday** hours are **9am to 2pm**. **Saturday** hours are **9am to noon**, featuring a brown bag sale for \$5. Come to the church located at 5265 Placida Road and find your bargains! For more information, call **941-697-4899, ext. 6**.

Wine Tasting Event

Looking for a fun evening of great entertainment, delicious wines, and the opportunity to



Tickets are now on sale for the 16th Annual FantaSea Shark Fishing Tournament, set for **Saturday, November 11**, at the Englewood Elks Lodge, 401 N. Indiana Avenue. Registration starts at **5pm** and the event begins at **6pm**. Prizes for winning fish. Tickets are \$150 and include dinner, fishing license, and the opportunity to win prizes for fish caught. For more information and ticket purchase, go to LemonBaySunriseRotary.com or Facebook: [Lemon Bay Sunrise Rotary](https://www.facebook.com/LemonBaySunriseRotary).

win exciting auction items? Join BPWEV (Business & Professional Women of Englewood & Venice) on **Friday, October 27, 5:30 to 8pm**, at their 13th annual Passport to Your Future Wine Tasting and Auction. The event will be held at Rumours Wine Bar, 1807 Englewood Road. Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. Price includes wine tasting and delicious food by Mango Bistro. There will be an opportunity to purchase raffle tickets to win gift baskets, a 50/50, and auction items. Purchase tickets online at bpwev.org. Proceeds benefit the BPWEV scholarship fund which

provide scholarships to women returning to school to further their job skills.

Rotonda West Alzheimer's Walk

The GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club, Rotonda West community, friends and family invite you to join them on the Rotonda West team to Walk to End Alzheimer's on **Saturday, October 28 at 8:30am** in Broadmoor Park, 646 Rotonda Circle. The team is registered under the Sarasota walk. Type in the website address: act.alz.org/goto/rotondawest to register or to make a donation. This is the world's largest event to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer's care, support, and research. Thank you for your support. For questions, contact Clare at clareimrieuk@hotmail.com or call **713-825-2154**.

EAOS Plant Sale

The Englewood Area Orchid Society will be holding their annual Plant Sale on **Saturday, November 4, 9am to noon**, at Christ Lutheran Church, 701 N. Indiana Avenue. There will be all kinds of beautiful healthy plants for sale as well as some plant-themed hand-crafted items.

Beginning Genealogy Workshop

Interested in researching your family history but don't know how to begin? Englewood Genealogical Society is offering a free "Beginning Genealogy" workshop on **Thursday, November 9, 2 to 4pm**, at the Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. Gail Finney will speak about where and how to begin, or to restart, your family history research, including how to properly track and document your discoveries. There will be time for questions. To register, go to scgovlibrary.librarymarket.com and click on Library Events. For questions, email info@egsfl.org.

Fall Christmas Bazaar

Save the date for the Lemon Bay Woman's Club Fall Christmas Bazaar on **Friday & Saturday, November 10 & 11**. Hours are **9am to 2pm** at the clubhouse, 51 N. Maple Street. There will be unique craft gifts, jewelry, Christmas items, homemade baked goods, and raffles. Tickets for the annual quilt raffle are \$3 each or two for \$5. Proceeds from the quilt raffle tickets support scholarships for female senior students at Lemon Bay High School.

Embark on a Life-Changing Journey: Apply Now for the 2024-25 Rotary Youth Exchange Program

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Five Southwest Florida students recently departed to study abroad as part of the Rotary Youth Exchange program. They include, (l-r): Maria Espinoza-Ramos, age 16, now living and studying in Poland; Kelly Garcia, 16, Finland; Maya Leichter, 16, Japan; Iris Quave, 16, Spain; and Alex Layrisse, 18, Brazil.

(Interested female students can download an application at lemonbaywomensclub.com, pick one up at the clubhouse, or in the Lemon Bay High School career resource center.) See you there!

Garden Tour & Fair

Save the date for the Lemon Bay Garden Club's Fall Garden Tour & Fair. This year the tour will be **Friday & Saturday, November 17 & 18, 9am to 3pm**, and participants will tour seven beautiful, local gardens. The craft fair pre-sale will be **Thursday, November 16, 9am to noon**, at the clubhouse located at 480 Yale Street. There will be plants for sale, handmade crafts, cards, and raffle baskets. On **Saturday**, enjoy a special treat: hot dogs & root beer floats will be offered for sale at the clubhouse. Tickets are a \$15 donation and may be purchased at the clubhouse from **10am to noon on Friday, November 3, Monday,**

November 6, Wednesday, November 8, Friday, November 10, Monday, November 13, and Wednesday, November 15. For more information and tickets, call **941-474-9068**. Proceeds provide college scholarships, youth nature camperships, and community projects.

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Heritage Oaks of Englewood held a "Renovation Celebration" on September 29th, one year & one day after Ian. Residents enjoyed a beach-themed party, live music from the steel drum band, "The Island Boys", delicious food, including prime rib and fresh snapper, and a beautiful fruit platter. The event included a ribbon-cutting by the Englewood Chamber of Commerce. Heritage Oaks remained open during and in the aftermath of Hurricane Ian to provide a home and excellent care for its residents, while staff & residents worked together to restore the facility to better than before! Heritage Oaks of Englewood is located at 7374 San Casa Drive and can be reached at **941-698-2600**. Pictured here are (l-r): Chris Snider, Director of Sales and Marketing, Renea McGrath from parent company Grace Management, and Ron Aylward, Heritage Oaks Executive Director.

SMH Opens South Venice Urgent Care Center

Sarasota Memorial Health Care System has opened its seventh urgent care center, offering people who live near U.S. 41 and Jacaranda Boulevard in south Venice and surrounding neighborhoods a convenient, less costly place to seek care. Located at 8431 Pointe Loop Drive, near the intersection of Jacaranda and US 41 in Venice, the new urgent care center replaces a Gulfcoast Medical Group family practice. The south Venice location is open seven days a week, **8am-**

8pm, and staffed by Sarasota Memorial's board-certified emergency and family medicine physicians. The team provides adults and children (over 3 months of age) with high-quality care for a variety of non-emergent injuries and illnesses (infants under 3 months should be seen by their pediatrician for routine or urgent care). The center provides flu shots and other vaccinations, physicals, and COVID-19 testing. (COVID vaccinations and childhood immunizations are not available at the center). Also offered are

walk-in laboratory and X-ray services for both patients & physician referrals. Most insurance plans are accepted. There is a self-pay discount. No appointments necessary, but you may use the health system's Save Your Spot app to help minimize wait times: smhurgentcare.com. Phone: **941-261-6800**.

Free Estate Planning Seminars
Crews Bank & Trust have scheduled free estate-planning seminars at various bank locations. On **Tuesday, October 31, 10 to 11:30am**, "Wills & Trusts Creation & Funding" will be offered at the Englewood Chamber of Commerce, 601 S. Indiana Avenue. Learn the difference between a last will & testament & a revocable living trust, how each works, and how best to title assets & assign proper beneficiaries. "Out-of-State Wills & Trusts and the Benefits of Florida Residency" will be **Thursday, November 2, 10 to 11:30am**, at the Englewood Chamber of Commerce, 601 S. Indiana Avenue. Moving to a new state brings many questions, including: Will my estate plan documents work in Florida, despite not being created here? Should I make Florida my homestead or domiciliary? The challenges with out-of-state documents and the benefits of becoming a Floridian will be reviewed. "Selecting a Successor Trustee to Minimize Stress on Family" will be offered on **Wednesday, November 15, 10 to 11:30am**, at the Gulf Cove branch, 12651 McCall Road, Port Charlotte. Deciding who is best to serve as administrator in a power of attorney, will, trust and health care directive is extremely important. Explore the skills, abilities, experience, and time these roles demand. Learn best practices for transferring



There is a new shop to purchase fresh produce and other items in Englewood. VeggieGator celebrated its grand opening on Sunday October 8th. Shop for fresh locally farmed fruits and vegetables, as well as homemade pastas and sauces, local honey, and homemade pickled vegetables. There is also a Smoothie Corner where smoothies are made from the fresh fruits and vegetables sold at the store. VeggieGator is located at 3374 N. Access Road, next door to Magyar Deli and operated by the same owner, Monika Szeremyne Jakab (pictured here). Hours are **Monday through Friday, 9am to 6pm**, and **Saturday, 10am to 4pm**. Phone: **954-245-1988**.

these decision-making roles. To register, visit your local branch office, online at crews.bank, email rsvp@crews.bank, or call Linda Ferrara at **941-624-1943**. These seminars are also offered at other bank branches if you can't attend one in Englewood. Find them online at crews.bank.

"Step Into Fashion" with Ivy's
Ivy's on Dearborn invites you to "Step Into Fashion" at their November fundraiser fashion show on **Wednesday, November 15, 2 to 5pm**, at the Senior Friendship Centers, 2350 Scenic Drive, Venice. There will be a fashion show, silent auction, door prizes, wine & hors d'oeuvres, and vendors on site for purchases. Tickets are \$40 (limited seating). To purchase tickets, go to LCBW.org/fashionshow, stop by Ivy's at 446 W. Dearborn Street, or call Wanda Hall at **423-534-9979**.

Bealls Grand Opening
Bealls Englewood is holding a grand opening celebration, **Friday-Sunday, October 20-22**, at their newly renovated store located at 1500 Placida Road. The store will open at **9am, Friday morning**, with the first 200 guests in line receiving a free gift card valued at \$10, \$20, or \$50. The grand opening celebrates the rebranding of the three Bealls stores: Bealls is now Bealls Florida, Home Centric (home décor items), and Bealls Outlet is now Bealls. Three great stores at one convenient location! Available for purchase will be Englewood student-inspired stainless-steel cups benefitting the non-profit organization Embracing Our Differences. Hours are **Monday through Saturday, 9am to 9pm**, and **Sunday, 10am to 8pm**. You can also visit Bealls online at beallsflorida.com.

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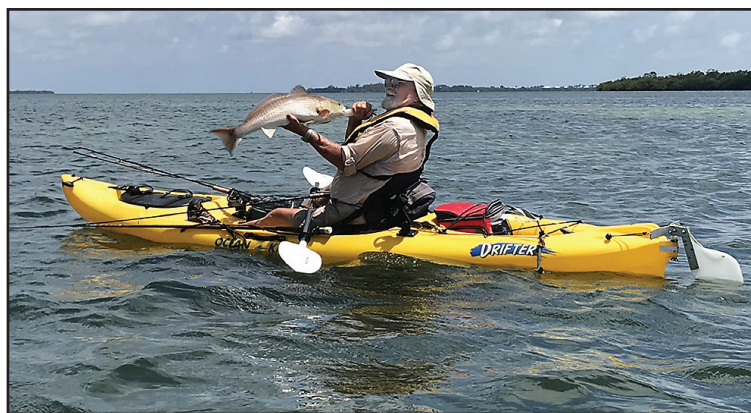


Rods, Reels, Lines and Leaders

The first trip to a tackle shop can overwhelm a beginning kayak angler with the selection of tackle available. Every tackle choice has its following of anglers. We would not presume to tell anyone that our choice of tackle is the best for everyone but here are some things we consider when confronted with a confusing array.

Let's start with rods. Many boat anglers and folks with pickup trucks around here prefer one-piece rods. These are an excellent choice but are awkward to haul in an SUV or on a kayak. Most folks have seen a kayak with an array of rods vertically mounted in rod holders behind the seat. While access is okay, they can be in the way for the folks stalking reds and snook close to the mangroves or when a jack crevalle circles the kayak. While visions of battling a big snook to a boat are realistic, these snook will usually drag a kayak into the mangroves. This leaves you with one hand on your rod, one fending off the branches and trying to control your paddle, and none to reposition those rods that are now entangled in branches above your head. You could use a stake out pole to hold the kayak off the mangroves after a strike, but we're usually too busy at that point. Carrying one-piece rods vertically in a rod holder also adds to wind resistance and doesn't play nice with low bridges or overhanging branches on our inland creeks. Graphite rods are known to attract lightning which no kayak angler really needs while seeking shelter from a storm.

Two- or four-piece rods are our favorite. We can "field break" them when not in use to half their extended length so in a rod holder they are barely taller than a seated paddler and won't hang up as easily. The key factor we



look for in a quality rod is for the tip to be protected by the butt end when "broken down" to half length. The rods we avoid leave the tip sticking out past the butt in harm's way when collapsed.

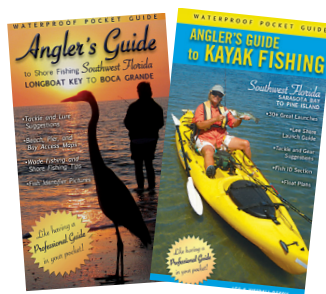
Kayak anglers have different ideas about rod length too. Some prefer short rods while others prefer longer rods to compensate for the paddler's low position when seated at water level. For general inshore fishing in salt water, we like 7 ft., medium power, fast action graphite spinning rods. When hunting bass on small freshwater creeks, a 6 ft. rod is easier to work with. When fly fishing, we use 9-foot, 8-weight, 4-piece rods with WF floating line for both bass and inshore saltwater targets.

All reels suffer on a saltwater kayak trip. Manufacturers have developed waterproof designs priced north of \$500 to help reels live longer. These are designed to be a onetime investment and require the least maintenance. At the other end, big box stores have reels for less than \$20 that we consider temporary and expendable though, in freshwater, they can last for years. Towards the middle, you'll find reels that will last for years with a little TLC. Look for sealed drags and metal gears in the 2,000 – 3,000 size. These hold plenty of 10 – 20 lb. braided line for an encounter with a bigger fish than you expected. Setting your reel's drag for about 1/2 of the line/leader strength will tire most fish quickly. Try not to dunk your reel in saltwater. Be sure to rinse off rods and reels in freshwater at the end of the day, even if you don't

accidentally dunk them. The wet line on the spool holds enough saltwater to cause trouble.

Anglers new to inshore saltwater purchase heavier tackle than experienced anglers use. They leave a tackle store with stout lines, steel leaders, too much lead and hooks big enough for a shark. There are few fish in our local waters that can't be managed with 20 lb. braid and 40 lb. fluorocarbon leader. We normally use 10 lb. braid with 20 lb. fluorocarbon leader and still control the larger fish we target. Lighter line casts farther. Light leader is harder for fish to see and won't affect the action of the lure or bait.

We hope these ideas help new kayak anglers enjoy the excellent fishing we have here in southwest Florida. Now, get out there and have some fun. If these ideas help you catch more fish, please limit your kill; don't kill your limit. After a successful release, your fish can thrill another angler, reproduce for years, and grow bigger if you catch it again.



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.

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Nature Calls

Mangrove Chapter FNPS Activities

The mission of the Florida Native Plant Society (FNPS) is to promote the preservation, conservation, and restoration of the native plants and native plant communities of Florida. The Mangrove Chapter serves Charlotte County and southern Sarasota County. Visit them online at mangrove.fnpschapters.org. For more information, contact them at mangrovechapter@fnps.org.

Chapter Meeting

Join the Mangrove Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society on **Tuesday, November 14, 1 to 3pm**, and meet Environmental Specialist, Jeff Weber, at Lemon Bay Park & Environmental Center, 570 Bay Park Blvd. Jeff will share the knowledge and appreciation of Florida native plants that he has learned as manager of five Sarasota County preserves since 1993. Meet at the Environmental Center. There is a BYOPicnic at **12:15pm** for a meet and greet prior to the meeting. There will also be a native plant sale at this meeting. This event is open to the public. For more information, email mangrovechapter@fnps.org.

Nature Walk

On **Wednesday, November 15 at 4:30pm**, join the Mangrove Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society and leaders, Dave

and Linda Manley, for a sunset stroll at the Venice Urban Forest, 308 E. Venice Avenue, Venice. This narrow strip of restored native habitat runs beside the Legacy Trail and features a butterfly garden and natural shelter for wildlife. Plan to park at the historic train depot (303 E. Venice Avenue, Venice) and meet under the bridge. The group will then walk to the urban forest entrance. This event is open to the public. For more information, email mangrovechapter@fnps.org.

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 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. Go to CHECflorida.org for a complete program calendar.

Tippecanoe II Mitigation Preserve

Join CHEC on a guided walk on **Wednesday, October 25, 8am**, through Tippecanoe II Mitigation Preserve, 16259 Joppa Avenue, Port Charlotte.

This 150-acre preserve is home to several families of the threatened Florida scrub jay. Meet in the parking lot. Please register online at checflorida.org or call **941-475-0769** for more information.

Kayak EcoTour

Join CHEC and Biotica EcoTours on a beautiful, guided kayak ecotour of Lemon Bay and the surrounding mangrove habitats, including the nearby bird rookery, on **Sunday, October 29, 9 to 11:30am**. This tour is perfect for all skill levels and wonderful for nature lovers and bird enthusiasts. The tour is approximately 2.5 hours of easy-paced paddling. The fee is \$50 per person, which includes kayak and all other equipment for the day. Meeting location is at the kiosk by the visitor center at Cedar Point Environmental Park, 2300 Placida Road. Advance registration is required. Please contact Biotica EcoTours at **941-350-4905** or bioticatours.com/eco-tours to reserve your spot.

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 **Tuesday, October 31, 6:45 to 8:45pm**. 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. For registration, fill out the form online at checflorida.org or call **941-475-0769** for more information.

Amberjack Environmental Park

Join CHEC on a guided walk through the scrub and pine flatwoods of 225-acre Amberjack Environmental Park on **Wednesday, November 1 at 9am**. Meet at 6250 Gasparilla Pines Blvd., where the street dead ends. To register, fill out the form online at checflorida.org or call **941-475-0769**.

Guided Hike at Cedar Point

Join CHEC for a free guided tour of the beautiful 115-acre Cedar Point Environmental Park on **Friday, November 3 at 9am**. Meet outside the Cedar Point Visitor Center at 2300 Placida Road. For more information, call **941-475-0769**.

Oyster Creek Park

Join CHEC on a guided walk through the old-growth pine flatwoods, scrub habitat, and mangrove fringe of the 250-acre Oyster Creek Environmental Park on **Saturday, November 4 at 9am**. Meet at the parking lot located near Lemon Bay High School at 2333 Placida Road. For registration, fill out the form online at checflorida.org or call **941-475-0769** for more information.

Bill Coy Preserve

Join CHEC on a guided walk through the 81-acre Bill Coy Preserve on **Monday, November**

6 at 9am. The scrubby flatwoods and mangrove swamp border Buck Creek, which flows into Lemon Bay. Meet in the parking lot at 5350 Placida Road. For registration, fill out the form online at checflorida.org or call **941-475-0769** for more information.

Charlotte Flatwoods Env. Park

Join CHEC on a guided walk through Charlotte Flatwoods Environmental Park on **Wednesday, November 8 at 9am**. This 487-acre Charlotte County property features mature pines, dry prairie, marsh wetlands, and freshwater ponds. Its location, adjoining state lands, makes it an important wildlife corridor. Meet at the parking lot on U.S. 41 (15801 S. Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda). For registration, fill out the form online at checflorida.org or call **941-475-0769** for more information.

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Lemon Bay Conservancy News

The free guided nature walks shown below are sponsored by Lemon Bay Conservancy and will be held at Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve,

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3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd., Englewood. Please come prepared for a hike. The preserve can be "buggy" this time of year. Consider wearing 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 are useful for observing more distant birds and other animals. Website: lemonbayconservancy.org.

Peace River Audubon Field Trip
Mike Weisensee will be leading a Peace River Audubon field trip at the Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve, 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd., on **Saturday, October 21, 8am**. This event is free and open to the public. E bird reports 177 species seen here, including recent sightings of the American Redstart, Northern Parula, Common Yellowthroat, Yellowthroated Warbler, Roseate Spoonbill, Bald Eagle, and Least Bittern.

Rock Painting Workshop
You are invited to join LBC for a rock garden painting session on **Wednesday, October 25 at 5pm** in the outdoor classroom area in the meadow at Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve, 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd. Paint, brushes, cocktail napkins, mod podge, and several types of acrylic pens will be provided for group use. New techniques working with colored glue, using cake decorating tips, and metal paint will also be explored. Instructor Bonnie Stuhlmiller is always happy to assist in picking out rocks with natural character so bring some possibilities. Free.

Labyrinth on the Hill Walk
Join Labyrinth facilitators Tonya Bramlage and Lary Stuhlmiller at Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve as they lead a labyrinth walk on **Wednesday, October 25 at 6pm**. 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, and a Q&A. This is a public event, and everyone is welcome to join them at the Preserve located at 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd. For more, email info@lemonbayconservancy.org.

Guided Nature Walk
You are invited to join Susy D'Hont for a guided walk on **Friday, November 3, at 8am**. Participants will become fully immersed as they learn and encounter the ever-changing natural sights at Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve, 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd. This is an ideal walk for everyone who is interested in becoming familiar with the various birds, plants, flowers, and history of the preserve. Please wear closed toe walking shoes, a hat, sunscreen, bug spray, and bring a water bottle, camera, and binoculars.

Guided Paddle Tours
Lemon Bay Conservancy would like to announce that their paddle team has set four dates for guided paddle tours in Lemon Bay. The first guided paddle will be on **Monday, November 6th** at Indian Mound Park, 210 Winson Avenue. Launch is scheduled for **9:30am** prompt, please be sure to arrive on time. This paddle begins a series of guided tours that will include an exploration along the north shoreline around Lemon Bay. Examining both the positive and not so positive shoreline conditions that are observed, the impact on seagrasses will be an ideal topic for group discussion.

This trip will be approximately two hours long, depending on weather conditions. Wind and conditions will dictate direction and destination for all paddles as will the participants' paddling abilities. It is recommended that participants be able to paddle comfortably for a minimum of two hours. Paddlers must provide their own kayaks, paddles, PFD, whistle, sunscreen, water, and a sense of humor. Participants are requested to sign up by **Sunday, November 5 by 6pm** by calling either Charlie Woodruff at **914-799-0664** or the LBC office at **941-830-8922**. Also offered **Mondays, November 13, December 4, and December 18**.

Lemon Bay Coastal Seminar Series
Lemon Bay Conservancy is excited to announce their new 2024 Lemon Bay Coastal Seminar Series. The first seminar will follow the LBC Annual Meeting on **Thursday, January 25th**. All programs will be held at the Cape Haze Community Center, 180 Spyglass Alley, Placida. Scheduled programs are **January 25**: "Roseate Spoonbills in Florida Bay – A Pink Canary in a Coal Mine" by Dr. Jerry Lorenz. **Thursday, February 22**: "The Mysterious Manta Rays of Florida" by Jessica Pate. **Thursday, March**

14: "Blooms of Blue-green Algae and Red Tide in South Florida" by Dr. Larry Brand. **Thursday, April 11**: "The Endangered Sawfish of Florida: Past, Present, and Future" by Tonya Wiley. Refreshments are served at **5:30pm** and programs begin at **6pm**. The seminars are free and open to the public. For more information, email info@lemonbayconservancy.org.

The Venice Area Audubon Society serves south Sarasota County and offers activities, educational programs, birding field trips, and provides support for birds and wildlife with a pollinator garden & native plants at the Venice Area Audubon Rookery Park, located at 4002 S. Tamiami Trail via Annex Road, Venice. New members are welcome. Learn more at veniceaudubon.org or email info@veniceaudubon.org.

Pinecraft Park Field Trip
Join host Tom Litteral at this wooded urban oasis, Pinecraft Park, on **Saturday, October 21 at 8am**. Barred owls, woodpeckers, warblers, vireos, thrushes, and more may be seen. The area is small in size, but some walking may be difficult. Meet in the parking lot at 1420 Gilbert Avenue, Sarasota. Registration is appreciated at veniceaudubon.org, but not

required. For more information, email Tom at tlitteral@comcast.net.

Celery Fields Field Trip
Join host Jack Foard on a birding field trip to the Celery Fields in Sarasota on **Thursday, November 2 at 8am**. This is a spectacular birding hotspot with ducks, herons, egrets, and a good chance at Purple Gallinules, bitterns, rails, and hawks. Meet at the picnic tables at the Sarasota Audubon Nature Center, 6888 Palmer Blvd., Sarasota. Registration is appreciated at veniceaudubon.org, but not required. For more information, email Jack at captainjackfoard@yahoo.com.

Manasota Scrub Preserve Field Trip
Host Tom Litteral leads this field trip on **Saturday, November 11 at 8am**. This is an excellent hike when migrating birds stop by this beautiful 154 acre preserve at 2695 Bridge Street in Englewood. Registration is appreciated at veniceaudubon.org, but not required. For more information, email Tom at tlitteral@comcast.net.

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Calendar *at a Glance*

These are the shortened calendar events that were added to our website www.Englewoodreview.com as of Friday, October 13. They represent events from October 20 thru November 12. For the most up-to-date listings and to read about these events in full detail, visit our online calendar. All listings in our "Calendar At A Glance" must be entered on our website. Click on Calendar and fill out Event Submission Form.

PLEASE NOTE: POSTED EVENTS MUST BE OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

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The Addams Family Musical: Venice Theatre, 140 Tampa Avenue West, Venice. Tues-Sat: 7:30pm; Sun 2pm. Broadway musical, The Addams Family, live on stage. Tickets \$15-\$37. VeniceTheatre.org.

FRI OCT 20

Latte Art Class: Dearborn Coffee-house & Bakery, 450 W. Dearborn Street. 5 to 7pm. Learn to make espresso with John. Cost \$60. 941-208-5135.

Family Movie Night at GCUMC: Gulf Cove UMC, 1100 S. McCall Road, Gulf Cove. 6 to 8pm. Free showing of movie "The Haunted Mansion" from 2003 with Eddie Murphy. Free popcorn. No drop-offs, please. 941-697-1747.

Concert in the Park: City Center Front Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd., North Port. 6:30pm. Dancing & live entertainment under the stars. Free. 941-429-7275.

SAT OCT 21

Dearborn St. Community Cleanup: Rowley Insurance, 250 W. Dearborn Street. 8 to 11am. Help spruce up landscaping along W. Dearborn. Bring gloves & weeding tools. Hosted by Leadership Englewood alumni. All welcome. Questions, email janae@keyagency.net or erica.raymond@comcast.net.

Pumpkin Plunge: North Port Aquatic Center, 6205 W. Price Blvd., North Port. 9 to 11am. Kids select pumpkin from floating pumpkin patch. \$9 per child. Register at bit.ly/pumpkinplunge2023.

Taste of North Port: City Hall Center Green, 4970 City Hall Blvd., North Port. 10am to 3pm. Local vendors, crafts, artisans, food trucks. Children's costume parade & contest at 1pm. Free.

Ray Hazel Book Signing: Culture Coffee, 405 W. Dearborn Street. 11am to 1pm. Local author Ray Hazel will be signing copies of his latest book "Lemon Bay Ticket to Paradise". rayhazel.com.

Burgerfest in Paradise: Pioneer Plaza, 300 W. Dearborn Street. 11am to 4pm. Both amateurs & businesses compete to grill the best burger. Samples may be purchased. Blind tasting by judges. Burgerfestinparadise.com.

K9s for Warriors Benefit: The Barn, 11832 Xavier Avenue, Port Charlotte. 1pm-? Live music, BBQ, auction, raffles, & lots of fun at this benefit for K9s for Warriors. Contact: Terry Hargis 941-759-3596.

Annual Craft Bazaar: RW Community Center, 646 Rotonda Circle. 9am to 1:30pm. Crafts, Chinese auction, cookies by the pound. Host: GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club. Info: Linda at lbermea1@hotmail.com.

Beirut Peacekeepers Bombing Remembrance: Wm R. Gaines Jr. Veterans Memorial Park, 20499 Edgewater Drive, Port Charlotte. 3pm. Concert 5:30pm. Bring all ages to a remembrance ceremony for the 40th anniversary of the Beirut Peacekeepers Bombing. Followed by a fundraising concert at 5:30pm at Twisted Fork Restaurant, 2208 El Jobean Road, Pt. Charlotte. wrgainesjr.org.

K of C Pasta Dinner: St. Raphael Catholic Church, 770 Kilbourne Avenue. 5 to 7pm. Pasta dinner. Take-out available. Tickets \$12 advance; \$15 at door. 50/50 raffle. 941-474-9595.

TLC Dyslexia Art Show & Auction: The Learning Center for Dyslexia, 695 Old Englewood Road. 5:30 to 7:30pm. TLC students' art show & sale. Silent auction. Facility tour, Hors D'oeuvres. Tlc4dyslexia.com.

TUE OCT 24

Computer Basics Class: Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. 10:30 to 11:30am. Free workshop for those new to computers or want to build confidence on Microsoft Windows. RSVP at scgov.net/government/departments/libraries & click on Library Events. 941-861-1225.

Discover Dearborn: Meet the Artist on West Dearborn St. 4-7pm. Local artists will be set up along Dearborn creating their art. Facebook: Discover Dearborn.

WED OCT 25

Labyrinth on the Hill Walk: Lemon Creek Wildflower Preserve, 3120 Gasparilla Pines Blvd. 6pm. Guided labyrinth walk. Free. Public welcome. Lemonbayconservancy.org.

THUR OCT 26

Boca Grande Fall Festival: Boca Grande Community Center, 131 First Street West, Boca Grande. 3 to 5:30pm. Bounce houses, cake & pumpkin walk, tractor photos, face painting, goodie bags. Free.

THUR OCT 26-28

Thrifty Treasures & Boutique Sale: St. Francis of Assisi Church, 5265 Placida Road. Thu 10/26 3-5pm - \$5 Early Bird Sale; Fri 10/27 9am to 2pm - Regular sale; Sat 10/28 9am-noon -brown bag sale \$5. 941-697-4899, ext. 6.

FRI OCT 27

Understanding Alzheimer's & Dementia: Englewood YMCA, 701 Medical Blvd. 11:30am to 1pm. YMCA Lunch & Learn: Lisa Fink will explain the difference between Alzheimer's & dementia, stages & risk factors, research treatments, resources. RSVP to 941-475-1234. Free lunch.

Game Night: Dearborn Street Coffee-house & Bakery, 450 W. Dearborn Street. 4 to 7pm. Fun night of games, both analog & digital. For more info, call 941-208-5135.

Siddhartha: Hermitage Collaboration of Words & Music at Hermitage Beach, 6660 N. Beach Road. 6pm. Siddhartha is inspiration for collaboration between poet Melissa Studdard & composer Christopher Theofanidis. \$5. Register at Hermitageartistretreat.org.

SAT OCT 28

SWFL Honor Flight Golf Tournament: Riverwood Golf Club, 4100 Riverwood Dr., Port Charlotte. 8am. Play golf & support SWFL Honor Flight. Ticket includes golf, breakfast, lunch, & 2 drink tickets. \$125. Register at swflhonorflight.org. Questions, call Hank 941-268-3925.

Alzheimer's Walk: Broadmoor Park, 646 Rotonda Circle. 8:30 to 10:30am. Join GFWC Rotonda West Woman's Club to walk to end Alzheimer's. Register under Sarasota Walk at act.alz.org/goto/rotondawest. 713-825-2154.

EAC Open House: Englewood Art Center, 350 S. McCall Road. 11am to 4pm. Browse galleries, see instructor demos, art activities, live music, food trucks. Free. Eacringcollege.org.

Reiki Class: Angel Ministries, 1890 Tamiami Trail, Venice. 1-5pm. Reiki is an ancient healing art channeling the life force energy. Register at angelministriesfl.org.

Trunk or Treat at GCUMC: Gulf Cove UMC, 1100 S. McCall Road, Gulf Cove. 4 to 6pm. Food, candy, & fun - all free. 941-697-1747.

TUE OCT 31

Fall Mug Making Craft: Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. 10:30am to noon. Make your own mug using the Cricut Mug Press. Free. First come, first serve seating. 941-861-1225.

Halloween Safewalk: West Dearborn Street. 5 to 7pm. Safe trick-or-treating for kids by community businesses & organizations set up along Dearborn St. 941-208-5246.

WED NOV 1

St. Francis Women's Guild Card Party: St. Francis of Assisi Church, 5265 Placida Road. 11am to 2:30pm. Lunch & cards on the first Wednesday of the month. \$12 per person. Register: sfoachurch.com, Parish Life, Card Party or call 941-697-4899, press 6.

Resource Center Grand Opening: EPIC Community Resource Center, 655 N. Indiana Avenue. 4:30 to 6:30pm. Tour & learn about this new community resource center. RSVP to Angela at 941-460-6022 by October 24th.

FRI NOV 3

Baseball Fiction: Cactus League in Grapefruit Country at the Hermitage Beach, 6660 Manasota Key Road. 6 to 7pm. Hermitage Fellow and former Hermitage curator Emily Nemens as she reads from and discusses her acclaimed debut novel, The Cactus League. \$5 registration fee at hermitageretreat.org.

FRI NOV 3-SAT NOV 4

Rotonda West Comm. Garage Sales: Rotonda West community. 9am to 5pm. Over 60 participating sellers throughout Rotonda West.

Field of Dreams Country Classic: Charlotte County Fairgrounds, 2333 El Jobean Road, Pt. Charlotte. Fri: 1 to 11:30pm; Sat: noon to 11:30pm. Country bands rock the stage. Tickets \$55 to \$95 per day. More info & tickets: bigboytoyzexpo.com.

SAT NOV 4

Mullet Fest: Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. 10am to 10pm. Mullet smoke-off competition, mullet hair competition, cast net throwing, live music, arts & crafts. \$5 admission. Music schedule & more details at Englewoodmulletfest.com.

Eco Fair: Tringali Comm. Center, 3460 N. Access Road. 11am to 1pm. Fun-filled day of ideas for curbing climate change by area organizations. Learn more at charlottecountylibcal.com/events.

MON NOV 6

Author Lecture: Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. 10:30am to noon. Local author, Dr. George Eisen, will discuss his latest book, "A Summer of Mass Murder: 1941 Rehearsal for the Hungarian Holocaust". Free. 941-861-1225.

Songwriting Workshop: Elsie Quirk Library, 100 W. Dearborn Street. 3 to 5pm. "Writing from the Bones", a song-writing workshop by Hermitage Fellow Kirya Traber. \$5 registration fee at hermitageartistretreat.org.

TUE NOV 7

Geoff Pfeifer Quintet: Lemon Bay High School Performing Arts Center, 2201 Placida Road. 6:30-8:30pm. Saxophonist Geoff Pfeifer, Nashville-based musician & composer, performs with "Chubby & the Dots" & the "Big Establishment Band". Tickets \$10-\$25 at teachtix.com/lemonbayhighband/the-geoff-pfeifer-quintet.

WED NOV 8

Chef Warren Cooks: Tringali Comm. Center, 3460 N. Access Road. 2 to 3pm. Learn healthy cooking tips with demonstrations. Free.

THUR NOV 9

Florida's Got Soul: Englewood Charlotte Library, 3450 N. Access Road. 2 to 3pm. John Capouya reveals musical heritage of Florida. Free. 941-681-3736.

FRI & SAT NOV 10 & 11

Fall Christmas Bazaar: Lemon Bay Woman's Club, 51 N. Maple Street. 9am to 2pm. Craft gifts, jewelry, Christmas items, baked goods. Quilt raffle tickets \$3 or 2 for \$5.

F.A.M.E. Music Festival: Pioneer Plaza, 325 W. Dearborn Street. Friday 5 to 11pm. Saturday 11am to 11pm. Enjoy non-stop music, food & beverage, silent auction at this fundraiser for supporting music in Englewood schools. famesupportmusic.com.

SAT NOV 11

GCUMC Craft Fair: Gulf Cove United Methodist Church, 1100 McCall Road, Port Charlotte. 8am to 2pm. Homemade crafts, jewelry, baked goods & much more. 941-697-1747.

LA Ainger Golf Tournament: Rotonda Golf & Country Club, 100 Rotonda Circle. 7:15am check-in; 8:30am shotgun start. \$75. Benefits LA Ainger School activities. Register at yourcharlotteschools.net/lam or email aingergolftournament@gmail.com

Elvis Tribute: Lemon Bay Playhouse, 96 W. Dearborn Street. 2pm & 7:30pm. Matt Stone, named one of the top 10 Elvis tribute artists in 2022, brings a young, vibrant Elvis to life. Tickets \$25 at lemonbayplayhouse.com or call 941-475-6756.

ONGOING MONTHLY EVENTS

1ST TUESDAY

Englewood Bike Clinic: The Jubilee Center, 401 S. Broadway. 10am-noon. Repair your bike for free with help from volunteer advisors. Tools provided. 941-681-3550.

1ST WEDNESDAY

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1ST SATURDAY

Men's Prayer Breakfast: Fellowship Church, 140 Rotonda Blvd W. 8-9AM. All men are invited. 941-697-1747

Cruisin' on Dearborn: West Dearborn Street. Noon to 6pm. Anyone with a classic car or a love of cars is invited to this free event on W. Dearborn Street. Enjoy music & music trivia. Shops & eateries remain open.





Nola's Notes

Happy Tails Ending

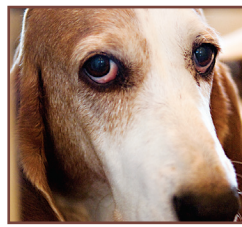
Another wonderful adoption for EARS! This is Cocoa and his new owner, Mary. Mary lives in North Carolina and had heard about Cocoa being brought into EARS after his owner had to go into adult care for extreme illness. Mary had a black and white Shih Tzu who lived to be 18 years old, and her heart had been broken when he passed. Mary flew down to EARS on October 9th and adopted Cocoa. Thanks to one of EARS fosters, Theresa, for taking such good care of Cocoa, and keeping in touch with Mary until arrangements could be made.



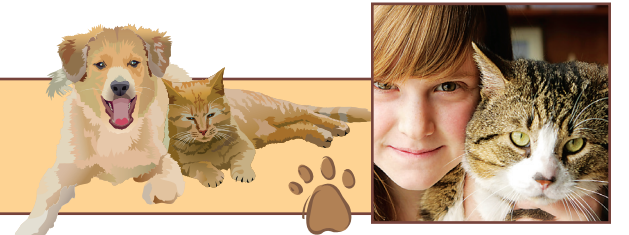
Art for Animals A Success
Suncoast Humane Society is thrilled to express its heartfelt gratitude to the community and sponsors following the successful Art for Animals Auction event, held on September 30th at The Waverly Restaurant and Bar. The evening was a remarkable celebration of art, compassion, and community support, with approximately 100 attendees coming together to raise an incredible \$40,000 for animals in need. The event was a spectacular showcase of local artistry, featuring a diverse collection of artwork created by talented local artists. Attendees were treated to an unforgettable evening filled with creativity and fun, all while enjoying delicious hors d'oeuvres and wine. The

Art for Animals Auction event's highlights included both a silent and live auction, wine pull and raffles, with all proceeds directly benefiting animals in need.

Saturday on the Lawn
On the last Saturday of the month, the Animal Welfare League of Charlotte County hosts Saturday on the Lawn. The October date is **Saturday, October 28 from 11am to 2pm.** No appointment is needed to come out to see the pets at the shelter. Cats are kept indoors but the pups are out and about on the grounds for you to get acquainted. The shelter is located at 3519 Drance Street, Port Charlotte. Visit them online at awlshester.org or call **941-625-6720.**



Pets

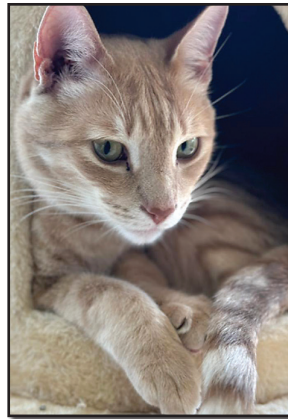


These are just a few of the many animals waiting for adoption. You can see all of Suncoast Humane Society's adoptable animals by visiting their Website, www.humane.org.

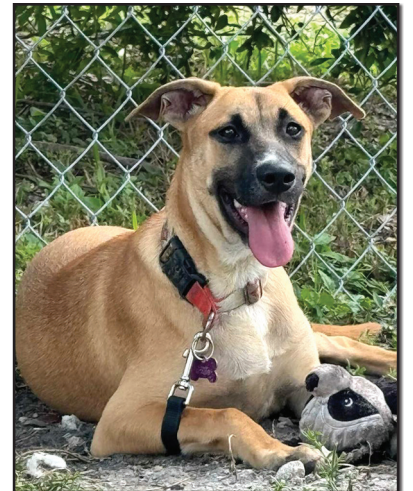


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6781 SAN CASA DRIVE

This handsome little guy is **George**. He is a little shy but loves to take naps (don't we all?) He loves to just chill until he gets cat nip - then he turns into a wild thing who loves to play all day.



Meet Wonder!
This adorable girl loves to show off how sweet she is. She loves to have toys around her so she can play to her heart's content. She is looking for a family where she can play and cuddle every day.



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Adoptions events are at EARS Tuesday thru Saturday, 10a.m.-3:00p.m. All of EARS pets are spayed or neutered, vaccinated and micro-chipped in your name.

Animal Rescue & Pet Food Store
500 N. Indiana Ave. • 681-3877 (FURR)
Hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 10am - 3pm

Photos by Bobbi Austin



Cutie Pie is a beautiful, spayed female tiger kitty. She is 1 1/2 years old and has lived with other cats.



Stripes is a six-month-old neutered male kitten. He has beautiful orange eyes that match his fur. Stripes has lived with other cats.

EARS Animal Rescue's Thrift Store

We are located at **280 S McCall Road**
Monday through Saturday, 10am to 3pm PH: 941-460-6757

Donations of clothes and housewares are needed to help the EARS animals.

EARS Animal Rescue's Thrift Store is the shelter's main source of income. We are a 501c3 non-profit organization, so any donation is tax deductible.



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