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## Neighbor's Letter

Hello neighbors and friends! My name is Wyler Gins, and I am a proud member of your Whiskey Creek Civic Association Board. My wife and I moved into Whiskey Creek four years ago and have since then doubled the size of our family with the addition of two lovely girls (2.5 years and 5 months). We admire the community you all help create and love it more and more every day. Whether we are riding bikes, fishing from the bridge, playing golf, enjoying breakfast at the country club, or golf carting around ... our neighbors always greet us with smiles and waves. We also appreciate the hard work and dedication our neighbors take into making their homes look beautiful!



My wife, Sally, has chaired the Fall Festival for a few years and is now the new membership chair for Whiskey Creek. She will be working on increasing our membership numbers to make our community an even greater place to live. We hope you will all consider becoming an annual member if you have not already. Your yearly \$50 dues help support our community in many ways such as maintaining our deed restrictions, supporting our community events, continuing the beautification of our neighborhood, holiday decorations, and now sending this monthly newsletter through the mail.

On the topic of events, save the date for our 2022 Fall Festival happening Sunday, Oct. 23 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Whiskey Creek Country Club! Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy live music, great company, and plenty of activities for the kids to do! The Whiskey Creek Country Club will be offering fantastic food and drinks for purchase at the event! While you have your calendar out ... pencil in Saturday, Dec.

17 for the Third Annual Holiday Golf Cart and Bike Parade!

It's hard to believe summer is already over. What a great turnout we had at the annual Fourth of July Parade. Thank you, Tanglewood residents and committee, for hosting another fantastic event. As school schedules start back up, please be mindful of all pedestrians and school buses in the neighborhood early in the mornings and midday. We all want to keep Whiskey Creek a safe place to live and play so please don't text and drive, mind the speed zones, and come to a complete stop at our stop signs. Good luck to all the students on their return to school! (I know the parents are happy to see them go!)

Although "summer" is ending, rainy season is not. Please keep an eye on the stormwater drains in your area. If trash has begun to pile up, please take the time to clear it. This small effort helps our neighborhood tremendously with flooding.

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## Yard Of The Month

By Mark L. Franzer

Having saved this Zillow selection some four years prior to the sale, Mike and Leigh Anne Schaper acquired 1471 Sautern Drive to be closer to Mike's parents on Bolla Court. The Kyndryl Inc. Data Center guru and retired music teacher, respectfully, had been visiting the area for 20 years in hopes of ownership in Whiskey Creek. It's good to "hope" and dreams did come true for these two along with their daughter Emily and trusted canine companion "Mochi." I think that Mochi's wagging tail tells it all when asked of what spurred their choice – the centralized locale, wonderful neighbors and a golf course close by. Sure, having



1471 Sautern Drive

Mom and Dad within walking distance may have been the precursor but the contentment of a hope fulfilled solidified the tranquility that emanates from within. So, drive by and give a friendly wave and greet your neighbors. You won't be disappointed; I know I wasn't!

If you have family or friends that you'd like to share details of our beloved Whiskey Creek community (or show off your hard earned recognition!), the web page for their review is <http://www.whiskeycreeknews.net>.

Also, please check out Whiskey Creek's very own private Facebook page for additional community information, involvement and market areas! You'll need to request membership to gain access! <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1430022127286192>

For those that would like to nominate other homes in our lovely Whiskey Creek, please send your nominations to [WC.yardofthemonth@yahoo.com](mailto:WC.yardofthemonth@yahoo.com).

## Whiskey Creek Village Green Ditch Project

The common ditch that runs between all 14 sections of Whiskey Creek Village Green has been a problem to maintain. Since some sections maintain their part of the ditch and others do not, it causes a maintenance problem for all residents. Periodic maintenance of the ditch is necessary to maintain the flow of water and eliminate possible health hazards.

To simplify the maintenance issue, some of us have approached Lee County to get involved in maintaining the ditch for us, through the establishment of an MSTBU. This is like the current MSTBU, for maintaining the entryways,

boulevard and street lighting in Whiskey Creek.

The county is willing to assist us with the project and has advised us concerning the process calculating the cost and feasibility of the project. This process consists of two steps. The first step is a petition signed by 50 percent-plus one owners, asking the county to perform a feasibility study. The cost of this study is \$500, which is being paid for by Section 6. Once the study is completed and the cost of the maintenance is determined, then a second petition will be circulated to the residents, with the same requirements of the first petition, for the MSTBU to move forward. If there are enough signatures at that point, the county assumes the maintenance of the ditch.

If you are an owner in any of the 14 sections of Whiskey Creek and have not had the opportunity to sign the feasibility petition, please contact Steve Mock at [steve@safeguardmpg.com](mailto:steve@safeguardmpg.com).

## Wall Update And Security Report

By Michael Kuehn

### Wall Update

The repair of the wall at the McGregor entrance has been completed. The new blocks have been laid, the cap poured in place, and it has been painted to match the current wall.

The process to repair the Summerlin Road wall is still moving slowly. The wall has been struck four times since Jan. 1 this year taking out three panels entirely and fracturing one so badly it must also be replaced. Each panel must be custom made to fit where the broken panel was. The contractor will replace all the panels in one trip to the site due to the cost of moving the heavy equipment required.

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# Montage Women's Club



The Montage Women's Club is a social and philanthropic club open to all women residing in Lee County. We meet on the fourth Thursday of each month at The Landings Yacht, Golf, and Tennis Club (community entry off McGregor Boulevard between Cypress Lake Drive and College Parkway). Meetings begin at 11:30 a.m. with a short social period followed by lunch at noon and normally an informative speaker program. Within the organization are various interest groups for members' participation. Membership is open to both year-round and seasonal residents. We welcome you to visit Montage for a luncheon.

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, Aug. 25, and our guest speaker will be Tamara Pigott, executive director of the Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB). Tamara is devoted to maintaining and building year-round tourism in Lee County. To achieve this goal, the VCB works closely with the local industry to increase domestic and international visitation. They employ 33 full-time staffers along with more than 135 volunteers with representation in the Northeast, Midwest, Canada, the United Kingdom and Germany. They have been recognized for their effective marketing efforts by consistently winning several coveted awards.

Luncheon fee is \$28 per person and the planned menu will be Quiche Lorraine with petite garden salad served with a balsamic vinaigrette, rolls and butter, and chef's choice of dessert. The optional plant based/vegan menu will be Southwestern stuffed tomato, black bean cake with pico de gallo, grilled tofu with cilantro lime sauce and fresh fruit for dessert.

If you would like to attend a Montage meeting, need further information, or would like to make a reservation, please call Rita Artwohl at (239) 703-7787. The reservation cutoff to attend this meeting is noon, Thursday, Aug. 18.

# Sudoku Puzzle

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# Crossword Puzzle



### Across

- Sloth in *Ice Age* films
- Lip
- Far from svelte
- Small African antelope
- Carrier to Osaka
- Evergreen shrub
- Father Knows Best* family name
- Carriage named after a city
- Matt Dillon's assistant
- Indian princess
- Force, power
- Starchy Pacific Island staple
- Giant Mel and family
- Command to Fido
- Goes over
- Rob and Laura Petrie's dentist neighbor
- Pay homage
- Sub
- Mrs. Munster's maiden name
- Top dollar
- Space organization
- Losing strategy
- Classical opening
- Do some serious drinking
- Tennis star \_\_\_ Osaka
- Bob and Emily Hartley's across the hall neighbor
- Eagle on high
- Athletic shoe
- "\_\_\_ Law": Gene Barry detective series
- Carolina Panthers QB Newton
- Mr. Campbell of Mayberry
- Some are candy
- Big time
- Political campaign watchdog

### Down

- Wide-brimmed lid
- Start a paragraph
- Double dagger symbols
- Make flats flat
- According to a particular sequence
- More threadbare
- Bible book of only one chapter: Abbreviation
- Opening for diction or factor
- Old age
- Australian singer, songwriter with hit *Chandelier*
- U. W. \_\_\_ Claire
- Prefix related to bone at base of the spine
- Oodles
- Hwy.
- Sui generis

- Fairy tale ursine
- River of western France
- Country in Western Asia: Abbreviation
- Mannheim mister
- She's called "the Queen of Country"
- Band from Birmingham
- \_\_\_ Powell, President Carter's Press Secretary
- Luau entertainment
- Take on board
- Miscellany
- Gotham
- Hosp. worker
- Dwarf buffalo
- Full-sized Chevy model
- It's now sometimes pre-owned
- 1968 adventure war film: "\_\_\_ the Sun"
- Iodine-containing ore
- Syrup of ipecac, e.g.
- Prongs
- "\_\_\_ brillig, and the slithy toves": Lewis Carroll
- 1, 2, 3, e.g.: Abbreviation
- Pass from the center
- Cousins of rahs
- Raised platform
- Start of a kindergarten chant
- Sine \_\_\_ non
- Vase

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# From The Desk Of Sheriff Carmine Marceno

## Safety At The Gas Station

Thefts at gas stations, across the United States, continue to occur. Video surveillance clips, from stations across the country, depict thefts from unattended/unsupervised vehicles being fueled at the pump.



An unlocked vehicle with personal items in sight ... especially when the driver is inside of the station or distracted ... makes for a quick and easy target.

Whether you are simply responding to texts while pumping gas or inside paying, thieves wait for the opportunity to quickly open your vehicle door and grab anything and everything of value. Purses are commonly left on the driver's seat and cell phones are often resting in/on the console.

Choosing well-lit fuel stations with surveillance cameras decreases the appeal to criminals.

Whenever possible, purchase fuel during daytime hours and do so from a station that offers significant visibility to the roadway. Select a pump closest to the structure. This increases your visibility to cashiers and staff that work inside. Additionally, due to their proximity to the register, these pumps are generally free of skimming devices.

Locking your vehicle doors and keeping valuables out of sight make it extremely difficult for thieves to enter your car or truck. Take your keys with you ... do not leave them in the ignition or leave fobs on the seat.

Be certain to terminate your credit card transaction, at the pump, prior to leaving. This will ensure that no one else has access to your credit.

Avoid distractions. Be observant and aware of your surroundings. Take necessary precautions.

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## Catch The Action

### August On The Water

By Capt. Bill Russell

Fishing or boating in Southwest Florida in August means dealing with the hot days of summer. Here are a couple of options to cool down and change things up a little.

If you just want to have fun and a little fishing while relaxing, then the beaches are a good choice, especially if you are fishing with the family. Good numbers of snook are roaming the surf throughout the summer and are a sight fishermen's dream. Most snook are running 22 to 26 inches, but there are much bigger ones. Free-lined pilchards, small pinfish, shrimp, white bucktail jigs, and a variety of small white flies are top baits. Look for the fish right off the edge of the beach in the surf or near any submerged structure. Remember snook are catch and release only. Trout, mangrove snapper, whiting, pompano and maybe a tarpon are a few of the other species you may hook into. Fish a little, swim a little, not a bad way to spend the day.

Summer days often give us flat calm seas over the morning hours, perfect for short runs offshore. Our coastline is dotted with artificial reefs, many well within sight of land and GPS coordinates available to the public. If you are an inshore angler, it's a nice change of pace to make a short run offshore, especially during the heat of summer when the inshore water temperatures are so high.

One cool aspect when fishing around the reefs is you never know what you might hook into. Everything from a small snapper to a 500-pound goliath grouper calls them home. To get the most out of the day you want an assortment of tackle that can handle the fish you target. Obviously with snapper you do not need super heavy tackle, the lighter the better for the best action. But, if you want to attempt to pull a big goliath grouper from his home you will need a rig extra heavy, we're talking 200- to 400-pound line. And many times, that's not heavy enough.



In between snapper and goliaths there's the possibility to hook Spanish and king mackerel, cobia, permit, barracuda, snook, sharks of all sizes, plus other species. Many anglers fish several different line class rods at a time targeting more than one species.

Armed with a variety of baits is the best way to catch multiple species. Small baits like shrimp, pilchards, and small pinfish are great for snapper and other bottom fish, larger live bait is often the ticket for a big barracuda, snook, or gag grouper; and big bait, dead or alive is the choice for goliaths. If you want to catch a permit you need live crabs, this is often the best bait for cobia as well. Anchoring up current of the structure with a quality block of chum is the best way to bring the action behind the boat.

It's a good idea to use the weather and tides to your advantage, especially over the hot month of August. Our water temperature can change quickly, give us three or four days with bright sunny skies and the inshore waters quickly get hot and the bite can slow. A couple rainy days with limited sunshine and the water will drop several degrees; this can trigger good fishing. If conditions allow get an early start to the day to allow for plenty of time on the water and back to a safe place ahead of afternoon storms.

For charter information, please contact us at Gulf Coast Guide Service and "Catch the Action" with Capt. Bill Russell, call or text (239) 410-8576, website: www.fishpineisland.com, email: gcl2fish@live.com.

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Capt. Bill Russell is a native and lifelong resident of Pine Island who has spent his entire life fishing the waters surrounding Pine Island and Southwest Florida. For the past 26 years Bill has been a professional fishing guide who takes pride in customizing each trip to ensure everyone on board has a great time and will return again. Come join us and "Catch the Action."



## Word Scramble

### Vegetable

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|---------------|---------|------------|
| By Ellie Neal | Tuctele | Sasqhu     |
| Nebas         | Sape    | Rceawuolif |
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# Real Estate Round-Up

By Bob Oxnard, REALTOR®

## Hurricane Season Can Also Affect Home Sales!

**Home sales are down.** That is not news. With the higher home prices, there was bound to be some push-back from buyers at some point. The number of homes for sale has increased which also has a negative effect on sales. Mortgage interest rates have doubled in the past year. More increases can be expected. One major bank recently stated they expect a 50 percent reduction in mortgage applications and refinances this year.



## Membership

By Gordon Lytle

As of June 30, 533 members have joined or renewed their memberships in the Whiskey Creek Civic Association for the year 2022. Of these, 27 were newly enrolled. We are glad to welcome them to our community. The names of those who have joined since June 1 are listed below (except for those who requested that their names not be published).

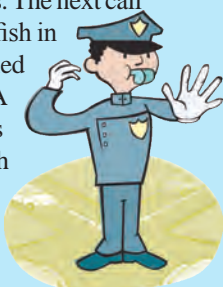
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### Wall Update And Security Report from page 1

The Lee County DOT has installed new reflective signs consisting of black arrows on a yellow background to highlight the curve to vehicles going south. Unfortunately, several of the vehicles that struck the wall were going north and crossed the median to hit the wall.

## Security Report

This month there were six traffic stops for stop sign violations that all resulted in warnings. The next call was about two youths trespassing to fish in a pond. Both juveniles were counseled about local laws and ordinances. A LCSO field interview report was completed to document the event. Both parents/guardians were notified. There were two general nuisance calls. The first was a noise complaint that was resolved. The second was a disturbance on the golf course behind a residence.



There were two suspicious person reports. The first was a person waiting for a friend. The second was made by a business during normal business hours but the person was gone when the deputy arrived. The deputy responded to a report of juveniles jumping off of the Whiskey Creek bridge. The juveniles were gone when he arrived. The deputy removed a dead duck from the roadway at Whiskey Creek Drive and Wainwright. A resident flagged down the deputy that vehicles were running the stop sign at Brandy Circle and Tredegar Drive when proceeding west. Subsequent observations of the intersection revealed no violations. It was requested that a pool service vehicle be moved from the handicapped parking space at the Wyldwood Lakes pool. A warning was issued.

Keep your outside lights on and garage doors down. Lock all vehicles left in the driveway and remove all valuables and garage door openers from them.

The real estate market, like all markets, is cyclical. After a few years of booming sales and prices, a decline is to be expected. It is healthy. Whether the U.S. economy is in a recession is still unclear. But again, corrections are normal and healthy in the long term.

**It is now August and a typically slow time for real estate sales.** One of the many factors affecting home sales is hurricane season. **If you are buying a home and want or need homeowner's insurance, hurricane season can affect your ability to purchase this type of insurance.** Many insurance companies cannot issue a new homeowners insurance policy on a home when the home is the "in the cone of probability" of a hurricane. Since lenders will not fund a home loan without insurance, hurricane season can have a negative effect on home sales.

The mere threat of hurricanes can have some homebuyers rethink their desire for a vacation home in Florida. It is easier to sell a vacation home in Lee County when the weather is more paradise-like in winter. Even without hurricanes, our summer weather is often stormy and not as conducive to home shopping. However, some savvy shoppers wait until summer to buy just for that reason. They know that sellers can be more motivated in the summer when buyer activity is slower.

## Ibis

The Ibis is a community bird that stays together to probe shallow water, mud or grass with their long curved beaks. They live, travel and breed in flocks. In flight they form diagonal lines for a "V" formation. This configuration decreases wind resistance for the trailing birds. As the "leader" tires, it falls to the rear of the formation and an alternate takes the lead. This is an effective way to cover a great distance. You won't hear much from this breed, only an occasional grunt to warn the colony or a croaking on the breeding grounds. As an indicator of how ancient this species is, there are fossil records going back 60 million years!

All wildlife portrayed in my articles are of those species that call Whiskey Creek "home."

**Flood and storm surge damage is not covered by homeowners' insurance policies. Whiskey Creek may offer buyers an advantage over some other areas in Southwest Florida.** For one thing, most homes in Whiskey Creek are not located in a specially designated flood area that requires flood insurance by a mortgage lender. The fact that we are not in a high-risk flood area does not mean that we should not have flood insurance, but it does mean flood insurance is less expensive. Most flood insurance is underwritten by the federal government but there are some private flood insurance companies as well. The home's value and location determine the cost. Storm surge insurance is more expensive for homes closer to coastal waters.

Experts say that location, location, and location are the three most important criteria for making a home purchase. Whiskey Creek continues to check those boxes well. If you are a Whiskey Creek resident, you have made an excellent choice. Enjoy the summer.

If you have any questions or comments about real estate, please contact Bob Oxnard at whiskeycreeknews@yahoo.com.



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# Alcohol And High Blood Pressure

By Mary Lou Williams, M. Ed.

When people develop hypertension, they may cut back on salt, try to lose weight, stop smoking, start exercising, reduce stress, lower intake of cholesterol and fat, and, if they are really knowledgeable, restrict their intake of sugar. If none of this works, they then decide the problem must be hereditary and resort to drugs. But while making all these lifestyle changes, it never occurs to them to eliminate or cut back on alcohol because it never occurs to them that alcohol could be the culprit.



## The Controversy

The relationship between alcohol and hypertension was first recognized in 1915 when a French physician named Lian reported alcoholism as a cause of hypertension in French servicemen. More than 50 years would go by before there was sufficient scientific evidence to confirm Lian's observation. There is now no question that consumption of three or more drinks of alcohol per day is associated with a significant increase in blood pressure. There is controversy, however, about the effects on blood pressure of one or two drinks per day. Some studies show an increase in blood pressure; some show no increase; and some actually show a decrease. The controversy centers around the studies that show a decrease.

One criticism of these studies involves differences between nondrinkers and moderate drinkers other than their intake of alcohol. Many nondrinkers are ex-drinkers. In a British study of middle-aged men done in 1990, 70 percent of the nondrinkers were ex-drinkers. Often ex-drinkers have stopped drinking because of health problems, and indeed ex-drinkers have high rates of illnesses including heart disease, peptic ulcers, diabetes, bronchitis and gall stones. They are

older than drinkers, and a high percentage are smokers. In contrast, moderate drinkers in almost all these studies include the large group of light drinkers who are likely to have characteristics which are advantageous to health. They have the lowest prevalence of smoking, the lowest body mass index (a measure of obesity) and the highest level of physical activity of all the groups in these studies. So it is possible that the lower blood pressure of moderate drinkers compared to nondrinkers might be due to the differing health and lifestyle characteristics of the two groups rather than their differing consumption of alcohol.

## The Problem With Epidemiology Studies

This is the problem with epidemiology studies (studies which show a relationship between lifestyle factors and diseases in populations): there are so many different factors involved that it is impossible to determine which of these factors is a cause in the prevention or promotion of a disease. For example, epidemiology studies on hormone replacement therapy (HRT) consistently showed that women who took HRT were less likely to get heart disease than women who did not take HRT. On the basis of these studies, doctors believed for half a century that long-term use of this therapy would protect women from heart disease. When the theory was put to the test in July of 2002 in a large, randomized, placebo-controlled trial that is the gold standard of science, women who were on HRT had a higher rate of heart disease than women who were not. In the earlier epidemiology studies, the women on HRT had healthier lifestyle characteristics than the women who were not on HRT. Their healthier lifestyles protected them from heart disease, not the hormone replacement therapy. The same might be true of the studies on alcohol, which are almost entirely epidemiological. Healthier lifestyles might be protecting the moderate drinkers from high blood pressure, not the alcohol.

## One Woman's Story

I have a friend in her mid-fifties who recently developed high blood pressure. Neither of us could understand why. She had always been thin; at 5'3" she weighs 115 pounds. She is very health conscious and eats lots of fruits and vegetables. She watches her intake of salt, sugar and cholesterol. She exercises regularly. She doesn't smoke and never has. "And, of course, you don't drink," I said. "Oh, but I do," she replied. "I have a glass of red wine every night with my dinner. I've heard it's good for you." When I told her that alcohol can raise blood pressure, she was quite surprised. She had never heard that before. She decided to cut her alcohol consumption to half a glass of wine every other night with her dinner. When I called her a couple of months later, her blood pressure had dropped from 160/95 to 130/85.

Fortunately, the effect of alcohol on blood pressure can be reversed, as was the case with my friend. If you have high blood pressure and drink, try cutting back or eliminating alcohol for two or three weeks. This is a way to find out for yourself if your high blood pressure is alcohol-related. Decrease in alcohol consumption is especially important in view of evidence that alcohol-related hypertension may contribute to the higher prevalence of strokes in drinkers.

## Neighbor's Letter from page 1

We are also still in hurricane season until November so remember to be prepared should we be faced with a storm.

Did you know that the Whiskey Creek Country Club is now offering "Family Friday Night Dinners" for under \$10; dine-in or take-out? Every other Friday, you can make a reservation to enjoy one of their delicious meals (maybe with an adult beverage). Don't wait any longer and enjoy some good times in our backyard. Check out their Facebook page ([facebook.com/whiskeycreekcc](https://www.facebook.com/whiskeycreekcc)) or website ([whiskeycreekcc.com](http://whiskeycreekcc.com)) to see the changing menu options and more opportunities to become a golf member and more!

We always want to make sure we keep the neighbors up to date on happenings in our community coupled with WCCA Board votes and initiatives. Your feedback, questions, or concerns are always welcomed and appreciated. The Board is on summer break until September, but that does not mean we will not be communicating or addressing issues that may come up during the summertime. Please continue to visit the [whiskeycreeknews.net](http://whiskeycreeknews.net) home page and [facebook.com/whiskeycreek.FL](https://www.facebook.com/whiskeycreek.FL) for Board meeting updates and information about our community.

Sincerely,  
Wylar Gins,

Your Neighbor and WCCA Board Member

## Whiskey Creek Country Club News

The Summer League is still going strong. You don't need to be a member to play in the league. Come and try out the golf course on Tuesday nights. Sign in at 5 p.m. and enjoy playing a fun round of golf with friends. Call the clubhouse for information.

Are you wondering what to give the golfer in your life ... then stop in at WCCC. There are many items to choose from such as sleeveless ladies' logoed golf shirts, men's logoed golf shirts, assorted golf hats and visors. Whiskey Creek also sells sunglasses, playing cards,

Koozies, notepaper and more. Maybe a Whiskey Creek gift certificate might make the perfect gift!

Golf and social memberships are always available.

Come and enjoy a lovely lunch Tuesday to Saturday and brunch on Sunday! On Tuesday night, 5 to 7 p.m., enjoy dinner of the day. Call ahead to see what is on the next Tuesday night menu. The bar is open daily for a refreshing beverage!

Contact the club for more details, (239) 481-3021.

## Lee County Library System

**Lakes Library**  
15290 Bass Road, Fort  
Myers, FL 33919  
(239) 533-4000



### Lakes Library Hours:

Monday to Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday, Closed

### Upcoming Virtual Events And Programs For August

**Monday**  
English Café, Aug. 1, 8, 15, and 29, 6 to 7:30 p.m.  
Lego Club, Aug. 29, 4 to 4:45 p.m.

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

Online Storytime, All Day  
Online Writers Workshop, Aug. 17, 2 to 3 p.m.  
Online Book Discussion for Adults, Aug. 31, 10 to 11:30 a.m.

### Thursday

Book Discussion: Aug. 1, *The Lost Apothecary* by Sarah Jenner, 2 to 3 p.m.  
Download Drop-In, Aug. 18, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.  
Very Hungry Caterpillar Party, Aug. 11, 10:30 to 11:15 p.m.

### Friday

### Saturday

Kids Read Down Fines, Aug. 20, 2 to 3 p.m.  
All-Abilities Kids Storytime, Aug. 27, 10 to 10:30 a.m.  
Teen Leadership, Aug. 27, 2 to 4 p.m.

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## Signs

Well to be Frank, I'd have to change my name.

## Puns For Educated Minds

She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.

# Season Theatre Performances

## Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall

13350 FSW Parkway, Fort Myers

www.bbmannpah.com

(239) 481-4849

Dec. 13 To 24 *Hamilton*  
 Jan. 10 To 15, 2023 *Waitress*  
 Feb. 1 To 5 *Six*  
 Feb. 14 To 19 *Fiddler On The Roof*  
 Feb. 21 To 26 *Pretty Woman*  
 April 4 To 9 *Tootsie*

## Broadway Palm

1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers

www.broadwaypalm.com

(239) 278-4422

July 1 To Aug. 13 *The Wizard Of Oz*  
 Aug. 26 To Oct. 1 *Broadway Thru The Decades*  
 Oct. 7 To Nov. 12 *A Chorus Line*  
 Nov. 18 To Dec. 30 *White Christmas*  
 Jan. 6 To Feb. 11, 2023 *Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*

Feb. 17 To April 9 *Jersey Boys*  
 April 14 To May 20 *Sister Act*  
 May 26 To July 1 *Footloose*  
 July 7 To Aug. 12 *The Little Mermaid*

## Off Broadway Palm Theatre

Sept. 22 To Nov. 5 *Not Now, Darling*  
 Nov. 10 To Dec. 25 *Ha! H a! Ho! The Holiday Show*  
 Jan. 12 To Feb. 18, 2023 *Just Desserts: A Musical Bake-Off*  
 Feb. 23 To April 9 *Doublewide, Texas*  
 April 18 To May 20 *Always A Bridesmaid*

## Cultural Park Theater

528 Cultural Park Blvd., Cape Coral

www.culturalparktheater.com

(239) 772-5862

Sept. 22 To Oct. 2 *School Of Rock*  
 Oct. 13 To 23 *The Women*  
 Nov. 11 To 20 *Pippin*  
 Jan. 12 To 22, 2023 *The Sound Of Music*  
 Feb. 16 To 19 *Rumors*  
 March 9 To 19 *Grease*  
 April 20 To 30 *Crimes Of The Heart*  
 May 11 To 21 *Private Lives*

## Florida Repertory Theatre

Bay Street, Downtown Fort Myers

www.floridarep.org

(239) 332-4488

**In The Historic Arcade Theatre**  
 Oct. 28 To Nov. 13 *Incident At Our Lady Of Perpetual Help*

Dec. 2 To 18 *Agatha Christie's And Then There Were None*  
 Jan. 13 To 29, 2023 *Ripcord*  
 Feb. 17 To March 5 *On Golden Pond*

## In The ArtStage Studio Theatre

Sept. 23 To Oct. 30 *Lady Day At Emerson's Bar & Grill*  
 Dec. 16 To Jan. 15, 2023 *Freud's Last Session*  
 Feb. 3 To March 5 *The Importance Of Being Earnest*

## Laboratory Theater of Florida

1634 Woodford Ave., Fort Myers

www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com

(239) 218-0481

Aug. 5 To 20 *Fair View*  
 Sept. 16 To Oct. 9 *The Play That Goes Wrong*  
 Nov. 4 To 20 *The Thanksgiving Play*

Dec. 9 To Jan. 15, 2023 *Ain't Misbehavin'*  
 Feb. 10 To March 11 *Sweeny Todd*  
 March 31 To April 16 *Pass Over*

## Murder Mystery Dinner Train

Colonial Station, Fort Myers

www.semgulf.com

(239) 275-8487

July 1 To Sept. 11 *Lady Killer*  
 Sept. 30 To Nov. 20 *A Rocky Murder*  
 Nov. 23 To Dec. 24 *Nutcracker's Final Curtain*

## Players Circle Theater

16554 N. Cleveland Ave., N. Fort Myers

www.playerscircle.org

(239) 800-3292

Oct. 25 To Nov. 13 *Murder At The Howard Johnson*  
 Nov. 29 To Dec. 18 *The Lady With All The Answers*  
 Jan. 3 To 22, 2023 *Admissions*  
 Feb. 7 To 26 *I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change*  
 March 14 To April 2 *The Cocktail Hour*  
 April 18 To May 7 *The Foreigner*

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**Word Scramble Solution from page 3**

Beans	Lettuce	Squash
Broccoli	Peas	Cauliflower
Carrots	Peppers	Radish
Corn	Spinach	Cucumber

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# Love That Dress!

Wednesday, Aug. 24

## What Is Love That Dress!?

Love That Dress! is the ultimate feel-good shopping spree of the year offering thousands of new and gently loved dresses and accessories at nominal prices to benefit Pace Center for Girls, Lee. This year, Pace Lee is celebrating 14 years of the community's obsession for fashion and giving.

Fashionistas enjoy music, shopping, silent auctions, and cocktails. Major sponsors and VIP guests have early access to shopping, private dressing rooms, express checkout, complimentary drinks and hors d'oeuvres, and a private selection of decadent desserts.

### Event Information

**Admission:** VIP shopping starts at 5 p.m.; General admission shopping: 6 to 8 p.m.

**Location:** Embassy Suites Fort Myers – Estero, 10450 Corkscrew Commons Dr., Estero, FL 33928

### Donate To Our Silent Auction

The Love that Dress! event includes a silent auction with items such as travel packages, unique experiences, and fine gifts. If you are in a position to give to our silent auction, we would love to hear from you.

### Donate Dresses

We are accepting new and gently loved dresses between now and Aug. 1. Dresses can be dropped off at Pace Center for Girls located at 3800 Evans Ave., 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### Volunteer

Volunteer before, during, or after Love that Dress! It takes a village to put it all together and if you are interested in volunteering, please visit our website for more information, [www.lovethatdressleecounty.com](http://www.lovethatdressleecounty.com).




### Sponsorship

For sponsorship inquiries, please contact Margo Brewster, development manager, (239) 462-8068 or [Margo.Brewster@pacecenter.org](mailto:Margo.Brewster@pacecenter.org).

## Greeters Club Of Fort Myers

Greeters Club of Fort Myers welcomes women to join our extended family of friends who join together to have fun, explore our culture, and support the community. Our next luncheon is on Thursday, Aug. 18 at 11:30 a.m. followed by a presentation by Carrie Shuman, coastal resilience manager, Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. We will gather at the Club at Pelican Preserve, 10522 Casella Way, Fort Myers.

Hot and cold lunches are available along with door prizes and a 50/50 raffle! Cost for the luncheon and program is \$27. R.S.V.P. by Wednesday, Aug. 10, via email at [greetersclub.org](mailto:greetersclub.org).

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### Crossword Solution from page 2

1	S	I	D	4	R	I	M	7	O	B	E	S	E					
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### Sudoku Puzzle Solution from page 2

2	3	9	6	8	1	5	7	4
8	1	7	2	4	5	6	9	3
4	5	6	7	9	3	2	8	1
1	2	5	8	6	4	9	3	7
9	6	3	1	2	7	4	5	8
7	4	8	3	5	9	1	6	2
5	8	2	4	7	6	3	1	9
3	9	4	5	1	8	7	2	6
6	7	1	9	3	2	8	4	5

# Poetry Corner

## A Whiskey Creek Fall???

By Judith Foley

The leaves they are turning  
And starting to fall  
They flutter and swirl  
From the trees that are tall.

The sky is so clear  
And a Carolina blue  
It's virtually perfect  
With a cloud or two.

The frost's on the pumpkin  
There's chill in the air  
And the people are bundled  
From their feet to their hair.

They're walking more briskly  
With a purpose in mind  
Halloween decorations  
They're trying to find.

By now you might wonder  
Of where do I speak  
It can't be my home  
Which is in Whiskey Creek....

You've discovered my secret  
I'm not at my home  
I'm up in Ohio  
Cause I wanted to roam.

I'm watching the Autumn  
Play out it's great show  
And when it's all over  
Back to Florida I go.

The trip was relaxing  
And a real change of pace  
I charged up my battery  
To get back in the race.

For I find when you travel  
It's usually sublime  
But it makes coming home  
Even better each time!

# Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center

Each month Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center (SBDAC) features new art exhibitions from local to world-renowned artists. Exhibits open 6 to 10 p.m. during Art Walk, first Friday of every month.



been doing for the last few years, with special guest artists that have been in the world of Artsemble.



Cesar, originally from Quito, Ecuador, has been a well-known staple in the Southwest Florida art scene. In 2015 he received the *Gulfshore Life* Emerging Arts Leader award. He is the art curator of the Sidney and Berne Davis Art Center's Grand Atrium and Capital Gallery. Cesar is also the creator of Paionia in 2011, a wearable art brand focused on using discarded materials, mostly computer parts and discarded technology in an effort to create a sustainable consciousness in what we wear. He serves as a board member for Love your Rebellion.

Brian attended the School of Communication Arts in North Carolina, graduating with a degree in graphic design and computer animation. He moved to Cape Coral in 2013 and produced the monthly art festival All Walks of Art at Dolphin Key Resort in the same year. In 2014, the Fort Myers' River District Alliance commissioned him to develop Mystery Walk for six months. Brian also spearheaded "The Epicenter," an empty warehouse transformed into an artist hub, where artists would get together to work and get inspired.

**Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center (SBDAC), 2301 First St., Fort Myers, FL 33901, (239) 333-1933, www.sbdac.com.**

## "Imagine" By Artsemble Underground

**Opens:** Aug. 5 at 6 p.m.

**Closes:** Aug. 26 at 10 p.m.

**Gallery Hours:** Monday through Friday, 10 to 5 p.m.

Most Wednesdays and Fridays the gallery hours extend to 10 p.m.

**General Admission:** \$1 entry donation

Artsemble Underground was created by Cesar Aguilera and Brian Weaver in an effort to bring art to everyone: art for the people. Brian and Cesar have collaborated with different artists and organizations since 2014. Together, they wanted to forge an all-immersive multimedia assembly and experience of art and life, where concepts could be replicated anywhere, and not necessarily inside four walls, that could hinder the creative process and final output. Additionally, Artsemble gives up-and-coming artists a platform to take their art to the next level in their creative paths, with the idea that artists united can reach higher levels, and to use art as an instrument of social change instead of a commodity.

For the exhibition "Imagine" Cesar and Brian want to give you a glimpse of what Artsemble Underground has

# Continental Women's Club

The Continental Women's Club will hold its monthly luncheon meeting on Thursday, Aug. 4 at 11:30 a.m. at The Hideaway Country Club.

Our program this month will feature Kevin Anderson, mayor of the City of Fort Myers. The mayor will share with us the plans and vision for the future for the city. Please join us for his informative presentation.

Continental Women's Club meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at The Hideaway Country Club, 5670 Trailwinds Drive, Fort Myers 33907. The cost to attend the luncheon is \$24. Please call Liz Paul at (239) 691-7561 for additional information or to make a reservation.

# Lee County

## Nabs Florida's Top Recycling Spot

### Community Participation Pushes The County's Recycling Rate From 76 Percent To 81 Percent

Lee County Solid Waste has been named Florida's top recycling county by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). The amount of material Lee County residents recycled in 2021 would be enough to fill 168 football fields with material 70 feet high – as high as the highest point on the Sanibel Causeway.

Lee County received credit for recycling 1.6 million tons of the total 2.61 million tons of waste generated locally in 2021, according to numbers that FDEP recently released. This brings the county's recycling rate to 81 percent.

This is the sixth time Lee County has led the state in recycling since Florida began tracking in 2000.

Strong participation by both residents and businesses has enabled Lee County to meet and exceed the state's 75 percent recycling goal every year since 2017.

"Lee County residents are passionate about the environment and recognize that responsible recycling is part of the bigger picture," Solid Waste Director Doug Whitehead said.



"Our residents also are conscientious about 'clean recycling.' That means the items are empty, clean and dry and placed loose in the recycling cart rather than in plastic bags."

FDEP recycling credits are acquired for items such as curbside recycling by residents as well as business recycling of materials such as cardboard, yard waste, scrap metal and construction and demolition debris. Lee County also receives recycling credit for energy produced from garbage processed at the Waste-to-Energy plant in Buckingham.

Visit [www.leegov.com/solidwaste](http://www.leegov.com/solidwaste) for more information. To receive updates from Lee County Government, sign up for the newsletter here: [www.leegov.com/resources/newsletters](http://www.leegov.com/resources/newsletters).

# Cook's Corner

## Curry Pasta Salad

By Frank Pirone

1. Cook 16 ounces of dry ziti pasta until al dente. Strain. Put pasta back in the pot and mix in a wafting of olive oil to prevent sticking and set aside to cool.

2. In a very large mixing bowl, add 1 diced red pepper, 1 diced yellow pepper, 1 diced orange pepper, 1 (8-ounce) can sliced pitted black olives, 1 (8-ounce) can of yellow corn, 8-ounces mayonnaise, 2 heaping teaspoons of Jamaican curry spice, salt, pepper to taste.

3. Add pasta to the mixing bowl and mix.\*

\*Add more mayonnaise for a creamier salad.

This is a great cold side for a summertime cookout.

## Did You Know?

The city of Fort Myers was incorporated in 1886 and Lee County was created in 1887 from Monroe County.



I told my suitcases that there will be no vacation this year. Now I'm dealing with emotional baggage.

## For Lexophiles

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I never met herbivore.

## Local Action Numbers

Emergency	911	Lee County Transit	533-8726
Sheriff	477-1000	Libraries	479-4636
Action Coordinator	533-9400	Page Field	936-1443
Animal Services	432-2083	Parks and Recreation	533-7275
Chamber of Commerce SW FL	278-1231	Poison Info Center	1-800-222-1222
Child Abuse	1-800-962-2873	Red Cross	278-3401
Code Enforcement	533-8895	School Transport	590-4000
Dead Animal Removal	949-6246	Social Security Administration	1-800-772-1213
Div. of Motor Vehicles	533-6000	Suicide Prevention Lifeline	1-800-273-8255
Elder Helpline	211	Supervisor of Elections	533-8683
Emergency Management	477-3600	Road & Canal Maintenance	694-3334
Health Dept.	332-9556	Tax Collector	533-6000
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