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President's Message

By Kate Gooderham

Deed Restriction Update

The Whiskey Creek Civic Association is working to revitalize deed restrictions enacted as the community was being developed. These restrictions, which by law cannot be more restrictive than the originals, must be approved by a majority of homeowners.



The Civic Association believes that the majority of Whiskey Creek homeowners favor deed restrictions to preserve the community's character and protect property values. Homeowner meetings held in 2015, comments on social media and conversations with neighbors indicate strong support for revitalizing deed restrictions. However, all homeowners have a say in this process. Your help is vital.

History

The development of Whiskey Creek began in 1970 as a deed-restricted community with restrictions to promote and preserve

the symmetry, beauty and general good of all interested in the scheme of the community.

The Marketable Record Title Act (MRTA), enacted in 1963, was found to have the unintended consequence of sun setting deed restrictions in Florida after 30 years. MRTA has rendered deed restrictions unenforceable. Efforts to have expired or expiring deed restrictions adopted by the Lee County Land Development code in 2015 were not successful. A new law, which goes into effect October 2018, provides the authority and process for revitalizing our deed restrictions.

Whiskey Creek consists of 15 separate units (sections) of single-family homes. Only single-family homes are governed by the Whiskey Creek Civic Association deed restrictions. (All condos and townhomes, including those near College Parkway, Wyldeewood Lakes and the Village Green duplexes, are governed independently under their own bylaws and deed restrictions.)

Process

The Civic Association is taking steps to revitalize the deed restrictions including:

1. Recruiting three volunteers from each of the community's 15 units to review existing restrictions and recommend changes or deletions. New restrictions cannot be added.

2. Soliciting input from homeowners.
3. Providing copies of proposed changes to homeowners.
4. Securing approval from the majority of homeowners in each unit.
5. Working with attorney Yeline Goin to take the legal steps needed to enact the revised restrictions.

What Can You Do? Stay Informed

- Attend the special community meeting on June 14 (see additional article for details).

- Visit the Civic Association's official website at www.whiskeycreeknews.net for accurate news and to determine your unit number (click on Deed Restrictions under Quick Links on the right). Current deed restrictions also are posted on this site.

- Read the monthly newsletter, *Whiskey Creek News*, delivered to your home or found in a box in the country club parking lot.

- Attend Civic Association meetings, held the second Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at Whiskey Creek Country Club except for June, July and August.

- Join the community Facebook page (search for Whiskey Creek and Tanglewood Neighbors) and the Nextdoor network (Nextdoor.com). These sites are not sanctioned by the Civic Association but provide news and connections to your neighbors.

If you're interested in volunteering for your unit committee, email us at whiskeycreekdeed@gmail.com.

June 14 Community Meeting On Deed Restrictions

On June 14, the Whiskey Creek Civic Association will be holding a special community meeting at the Congregational United Church of Christ on College Parkway beginning at 7 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to outline how the deed restriction revitalization process

will work. We are leading this effort based on an indication of strong support from the community. Please know that each of the 15 units within Whiskey Creek will decide its own set of deed restrictions. Our role is to facilitate the process for the units and pay the legal expenses incurred.

Security Update

By Carl Schnurbusch

There was another robbery at the 7-Eleven station this last month. If you go there be aware at all times of your surroundings.

For the last month the sheriff issued 13 warnings and one citation for stop sign violations, one citation for speeding, one arrest for reckless driving, three calls for medical assistance.

There were three calls for suspicious people and one call for 911 hang up.

There is no long-term parking in the bike and walking lane on Whiskey Creek Drive. We allow lawn care people, delivery people and many others that are short-term.

Keep those vehicles locked and garage doors closed and the outside lights burning. If you see something, say something.

Yard Of The Month

Rhonda Cagle and Laura Snyder have been busy refreshing all the landscaping in their yard at 1567 Tredegar Drive. Over the past four years, they have replaced everything! But their favorite new addition is a blue fountain from Pottery Express and Bamboo Farm in North Fort Myers. The bright blue in their courtyard doesn't distract the monarch butterflies from the abundant fennel scattered throughout the yard. Beautiful updates and congrats on June Yard of the Month!

Next month I would like to welcome Sandra Wall to "Yard of the Month." With so many beautiful yards, I need all the help I can get. Submissions are always welcome to whiskeycreek.yard@yahoo.com.



1567 Tredegar Drive

Mark Your Calendar



Thursday, June 7

The Continental Women's Club will have Bryan Kaczmarek, the interpretive coordinator at Lover's Key State Park doing a presentation on sea turtles. Luncheon is at 11:30 a.m. at the Hideaway Country Club. Call (239) 691-7561 for reservations.

Monday, June 11

Lee Republican Women's Federated will hold their dinner meeting at Pinchers – The Marina at Edison Ford at 5:15 p.m. The speaker will be Bob White, candidate for governor. R.S.V.P. to Wren Morefield at (270) 210-1284 before June 7 at noon.

Whiskey Creek Civic Association will not meet again until September.

Thursday, June 14

There is a Community Meeting at 7 p.m. at the Fort Myers Congregational Church of Christ to discuss revitalizing deed restrictions.

Tuesday, June 19

Fort Myers Republican Women's luncheon will be held at 11:15 a.m. at the Helm Club, The Landings. State Representatives Lizbeth Benaquisto and Dane Eagle will provide a legislative recap. Reservations are required by Thursday, June 14 by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701.

Thursday, June 21

The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers is celebrating its 50th Anniversary. They are meeting at their new location at the Plantation Country Club. Make your reservations at greetersclub@gmail.com and provide your contact information. Registration desk is open from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m.

Crossword Puzzle

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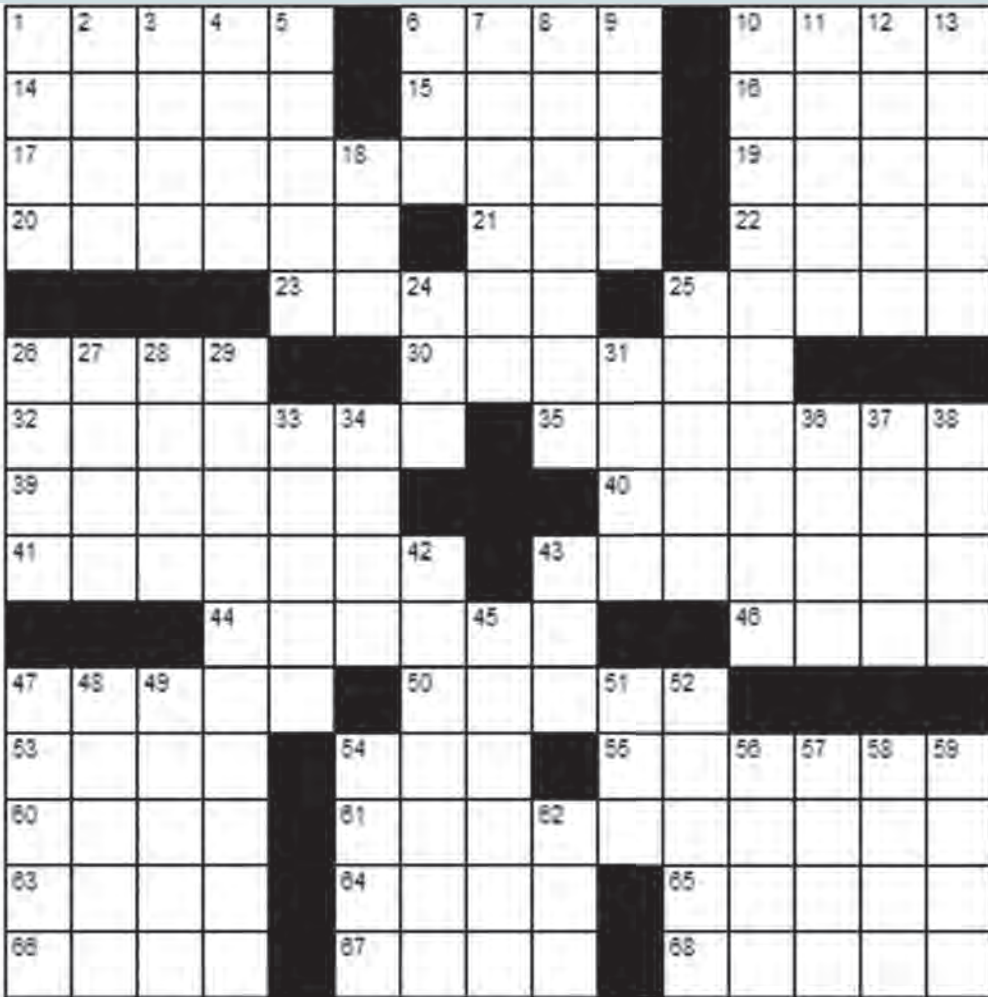
- 1. Soft leather
- 6. Monster
- 10. Hearing organs
- 14. Electronic letters
- 15. Require

- 16. Prune
- 17. Self-denial
- 19. Desire
- 20. Spin
- 21. Put clothing on
- 22. Pout
- 23. Aromatic solvent

- 25. Stitched
- 26. Tibetan monk
- 30. Enact
- 32. Cover
- 35. Alike
- 39. Joyous
- 40. Gentle
- 41. Betrayer
- 43. Renters
- 44. Cheddar or Edam
- 46. In order to prevent
- 47. Bicker
- 50. Sentry
- 53. It comes from sheep
- 54. Friend
- 55. Wall plug
- 60. Dogfish
- 61. Unable to read
- 63. Lease
- 64. Layer
- 65. Bushbaby
- 66. Venician magistrate
- 67. Rational
- 68. Coil of yarn

Down

- 1. Char
- 2. Part of an ear
- 3. Where the sun rises
- 4. Devil tree
- 5. High society
- 6. Half of a pair
- 7. Sex
- 8. Phonograph disks
- 9. Biblical garden
- 10. Nonsectarian
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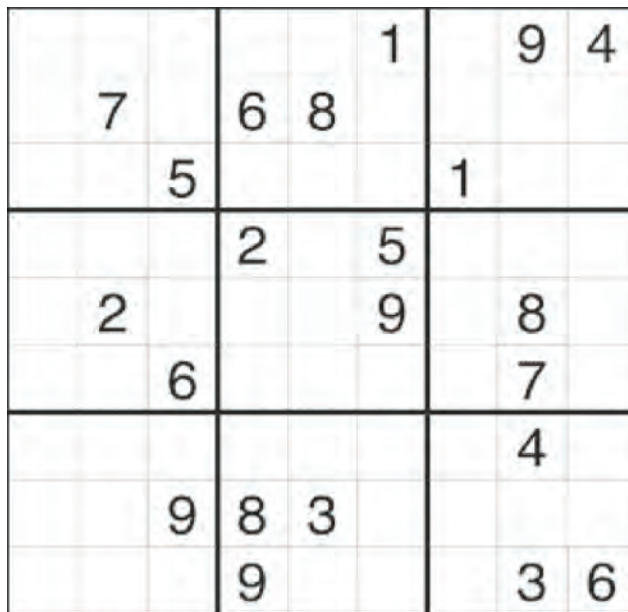


- 13. Velocity
- 18. Mesh
- 24. Jump
- 25. Also called Peter
- 26. Garret
- 27. Affirm
- 28. Plateau
- 29. Eloquent
- 31. Assistant
- 33. Wood shaping machine
- 34. Found in some lotions
- 36. Connects two points
- 37. Anagram of "salt"
- 38. A musical pause
- 42. Fine or decorative clothing
- 43. Orange pekoe
- 45. Glum
- 47. Honor
- 48. Juliet's love
- 49. Coming and _____
- 51. Decay
- 52. Honor fights
- 54. Quarries
- 56. Journey
- 57. Disabled
- 58. Decorative case
- 59. Small slender gull
- 62. Fury

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Sudoku Puzzle



Sudoku Puzzle Solution on page 6

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- By *Ellie Neal*
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Catch The Action

Summer Fun

By Capt. Bill Russell

The thought of summertime takes me back to my school days, eagerly awaiting that last school bell of the year, the signal that classroom learning was finally over, and the start of summer was here. Many of my fondest memories are times spent fishing, boating and just being on the water with my family and friends. I was fortunate to grow up right here in Southwest Florida on Pine Island, where most things to do back then revolved around water activities.

Of course, when we mention Southwest Florida and water, the first thing that comes to mind is fishing. And for good reason, we have plenty of it to offer. If it's a family fishing trip make it simple and enjoyable, often we try to make fishing too complicated and difficult, thus turning it into a forgettable experience. I believe the ladies have figured this out. I can almost guarantee every time I have a lady angler on my boat she will catch the most and largest fish. I have come to the conclusion that this happens because she just relaxes and takes what comes, not taking fishing too seriously as is all too common with the male angler.

With kids, they really do not care what kind of fish they are catching; they just want to catch fish and lots of them. It's always better to go for quantity over quality. Use light tackle so even the small fish give a good fight and educate the young ones on the types of fish and how to properly handle them, so they can be released to grow bigger. The younger kids on my boat often spend more time playing with the bait in the live well than fishing.

I find that when fishing with children, the younger they are the quicker they lose interest, even if they are catching fish. Break up the day and make it an adventure, put the family on alert to watch for dolphins, manatees, eagles, ospreys, and other things that might interest them. As we are getting into the hot season you might be better to fish a few hours then take a lunch break, hit the beach or do both. You can either pack a picnic lunch and go to one of our pristine beaches or stop by one of the many restaurants that are boat accessible.

A few important tips before you go, take plenty of



sunscreen, snacks, and refreshments, preferably water. Sunglasses, hats, and protective clothing are a must to shield off the sun's damaging rays. Make sure everybody drinks water often; it's easy to get dehydrated in the sun without realizing it. It's important to keep the kids hydrated; they don't have as much body weight, so they can become dehydrated very quickly. We are getting into the time of year for afternoon thunderstorms, keep a watch on the horizon and do not get caught in open water in a storm. This is not only dangerous, it could ruin what would have been a great day. Make sure you are up on current fishing and boating rules and regulations, you can go to www.myfwc.com for information. And teach your family about conservation, how to respect and take care of our natural resources, so it will be here for their children.

We're lucky; we live in an outdoor paradise; it's a great place to spend the summer with family adventures

of water-related activities. There's often no need to travel on long expensive vacations for family entertainment when Southwest Florida has so much to offer, right in our own backyard.

For charter information, please contact us at Gulf Coast Guide Service and "Catch the Action" with Capt. Bill Russell, phone: (239) 283-7960, website: www.fishpineisland.com, email: gcl2fish@live.com.

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 21 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."



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Membership

By Gordon Lytle

As of May 1, 568 families have joined or renewed their memberships in the Whiskey Creek Civic Association for the year 2018. Of these, 37 families were newly enrolled. We are glad to welcome these to our community. The names of those who have joined since April 1 are listed below (except for those who requested that their names not be published).

- Rick and Lisa Armstrong
- Theresa L. Beceril
- John A. and Barbara M. Buch
- Joseph C. and Janet M. Byer
- James P. Carroll
- Esther F. Fout
- Lawrence J. and Pamela M. Geiger
- Nancee Gould
- Edward J. and Marion E. Hardiman
- Patricia E. and Stephen E. Hill
- Joshua C. and Jessica D. Losey
- Teddy and Vicki McCay
- Ronald J. and Lynn R. Melvin
- Jane and William R. Nordquist Jr.
- Loren S. Ray
- Lisa Sands
- Kristina Simos
- Suzanne Smith
- Devon and Marisa Lynn Zucchelli

Sheriff's Senior Safety Seminars

From the Office of Mike Scott,
Lee County Sheriff's Office

Get your pencil out now and mark your calendar for the return of this year's series of educational seminars designed to teach you how to protect yourself against scams, fraud and violence. The "2018 Senior Safety" presentations feature a variety of public safety topics including residential and vehicle burglary prevention, home repair fraud, Internet safety, and much more.



You are invited to attend one event or all; however, due

to limited seating you must reserve your spot by calling (239) 561-9142. All seminars will take place at the United Healthcare Medicare Store located in the Daniels Crossing Shopping Center, 6900 Daniels Parkway, #23-C, Fort Myers.

- June 14, 10 a.m. Internet Safety – "Learn about online scams and computer safety."
- July 12, 10 a.m. Safety Away From Home – "Protecting yourself and your property."
- Aug. 9, 10 a.m. Home Repair Fraud – "Learn how to check before work is done."
- Sept. 13, 10 a.m. When Violence Breaks Out – "Do you know what to do?"

Real Estate Round-Up

Is A Whiskey Creek Home Better Than New Construction?

By Bob Oxnard,
Broker/Associate, Realtor®

A major home builder in our area recently commented that this is the best housing market they have seen in 40 years. People are flocking to buy new homes. Just look in the paper at the many ads from developers touting their brand-new home choices.



Most of the new construction is occurring in new communities, and most of the new communities are east of I-75. The reason is simple. Cheaper land. If you haven't driven east of I-75 on Corkscrew Road lately, you will be amazed at all of the new home communities. Home buyers are willing to live further from civilization to get more home for the dollar. Someday, when the commute is taking a long time, and gas prices are higher, they may rethink their decision. Then again, I hear that some old-timers wondered why the Edison Mall was being built so far south of town. Back then, the drive from Fort Myers to Naples along Tamiami Trail was strewn with miles of open land and cattle. **Whiskey Creek became Fort Myers' premier residential development in the late**

'70s. The five-mile drive to the hospital or high school probably seemed further back then.

Whiskey Creek has earned a reputation for value and desirability for many reasons, but the three biggest reasons are: LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION. Our community of 1,577 homes has long since been built-out. If you want to live here you will have to live in a home that was built 30 or 40 years ago. However, many homeowners are investing in their homes with remodeling projects. Updated homes in Whiskey Creek are desirable and sell quickly.

There will always be those people who want the glitz and glamour of new construction. There is something to be said for brand-new everything in a home. **I will admit to being tempted when I show homes in some of these new developments ... then I think, "But it's not Whiskey Creek. It's just not home to me."**

Good friends of mine recently bought a lovely home on the water in Whiskey Creek. They have other close friends who live in Whiskey Creek and love being here. As I watch the remodeling they are doing with their older but new-to-them home, I am convinced that there is no place like home and there is no place like Whiskey Creek. If I want everything new in my home, I will do it one project at a time, but I am staying right here. **Call me Dorothy with red shoes and Toto, but there really is no place like home!**

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

Cook's Corner

By Debbie Lamach

We are so fortunate to live where shrimp is so very fresh. Here's one recipe using that pink gold that we found to be quite tasty. When I posted a photo on our family site, my granddaughter commented that she wasn't particularly fond of either shrimp or mushrooms but that sure looked good. I hope I can get her to try it someday.



Shrimp With Garlic And Spinach

- ¼ cup butter
- 3 garlic cloves
- 4 or 5 mushrooms, sliced
- 1¼ pounds shrimp, peeled and deveined
- ½ bag spinach
- Angel hair pasta to feed four (cooked and drained)
- ¼ cup dry white wine
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice



Melt the butter in a non-stick pan over medium heat. Add the garlic and mushrooms; stir and sauté for two minutes. Add in shrimp and sauté until shrimp are pink. Add spinach and cook until wilted. Remove all to a warm oven.

Add a little more butter to the pan (you can take about a tablespoon from the ¼ pound) When that has melted, add the wine and lemon juice. Bring to a boil and boil for about 30 seconds.

Add the pasta to the pan and the shrimp mixture. Stir to combine and serve immediately. Have some Parmesan cheese on the side as well as some lemon wedges.

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Pre-Register For Underlined Events

Teen Drop-in Activities: Libraries Rock!

Monday

June 4, 11, 25 10 a.m. Family Storytime
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June 4, 11, 18, 25 6 p.m. English Café

Tuesday

June 5 2 p.m. Craft Corner: Knit, Crochet,
and Embroidery
June 12, 26 2 p.m. Coloring For Adults

Wednesday

June 6, 13, 27 10 a.m. Baby Rhyme Time
June 13 2 p.m. Book Discussion: All Our
Wrong Todays By Elan Mastal

Thursday

June 14 10 a.m. John Storms: World of Reptiles
June 28 10 a.m. Rockin' Magic Show
June 28 2 p.m. Harry Potter with an Animal
Services Twist

Friday

Saturday

June 9 10 a.m. Special Needs Storytime
June 16 2 p.m. Kids Read Down Fines

Whiskey Creek Country Club News Calendar

By Jan Kotcamp

Summer is a perfect time to stop in at WCCC, have a bite to eat and a cool drink and enjoy the beautiful view of the golf course. The restaurant serves a breakfast and luncheon menu on Tuesday through Saturday – 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday – 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Come for a round of golf and then stop in for a drink after golf. The bar is open seven days a week.

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Whiskey Creek Country Club Activities:

Monday: Pairs Nine Hole Golf 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Women's 18 Hole Golf League 8:30 a.m.

	Bridge (Women's)	12:15 p.m.
	Dinner	5 to 7 p.m.
	Card and Games	6 p.m.
Wednesday:	Men's 18 Hole League	8 a.m.
	Bridge (Men's)	12:30 p.m.
	Euchre	12:45 p.m.
Thursday:	Mah Jongg	12 p.m.
	Stableford	3:30 p.m.
Friday:	Men's Nine Hole Golf	8:15 a.m.
	Women's Nine Hole Golf	8:30 a.m.
	Women's Bridge	10:15 a.m.
	Dinner	5 to 7 p.m.
	Hand and Foot	6 p.m.
Saturday:	Early Bird Men and Women Golf	7:15 a.m.
Sunday:	Breakfast	9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Greeters Club

Thursday, June 21

The Greeters Club of Greater Fort Myers is celebrating its 50th Anniversary and is pleased to announce we will be meeting at a new location for our monthly luncheons. Join us on Thursday, June 21, at the Plantation Country Club to learn more about Greeters, our history and how we continue to provide the women of our community with opportunities for building friendships through social, cultural and philanthropic activities. It's our 50th year and Greeters is looking forward to a bright future that could include you!

Make your luncheon reservation (cost: \$25) today and find out more about joining this dynamic group of Lee County women. Visit our new website: greetersfortmyers.com to register or email: greetersclub@gmail.com. Provide your contact information (your name, email address and phone number). You will receive a return email confirming your reservation. Our registration desk is open from 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. at the Plantation Country Club, 10500 Dartington Drive, Fort Myers. (Right or left turn off Daniels Parkway onto Treeline Avenue. Enter at Dartington Drive.)

Lee Republican Women Federated

- Lee Republican Women Federated June Dinner Meeting (We welcome and encourage the general public to attend.)
- Monday, June 11
- Venue: Pinchers – The Marina at Edison Ford, 2360 W. First St., Fort Myers. Located adjacent to the Edison & Ford Winter Estates in the Fort Myers Downtown River District.

- 5:15 p.m., social. Dinner and program to follow. June's speaker will be Bob White, candidate for governor.
- \$25
- R.S.V.P.: <http://www.leerepublicanwomen.com> or Wren Morefield at (270) 210-1284, or wrenspet@hotmail.com before June 7 at noon.



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Fort Myers Republican Women's Club

State Representatives To Give Legislative Wrap-Up At Monthly Luncheon

State Representatives Lizbeth Benaquisto and Dane Eagle will provide a legislative re-cap during the monthly Fort Myers Republican Women's Club luncheon on Tuesday, June 19. They will provide information about bills passed and those not passed, including what to expect on the November election ballot. A question-and-answer session will be held following the candidate presentations.

The public is invited to attend the luncheon being held at The Helm Club, The Landings, South Fort Myers. A social hour begins at 11:15 a.m. The noon lunch will be followed by the business meeting and program.

The luncheon cost is \$20. Reservations are required by Thursday, June 14, and may be made by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701. Attendees may write their checks to the Republican candidate of their choice and the club will pay for the luncheon.

Additional information about the club may be obtained by contacting Tina Laurie, 489-4701.

Continental Women's Club

By Liz Paul

Join us on Thursday, June 7, when our guest speaker will be Bryan Kaczmarek, interpretive coordinator at Lover's Key State Park. Bryan's presentation will be on sea turtles.

Continental Women's Club monthly 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 \$22. Please call (239) 691-7561 for additional information.

Did You Know?

The longest river in Florida is the St. Johns at 273 miles? It is one of the few rivers that flows north instead of south.

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May 24 - June 23



Even after his passing, Johnny Cash is still one of the most popular entertainers of all-time. *Ring of Fire* tells his remarkable life story of passion, redemption, humor and salvation. Performed by a multi-talented cast, this production paints a musical portrait of The Man in Black that promises to be a foot-stompin', crowd-pleasin' salute to this remarkable legend! Featuring over 30 Johnny Cash hits including *I Walk the Line*, *I've Been Everywhere*, *A Boy Named Sue* and the title track *Ring of Fire*.

June 28 - Aug. 11



The classic musical about everyone's favorite orphan and her dog Sandy will capture the hearts of audience members of all ages. As part of a publicity campaign for Oliver Warbucks, Annie and her dog Sandy are placed in the lap of luxury for a week. However, Annie's stay turns out to be much more than anyone had bargained for as she works her way into everyone's hearts! The only thing standing in her way is the cruel and bitter Miss Hannigan. The popular score includes *It's the Hard Knock Life*, *Easy Street* and *Tomorrow*.

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June Juried Exhibition: X

June 1 through 26 – 8 to 11 p.m.; \$10

In honor of the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center's 10th anniversary season, SBDAC invites artists to interpret the symbol X as the theme for the 2018 June Juried Exhibition.

Art And Poetry Networking Event

June 28 – 8 to 11 p.m.; \$10

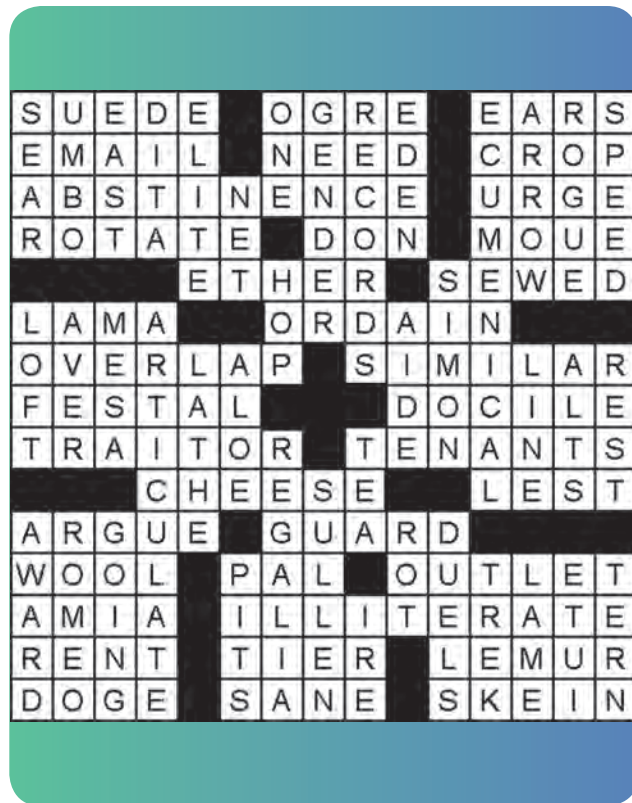
Join Gulf Coast Leisure at SBDAC on Thursday, June 28 at 8 p.m. for the Art & Poetry Networking Event! Mixed media artists, music, spoken word, and vendors are all highlighted each month.

Attendees also have a chance to network and connect with other like-minded people in the arts community.

Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center, 2301 First St., Fort Myers, (239) 333-1933.



Crossword Puzzle Solution from page 2



Sudoku Puzzle Solution from page 2

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

Word Scramble Solution from page 2

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| Cat | Snake | Hamster | Lizard | Fish |
| Dog | Rabbit | Bird | Turtle | Ferret |

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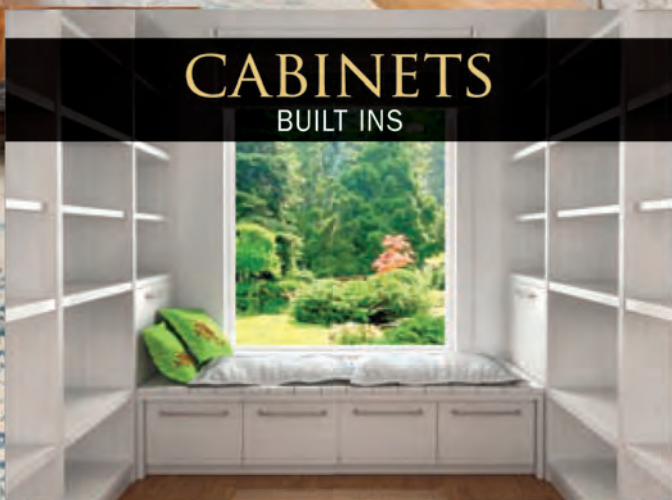
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Walk On The Left

Not long ago a neighbor, with his dog, and I were walking in the same direction on one of our Whiskey Creek streets. His dog was doing some dog business and I caught up to them. I asked, "Where did you learn we should walk on the left side of the street facing oncoming traffic," (as we were doing)? Neither of us could remember for sure where, but we concluded it must have been when we were in Boy Scouts.

Not having sidewalks in our subdivision those of us who walk or run are forced to do so in the streets, and passing vehicular traffic comes close to us, sometimes very uncomfortably close. Why should we walk facing oncoming traffic? One reason is, that's the law in Florida (Section 316.130(4)! Perhaps they should, but sheriff's deputies are not likely to give citations to "persons afoot" for walking or running on the wrong side, so there needs to be a better reason, and there is! Potentially saving your life!

If you walk on the right side of the street, with the flow of traffic, you only have your ears to know of an approaching vehicle. On the left, though, you have your eyes as well, and I'll take any advantage I can, especially knowing when I should jump into a yard if necessary. Unfortunately, drivers can be, and sometimes are, distracted or even blinded when facing the sun.

For another reason, dog owners would likely appreciate the consistency of walking on the left, so as to avoid "head-on" confrontations between their animals.

Many walkers and runners seem oblivious to the law and to common sense. If you're with others, make sure they walk or run on the left. Perhaps you could even point out politely and tactfully to those on the "wrong" side the reason for the law.

This doesn't even get to protections one should take after dark with reflective clothing and/or lights.

Dennis Rodgers, Vice President, Civic Association

Whiskey Creek Ladies' Club

By Lena Pryor

A meeting of the Whiskey Creek Ladies' Club (WCLC) was held at The Whiskey Creek Country Club on May 4. Hostesses for the afternoon were Suzanne Smith and Mary Hartzell. Forty-eight members and two guests attended. The tables were decorated with spring floral centerpieces arranged in teapots, designed by Joy Schwartz and Gail Gehring.

The meeting was opened with a flag salute by Vice President Rosalie Merola. The motivational message, "Give Yourself the Gift of a Fresh Start," was read by Millie Kuehn. The minutes of the prior meeting were approved. Ellie Neal gave the treasurer's report. Ellie reminded members that the annual dues, \$25, is due in May. She also announced that six local charities will be awarded donations by the ladies' club during the coming year. Vice President Merola congratulated members whose birthdays fall in the month of May. Joan McGourty conducted the monthly raffle.

The Whiskey Creek Ladies' Club will sponsor a trip to The Fort Lauderdale Christmas Pageant. It will be held Dec. 2, and the cost for bus trip, picnic lunch and dinner is \$149 per person. Contact Betsi Bastian at (239) 362-1657. Betsi also plans a Christmas light boat trip in Punta Gorda. Dates and prices will follow. Vice President Merola requested donations of canned soda tops and hotel samples of toiletries that she can take to the Ronald McDonald House. Bring donations to the meeting or leave them at the clubhouse with Rosalie's

name on the package. She announced that the club will sponsor two theater parties to Broadway Palms, **42nd Street** and **Midlife 2**. Fall dates and prices will be announced. Interested parties can contact Cathy Savage at: csavage55@gmail.com.

The WCLC Book Club met April 25. They discussed *The Woman in Cabin 10*. The next meeting was May 16. The book selection was *The Letter* by Katherine Hughes. The WCLC Book Club meets at the Whiskey Creek Country Club. The next meeting is Oct. 24 at 11:45 a.m.

Peggy Lince, a representative from the Crime Prevention Unit of the Lee County Sheriff's Office, offered a presentation entitled "Fraud, Scams and Identity Theft." She offered suggestions on how to minimize the risk of being taken advantage of by thieves and con artists. She offered techniques regarding safer computer practices, minimizing the risk of identity theft, charity thefts, and personal safety. A lively question and answer session followed.

The date of the next WCLC meeting is Oct. 4. The presentation will be by GiGi's Playhouse. Luncheon will be croissant sandwiches of salami, ham, pepperoni and cheese or antipasto salad.

The Whiskey Creek Ladies' Club is a social and service organization. We meet on the first Thursday of each month at the Whiskey Creek Country Club, at 12 p.m., from October to May. For information regarding the Whiskey Creek Ladies' Club, contact Linda Jones at WCladiesclub@aol.com or (678) 774-5461.

Are You Prepared For Hurricane Season?

By Stacey Payne, Director, Lee County Sheriff's Office

It is time once again to start preparing for hurricane season as the prognosticators are saying this season will be an active one. It seems like only yesterday we were in the throes of *Hurricane Irma* and I know some people are still dealing with the aftermath. Right now, 14 named storms, seven hurricanes and three major hurricanes are predicted for this hurricane season that runs from June 1 through Nov. 30.

Take some time to:

1. Create a written plan – Take a few minutes and create a written plan – what supplies do you need, emergency contact information, contractors you may need to call, evacuation and shelter in place plans, etc. What flood zone are you in? What happened in your area during *Hurricane Irma*? This will make it easier to see what you need to put your plan into action.

2. Develop an evacuation plan – Where will you go if you must evacuate? Do you or a member of your family have special needs? Will you need to go to one of the special needs shelters? If so, you must register in advance. Go to www.leegov.com/hurricane and click on the Advanced Planning link. Do you have pets? If so, they too need a plan.

3. Assemble your disaster supplies – Plan on at least a one-week emergency supply of food, water and medication for you, each family member and your pets. You may be without electricity for longer so you

may want to either increase this amount or have a backup plan. In addition, you will want extra cash ... ATM machines do not work if there's no electricity. For a list of suggested supplies go to www.leegov.com/hurricane.

4. Get an insurance checkup – Act now as flood insurance requires a three-day waiting period.

5. Strengthen your home – If you plan on riding out a hurricane in your home make sure it is in good repair and up to hurricane building code. Gather the items you need now to properly board up your doors and windows. Don't forget about properly securing your garage door. This is the perfect time to make sure you have everything you need and to conduct a practice run. Did you lose any supplies since last season? Do you need to replace anything? Can you secure your garage door yourself or will you need assistance?

6. Talk to your neighbors – Are you and your neighbors willing and able to work as a team to secure each other's properties and trim trees if a hurricane is coming our way? Who needs extra help? What are you planning to do? If you decide to stay, who else is staying behind? You may be each other's bystander responder if roads are flooded. If you're evacuating, it is nice to have neighbors to call to get a report on how things look before you return. Begin preparing today for the 2018 hurricane season.



What word in the English Language is always spelled incorrectly?

Answer: Incorrectly

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