President's Comments

By Craig Holcomb, Sec. 22 HOA

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Well, it is that time of year, Hurricane Season! Please make sure, if you are up North, to have someone down here button up your house if a hurricane is predicted. Have your plan ready, and have someone you know make sure your house is as secure as it can be. Also, make sure that any objects outside of your house are brought into the house to eliminate them from becoming missiles during heavy winds.

In case of a named storm, we will be using email blasts to update everyone on the status of our community, and what we all should be doing to prepare for, and if necessary, to ride out a storm.

For those of us who are here full time, just make sure you have all the items necessary to get you through a storm, if you decide to stay. With the "supply chain" being what it is today, stock up for at least 7 to 10 days, and do it now please. Don't wait until the last minute to get your supplies, which this year will sell out by at least 10 days before a storm may hit.

If we are on track for a storm to hit, the best plan is to leave the area, as many found out during Hurricane Irma, and got stranded on the roads at the last minute. Don't wait until the storm is a day away, get out about 5 to 7 days before. We are in the Evacuation Zone A, which is the first to get a mandatory evacuation notice. Some facilities won't take animals, which is another item to take into consideration if you decide to stay, but you need to leave your home and go to a shelter.

We must remember that our development, despite what the insurance companies may say, is in a flood zone. We are susceptible to water surges that can damage our homes and cars in parking lots. In the end, it is better for most of us to leave if a storm is approaching. Better to be safe, and get out way before, than to be sorry, and end up stranded here, or stranded in traffic jams. Please go up North and visit family or friends.

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We have several major projects that have been approved and are being scheduled. The contract has been issued to revamp the road entrance to the Matecumbe Key Gate area to improve the capability of semi-trucks entering and exiting the gate. At a Special Board meeting held on May 18, the Board approved two projects. One is the replacement of the fencing around the tennis and pickleball courts at the Fitness Center. A second project is to replace two retaining walls, one at the Fitness Center Pool and the other on the golf course at the Heron 9 green. The retaining wall project is scheduled for September or October, depending upon obtaining permits.

The final project that was approved at the April Board Meeting is the continuation of the Water Surface Management project. We will be dredging the water that flows under Cape Cole, finishing up the waterway project at Big Pass Lane, and dredging of waterway around the Matecumbe Key bridge, and working on the banks along both sides. In total, the cost of all these major projects is about \$690,000. These projects are necessary to repair and replace valuable infrastructure amenities to further secure and maintain our assets within our development.

For those of you up North, enjoy your summer. For those of us here, we know we will continue to enjoy our neighbors and friends, as well as all the good things we can do here



A grand Heron posing for Kathy Sharkey

Section 22 HOA Committee Reports

Architectural Review Committee

By Barry Groesch, Chair

Are you thinking about updating your home? Any changes to the exterior of residences in Burnt Store Marina (BSM) are required to have Architectural Review Committee (ARC) approval. This applies to all homes, including homes in a condo association. If this approval is not granted through ARC, you may be asked to modify or remove the changes made. All requests are made by completing an ARC form, and adhering to Section 22 Home Owners Association (HOA) Restrictions. Remember to legibly and clearly complete the entire form, including having your HOA representative sign off (if required). Delays will occur if it cannot be deciphered, or the form is not completed in its entirety. Thanks.

The following applications were approved last month by the Section 22 HOA ARC:

- Karol Chacho, 2090 Matecumbe Key Rd., #1604, hurricane shutter installation.
- Mark & Jane Thornton, 1209 Islamorada Blvd., roof replacement.
- Mark & Jane Thornton, 1209 Islamorada Blvd., exterior paint.
- Ralph & Karen Herzberg, 3475 Sunset Key Cir., #103, window replacement.
- Kevin J. Dolle, 4010 Cape Cole Blvd., roof & gutter
- replacement.
- Ricardo & Angela Gonzalez, 1501 Islamorada Blvd., hurricane shutter installation.

- Russ & Gail Allard, 4033 Cape Cole Blvd., window replacement.
- and install new boat lift. • Mark & Katherine Mitchell, 2049 Big Pass Ln., roof

• Gordon Rayner, 3321 Diamond Key Ct., remove old

- William & Marianne Murray, 4095 Cape Cole Blvd.,
- of replacement. • Robert LaFave, 3417 Sunset Key Cir., window
- replacement. • Steve Sarsyeki & Patricia Braziel, 3071 King Tarpon
- Dr., roof replacement. • Alan & Kathy Huffman, 4080 Cape Cole Blvd., Paint front door & garage door.
- · Steve & Sandy Swartz, 104 Islamorada Blvd., culde-sac landscaping.
- John & Debra Dunker, 24117 Redfish Cove Dr., exterior paint.
- Scott & Sandra James, 5000 Key Largo Ln., exterior paint.
- Jean Douglas, 2021 King Tarpon Dr., front lanai replacement.
- Brian & Amy Goodwin, 5065 Cape Cole Blvd., exterior paint.
- · Michael J. McEvoy, 1008 Islamorada Blvd., roof replacement.

Section 22 restrictions and applications are available for download at BSM22.org. Submit your ARC applications to your condo association, if applicable, then to Alliant Association Management, 13831 Vector Ave, Fort Myers, FL 33919, Email: apmsupport@ alliantproperty.com.

Community Access Committee

By Pat O'Neill, Chair

Staying Safe In Extreme Heat: Tips to Prevent Heat Illness

Why does it happen?

Heat illnesses occur when your body can't keep itself cool hrough perspiration, also called sweating. After a certain point, it loses the ability to sweat and that's when a heatrelated illness occurs.

What role does the heat index and high humidity play?

Heat illnesses are strongly related to the heat index, which measures how hot you feel when you combine the effects of relative humidity with air temperature.

High humidity makes heat more dangerous because it interferes with your body's cooling ability. As sweat evaporates, it transfers your body's heat into the air. But how quickly your sweat evaporates depends on how much water's already in the air.

On drier days, sweat evaporates faster, and that means it carries away heat faster from your body. On humid days,

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Reminder:

Next Section 22 HOA Board Meeting – Tuesday, July 26, 9 a.m., **Linkside Café Patio**

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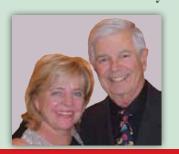
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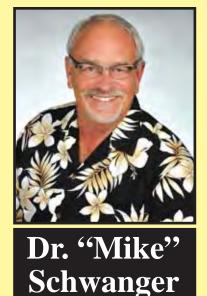


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Inside the Gates Dates

- Friday, July 1: Deadline for the August *Beacon*. Article and picture submissions are welcomed. Become part of the *Beacon* family.
- Tuesday, July 26: Section 22 HOA Board Meeting, Linkside patio, 9 a.m.
- Every Tuesday: Bar code installation, front gate, 1 to 3 p.m.
- Every Thursday: Bar code installation, front gate, 9 to 11 a.m.

Outside the Gates Dates

- Friday, July 1: Fort Myers River District Art Walk, 1 to 5 p.m. Visit many galleries, exhibitions and performances.
- Sunday, July 3 and Monday, July 4: Independence Celebration at Fishermen's Village, 1200 W. Retta Esplanade. 12 to 9 p.m.
- Monday, July 4: Cape Coral Red, White and Boom. Cape Coral Pkwy at foot of Cape Coral Bridge, Music, food and fireworks. Go to http://capeboom.com for times and parking information.
- Friday, July 15: Fort Myers River District Music Walk, 5 to 9 p.m. Local and regional musicians line the street with music from jazz to blues to rock and roll.
- Saturday, July 30: Valerie's House Presents Celebrating Charlotte. Celebrate Charlotte with food samples from local restaurants, shop in the market, silent auction. Benefits Valerie's House to help area grieving children. Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center. 1 to 5 p.m. Tickets \$25, VIP tickets \$35. Go to https://valerieshouse.org/events for information.
- Every Wednesday: Dance Classes for Beginners and Intermediate Dancers. Learn to dance the Cha, Bachaton, Lindy Hop and swing. Social Latin dancing class is 6 to 6:45 p.m. All About Swing class is 6:45 to 7:30 p.m. Punta Gorda Woman's Club, 118 Sullivan St. 1 class is \$12, 2 classes are \$17, 3 classes are \$22 and 4 classes are \$27. To register call Laura at 330-501-2366
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- Every Tuesday: Cape Coral Surfside Sunset Market, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Veterans Parkway and Surfside Boulevard, opposite end of Belks Dept. Store.
- Every Thursday: Fort Myers River District Farmers Market, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Every Saturday: Punta Gorda Farmers Market, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., downtown. Lots of vendors with fresh fruits and vegetables, live music, crafts and other great buys. Visit nearby murals and enjoy some of the great downtown restaurants.
- Every Saturday: Cape Coral Farmers Market, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Clubhouse Square, SE 47th Ter. and SE 10th Pl., Cape Coral.
- Every Sunday: Punta Gorda Historical Society's Farmers Market, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at History Park, 501 Shreve Street. Shop for veggies, meats, plants and gifts. Most Sundays you will be treated to live music by Dave Heveron. When the market closes at 1 p.m., take a guided tour of the gardens at the park. Walk the grounds with Florida native gardener, Starr Zachritz, and learn about Florida's flora. A \$5 suggested donation gets you a plant to take home. Call 941-380-6814.

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when the air's already saturated with water, your sweat evaporates very slowly, if at all, and your body heats up. This is when people experience heat-related illnesses.

So before you go out, check the daily heat index that's online, in the newspaper or on the TV weather forecast. Who's most at risk of a heat illness?

Anyone, at any age can be affected - especially young

An ARC did you know, moment...

By Barry Groesch,

Architectural Review Committee Chair Did you know...If you replace your lanai screening with the same color, an ARC application is not required. For all other projects, children and older adults - but, if you pay attention to warning signs, heat-related illnesses can be prevented.

So just what are heat illnesses and what can I do to prevent or treat them?

Heat illnesses include:

Heat Rash

What is it? Sometimes called prickly heat, heat rash is a skin irritation from excessive sweating and occurs where clothing covers your body.

Symptoms: It looks like a red or pink rash that sometimes resembles tiny dots or pimples on your skin.

Treatment: Heat rash typically goes away on its own. If you experience it, move to a shady area, loosen your clothing and let your skin air-dry.

Heat Cramps

What is it? Heat cramps are muscle pains or spasms that usually happen during heavy exercise. If you don't treat them, they can worsen and lead to heat exhaustion.

Symptoms: Typically you have painful muscle spasms in your arms or legs. Some people experience nausea or abdominal cramping.

Treatment: If you feel spasms, gently stretch and massage the affected areas. Rest in a cool place and drink a sports drink, preferably one with electrolytes and salt, or drink cool water. Heat Exhaustion

What is it? Heat exhaustion is an illness that occurs when your body's depleted of water or salt. It shouldn't be ignored, and it can occur before heat stroke.

Symptoms: Common symptoms are confusion, darkcolored urine, fatigue or weakness, headache, extreme thirst, pale skin, nausea or vomiting, muscle cramps, dizziness, or even loss of consciousness.

Treatment: Get out of the heat and rest in air conditioning, or a shady area. Remove unnecessary clothing and take a cool shower (sponge bath if needed). Be sure to drink plenty of beverages (nonalcoholic and decaffeinated). If this doesn't help, call 9-1-1 and get immediate help. Heat Stroke

What is it? It's a life-threatening illness where your body temperature rises above 105 degrees Fahrenheit. There are two types of heat stroke: classic or nonexertional and exertional.

Classic (nonexertional) heat stroke develops slowly over a few days after repeated exposure to hot, humid weather, and usually occurs during summer heat waves. Those most at risk are the young, elderly and those with chronic illnesses.

Exertional heat stroke occurs more rapidly, think hours versus days, and affects healthy, active people – firefighters, factory workers, military recruits and athletes. The intense exertion in a hot environment causes sudden, massive heat that the body can't handle. This type of heat stroke is responsible for disability and death in these groups, particularly football players.

Symptoms: These include a body temperature above 105 degrees, sweating or a lack of sweating, severe headache, confusion or disorientation, red, hot and dry skin, nausea or vomiting, rapid pulse, seizures, or even loss of consciousness. Unlike classic heat stroke though, in nonexertional heat stroke, sweating still occurs, but it doesn't cool the body.

Treatment: Call 9-1-1 immediately. Then get the person out of the heat and rest in air conditioning, or a shady area. Remove unnecessary clothing and begin cooling the body immediately by:

- Fanning air over the person while wetting the skin with a garden hose or sponge
 - Applying ice to the underarms, groin, neck or back
- Placing the person in a cool shower or tub of cool water, or an ice bath

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Grammar Tips...Commas...and Conjunctions

By the editors of The Beacon

There are five of us who work as a team, reading articles and preparing them to be published in The Beacon. The most common change we make to submissions is adding commas.

Usually, most readers prefer sentences that are not particularly long. A good way to make your sentences even clearer is to add commas. They help the reader understand where one clause finishes and another begins. And, a sentence can have several clauses (subject + verb + object).

So, how and where should you put your commas? Think of a comma as a pause, like when you take a breath when you are speaking.

Place a comma between two clauses:

- If the weather is nice tomorrow, we're going to the park. Separate items in a list:
- Our kids like swimming, skiing, ice-skating and cycling.

For extra information in the middle of a sentence:

• My neighbor, who's from Brazil, is really good at

And, with conjunctions:

• Our holiday was great, and the hotel was wonderful. However, the weather was awful.

Conjunctions, you say? What are they? If you want to connect two ideas or short phrases, you can do so by using a conjunction.

An example is - I'm studying history. History is important. To combine these thoughts, you could say I'm studying history, because it's important.

The most common conjunctions are:

- and addition
- because to give the reason
- but (and however) to express contrast

Wildlife Caution

• so – to describe a consequence

• or – to describe an alternative

• He likes tennis, and plays on a team.

pause – you'll get your point across better.

• She wants to play more golf, but she doesn't have time.

So, the next time you put pen to paper, or fingers to

• Friends are visiting, so I'm cleaning my house.

the keys, or voice to your audience, remember to take a

Examples of these are:

Owners are asked to use caution and be aware of local wildlife such as coyotes, bobcats, and alligators.

Coyotes sightings have increased as it is their mating season, and they are more aggressive and vocal right now. Recently a Burnt Store Lakes resident witnessed a coyote chase a rabbit into their rain gutter downspout and then pull the downspout into the yard I trying to get the rabbit out.

Please watch your pets carefully and keep them on a leash when outside, particularly at dusk, nighttime, and dawn. Smaller pets are especially at risk. Letting them out in a fenced area may not deter a coyote. Make sure pet food, fruit, or other items are stored inside or in tightly shut garbage cans. Ensure your home is not luring small rodents or animals that coyotes like

One of the best attributes of living in Burnt Store Marina & The Lakes is the abundant wildlife. However, residents need to be aware of our wildlife and be cautious to ensure their own safety and the safety of their pets.

Golf Tip of the Month

By Bill Connelly,

Manager of Golf Operations

It's that time again to get back to the basics. We have all hit a bad shot due to not being properly aligned, or maybe our ball position was wrong.



There are a few things that you can do to make sure that you hit the best shot possible, and those basics are: gripping the club the same way every time; making sure that your feet and shoulders are square to the target; and having the proper ball position for the club that you are using.

When you are out playing, you will face many different variables that you cannot control, but you also have a few things you can control. The next time you go and practice, try getting back to the basics, and it may just help you hit it better.

There will be a MEGA Golf Tournament on Thursday, July 7 at 8 a.m. And remember, there is a 9-Hole Scramble every Tuesday at 3 p.m.

Below are the results of May golfing events Memorial Day Scramble, benefitting "Folds of Honor," May 30

Flight 1

- 1. Ralph Smith, Doris Havens, Ron Shotts, Ellen Thompson 2. Tom Freimark, Larry Marks, Chris Smith, Jim Willhoite 3. Scott Mellor, Bob Hornak, Chris Hornak, Deb Lehman Flight 2
- 1. Mike Delisio, Kimm Dewitt, Angie Dewitt, Lynn Wood 2. Ron Jones, Melody Groh, Babe Ahrens, Judy Schinneller
- 3. Jim Welch, Mary Welch, Sam Iaquinta, Becky Iaquinta **Closest to the Flag**

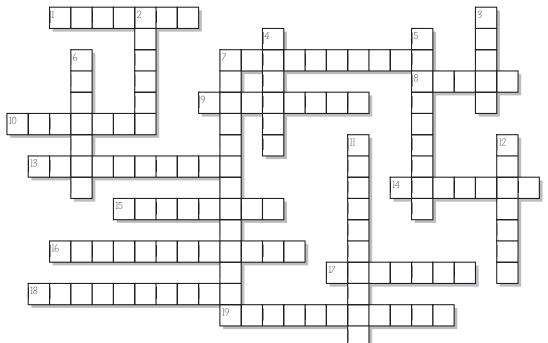
Heron #2 Stan Rogers Osprey #4 Bill Smith

We would also like to congratulate Stan Rogers for his **Hole-in-one** on April 19. He accomplished this on Heron #7 with a 6 iron at 165 yards.

Please stop in for lunch and some shopping, we would love to say hello.

Have fun learning to enjoy your game.

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ACROSS

- l The cry of a newborn baby is called a
- 7 The utter sick feeling you get after eating or drinking too much is called
- 8 The prongs on a fork are called
- 9 The space between your eyebrows is called a
- 10 The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an
- 13 Illegible handwriting is called
- 14 The tiny plastic table placed in the middle of a pizza box is called a (2 wds.)

- 15 The "na na na" and "la la la" which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of any song, are called
- 16 the metallic device used to measure your feet at the shoe store is called (2 wds.)
- 17 The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn is called
- 18 The sheen or light you see when you close your eyes and press your hands on them is called
- 19 When you combine an exclamation point with a question mark (like this ?!) it is referred to as being a

DOWN

- 2 The dot over an "i" or "j" is called
- 3 The plastic or metallic coating at the end of your shoelaces is called a
- 4 The rumbling of stomach is actually called
- 5 The way it smells after the rain is called a
- 6 The condition of finding it difficult to get out of bed in the morning is called
- 7 The space between your nostrils is called (2 wds.)
- ll The day after tomorrow is called
- 12 Your tiny toe or finger is called



7 Warning

3 – Speeding: visitors

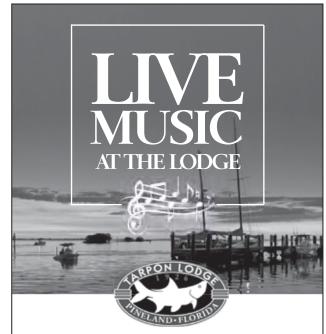
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Burnt Store Marina CC News

By John Abbott, General Manager, BSMCC Happy Birthday America!!

We are kicking off the month with our Annual July 4th Golf Scramble to celebrate our nation's 246th birthday. What would an



Independence Day party be without a cookout? Whether you are playing in the tournament or not, come out and celebrate with us and enjoy some good food, cold beverages and tons of fun. Golf starts at 9 a.m., followed by the cookout, which should get going around 12:30 p.m. You don't have to be a member to attend the cookout. We hope to see you all there.

For those of you sticking around for the dog days of summer in Florida, we have quite a few fun events going on here at the club. Happy hour will continue on nights where there are no events, and we will continue trivia on Monday nights, and Bar Bingo, two Wednesdays a month. We are bringing "Family Feud" to Linkside on Saturday July 9, which should be a great time for everyone. Tuesday dinner, Friday Fish Fry and Sunday breakfast will be going strong throughout the month, along with our always delicious daily lunch. Keep a close watch on your email for the "Weekly Blast," as we are constantly adding new events. If you are currently not on our email list and would like to be, stop by the administration office, and we will get you added into the information loop.

For those of you who are not with us this month, we hope that your travels are smooth, and you all stay safe, happy and healthy.

Thank you all for your continued support and we will see you at the Club!

BSMCC July 2022 Schedule of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All events are subject to change!			1	2	1 Dine in or Take out Lunch 11 a.m 3 p.m.* Fish Fry Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.*	2 Dine in or Take out Lunch 11 a.m 3 p.m.* Happy Hour Menu 3 - 7 p.m.
3 Breakfast 9 a.m 1 p.m. Dine in or Take out Lunch 1 - 3 p.m.*	4 July 4th Scramble 9 a.m. Barbecue 1 p.m. No Trivia	5 9 Hole Scramble 3 p.m.*** Dine in or Take out Lunch 11 a.m 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.*	6 Dine in or Take out Lunch 11 a.m 3 p.m.* Republican Dinner 5 p.m.*****	7 Dine in or Take out Lunch 11 a.m 3 p.m.* MEGA Golf Tournament 8 a.m.	8 Dine in or Take out Lunch 11 a.m 3 p.m.* Fish Fry Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.*	9 Dine in or Take out Lunch 11 a.m 3 p.m.* Friendly Feud 5 - 8 p.m. ****
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Gardener's Wheelbarrow

By Maggie Hart, Mariners Pass Ready for thunderstorms in the lightning capital of the United States? July's average of 23 storms tops any month of the year. Expect rainfall of 8 to 9 inches. The rainy season eases the BSM

irrigation water's salinity, caused by low-pond drought conditions, and creates opportunities for new plantings.

- Selecting Plants Look around at what is doing well within our community, noting if it's closer to the front entry or the Marina. The eastern part (front entry) is colder in the winter and tends to get more rain. The western section (closer to the water) is more temperate. Where is your yard located in the Marina? Also note if your yard provides afternoon shade (almost all plants benefit from a bit of relief from the sun). Take pictures of plants you like, and are thriving in this area, then find them at your favorite nursery. Be sure to look at tags on prospective plant purchases, noting their best-growing conditions.
- Plant palms and ornamentals (tropical and flowering) during this rainy season to ensure a constant supply of moisture to establish healthy root systems. Despite the fact that a plant might be listed as "highly salt tolerant," it wasn't raised on salty water. Add color to your landscape with ornamentals like crotons, Hawaiian tis and caladiums.
- Plants native or naturalized to the subtropics (that's us) are generally drought, heat and salt tolerant.

They are tough, but they need good drainage so their roots don't rot during the rainy season.

- Longevity is a relative issue with plants under our conditions. Many shrubs tap out after 5 - 7 years. As plants age-out, they become more vulnerable to disease and pests. Your landscape plan should be living and evolving. Continue to renew it.
- Lawns with dead areas are the result of the extended drought and also may have been affected by the onslaught of snails in the irrigation system that hit in April-May. The snails clog the filters and sprinkler heads. Then come chinch bugs. Rain brings bugs to the surface where they begin munching. They head to hot spots near hard surfaces that heat up quickly. Use an appropriate insecticide, wait a week or so, remove the dead turf, add topsoil and keep it moist to encourage Floratam grass runners to fill in. Large areas affected? Try Floratam plugs.
- Mulch should be at least 2 inches deep, but not up against the plant's stalk or trunk, where it will encourage fungus by inhibiting air circulation. Mulch tends to compact and form a barrier even from water. Where mulch has not broken down, break it up. Try a year without another application if you find build-up.
- Bougainvillea Haven't pruned your bougainvillea? Do it now! The first week of July is the last safe time to prune, and yield a great bloom later in the year. Or, if extended age and constant pruning have resulted in a misshaped gnarly mass, it might be time to replace it with a new one.

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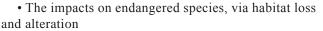
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Florida Exotic Invasive Species in Burnt Store Marina

By Maggie Hart, with Jan McLaughlin's list posted on BSM22.org

Why have some plants been labelled pest plants or invasive species? The goal of the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council is to draw attention to:

- The adverse effects of exotic pest plants to Florida's biodiversity and ecosystems
- The native plant habitat losses from exotic pest plant infestations



• The socio-economic impacts of these plants (increased wildfires in Melaleuca areas)

The following are considered Category 1 Invasive Plants, and should be removed, if possible, from your landscape. Several on this list are thriving within Burnt Store Marina, and you may even have one or two in your own yard. Invasive exotics alter plant communities by

displacing native species, changing community structures or ecological functions, or hybridizing with natives. This definition does not rely on the economic severity of geographic range of the problem, but on the documented ecological damage caused.

If you find one of these plants in your landscape, you are encouraged to remove it. For additional information on plants included in this list, visit the Florida Exotic Pest Plant Council at www.fleppc.org.









Mexican petunia

Schefflera

Common Name

Asparagus fern

Hydrilla

Air Potato Asian Sword Fern *Asparagus Fern Australian Pine Beach Naupaka Bischofia Brazilian Jasmine *Brazilian Pepper Burma Reed; Cane Grass Camphor Tree *Carrotwood Tree Cat's Claw Vine Catclaw Mimosa Chinaberry Chinese Tallow Tree Climbing Cassia, Christmas Cassia Cogon Grass Downy Rose-myrtle Earleaf Acacia Glossy Privet Gold Coast Jasmine Green Hygro Guava Hedge Privet

Botanical Name

Carrotwood tree

Dioscorea bulbifera Nephrolepis multiflora Asparagus densiflorus Casuarina equisetifolia Scaevola sericea Bischofia javanica Jasminum fluminense Schinus terebinthifolius Neyraudia reynaudiana Cinnamomum camphora Cupaniopsis anacardioides Macfadyena unguis-cati Mimosa pigra Melia azedarach Sapium sebiferum Senna pendula Imperata cylindrical Rhodomyrtus tomentosa Acacia auriculiformis Ligustrum lucidum Jasminum dichotomum Hygrophilia polysperma Psidium guajava

Ligustrum sinense

Hydrilla verticillata

Common Name

Melaleuca

Incised Halberd Fern Japanese Climbing Fern Japanese Honeysuckle Java Plum Kudzu Lather Leaf *Melaleuca *Mexican Petunia Napier Grass Old World Climbing Fern Oyster Plant Para Grass Rosary Pea Santa Maria Sapodilla *Schefflera, Queensland Umbrella Tree Seaside Mahoe Sewer Vine; Onion Vine

Common Name **Botanical Name**

Tectaria incisa Lygodium japonicum Lonicera japonica Syzgium cumini Pueraria Montana Colubrina asiatica Melaleuca quinquenervia Ruellia brittoniana Pennisetum purpureum Lygodium microphyllum Tradescantia spathacea Urochloa mutica Abrus precatorius Calophyllum antillanum Manikara zapota

Schefflera actinophylla Thespesia populnea Paederia cruddasiana

Shoebutton Ardisia Shrub Verbena Skunk Vine Strawberry Guava Suckering Australian Pine Surinam Cherry Sword Fern Torpedo Grass Tropical Soda Apple Variegated Orchid Tree Water-hyacinth Waterlettuce West Indian Marsh Grass Wetland Night Shade White Flowered Wandering Jew Tradescantia fluminensis Wild Taro Winged Yam Woman's Tongue *Many sighted within BSM.

Ardisia elliptica Lantana camara Paederia foetida Psidium cattleianum Casuarina glauca Eugenia uniflora Nephrolepis cordifolia Panicum repens Solanum viarum Bauhinia variegata Eichhornia crassipes Pistia stratiotes Hymenachne amplexicaulis Solanum tampicense Colocasia esculenta Dioscorea alata Albizia lebbeck

Botanical Name

Read The Beacon Online!

This edition of *The Beacon* is also available online at the Section 22 HOA web site...www.bsm22.org. This option is available in addition to the hard copy delivered to your door.

As a reminder; If you have not registered on our website, we strongly encourage you to do so! In

addition to reading this and past issues of The Beacon, it is a wonderful resource for much more information about the Burnt Store Marina community.





Enjoying the peacefulness of the babbling brook on golf course - Karen Sanderson



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Ladies League Luncheon for Babe Ahrens

By Melody Groh, President
On June 2, a number
of members of Ladies
League had a luncheon
to celebrate Babe Ahrens.
This is a transcript for my
presentation speech that I
made at this event.

We are here today to celebrate Babe Ahrens for all her amazing attributes, her gentle manner and essence, and how it has impacted each of us. When I use the words 'us' or 'we' – it is in the collective sense, encompassing all the



ladies of our league, not merely those present today. I suspect 'we' could include all the members of BSMCC, the Burnt Store Marina community, and for that matter, probably everyone who has ever known her!

In her 92 years, Babe has been many things to many people - daughter, sibling, wife, mother, employee, volunteer, nurse, member of the armed services, and the list goes on. Each of us here today recognize how very special she is because she has impacted our lives in one way or another and made us better because of that interaction. I commented to Judy (Judy Schinneller, Ladies League Vice President) recently that Babe is THE one person I have known in my life that I have NEVER heard a negative comment or insinuation of any kind. When Babe's name is mentioned - or she is referenced in any manner - it's ALWAYS in a positive light, an uplifting one. She is the example we all strive to be - kind, thoughtful, selfless, gentle, knowledgeable, uplifting - there simply aren't enough adjectives to fully capture her spirit. She is the epitome of agape love – the "highest form of love or charity."

Maya Angelou once stated, "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." I've always loved that statement, but I must say I have to question it a bit. The first time I ever played golf with

Babe I was playing TERRIBLE. She was so unflappable, supportive and encouraging. Yes, I remember well how she made me 'feel,' so hopeful I could get better at this game. However, I doubt I will ever forget what she SAID as



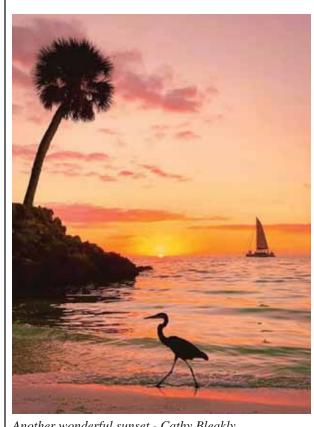
well, "Just keep your damn head down." I hear her voice every single time I set up for a shot! Whether you've known Babe for a brief time, a few months, years or a lifetime – you quickly discerned she is unique, and your life is a little bit brighter because of knowing her. She just makes you smile when you think of her. If I had a nickel for every time I've heard (and said), "when I grow up, I want to be Babe Ahrens" – I would be financially set for the rest of my life. I'm so very fortunate and blessed just to know this fine lady AND to be able to call her my friend. I have no doubt every person in the room feels exactly the same way.

The ladies of our golf league all wanted to recognize and demonstrate to you, Babe, just how much esteem and respect we have for you, and wanted to make you aware of how very high you have set the bar for the rest of us. What an amazing world this would be if every individual had your attitude and compassion and altruism! So, we created a very special award to which you are the initial recipient, the *Icon Award*.

We tried on several different 'titles' for the award, Mentor was a popular one – an experienced and trusted advisor. We all agree you are our 'mentor' but it wasn't quite 'enough'. Altruistic – showing a disinterested and selfless concern for the wellbeing of others – selfless. Yup! That fit too but wasn't quite right either. Lifetime Achievement – well, in our minds – your life is far from over so we certainly didn't want to put a cap on any future achievements, and if we had to list all your personal achievements, we would be here for a couple

days! So, we came up with ICON – a person regarded as a representative symbol or is worthy of veneration, a person that is symbolic or a noted figure. When your name is mentioned – it is symbolic of everything we each desire and strive to be.

It is my great pleasure and honor to present to you, on behalf of the Burnt Store Marina Ladies Golf League, the ICON award. Just as a small band of gold represents all the love, hopes and dreams of two people uniting their lives in marriage, this small crystal award represents all our esteem, respect and gratefulness for everything you have done and meant to each one of us. May you look at this and see the wealth of love from all these lovely ladies, and know how very valued you are.



Another wonderful sunset - Cathy Bleakly

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Fitness Center Limits New Membership to BSM Residents

Too successful. Too popular. Too well used. The BSM Fitness Center has enjoyed a five-year stretch of enviable growth. Now, particularly during the high season, activities are getting Fitness, Friends, & Fun



crowded. That's why the Fitness Center is no longer offering new memberships to people who don't live in the Marina.



By Candace VanDenBerghe, Marlin Run

This formula can work with a wide variety of meats and cheeses, so ham and Gruyère are just one choice. You can substitute and/or add other favorable items to the mix. (I like a mixture of 1000 Island dressing with sliced corned beef, Swiss, and some sauerkraut.) Enjoy for a snack, brunch, lunch, or a light dinner with salad.

Ham Slab Pie (serves 5)

3 Tbsp. Creole mustard 1 Tbsp. honey

1 (17.3-oz.) pkg. frozen puff pastry sheets, thawed All-purpose flour, for work surface

8 deli ham slices (4 oz.)

4 (1/2-oz.) Gruyère cheese slices

1 large egg, beaten

Preheat oven to 425°F. Line 2 large baking sheets with parchment paper or nonstick foil. Stir together mustard and honey in a small bowl.

Unfold each puff pastry sheet on a lightly floured work surface and roll each sheet into a 15- x 12-inch rectangle. Transfer pastry to prepared baking sheets and spread mustard mixture evenly over half of each rectangle lengthwise, leaving a 1/2-inch border around edges.

Layer ham and Gruyère slices evenly over mustard mixture, leaving a border. Whisk together egg and 1 Tbsp. water in a small bowl. Brush edges of both pastry rectangles with egg wash, and fold in half lengthwise over filling, creating 2 (15 x 6-inch) rectangles; crimp edges with a fork to seal.

Brush top of each pastry with egg wash; cut 5 or 6 (3-inch) diagonal slits on top of each pastry. Bake in preheated oven until puff pastries are deep golden brown, 20 to 25 minutes. Remove from oven; cool slightly. Cut each puff pastry crosswise into 5 pieces and serve.

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"The pickleball courts and the exercise classes were just getting too crowded," said Jennifer Tait, the Fitness Center's manager. "We have to give first priority to Marina residents."

The limitation applies only to new members; current members from outside the Marina will be "grandfathered in," and allowed to renew their memberships. "The limitation may be lifted if more spaces become available," Tait said.

"During high season, 32 people would be on the 8 pickleball courts at a time, with as many as another 20 waiting to play," Tait said. "And exercise classes were often so full members had to be put on a waiting list, despite the Fitness Center's offering of 30 classes a week."

Tennis continues to have sufficient room, so the Fitness Center will still offer new tennis-only memberships to people who live outside the Marina.

While statistics are not kept on the number of nonresident members, Tait estimated that 25% of all members do not rent or own in the Marina.

To help keep up with the demand for exercise classes, the Fitness Center will increase its popular Yoga class to six days a week. This class was started last fall at once a week, has been expanded to three times a week, and starting in the fall, will be offered daily Monday through Saturday.

The yoga classes will be taught by three different instructors, each one with a different yoga style. Yoga helps with muscle building, flexibility, and stress reduction.

In the fall, the number of aqua aerobics classes will be increased from two to three a day, Mondays through Fridays. Water aerobics is particularly helpful for people with joint or muscle problems.

Also reducing the overcrowding is the use of Zoom. Most of the exercise classes (though not the yoga classes) can be joined via Zoom from home. The typical class has five Zoom participants. "Many seasonal residents join the Zoom classes from home up north during the summer," Tait said.

The Fitness Center is a Marina resource, and continues to encourage Marina residents to join. There are many membership options, including yearly, seasonal, monthly, couples, singles as well as memberships limited to pickleball, the pool, tennis or the Fitness Center. Day passes are also available.

For more information, contact the Fitness Center at 941-575-3260, or search the internet for the Burnt Store Marina Fitness, Racquet & Pool Club.

Bocce - That's The Way We Roll!

By Kathy Darrell, Tarpon Pass

BURNT STORE MARINA COUNTRY CLUB - BOCCE - Our goal is to introduce the

joy and competition of bocce to more people.

Our official Bocce League play is over until the fall, but remember the bocce court is always open, and you may borrow a bocce set that is in the cart barn. Please feel free to play at any time!

Here are some cool facts about the game of bocce. Bocce comes from the Italian word boccia, which is plural and means "to bowl." However, the singular form used in Italy is bocce.

The most intricate arena for bocce in the United States is the Palazzo di Bocce, located in Orion Hills, Michigan. This arena has hosted World Bocce Championships.

The small white or yellow ball that is thrown to start a game is called the pallino. It is also known as boccino

A bocce player of note is Umberto Granaglia, who was awarded the honor of "Player of the Twentieth Century" by The Confederation Mondiale des Sports de Boules.

Between 1957 and 1980, Mr. Granaglia won a record 13 World Championships, 12 European Championship Titles and 46 Italian National Championships.

We will share more fun and interesting facts next month. In the meantime, take advantage of the BSMCC bocce court.

We look forward to next fall, and more competitive play. Plan on joining us!

For more information, or to be put on our email list, call Tom & Kathy Darrell at 330-806-9182.

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Burnt Store Marina 2022 Veterans Day Events – Save the Date!

By Michele Goldman, Chair

For the twelfth consecutive year, Burnt Store Marina will host a series of events over Veterans Day weekend to raise money for local veterans in need, through Wish for Our Heroes Foundation, a national 501(c)(3) organization, dedicated to assisting military families and Veterans with their basic needs.

On Veterans Day weekend, November 11-13, the following events have been scheduled:

November 11: Veterans Day Breakfast

November 12: Heroes Dinner & Fundraiser at Cass

November 13: Golf Tournament & Fundraiser, Burnt Store Marina Country Club

Tickets will be available for purchase online at www. wishforourheroes.org, and on-site at Burnt Store Marina, starting October 1. For questions, sponsorship information, or any other inquiries, contact Michele Goldman at (518) 469-7357.

To date, Burnt Store events have raised more than \$600,000 for military families struggling with basic needs. Burnt Store Marina is excited to carry on a long-standing tradition of assisting our nation's heroes by continuing to raise money for those in-need.







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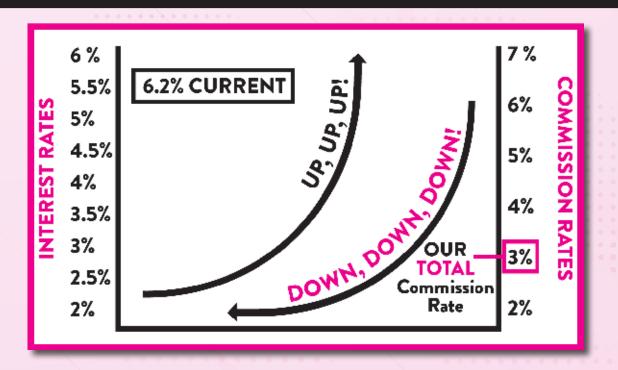
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July's Off-Beat Holidays and Adventures

By Maggie Hart, Mariners Pass

We are in the Dog Days of Summer and, by definition, the Dog Days of Summer are the hottest and steamiest part of summer. Where did this name come from? Well, this is the time when Sirius, the Dog Star, rises at the same time as the Sun, from July 3 - August 11.

The hazy, lazy days of summer, however, created some of our most remarkable events:

July 1, 1862: President Abraham Lincoln signed the first income tax bill, levying a 3% income tax on annual incomes of \$600-\$10,000, plus a 5% tax on incomes over \$10,000. And on this day, the Bureau of Internal Revenue was established by an Act of Congress.

July 1, 1867: Upper and Lower Canada and some Maritime Provinces joined the Dominion of Canada. This is *Canada Day*, and a celebration of Canadian nationalism, heritage and pride. Canada became self-governing, with the passage of the British North America Act (BNA Act) in the British Parliament. The holiday was originally known as Dominion Day. It was changed to Canada Day by the Canadian Parliament on October 27, 1982.

July 4, 1776: *July Fourth* marks the birthday of our nation. The Declaration of Independence was signed by representatives from the 13 colonies. The document declared freedom for the 13 colonies from British rule. It currently resides in the Exhibition Hall of the National Archive in Washington, D.C.

July 6, 1885: Louis Pasteur gave the first successful anti-rabies inoculation to a boy who had been bitten by an infected dog.

July 10, 1973: The Bahamas gained their independence after 250 years as a British Crown Colony.

July 14, 1789: The fall of the Bastille began the French Revolution. *Bastille Day* symbolizes the end of the constitutional monarchy, and the beginning of the democratic republic of France. To Frenchmen, Bastille Day is viewed as their liberation.



Young Sandhill Crane learning from mom - Karen Sanderson

July 19 - 20, 1848: The first women's rights convention was held at Seneca Falls, New York. Topics discussed included voting rights, property rights and divorce. The convention marked the beginning of an organized women's rights movement in the U.S.

Due to our summer heat, as well as afternoon rains, there are not too many outdoor events in our area in July, but there will always be:

July 29 - 31, 2022: *Lake Placid Caladium Festival*, Lake Placid, Florida

This event includes a floral arrangement and art competition, art & craft booths, Florida-friendly landscape plant sales, food & entertainment and caladium field bus tours.

Admission is free. Bus tours of the caladium fields can be purchased in advance for \$12 or \$15 the day of the event. Hours are Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Located in Stuart Park – 113 East Interlake Blvd, Lake Placid 33852. For more information, go to **caladiumfestival. org**.

Now, for the best part of July...July 4th events in Southwest Florida:

Cape Coral - "Red White and Boom" returns. Cape Coral Parkway will be closed between Del Prado Blvd. and the Cape Coral Bridge for festivities that include vendors and food trucks. Live music begins at 5:30 p.m. with fireworks at 9:30 p.m. Bring your own chairs. No pets (service animals OK) or outside alcohol allowed. For more information, go to capeboom.com.

Punta Gorda - "Fourth Fest" is located in Laishley Park. Gates open at 2 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person. Wristbands for unlimited use of waterslides are \$10. This year's event features Water-Mania, a group of 12 giant waterslides of all types and sizes for all ages. The event will include vendors, displays, as well as plenty of fun festival food, cold beer, and

beverages with live music throughout the day. Fireworks are set for 9 p.m., and as always, organizers say it will be the most spectacular display yet. For more information, go to **puntagordafireworks.com.**

Fort Myers - "Freedom Fest" in Downtown Fort Myers, 6 - 10 p.m. Fireworks at 9 p.m. Live music from Thunder Beach Band, food trucks, vendors and fireworks.

Fort Myers Beach - Fourth of July fireworks at Times Square, Estero Blvd. at 9 p.m. Bring a beach chair and enjoy the show. Restaurants are nearby for food and drink. Consider using the Beach Trolley to make getting there easier. The trolley will run from 3 - 11 p.m. Paid parking lots are located at Lynn Hall Park, on Old San Carlos Blvd., under the Matanzas Pass Bridge, and across and next to the Lani Kai Resort. Closing time for the Matanzas Pass bridge is 9 - 11:30 p.m. Big Carlos Pass Bridge on the south end of the island will remain open.

Labelle - "Red, White & Tunes" 4th of July Celebration at Barron Park, 1559 De Soto Avenue, 4 - 9 p.m. Fireworks, vendors, contests, water slides, live music and more at this Fourth fundraiser hosted by the LaBelle Downtown Revitalization Corporation. For more information, go to **downtownlabelle.com/redwhitetunes.**



And in other golf news...

Doug and Karen met while on a singles cruise, and Doug fell head-over-heels for her.

When they discovered they lived in the same city, only a few miles apart, Doug was

ecstatic. He immediately asked her out when they got home.

Within a couple of weeks, Doug had taken Karen to dance clubs, restaurants, concerts, movies and museums. Doug became convinced that Karen was indeed his soul mate and true love. Every date seemed better than the last.

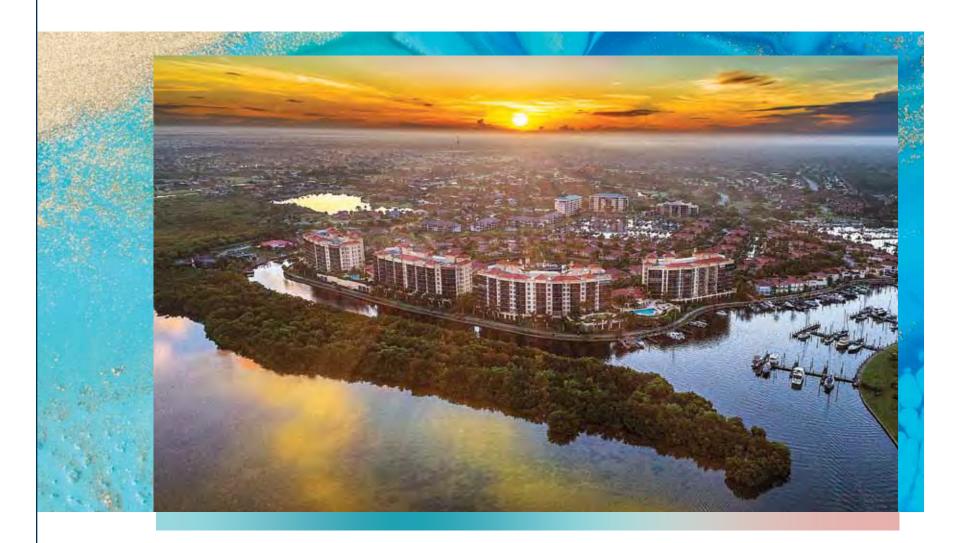
On the one-month anniversary of their first dinner on the cruise ship, Doug took Karen to a fine restaurant. While having cocktails and waiting for their salad, Doug said, "I guess you can tell I'm very much in love with you. I'd like a little serious talk before our relationship continues to the next stage. So, before I get a box out of my jacket and ask you a life changing question, it's only fair to warn you, I'm a total golf nut. I play golf, I read about golf, I watch golf on TV. In short, I eat, sleep and breath golf. It that's going to be a problem with us, you'd better say so now!"

Karen took a deep breath and responded, "Doug, that certainly won't be a problem. I love you as you are, and I love golf too, but, since we're being totally honest with each other, you need to know that for the last five years, I've been a hooker."

Doug replied, "I bet it's because you're not keeping your wrists straight when you hit the ball..."



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Fit Happens...The Benefits of Exercising Outdoors

By Cheri Frank, Certified Fitness Trainer

We all know that exercise provides many mental and physical health benefits, but did you know that there are



even more benefits to outdoor exercise, also known as "green exercise." We are lucky, living in Florida, to be able to get plenty of green exercise, even during the winter.

I really enjoyed teaching one of my classes outdoors this past season. We had fun listening to the birds chirping,



health boost, reducing depression and improving mood. Being in nature boosts feelings of well-being, and simply breathing fresh air has been shown to reduce stress and enhance relaxation. Connecting with Mother Nature also gets you out and about, connecting with others in your community.

enjoying the sunshine, challenging our bodies with the

uneven ground, and looking at the clouds as we did mat

exercises. This time of year, everyone can take advantage of

the summertime sunshine, and take their exercise outdoors.

Studies show that outdoor exercise provides a mental

whether you are up north, or still here in Florida.

Social connection is associated with decreased risks of cognitive decline, decreased rates of depression and greater longevity. Playing tennis, pickleball or golf are great ways to stay active and social, and they are available year-round in our community. Being physically active in an environment with changing terrain, forces your body to work hard to sustain the movement, and your mind to stay focused to

constantly adapt. Wind resistance can help you burn more calories as you bike, run or walk outdoors, as you will have to work harder to overcome the resistance.

Exercising outdoors increases your exposure to sunlight, which enhances vitamin D production, promoting bone health, boosting immune system function and reducing inflammation. Safety first though! Although sun is good for you, protect yourself with sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat with a brim. Keep in mind it is extra important to stay hydrated while exercising outdoors. Drinking 8 to 10 ounces of water 30 minutes before exercising outdoors should help hydrate you for a 30-minute workout. Exercise early in the day when the temperature tends to be lower, and you will get the post-workout benefits of less stress, and a better mood all day long.

Green exercise can be a structured exercise program, or as simple as a brisk walk around the block, light gardening or other yard work. Now that you know the benefits of exercising outdoors, why not get outside and get moving!

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Rules for Driving Golf Carts

There has been some confusion about operating golf carts in Burnt Store Marina. Please be aware that there are rules for golf cart use, and violation will get you a citation from the Lee County Sheriff's Office.



- Drivers of golf carts must observe the same rules as those designated for drivers of motor vehicles. Drivers must keep their carts on the right side of all streets, and obey all traffic signage.
- No one under 14 is allowed to drive a golf cart within the Burnt Store Marina premises.
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From the Butterfly Gardens - Maggie Hart



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By Graham Segger, Independent Homeowner

Like perhaps half of the people living in Burnt Store Marina, I live on a street named after a key, in fact, a Key Circle. Many of the islands in Charlotte Harbor are named keys. Years ago, up north, I used to drive down to Queens Quay (rhymes with "key") to catch the ferry over to Toronto Island. Nowadays, when my wife and I want a break from cooking, or a sunset drink, we may wander over to the deck at Cass Cay (rhymes with "bay" and "eh!"). While having dinner one night at said Cass Cay with friends, we took to reflecting on the word Cay. Our friends have spent many years cruising in the Bahamas and swear by the "key" pronunciation of Cay used there. That set me to thinking, are these words really homophones (sound the same, spelled different ²) or are there options, and what are their meanings and origins?

After scouting through a variety of dictionaries and websites, I found a consensus that the words Key and Cay are synonymous, meaning a small, low island consisting mostly of sand or coral, usually close to shore. Most references provide the /ke/ phonetic pronunciation, but some also list / kā/. The former is used throughout most of the Caribbean. In Belize they pronounce it "key," however, just to be different, they spell it Caye. There is some controversy about the early origins of the word, but the usage in Florida and the Caribbean definitely originates with the Spanish "Cayo," which also means a small island. Why then has Cass Cay³ opted for the /ka/ pronunciation? We need look no further

than the first names of the daughters of original owners Bill and Brian - Cassandra and Kayla!

In contraband drug sub-culture, in countries using the metric system, a "ki" sometimes refers to a kilogram of a substance such as marijuana sold in bulk.

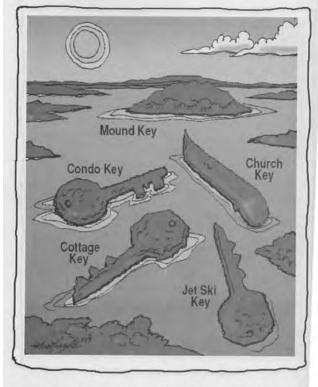
The fifth word rhyming with "key," which was mentioned above, quay, is not as commonly used in the USA, and has a different but still maritime related definition. A quay is a dock or wharf usually built parallel to a waterway. A pier, by contrast, runs perpendicular to the shore. Quay is also, in some cases, pronounced /ka/, but never as "kway".

Back to those Keys many of us live on. Newcomers might wonder where those street names came from. Many of the 28 roads in Burnt Store Marina were named by the original developer after islands in the Florida Keys, as a drive down the Overseas Highway to Key West will quickly prove.

¹ Derived from a chapter in Where Do We Live? (The Burnt Store Road book)

² Graham's favorite homophone cartoon – A woman dressed as a librarian says to a man dressed as a feudal serf - Sorry, I only date men who know the difference between your, you're and yore.

³ There has been a restaurant in the Cass Cay facility since March, 1982 when Salty's opened. For a period, sections of it were named the Oar Room, Latitudes on the Water, the Tiki Deck, Porto Bello and subsequent to reopening after a renovation in 2014, Cass Cay.



Forgotten keys around southwest Florida.

Cartoon by Doug McGregor from The Best of Sunny Side Up

Tight Lines... Fishing Community of Burnt Store Marina **Loses a Good Friend**

By Jay Lev, Burnt Store Anglers

Pat DiDonato, a founding member of the Burnt Store Anglers, recently passed away. Pat was a long-time resident of our community and one of its best fishing ambassadors. Almost 25 years ago, when Pat moved to Burnt Store Marina because of its great



fishing reputation, he encouraged 5 families from his home on Long Island, New York to come to Florida and join him and his wife Paula for some great fishing. Over the next couple of years each family did exactly that, and made Burnt Store Marina their

Pat was a long-time member of the famous Freeport Tuna Club and Squadron Anglers Fishing Club, whose members held many world records and fishing tournament championships. Pat was an excellent tuna fish angler. You would often read about his catches of giant bluefin tuna caught aboard the charter boat Bluefin II, captained by his good friend Captain Ed Geyer. Pat was able to convince Captain Geyer to move to Burnt Store Marina, and the two fished nearly every day here in Charlotte

Twenty years ago, Pat joined a group of 18 anglers to help form the Burnt Store Anglers. His special interest was in trying new techniques that had proven successful in northern fishing. Pat would always bring a stained old paper bag on each fishing trip filled with a special lure he would select from his tackle box. You would never know what he was bringing to the trip until he quietly removed the lure from the bag and tied it on to his rod. If the lure did not catch a fish in the first 10 casts, off it would come and placed back in the bag. I once asked Pat why he always brought the same old bag fishing, and his reply was quite memorable. His father gave him his first lure in that bag and always thought it brought him luck. After being part of many championship tournament fishing teams, he felt the proof was in the pudding, as they say. Pat was always great company on our fishing trips. Rest in peace and tight lines Pat. Pat DiDonato

is survived by his daughter Laura of Orlando, and his grandson William an excellent freshwater fisherman in his own right.

On the fishing front, some excellent tarpon catches have been made. Our own Bill Connelly, Manager of Burnt Store Golf Operations, recently had a charter trip with Captain Rhett Morris, and the crew caught some nice size tarpon, and a couple of big blackfin sharks. Jerry South, a member of the Burnt Store Anglers, also had a great tarpon trip with their crew hooking and landing 4 of the 6 tarpons hooked on that trip. Dave Roop, another member of the Burnt Store Anglers, managed to hook and land a beautiful 40-pound goliath grouper while using a spinning rod loaded with ten-pound test. Alan Ratner, fishing from his boat the Rockin Robin, caught his first cobia, followed by a bunch of really nice size seatrout. The Burnt Store Anglers President, Tom Zalac, caught a really nice redfish, trout and snook on the same trip, to make the trip, his first of the season Slam. While the wind has cut short the number of available fishing days, some really nice catches have been made. If you have made a special catch, drop me a line at customrods44@hotmail.com so we can let the fishing community know.

Tight Lines!

Enjoying Your Walk

By Jan McLaughlin, Former Beacon Editor

One morning a fellow walker stopped me and asked what the distance was around Prosperity Point, and how far was it from there to the front entry gate. With lots of residents returning and enjoying our pedestrian paths, I offer the following. All distances were measured with a GPS while riding in a golf cart.

- Islamorada Entrance Gate to Cape Cole Blvd. 0.82 mile
- Cape Cole Blvd., golf clubhouse gate arm to Islamorada Blvd. -0.60 mile
- Cape Cole Blvd., golf club gate arm to Matecumbe Key
- Matecumbe Key Blvd., construction entrance to Cape Cole Blvd., 0.72 mile

- Matecumbe Key Blvd., Cape Cole Blvd., to South Shore
- Courtside Landings' Loop, start/stop at entrance 0.48

• Prosperity Point sidewalk loop, start/stop at Matcumbe Key Blvd, 1.26 mile

- Admiral's Point loop (includes Key Largo Lane Circle, Sable Key Circle and Key Largo Circle) start/stop at Marathon & Cape Cole Blvd., 1.06 mile
- Tarpon Pass loop, start/stop at Islamorada Blvd., 0.76 mile Wonderful resources for walkers abound on the Internet. These sites offer a wide selection of audio music apps for beginners to advanced walkers, exercise videos, gear (including shoes), accessories and resource information.



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From The Desk Of Sheriff Carmine Marceno

The Importance Of Southwest Florida Crime Stoppers

I have never regarded law enforcement as a service done for the community, but rather a service done with the community. I often



say, "See something, say something, make the call!" It is this relationship with our constituents that makes Lee County one of the safest counties in the state.

Regardless of the size of your law enforcement agency or the material resources available, officers can never be in all places at all times. It is often the information provided by residents, guests and visitors that lead to the arrest and the successful prosecution of criminals.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) and our local law enforcement agencies are extremely fortunate to have the Southwest Florida Crime Stoppers program as a source of confidential information involving criminal activity. A 501(c) (3), nonprofit organization, Crime Stoppers pays rewards of up to \$3,000 for information leading to an arrest or to the recovery of stolen property. While Southwest Florida Crime Stoppers only serves Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades and Hendry counties, the Crime Stopper program is operational worldwide, has provided information that has led to over 812,000 arrests, has cleared over 1,160,000 cases and has helped recover over a billion dollars worth of stolen property ... all within the United States alone! Crime Stoppers USA has paid nearly \$118 million in rewards!

Despite assurances that the identity of "tipsters" remains anonymous, some residents remain concerned about sharing this type of information. In a recent conversation with a constituent, I was asked about the assured confidentiality. It prompted me to share this Q and A interview recently done with Trish Routte, Southwest Crime Stoppers coordinator. I am hopeful that her responses place tipsters at ease and lead to further community participation and an increase in information sharing regarding criminal activity.

Question: Some residents are genuinely concerned about

confidentiality and might be hesitant to take a chance submitting information. With caller ID and other electronic means of identification, how can one be certain that their identity is protected? How are Southwest Florida Crime Stoppers received?

Trish Routte: "Anonymity is the single most important aspect of the Crime Stoppers program. People need to know that when they reach out to us that their identity will never, ever be known. We don't have caller ID, nor the ability to trace an IP address from a computer. In fact, our calls are routed through a call center in Canada to further ensure that phone records can never be subject to subpoena. When tipsters reach out to us, whether it's via the hotline, the website or the mobile app, they are given a code number, which is how we identify them from beginning to end. Once we receive the information, we immediately pass the tip along to the appropriate law enforcement agency for investigation. Tips are disseminated to law enforcement 24 hours a day, as we have personnel working round the clock, seven days a week. If a tip ends up leading to an arrest, we pay out rewards the following Wednesday in cash, again using that code number that was given to the tipster in the very beginning. In 41 years of existence, not once has the identity of a tipster been known."

Question: Should a tipster's information be incredibly valuable, is there any way that they would/could be subpoenaed or even asked to speak, in person, with a law enforcement officer?

Trish Routte: "It's absolutely not possible. At no point in time do we ever know the identity of the tipster, therefore there is no way that law enforcement, attorneys or anyone could ever know. Even when tipsters inadvertently blurt out their name or connection to the crime or suspect, we never take that information down. Every single tip is sanitized of any identifying information, down to whether the caller is a male or female. There have definitely been times when law enforcement has tried to get the tipsters information, but every single time they're given the same

answer – we just don't know. By not having that information, we can assure tipsters that their names will never show up in a police report and they will never be subpoenaed to testify in court."

Question: All Southwest Florida Crime Stoppers materials indicate that there is a potential reward for submitted information. How are reward amounts determined? How does a person obtain a reward without revealing their identity?

Trish Routte: "We do pay out rewards for information that leads to an arrest or the seizure of drugs or stolen property. Our rewards are up to \$3,000; the maximum reward would be for a homicide (and we've paid out on quite a few). We determine the reward amounts based on a points system that takes into account the seriousness of the crime, the number of crimes committed, a suspect's criminal history, the number of arrests, as well as the value of drugs seized or property recovered. We also place extra emphasis (and value) on tips that lead to the closure of cases involving the elderly or young children. Last year, we paid out just over \$150,000 in rewards. It's also important to know that not a single penny of tax dollars goes to fund Crime Stoppers. We are funded through 'bad guys' money!' When a criminal is sentenced, they have to pay a \$20 fine, of which about \$16 comes back to Crime Stoppers in the form of a grant administered through the State of Florida. Those funds are used to keep the program running and to pay out rewards. So we are essentially using bad guys' money to put more bad guys behind bars! It's a win-win!"

Should you have information to share, there are a number of ways in which you can do so:

- Tips can be submitted by calling 1 (800) 780-TIPS (8477). Operators, including Spanish-speaking operators, are available 24/7.
- Tips can be submitted online at www. southwestfloridacrimestoppers.com.
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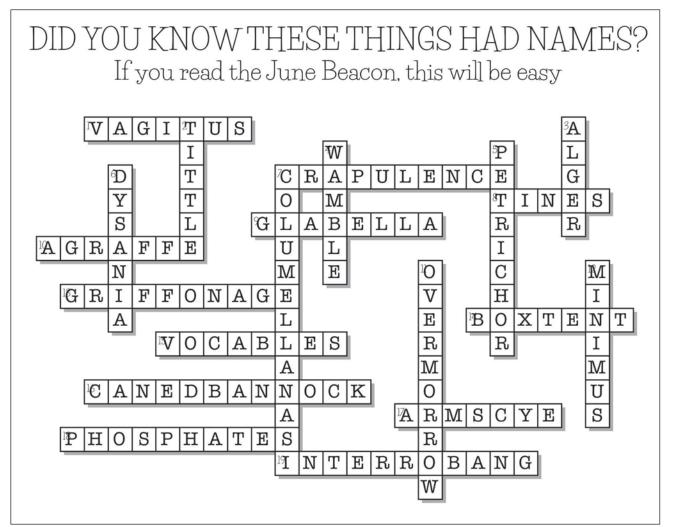
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Mini MangoMania

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Tickets: \$5 at the gate and children under 10 are free.

The Greater Pine Island Chamber of Commerce (GPICC) is excited to announce "Mini MangoMania" – Pine Island's Tropical Fruit Fair, on the island. This event celebrates the wonderful bounty of the island and this year it is coming back!

This fun-filled family event will include tropical fruit sales and tastings, tropical fruit-inspired foods and beverages, island growers, local artisans, kids' activities, live music, adult beverages, Kiwanis Mango Drop and much more!

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Who Are You Going To Call?

Florida is a wonderful place to live. We make new friends, and family loves to visit. Your neighbors may have met your children and even grandchildren. But do they know their full names and have their contact information?



Please consider sharing your next of kin information with at least two of your neighbors. Should something unfortunate happen to you, your neighbors are likely to be the first to notice first responders at your home. They could put the police in touch with the proper family members. Conversely, provide your family

with your neighbors' contact information should they want someone to just "pop in" for a wellness check when they haven't heard from you in a while but are hesitant to call the police for this.

You may think this is common sense, but I've already experienced having to do Google searches for old obituaries to find family related to an unexpectedly deceased neighbor – twice! Then, further searches are needed to find telephone numbers, which isn't easy these days.

So, do yourself and your family a favor and ensure your communication network is in place and give everyone a little more peace of mind.

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Home for the Holidays

By Section 22 Board of Directors

Home for the Holidays 2022 events will start on Wednesday, November 30, through Sunday, December 4, and a Run/Walk for Charity event on December 11.

The events will include:

- Lite Up the Xmas Tree
- Duffers Golf Scramble
- Golf Cart/Vintage Car Parade
- Marina Boat Decorating
- Tour of Lights
- Home/Community Decorating
- Outdoor Music Concert
- Run/Walk for Charity ...and more!

Home For the Holidays has grown over the past 5 years from a one-day event to eight events, and has been well received by the entire Community, and...it helps put us all in the holiday spirit!

So, what is missing? *You* – the volunteers to help make it happen.

We want **your** *limited* volunteer involvement in one or more of these exciting holiday events.

If you want to *volunteer* to be a part of any of these events, we want *you!*

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July Is National Ice Cream Month

National Ice Cream Month is a month to celebrate all things ice cream. Did you know ...

• National Ice Cream Month was created by Congress. Senator Walter Dee Huddleston of Kentucky and Representative Kika de la Garza of Texas sponsored the joint resolution which designated July as National Ice Cream Month and July



15 as National Ice Cream Day.

- On July 9, 1984, through Proclamation 5219, Ronald Reagan proclaimed July as National Ice Cream Month.
- The proclamation also declared July 15 as National Ice Cream Day, which is Friday, July 15, 2022 ... the day is also celebrated on the third Sunday of the month (Sunday, July 17, 2022).
- Consumption of ice cream has decreased over the years. According to the database Statista, per capita consumption of ice cream has decreased from 16.1 gallons per person in 2000 to 12.7 gallons per person in 2020.
- Consumption **did** increase during COVID 2020 from 12.3 gallons per capita in 2019 to 12.7 gallons per capita in 2020.
- The ice cream industry has a \$13.1 billion impact on the U.S. economy, supports 28,800 direct jobs, and generates \$1.8 billion in direct wages, according to the International Dairy Foods Association, https://www.idfa.org/ice-creamsales-trends.
- The top 10 favorite ice cream flavors in the United States are:
- Vanilla
- Chocolate
- Cookies 'n' Cream
- Mint Chocolate Chip
- Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough
- Buttered Pecan
- Cookie Dough
- Strawberry
- · Moose Tracks
- Neapolitan

How To Celebrate National Ice Cream Month

- Take your family or friends out to a special ice cream shop (Google "ice cream near me").
- Bring home a carton of ice cream from the top 10 favorite flavors that is different from your usual flavor choice.
- Bring home a carton of ice cream from the grocery or a specialty store that you've never tried before.
- Host an ice cream party. Have a family/friends dessert weekend event with several ice cream flavors, several sauces (hot fudge, caramel) and toppings (nuts, sprinkles, marshmallow crème/fluff, whipped cream, Oreos, hard chocolate coating, peanut butter cups, brownies, fresh strawberries, fresh blueberries).
- · Have a contest to see how many different flavors your family/friends can try during the month.
- Google "make ice cream in a bag" and make one of the recipes.
- · Make homemade vanilla ice cream the old fashioned way (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jo9KEGDs Xs).
- Add ice cream to a food you've never paired with ice cream before (grilled peaches, Ritz crackers, cookies, Rice Krispy treats, Lucky Charms, pretzels, éclair shells, taco shells).

According to the Encyclopedia of American Food and Drink, ice cream is "a confection made from cream, sugar, and flavorings, chilled to a semisolid consistency and consumed as a dessert or snack food. The specific phrase 'ice cream' dates in print to 1735. ..." Enjoy the month!















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