



From the Section 22 HOA BOD

By Lynda Vail, Director

All right, I now have been made aware that it is my turn to write an article for *The Beacon* as a Section 22 HOA Board member; another added perk! As you all know, after being unable to run for the Board due to an oversight, which was corrected immediately, the Board has asked me to fill a recent vacancy. This I have accepted, and am very thankful to be a member of this board, which spends endless hours to improve this community. It is great meeting people and learning new things. We are never too old to learn! My position will be shared with Greg Beaton as the liaison to BSMCC and, also for “Home for the Holidays.” Having these positions will give me the opportunity to enhance what already has been going on as the Activities Coordinator for Burnt Store Marina Country Club.

Most of you may know my husband, Bob and me from Monday nights Trivia. This has become one of the most popular evenings at Linkside Café. Seeing people laughing, having fun and meeting others warms our hearts. On the other side, coming up with 15 questions every week, for three years now, is becoming quite the project. The biggest benefit from Trivia is using the money that we make to give back to BSMCC in many ways, i.e., TVs, bands, prizes and décor for events, etc.

Exciting things are being done in our community. The enthusiasm generated by those implementing these changes, along with the community’s receptiveness, is exhilarating. The Linkside Café lanai has been painted, new ceiling fans are being installed, and as soon as these hot, hot, summer days go away, the lanai floor will be repainted. New chairs will be purchased with much of the cost being generated from Trivia income, donations from Bingo, and a couple of community members. This will leave the expense to the Club at a minimum. We thank you all for making this happen. The original chairs will be used outside for events.

The new carpet in the restaurant has been a welcoming sight. Thank you for submitting your favorite photos of the golf course. Photos were chosen, and you’ll have to stop in and see if one of yours was selected. The recent décor on the walls brightens up the dining room and is fitting of a golf club.

The Tiki Hut, to cover the old patio area and the Tiki Stage, will enhance the outside in so many ways. What an impact they will have on golfers and outside events.

Now, speaking of events, watch out for the monthly calendar and flyers. There are some great times ahead. Chef Seth is always coming up with new menu and dinner ideas. The staff has been very receptive with great service. Of course, our “Food Truck and Music Nights”

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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 write legibly, and complete the entire form**, including having your Condo 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 ARC:

- Grand Isle I & II Towers, 3313 Sunset Key Circle, roof replacement.
- Jay & Janet Hargreaves, 2011 King Tarpon Drive, roof replacement.
- Robert J. Richmond, 1300 Romano Key Circle, generator installation.
- Larry & Jolene Davis, 1540 Islamorada Boulevard, roof/gutter replacement.
- Rick & Susan Dreher, 3225 Sunset Key Circle, hurricane shutter installation.
- Bob & Nancy Parenti, 3353 Sunset Key Circle, exterior paint.
- Michael Sabo, 3405 Sunset Key Circle, replace doors and screens.
- Todd & Heidi Clark, 3265 Sunset Key Circle, front door color.
- Prosperity Point Master Association, 3282 Sunset Key Circle, pool roof replacements.
- Prosperity Point SK2, 3401 Sunset Key Circle, exterior paint.
- Robert E. & Jan R. Hubbard, 17837 Hibiscus Cove Court, roof replacement.
- Thomas & Michele Colucci, 1500 Islamorada Boulevard, roof replacement
- Joseph & Diana Drips, 3071 Big Bend Circle, generator installation.
- Anthony & Michelle Gray, 23971 Vincent Avenue, exterior paint.
- Adelia I. Butrum, 217 Islamorada Boulevard, roof replacement.
- Glenn Dundas, 4070 Key Largo Lane, roof replacement.
- Stephen & Sharon Dahl, 4001 Cape Cole Boulevard, exterior paint.



- Thomas & Patricia Barnola, 17820 Hibiscus Cove Court, roof/gutter replacement.
- Marlene Ryan, 1629 Islamorada Boulevard, 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 Alliant Property Management, 13831 Vector Ave, Fort Myers, FL 33919, Email: **apmsupport@alliantproperty.com**.

An ARC did you know, moment...

By Barry Groesch, Architectural Review Committee Chair

Did you know...If you want to install a garage screen door, an ARC application is required. For all projects, go to the **BSM22.org** website to get your application.



Reminder:
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Linkside Café Patio.
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Inside the Gates Dates

- **Sunday, October 1:** Deadline for the November *Beacon*. Article and picture submissions are welcomed. Become part of the *Beacon* family.
- **Tuesday, October 24:** Section 22 HOA Board Meeting, Linkside patio, 9 a.m.
- **Every Tuesday:** Section 22 HOA Board Workshop, 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, October 6:** Fort Myers River District Art Walk, 1 to 5 p.m. Visit many galleries, exhibitions and performances.
- **Friday, October 20:** 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.
- **Sunday, October 22:** Social Dance Party, 2 to 5 p.m. Apply moves learned in dance lessons and meet new friends. Punta Gorda Woman’s Club, 118 Sullivan St. Call Laura at 330-501-2366 for information. For USDA Members \$15 per person/\$25 per couple. For non-members, \$17 per person, \$30 for couples.
- **Every Tuesday and Friday:** Dance Fusion Class, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association, 2001 Shreve St. Call Cara Peralta for information, 941-276-1887. \$10 per class.
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- **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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will resume every Thursday evening, starting on November 9. Deb & the Dynamics will be here for the “Let’s get the Season Started” party. Mark your calendars!

“Home for the Holidays” is also on our agenda. The holidays in the Marina have been such wonderful times for many years. The cart parade and the decorating of the boats were our first holiday events. Everyone in the community has so many great memories. With everyone receiving a warm welcome for an amazing decorated home, we implemented the home decorating contest, and the Tour of Lights. It’s great to see events evolve over time. We thank everyone who has participated through the years bringing holiday joy to the community.

After *Hurricane Ian*, AKA the Grinch, last season, it was difficult for many to really celebrate. Well, that’s pretty much behind us, and hopefully everyone can get into the “Holiday Spirit” this year. As in the past, the events will start with the Tree Lighting at the Trading Post and Cass Cay on December 7. This will be followed by the cart parade on December 8. Unfortunately, the train that has led the parade for many years has met its demise. We thank everyone who in the past has brought it to life year after year. Don’t worry, we’ll have something in store to lead the parade. Also, another added surprise to the parade should bring out the holiday spirit in us

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all. The biggest complaint that I have heard in the past few years was that the carts go by so fast, the viewers, don’t really get to see them. Hopefully, our new addition can slow them down. Classic cars will not be included this year to alleviate that problem, as well. Look out for another event coming up in October, where the classic cars are the focus.

The Holiday Golf Scramble will be on December 9 and following on December 10, the Fitness Center will again hold the “Holiday 5K,” with donations going to Guardian Ad Litem. The decorating of boats contest will be on December 11.

Let’s not forget the spectacular “Home Decorating Contest,” where holiday lights will be shining throughout our community for everyone to see. Maps will be sent to

every one including all entrees, so you can plan on going through the community with friends and family to enjoy the beautiful displays.

On December 23, there will be an outdoor “Holiday Movie” at Burnt Store Marina Country Club. Drive on up in your golf cart, or sit and watch with beverages and food. Don’t forget the kids!

Keep your eye out for updates regarding all of these events.

I don’t know about you, but we are really excited and happy to be members of this community. As I have stated in the past, as the Event Coordinator, and even more now as a Board Director: “Let’s make Burnt Store Marina Country Club everybody’s second home.”

Gardener’s Wheelbarrow

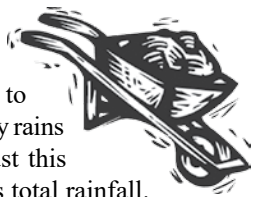
By Maggie Hart,
Mariners Pass

Temperatures will finally begin to cool down in October, and most likely rains will diminish. By the end of August this year, we had only half of last year’s total rainfall. Let’s hope that we turn this trend around, especially since October begins our dry season! The upside is that the weather should be much more comfortable to get out and clean up the areas you left alone because it was too hot outside to work.

The shortening days of fall have a special effect on popular seasonal plants like poinsettias, Christmas cactus, kalanchoes and chrysanthemums. They start producing their flower buds at this time. Make sure that these plants don’t receive any night light, or they may not bloom.

October’s Checklist:

- Once summer rains diminish, supplemental watering will be required for new plantings.
- Check your irrigation system’s coverage. Whether from Mother Nature or from irrigation, the total amount of water in a 7-day period should be 1–1.5 inches. Watering twice a week is optimum.



- Because October is like spring in other parts of the country, we can plant some of the same spring annual flowers now. Temperature-wise, it’s a great time to plant annuals, perennials, herbs, shrubs and trees; but rainfall is not reliable. You will probably need to hand water anything newly planted.
- Apply a high quality slow-release fertilizer to your turf, trees (including fruit-bearing and palms), shrubs, herbaceous perennials and annuals.
- When the temperature is below 80-85 degrees, apply herbicide to your turf to kill weeds. Look for sod webworm infestations and treat accordingly.
- Time to mulch! Organic mulch breaks down to enrich our crummy soil with nutrients, adding fiber to retain moisture and texture for roots to grab onto and aerate the soil. Be certain your organic mulch isn’t building up year after year. Rake and break it up to redistribute it.
- Rocks are becoming a new trend throughout the community – and especially at BSMCC. They create a fresh, clean look. If you decide to use them, the optimum depth is 2–3”.

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Fitness, Friends & Fun...We are getting ready for the season!

By Cynthia Mathews

We all appreciate the climate – for the most part – because it allows us to maintain a year-round active lifestyle. The fitness club’s tennis, pickleball, and aqua activities provide classes and friendly competition. But, the real hub of the club is the center itself. The leader of the Burnt Store Marina Fitness Club staff is Jen Tait. She’s been overseeing day-to-day operations for over three years.

What does the Grand Poobah do? She wears many hats. From scheduling the dozens of classes and events on court reserve, to ordering items for members and staff of 15, Jen does it all with a smile on her face. She inputs all member and merchandise information into the computer, and sends out the twice-monthly newsletter. “I help keep the gym clean, change bulbs, hang decorations, install fans, and any other handy work that I’m able to do,” she says. Not only that, she submits all the monthly sales and membership reports to the Marketing and Operations Committees, and attends most of the monthly committee meetings.

As we move forward, Jen and the staff continue to explore more class options to keep members motivated and excited to come join these high-quality, and highly-fun classes. Already, the club offers low-intensity chair exercise classes to those combining weights, dancing, and core workouts. This year, Donna Heiple will be heading our annual Wellness Series. For the last three years, Cheri



Stamper has led this popular program. It’s a fantastic program that helps club members learn to make better food choices and safely increase their exercise levels, resulting in healthy weight loss. About the program, Jen doesn’t just talk about it, she has been a participant. “I still follow the program and truly believe it helps me to maintain a healthy weight and keep a structured exercise routine.”

Looking ahead, we are involved with the Charity 5K Fun Run/Walk on December 10 as part of the Home for the Holiday events. We are hosting an Open House in January, but we also participate in the community-wide garage sale to raise money for the fitness club’s wish list. The biggest item we are raising money for is a stair-steeping machine. Some members also would like a lower body hip adductor/abductor machine. We really appreciate it when members and those in the community donate items for us to sell so we can get updated equipment for our center.

A covered tennis viewing area is in the works. Make sure you join us in November when the club is hosting a Welcome Back Party for our members. This Grand Re-Opening celebration will show off the amazing off-season improvements inside the club, to the pool, and all the resurfaced courts. During the summer, all the metal hand weights and dumbbells have been replaced with rubber-ended weights.

Jen’s favorite part of the club is creating a healthy environment for the members to meet people and make new friends. Her staff are friendly and helpful and put the member’s needs first. She says, “I take many of the classes and find them all fun and challenging. It is great to be around people who care about their healthy habits and strive to be the best they can be.”

A little about Jen: she’s a retired Speech Pathologist who worked at the same location for 33 years. She and her husband Marty lived in New York until Covid-19 started, and his job went to remote work. So, they decided to move down to their villa in The Resorts. They later bought a home in the marina and “we love it here,” she says. She has a son Wesley, a musician in Durham, North Carolina, and a daughter Emma, who is a transit engineer in Perth, Australia. Her stepson Gabe works in Sports Media in Michigan. She loves pickleball and the friends she’s made with the sport. “Being part of the Fitness Center Community has led me to meet so many wonderful people,” she says.

As for the author, I’m still playing pickleball, and having fun on the courts while learning not just the rules, but how to avoid pickleball tattoos.

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Bocce - That’s The Way We Roll!

By Kathy Darrell,
Tarpon Pass II

Hard to believe that the snowbirds are returning and before long we, in southwest Florida, will be in high season!

The bocce group plans to start regular Tuesday play on October 10 at 3 p.m. Please join us, as we get ready for another exciting season.

Here are a couple of reminders about playing bocce. You ONLY get one chance to throw the pallino. It must cross the center line, and not end up closer than 12 inches to the back or side wall. However, the pallino can bounce off the back wall, and is still considered in play if it obeys the original rule of being a 12-inch width from the wall.



If a bocce ball goes out of bounds, it is removed from the game during that frame’s play. If the pallino goes out of bounds, that frame ends. Play then resumes from the opposite end of the court, with the team that originally tossed the pallino tossing it again.

Consider joining the BSMCC Bocce Group. You do not have to be a member of BSMCC to play. It is a great opportunity to meet new folks, make new friends that will have your back, and ensure you come to love the game of bocce.

If you are interested in playing bocce or have any questions, please contact Connie & Dave Huelsbeck at - **huelsbed@bellsouth.net**.
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The Beacon Crossword Puzzle

Down:

1. Burnt Store Bikers meet at 7:30 a.m. every Tuesday through _____.

2. If we eat healthy 80% of the time then we can _____ ourselves 20% of the time and our bodies will clean up the mess.

3. A Mondegreen is a _____ of a phrase.

4. Thanksgiving Day in Canada is always the _____ Monday in Oct.

6. The PPYC Shrimp Boil in Nov. is open to the _____.

8. On Oct. 28th. there is a _____ party at the country club.

12. October is the time to _____ our flowerbeds.

Across:

5. There are both public and _____ dog parks near us.

7. Bocce ball regular play starts Tuesday _____ 10th.

9. The Big _____ Bus from OneBlood will be coming to Cass Cay/Trading Post parking lot in Nov.

10. The Veteran's Day breakfast on Nov. 11th is to _____ our veterans.

11. The Fitness Center is hosting a "Welcome Back Party" for members in _____.

13. Johnny Marzetti originated in _____, Ohio.

14. This fish is considered royalty because of its common name.



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Blood Donation News

By Ann Singer, Admiral's Point

Hurricane Ian impacted all of us September 28, 2022. As I write this article, BSM residents and SW Floridians are still working to repair damages from *Hurricane Ian*. This week *Hurricane Idalia* just made landfall. Our Florida neighbors to the north and the Panhandle need our support, as well as Georgia and the Carolinas. We need to work together to recover. Blood shortage exists in all these areas, and we need YOU to donate. Now is the time to make a difference.

BSM Blood Drive Schedule for 2023-2024

Always on Monday: 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

November 13, 2023; January 22 and March 18, 2024

The Big Red Bus from ONEBLOOD will be coming to Burnt Store Marina Monday, November 13 from 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. We look forward to seeing our veteran donors, and meeting many new Burnt Store area residents. There will be incentive gifts for all donors. Each successful donor will receive a \$20 eGift card, a lovely OneBlood blanket, and a Chick-fil-A card for a free chicken sandwich.

Generally, healthy people age 16 or older, and who weigh at least 110 pounds can donate blood. Photo ID is required. To learn more about the importance of blood donation, and how donors can target the power of their blood type, visit oneblood.org. All donors receive a wellness checkup of blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count, a cholesterol screening, plus a surprise gift. One of three people will need blood in their lifetime. Blood that is donated on this day will likely be transfused within two to three days. The turnaround is that fast, the need is constant. Blood is made up of four main components: red blood cells, platelets, plasma, and white blood cells. Each whole blood donation has the potential to save up to three lives.

The bus is located in the Cass Cay/Trading Post parking lot. Make an appointment online, call or just walk in the day of the drive. Now is a good time to schedule an appointment, or if you have questions, please call Ann Singer at 319-290-5955 or Jo Bucci at 941-445-8260. To schedule online, log on to oneblood.org, establish a username and password, and follow directions to schedule. Walk-ins are always welcome. Remember to bring a photo ID. Be sure to eat before you donate, and drink lots of fluids before and after.



Sheriff's Report

August – 15 Stops

- 1 Arrest
 - 1 Contractor - No License
- 2 Tickets
 - Resident - Speeding
 - Contractor – Two-year-old expired tags
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Since its inception in 2010, Burnt Store Marina Veterans Day events have raised more than \$600,000 for Wish for Our Heroes. This is a charity dedicated to assisting active-duty and veteran military families struggling with basic needs such as food, shelter, transportation, child needs, and medical



For event information and to purchase tickets to these amazing events visit our website at **Burntstoreveterans.org**.
Veteran's Day Breakfast: Saturday, November 11 @ Cass Cay Restaurant

This event is held every year on Veterans Day to honor our veterans who served our country. Even if you are not a veteran, please join us in honoring and remembering those who have given so much for our freedom.

Heroes Dinner: Saturday, November 11 @ Cass Cay Restaurant

We will have great entertainment from “Single Shot” Steve Flagg, great food, 50/50, auctions and more. This event will be limited to 200 people.

Heroes Golf Classic: Sunday, November 12 @ Burnt Store Marina Country Club

Plan on a great day of golf, food, games on the course, 50/50, auctions and more.

400 Club Tickets – ON SALE NOW from any committee member. We are selling 400 tickets for \$25/each for a chance to win up to 5 CASH prizes: 1st Prize - \$2,000, 2nd Prize - \$1,000, 3rd Prize - \$675, 4th Prize - \$340 and 5th Prize - \$125.

Drawing will be held at Cass Cay on Saturday, November 11.

Auction/Raffle Items – We are looking for great items for our auctions & raffles for the Cass Cay and Golf Events. If you have something to donate, contact any committee member.

Sponsorships – WE NEED SPONSORS - Are you interested, or know someone or a company who would want to become one of our sponsors? – please contact Michele Goldman (518) 469-7357 or any committee member for more details.

If you are interested in getting more involved as a volunteer, serving on the committee, becoming a sponsor or donor, please send your name, email & phone number to Michele Goldman at **magslp10@yahoo.com**, or call her at (518) 469-7357, or contact any of the committee members: Debra Bretz, Debbie Burns, Gordon & Cheryl Fogg, Doris Havens, Sandy Howard, Cassandra Kelley, Sherri Loewes or Kris Proudfoot.

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Punta Gorda Symphony Season Kick-Off

By Barbara Berman, Courtyard Landings 3

Join the Punta Gorda Symphony as we prepare to kick off the incredible 2023-24 season. Mark your calendars for Thursday, October 12 at 11 a.m. for the first Composers Luncheon of the season. Rachel Cox, Punta Gorda Symphony Music Librarian and Principal Violist, will lead a discussion of the composer's history and points of interest on the music of the upcoming concert. Together, with local pianist, Judy Kaff, the duo will demonstrate and play excerpts to entice and prepare the audience for the full concert experience.

Enjoy a buffet luncheon at Linkside Café, at the Burnt Store Marina Country Club. There will be a 50/50 drawing, trivia contest with prizes, and a chance to win two FREE tickets to an upcoming concert! Tickets for the Composers Luncheon are \$30 per person. Please visit the website at **PGSymphony.org** or call 941-205-5996 for more information or to purchase tickets for the Composers Luncheon.

This exceptional Masterworks Concert Series was crafted by the Punta Gorda Symphony's new Artistic/Music Director, Richard Stoelzel, who was the Symphony's Principal Trumpet for several years. Richard was the Pops conductor at the Harid Conservatory, and has been the Artistic/Music Director of the Florida Wind Symphony and the Lakeshore Concert Band in Quebec, Canada. He has conducted throughout the world, including Europe, Asia, South America, Canada, and the USA, receiving rave reviews. Under Richard's direction, this will be one of the

Symphony's most creative
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The 2023-24 Masterworks Concert series will present an exciting fusion of traditional and modern composers, including Dvořák, Mussorgsky, Mahler, Mendelssohn, Mozart, Gershwin, and John Williams. Four guest artists will be featured during the season, including: Rex Richardson on trumpet; world-renowned soprano Hannah Celeste Lu; The Gaudi Trio; and the Symphony's Concertmaster, Ming Gao, on violin. Our orchestra will also be joined by the Charlotte County High School Wind Orchestra at the October performance of the Star Wars Suite. In addition, the audience will be treated to three highly accomplished guest conductors during the season.

All performances will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Sundays at the Charlotte Performing Arts Center, 701 Carmalita Street, Punta Gorda. Season subscriptions and individual concert tickets will go on sale soon. Visit **[PGSymphony.org](https://pgsymphony.org)** for more information or call the Symphony Office at 941-205-5996.



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2023/24 MASTERWORKS SEASON AT A GLANCE
(Additional works will be performed at each concert)

October 22: John Williams, *Star Wars - A Galaxy Far, Far Away*

Guest Artists: Charlotte High School Wind Orchestra
This concert will feature a Family Fun Day with lobby activities including musical adventure zone, trick-or-treating, costume contest, and more.

November 12: Dvořák, *Symphony No. 9, From the New World*

Guest Soloist: Rex Richardson, Trumpet

December 3: Holiday Spectacular – A Collection of Holiday Favorites

January 14: Mussorgsky, *Pictures at an Exhibition*
Mendelssohn, *Violin Concerto*

Guest Soloist: Ming Gao, Violin
Guest Conductor: Miriam Burns, The Ohio State University,
Director of the Orchestras

February 18: Mahler, *Symphony No. 4*
Mozart, *Symphony No. 29* and “*Exsultate, jubilate*

Guest Artist: Hannah Celeste Lu, Soprano
Guest Conductor: Delta David Gier, The South Dakota

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Fit Happens... You are what you eat, yes, really!

By Donna Heiple, ERYT, RCYT, YACEP, CPT, CSE

Like many of you, I have tried a lot of fad diets over the years, some twice, only to find they just don't work, or are impossible to maintain. Some were super expensive, and I found they were just ridiculous. Today, many of our current diet plans incorporate foods heavy in processed carbohydrates, processed meats, dairy, artificial sweeteners, sugar, corn syrup, sodium, flour and alcohol.



Follow the 80/20 rule. If we eat healthy 80% of the time and treat ourselves 20% of the time, our bodies can clean up the mess. The trouble is many of us are tipping the scale in the other direction. Why? Because processed food is tasty and addictive. It's also easier to take a pill than break a food habit, that's for sure. The problem is, the pill is a cover up band aid and the real issue is still there, only now you can't feel how out of balance you are. What, how much, and when we eat, and drink contribute to our bodies ability to process food into energy, and for our cells to regenerate, and clean out the dead cells.

To get things back in balance, ask what does my body need from the food I eat? What is it really getting? What are my optimal amounts of protein, fats, carbohydrates and calories? When is the most optimal time for me to eat? Are my taste buds driving my eating habits, or is there something else?

How much we eat is important too. Overeating causes indigestion and gas, discomfort and irritability. Try to keep equal parts food, liquid, and air in the stomach when eating or drinking. This allows for the three elements to mix properly for a healthy digestion process.

The time of day we consume can help or hinder weight loss. Creating an 8-10-hour period for eating is best for our digestion process to complete its cycle. Break the fast with protein and fats. Snack or lunch should include natural carbohydrates, like fruits and nuts. While breakfast is an important meal, it doesn't have to be in the morning hours. It's your first meal of the day.

What we eat really matters. Eating nutrient dense, fresh food is important to maintain overall physical and mental health. If our body doesn't recognize what we eat as real



food, it wraps it up in a fat bundle to be dealt with later. Most processed food isn't recognized as real food. Rule of thumb, minimize bagged, boxed, canned foods, and processed meats.

Since we diet every day, let's look at the six essential nutrients we should be consuming daily: lean proteins, fats, carbohydrates, vitamins, minerals and water.

1. PROTEINS - are made up of building blocks called amino acids. There are about 20 different amino acids that link together in different combinations. Our bodies use them to make new proteins, such as muscle and bone, and compounds such as enzymes and hormones. It also uses them as an energy source. We need protein for repairing and keeping us resistant to infections. Good sources of protein include lean, grass-fed red meats, poultry, eggs, fish, and legumes.

2. FATS - Fats are formed of glycerol and fatty acids, and are essential to give our bodies energy and to support cell function. They also produce hormones, protect our organs and help regulate our body temperature. Fats help keep cholesterol and blood pressure under control. When focused too much on cutting out fat, we can deprive our bodies of what they need most. Fat from lean meats like chicken and lean grass-fed beef are good in small quantities.

3. CARBOHYDRATES - are broken down into glucose, a type of sugar, which provides energy and is used as fuel by the body's cells, tissues, and organs. Carbohydrates have other functions in the body, including helping to control blood glucose and insulin metabolism. Carbohydrates break down fatty acids and prevent ketosis while adding dietary fiber. Carbohydrates can be found in vegetables, fruits, grains, and dairy.

4. VITAMINS - are either fat-soluble like A, D, E, K, and stored in the body's fatty tissues or water-soluble

like B and C. The B vitamins: thiamine (B1-help convert carbohydrates, fats, and proteins into energy), riboflavin (B2), niacin (B3), pantothenic acid (B5), pyridoxine (B6), biotin (B7), folate (B9), and cobalamin (B12- red blood cells and nervous system).

- Vitamin A: Maintains eye health and contributes to immune system health.

- Vitamin C: Supports the immune system and helps make collagen.

- Vitamin D: Helps our bodies absorb calcium and keeps bones strong. Our bodies produce vitamin D when exposed to the sun.

- Vitamin E: Protects cells from free radicals, boosts the immune system, and helps prevent blood clots.

- Vitamin K: Helps make proteins needed for blood clotting and bone- building.

5. MINERALS - these include calcium, potassium, sodium, magnesium, and iron to name just a few. All of them play a very important role in our overall health.

6. Last, but not least, WATER - the forgotten nutrient. Consume enough water for your lifestyle. Our bodies are 60% water. Our brains are 95% water.

Eating a well-balanced diet is not a guarantee of good health; however, it will go a long way in helping you stay at a good weight and feel energetic.

Want more information or need help getting started on a healthy eating path? Stop by the fitness center and set up a free analysis with Donna Heiple.

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Burnt Store Marina Country Club News

By John Abbott, General Manager, BSMCC

Well, September was a fun month here at the club, with the football season getting started, and lots of fun events. So, we thought what would be a better way to kick off October than an Oktoberfest celebration at Linkside Café? There will be beer, brats, schnitzel and more. Make sure to join us on Monday the 2nd for what is sure to be a great time for everyone. As usual, the calendar is full with lots of events including Sunday breakfast buffet, and NFL football, Trivia nights, Bar Bingo nights, Margaritas and fajitas, prime rib buffet, live music, and pub menu Saturdays. And, on the 26th we are having classic cars, live music, and food trucks.

The golf course is in good shape, and after hosting several fun scramble tournaments in September, we decided to change it up a bit, and host a 4-person best-ball tourney on October 14. This format is often confused with a scramble, but in best ball, everyone plays their own ball, and you use the best score of the four after handicap as the team score. This should have a big turnout, so make sure to get signed up early. The month would not be complete without our annual Halloween Scramble, famous for the “lovable” black cats and decorated golf carts. We will follow this up with a costume party at Linkside, featuring great “ghoulish” grub and “creepy” cocktails. Prizes will be given, and even if you are not one to dress up, join us and enjoy all the creative costumes and fun.

Make sure you are up to date on everything that is going on here by providing administration with your current email address so that you receive our “Weekly Blast,” or visit our website at www.bsgac.org. We look forward to seeing you all at the club!



BSMCC OCTOBER 2023 Schedule of Events

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Breakfast Menu 9 - 11 a.m. Lunch 12 - 3 p.m. NFL Football	2 October Festival 5 - 8 p.m. NO TRIVIA	3 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/* 9 Hole Scramble 3 p.m.***	4 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Republican Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.*****	5 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Thirsty Thursday 1/2 price Appetizers Happy Hour Drinks 3 - 8 p.m.	6 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/*	7 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Pub Night 5 - 8 p.m. Music - Luke Perring
8 Breakfast Menu 9 - 11 a.m. Lunch 12 - 3 p.m. NFL Football	9 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Trivia 5 - 8 p.m.***	10 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/* 9 Hole Scramble 3 p.m.***	11 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Bingo 5 - 8 p.m.**/*	12 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Wine Pairing 5 - 8 p.m.****	13 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/*	14 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* 4 - person Best Ball*** Pub Night 5 - 8 p.m. Music - Kit Jones
15 Breakfast Menu 9 - 11 a.m. Lunch 12 - 3 p.m. NFL Football	16 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* NO TRIVIA Margarita Monday 5 - 8 p.m. Margaritas \$5.00	17 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/* 9 Hole Scramble 3 p.m.***	18 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Prime Rib Night 5 - 8 p.m. **/*	19 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Thirsty Thursday 1/2 price Appetizers Happy Hour Drinks 3 - 8 p.m.	20 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/*	21 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Pub Night 5 - 8 p.m. Music - Rob Norum
22 Breakfast Menu 9 - 11 a.m. Lunch 12 - 3 p.m. NFL Football	23 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Trivia 5 - 8 p.m.***	24 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/* 9 Hole Scramble 3 p.m.***	25 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Democrat Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.*****	26 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* BLOCK PARTY Classics Cars Food Trucks 5 - 8 P.M.	27 Lunch 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.* Dinner 5 - 8 p.m.**/*	28 Lunch 11 a.m - 3 p.m.* Halloween Scramble 9 a.m.***
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* Call Linkside for reservations 941-637-6405
**Members make reservations 1st! Non-member 7days prior to events - 3 days before dinner's if available!
*** Sign up in Lobby on Board
**** Sign up at Admin Office.
***** Reservations for Republican and Democrat Dinners must be made through respective clubs.
Due to circumstances beyond our control, everything is subject to change.

Bicycle News

By Bob Singer, Admiral's Point Calling All Bicyclists

Burnt Store Bikers meet at 7:30 a.m. Monday through Saturday at the Burnt Store Marina Country Club parking lot. We ride in the Lakes and usually ride between 5 and 10 miles, and often stop for coffee at the Trading Post deli afterwards.

Please do not feel you need to be a fast rider. We have riders of all skill levels and speeds. The goal is to have fun and get some exercise. Join us for a good time with great people. Put on your helmet and join us.

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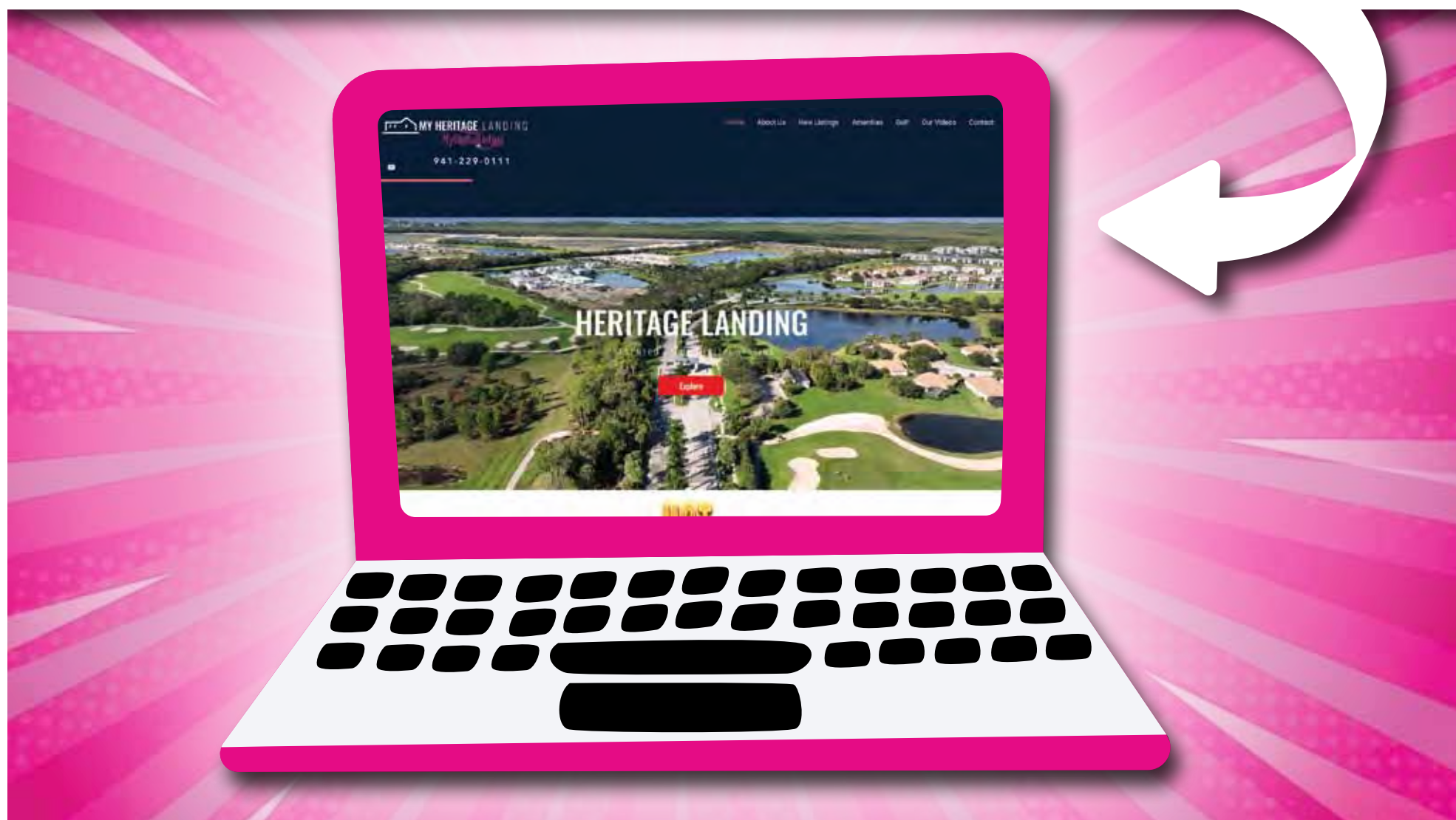
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Marina Beat

By Jaret Rogers, General Manager,
Safe Harbor Burnt Store

It sure has been a busy year at the marina. From hurricane recovery, right back to hurricane prep, and then recovery again. The marina has come together and made this community a family. The relationship between Safe Harbor and Burnt Store Marina has grown strong over the past few years. We are here to be good neighbors and help wherever we can. This bond needs to stay strong, and we look forward to with the community leaders.

The north basin restoration project is going well. The north side section of wall from Diamond Point to Marina North Shore was completed in August, and it looks great. We are currently working on the south wall in front of Emerald Isle. This will continue through O Dock in front of Sunset Key 2. The goal is to have all the slips on O Dock replaced after the wall is finished. Plans to replace the hurricane damaged docks P, Q and R are currently being drafted and reviewed by SHM. During these construction phases, the marina walk will be closed from time to time. Please understand that this is for everyone's safety.

The south basin restoration project was completed until Hurricane Ian decided that we should start over. As of now Docks C and D have been replaced and fortified. They are online and full of happy Members. Dock B will be back online soon. The dock is 99% complete. There are a few electrical components on backorder and delaying this project from completion. For the south basin restoration, soon we will begin repairing the seawall and boardwalk in front of Cass Cay and Dock G. The seawall in front of Marina South shore is also on this repair list. Plans and agreements are currently being drafted and reviewed for this project.

We are excited to announce a few new merchants offering their services at the marina. Burnt Store Baits is a new tenant in the marina. They are located next to the boat ramp. The bait shop is currently offering live shrimp and a variety of frozen bait. Their current business hours are daily from 5 until 9 a.m. Outside of business hours, you can call for service (239) 994-2646.

Another new addition, some of you may have already known about, is Leisure Time Boat Rentals. Their boats are

located on F Dock. Currently they have 2 pontoon boats here in the marina. They plan on expanding their fleet over the coming months. The new fleet will include center console boats as well.

Gulf Coast Sail and Power has been in the marina for over a year now. They operate Sailtime Southwest Florida, a fractional ownership sailing company. Within the next

few months, they are planning to launch Powertime. This is a fractional ownership powerboat company. We are excited for this expansion.

Please join me in welcoming these excellent new additions to the marina. As summer speeds by oh so quickly, we look forward to welcoming back our seasonal snowbirds for the holiday season and much cooler temperatures.



SAFE HARBOR
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Golf Tip of the Month

By Bill Connelly,
Manager of Golf Operations

Golf can be very complicated at times. One day you go out and have a great day, and the next day it's like you have never played this game before. We have all had that time when no matter what we try to do, we just can't hit the ball the way we want anymore. When that happens, it could be the smallest difference in the way you are swinging the club. You may not feel it, but if your head moves off the ball just the tiniest bit, it can cause you to not hit it solidly. Remember, when you set up, pick some spot on the ball to focus on. Do not let your eyes or your head move off of that spot until after you have made



impact with the golf ball. One minor adjustment like that will help get back to hitting the ball solidly again.

The August "Beat the Crew" tournament was a lot of fun. Unfortunately, the "Crew" lost to the amateurs of BSMCC:

1st Place with a score of 48.2

Melody Groh, Justin Whisenhunt, Ronald Jones, Bill Chapman

2nd Place with a score of 49.6

Ralph Smith, Gary Knudsen, Greg Beaton, Jim Harding

3rd Place with a score of 50.0

Doug Chesser, Bob Moen, Bob Keyworth, Jane Moen

The Crew with a score of 52.0

Bill Connelly, Tyler Jones, John Abbott, Dillon Drost

Closest to the Pin

Heron 2 – Bill Loewes – 3'4"

Osprey 4 – Ping McKay – 19'4"

Results from the nine-hole Shootout hosted on August 24:

Flight 1

1st Doug Bingler, 2nd Alan Huffman, 3rd Greg Beaton

Flight 2

1st Bob Bretz, 2nd Bob Hornak, 3rd Steve Hunt

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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The Great Burnt Store Marina Sunset Challenge

By Graham Segger, Independent Home Owner

On July 30, 2023, Jen Davis posted a version of the following sunset photo on the Burnt Store Marina Facebook Group page with the challenge for readers to guess which month it was taken. Her father was the photographer who had posted it a few years ago as part of a regular series of such images, which he always captioned with the phrase “the ending of another great day.”



Within a couple of days she received 10 responses with the vote tally being three for January; one for March; one for April; one for June; two for July; one for October and one for December. Those of you who know me well may be a little surprised to learn that I saw this on Facebook. After all, I hardly ever post anything on that site, and for that reason have accepted very few Friend invitations. I do, in fact, have an account, and I do

occasionally glance at a few groups, including the two Burnt Store Marina groups, as well as the accounts of my close family members. I hope that does not define me as a stalker!

I could not resist this sunset challenge, so fired up a wonderful App I have on my cell phone named *LightTrac*. The App allows for modeling of where the sun sets and rises, and where it will be at any exact time and date throughout the year, for any position on the globe. A Realtor friend introduced me to it about 12 years ago, and I’ve used it successfully to model sun exposures in connection with several real estate transactions since then, including our May 2013 BSM purchase.

By triangulating on the position of the sun, the spoil island, both sides of the gap to the harbor, the position of L Dock, and an estimate of where the photo was taken, the software led me to guess the first week of February or November (the sun sets in roughly the same position at both times). The software, or more likely its user, may not be entirely perfect however as Jen has subsequently reported that the photo was taken on January 19, 2021.



Above are two screen shots of the sun rising and setting in the harbor on the two extremes of December 21 (winter solstice) and June 21 (summer solstice). The dates and times are listed to the right of the map images. The sunset swings through 53 degrees from one solstice to the other. Sadly the sunset photographer Raymond Davis, who had a condo in the Commodore Club, passed away on March 21, 2023 (the northern hemisphere spring equinox).

Lee County Leash Laws



It is a Lee County law, as well as a Burnt Store Marina rule, that all dogs are to be on leashes. The open lot at the corner of Islamorada and Matecumbe is not a dog park. The Commodore residents own the whole part that is landscaped. Please keep your dogs on leashes at all times, and off that property.

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.



Effective October 1, 2023, golf carts may not be operated on any “streets” by someone who is under the age of eighteen (18), unless the driver has a valid learner’s permit or driver’s license. The term “street” is defined by

Statute to include “...any privately owned way or place used for vehicular travel....” In other words, the BSM community’s roadways would be subject to the legislative change and its new requirements.

- 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 without a driver’s license or learner’s permit is allowed to drive on streets within Burnt Store Marina.
- No one **not playing golf** is allowed to drive a golf cart on the golf course.



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October Off-Beat Holidays

By Maggie Hart, *Mariners Pass*
Finally...some relief from heat – and some great holidays and outside activities for a fun month.

October 1, 1908 - *Henry Ford's Model T*, a “universal car” designed for the masses, went on sale for the first time.

October 1 - *International Day for the Elderly*, is dedicated to honoring, respecting, and caring for the world’s elderly. They may need support in some way. Most of all, they just need a little of your time and attention. So, give an elderly person that you know some of your time and care. Just what is the correct definition of elderly?

October 9 - *Thanksgiving Day in Canada* is one of the biggest Canadian holidays. It has some similarities to Thanksgiving in the U.S. But it is also different in many ways. The Canadian Thanksgiving Day is based around a bountiful harvest. It occurs near the end of the harvest season in mid-October. There is no tie-in between the Pilgrims and Indians. This holiday is always the second Monday in October.

October 9 – *Columbus Day*, is always the second Monday in October. New York City held the first Columbus Day celebration commemorating the 500th anniversary of Columbus landing October 12, 1492. After a 33-day voyage, Christopher Columbus made his first landfall in the New World in the Bahamas. He named the first land sighted as El Salvador, claiming it in the name of the Spanish Crown. Columbus was seeking a western sea

route from Europe to Asia and believed he had found an island of the Indies. He thus called the first island natives he met, ‘Indians.’

October 19, 1781 - As their band played *The World Turned Upside Down*, the British Army marched out in formation and surrendered to the Americans at Yorktown. More than 7,000 British and Hessian troops, led by British General Lord Cornwallis, surrendered to General George Washington. The war between Britain and its American colonies was effectively ended. The final peace treaty was signed in Paris on September 3, 1783.

October 19 - 22 - *Biketoberfest*® celebrates a full-throttle lifestyle on two wheels. Motorcycle enthusiasts come together during the four-day rally each year to enjoy beautiful Florida weather, live music, and motorcycle racing at Daytona International Speedway. Experience the Southeast’s best motorcycle rally featuring motorcycle shows, custom bike builds and hundreds of the industry’s top vendors throughout Daytona Beach. Website: <https://www.daytonabeach.com/biketoberfest/>

October 20 – 29 - *Fantasy Fest* is an annual 10-day party in paradise for grown-ups. Started in 1979 by a small group of Key West locals, the party was created to bring visitors to the island in what was a typically quiet, but beautiful season. It worked. Fantasy Fest has grown every year since its inception and is now the wildest extravaganza around! Website: <http://www.fantasyfest.com/>

October 20, 1818 - The U.S. and Britain agreed to set the *U.S.- Canadian border* at the 49th parallel.

October 20, 21, 22 and 27, 28, 29 - the 38th Annual *Cape Coral Oktoberfest*. The German-American Social Club invites you to the event for fun, great food, German beer, live music, laughter, and dancing – from Polka to Blues and Country, to the Chicken Dance. Celebrate with German music and local bands, German food, and beer, there’s plenty of fun to go around, for any age. So, dust off your Dirndls, launder your Lederhosen and come for an epic time of stein slurping with your “beste Freunde.” 2101 SW Pine Island Rd, Cape Coral. Website: <https://capecoraloktoberfest.com/>

October 21, 1879 - Thomas Edison successfully tested an electric incandescent lamp with a carbonized filament at his laboratory in Menlo Park, New Jersey, keeping it lit for over 13 hours.

October 26, 1825 - *The Erie Canal* opened as the first major man-made waterway in America, linking Lake Erie with the Hudson River, bypassing the British-controlled lower St. Lawrence. The canal cost over \$7 million and took eight years to complete.

October 27 – 29 - *13th annual Stone Crab Festival* – Naples waterfront. This is a weekend of food and fun starring of course, the Stone Crab! Enjoy delicious seafood, live entertainment, arts, and crafts vendors. Website: <http://www.stonecrabfestival.com/>

October 31 – Who could forget trick or treat day – *Halloween!*

Tight Lines... What Could It Be?

By Jay Lev, *Burnt Store Anglers*

Each month we try to feature a discussion about local fish. This month we are going to “Test Your Fish Identification Skills.” Below are a number of fish descriptions. Try your fish identification skills by guessing which fish is being described. Have fun and concentrate on the details.



fisherman’s dream to catch a 25 pounder and be recognized by the International Gamefish Association’s 25-pound club, and receive recognition in the IGFA annual yearbook. Catching one can be done by fishing shrimp, white bait and all kinds of artificial baits. What am I?

8. This fish has been on the endangered list for at least 15 years. Recently, it has been removed from that list, and can be caught by special permit. It has beautiful coloration and feeds on large fish that may swim into its habitat. Get your heavy tackle out for this guy. What am I?

9. This fish has the name of a household pet. It is not a good pet. Most fisherman hate to take his fish off the hook but those who do need to be careful, so they do not become a victim of a sewing hook that this fish always has available to cause trouble. What am I?

10. This fish frequents our sand bars and reefs. They eat shrimp and crabs and will munch on a ducktail from time to time. Their common relatives are excellent eating and are frequently found on restaurant menus. As most cousins look a little different from other members of their family, a long trailing dorsal fin makes the difference in identification. What am I?

Those of you who get ten out of ten species correct, congratulations. You can be considered an excellent fisherman. Beware of the hard one. If you identify at least 8 of the fish, you are a really good fisherman, as well. If you identify 5 or less, please get yourself a copy of the new fishing regulations and identification booklet, and study up so next season you can be considered an excellent fisherman as well. Please do not take this quiz seriously as most of us get 6 correct. Thanks for being a good sport.

Tight Lines

ANSWERS: 1. Flounder 2. Mangrove Snapper 3. Kingfish 4. Lady Fish 5. Knightia (prehistoric fish) 6. Sawfish 7. Snook 8. Goliath grouper 9. Catfish 10. Permit

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 entry – 0.72 mile
- Matecumbe Key Blvd., construction entrance to Cape Cole Blvd., 0.72 mile
- Matecumbe Key Blvd., Cape Cole Blvd., to South Shore – 0.55 mile
- Courtside Landings’ Loop, start/stop at entrance – 0.48 mile
- 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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Recipe Box

Johnny Marzetti

By Debi Bretz,
Admiral's Point


According to the Ohio Historical Society, the recipe was developed in Columbus, Ohio, by Teresa Marzetti of Marzetti salad dressings. Teresa Marzetti immigrated to the United States from Florence, Italy in 1896 and opened an Italian restaurant downtown, near Ohio State University. The restaurant closed in 1942. As the story goes, Johnny Marzetti, named after Teresa's brother-in-law, was a hearty dish created to satisfy hungry students on a budget and was sold for 45 cents. The popular dish became a hit in Ohio, spreading throughout the Midwest and eventually making its way onto public school cafeteria menus.

Ingredients:

- 1 lb. elbow macaroni pasta
- 1 Tablespoon olive oil
- 1 yellow onion, chopped
- 1 green pepper, chopped
- 8 ounces mushrooms, chopped
- 2 lbs. ground beef
- Salt and pepper
- 2 (14 oz) cans tomato sauce
- 1 (14 oz) can diced tomatoes, drained
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1 teaspoon Italian herbs
- Pinch sugar
- 2 cups cheddar cheese, divided
- 2 cups Italian blend cheese, divided

Instructions

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
2. Bring a large pot of water to boil for the macaroni. Cook the macaroni until on the firmer side of al dente, about 7 minutes. Drain the pasta, then return it to the pot and set aside.
3. In the meantime, heat olive oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the onion, green pepper, and mushrooms to the skillet and sauté until softened, about five minutes. Add the ground beef and cook until no pink remains. Drain the fat off the beef mixture, then season to taste with salt and pepper.
4. Add the tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, garlic, oregano, Italian herbs, and sugar to the beef mixture. Allow it to simmer for five or so minutes, stirring occasionally.
5. Carefully pour the beef mixture into the pot with the noodles and stir to combine. Add 1 cup of cheddar cheese and 1 cup of Italian blend to the mix. Pour the mixture into a 9 x 13-inch casserole dish. Top with the remaining 2 cups of cheese. Bake for 30 minutes, or until cheese is golden and melted.



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Platinum Point Yacht Club


By Loretta Steeves, Director

The fall is always a busy time in Southwest Florida. We all hope to wave goodbye to any lingering weather events, and to begin saying hello to our returning northern neighbors. As more of our Platinum Point Yacht Club (PPYC) members return to Burnt Store, the PPYC calendar begins to fill with a wide variety of events and activities.

The overnight cruisers just got on the water with a September 28 - October 1 cruise to Naples. This month, the destination will be the Marina Jack Yacht Basin in Sarasota. Throughout the fall-winter-spring season, monthly cruises take boaters to overnight destinations for three-night excursions. The November trip is planned for a club favorite, Crow's Nest in Venice.

However, PPYC is not only for our boating members. Did you know that only half of the club members have access to a boat? That's why the PPYC calendar is packed with a multitude of social events that allow members to come together at our beautiful waterfront location. This year's events will begin with the club's 39th Annual Meeting on November 11. That evening, members will return for the *Annual Welcome-Back Dinner*. The dinner will kick off the theme for the 2023-2024 season - *40 Years Afloat*. Music will be provided by the talented singer and saxophonist Ron Lorenzo.

The other premier PPYC event this November is the *Community Shrimp Boil*. This "*Let the Good Times Roll*" event will help kick-off the season for the entire Burnt Store Community. Mark your calendar and invite your friends to celebrate the camaraderie found in a new season. This year's event offers delicious food, live music, Christmas Market, bake sale, 50/50 drawing, silent auction, and a raffle for a Boatload of Wine. You might just find a special treasure perfect for someone's holiday gift.



Platinum Point Yacht Club
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Wednesday, November 15
3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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Dinner consists of ½ pound of shrimp, sausage, mini potatoes, and corn. Dessert and water or soft drink included.

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Order tickets by visiting the PPYC office Monday, Wednesday or Thursday.
We look forward to seeing you on November 15.



Located in Burnt Store Marina, 3601 Cape Cole Blvd, Punta Gorda, FL 33955
Visit the PPYC website (PPYCBSM.org) for additional information.

Wildlife Caution Notice

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 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 to prey on.

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.

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Pets in Paradise

By Debra Bretz, Admirals' Point

This was a very hot summer, but the temperatures are finally coming down. If it was too hot for us, it was too hot for our pets. I know my golden retriever did not want to go outside unless necessary. Now, we both need to get back outside and get some needed exercise.

The Section 22 BOD have a Dog Park committee in place looking at the feasibility of this being a new amenity for our four-legged friends in BSM. This committee is looking at:

- Proper location
- Understanding the permitting and liability issues
- Creating a design and securing pricing
- Identifying other issues such as water, shade, access, parking and restrooms

While this committee is working on this project, we do have other options to help our dogs exercise and socialize. Besides walking through the marina, we have both public and private dog parks near us. Some dogs love to socialize with other dogs, others only tolerate other dogs, and still another group of dogs only like people not dogs. A private dog park may work for the last group and still give them the off-leash experience they want.

Public Dog Parks

- Hounds on Henry Street Dog Park:** 557 W Henry and Shreve St, Punta Gorda, FL 33950
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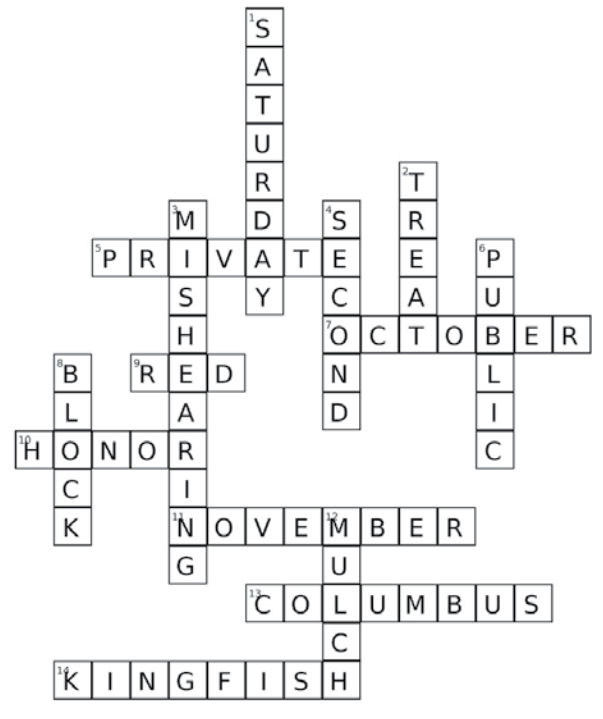
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Crossword Solution



The crossword puzzle solution is as follows:

- Across: 1. KINGFISH, 2. COLUMBUS, 3. NOVEMBER, 4. OCTOBER, 5. PRIVATE, 6. HONOR, 7. REED, 8. LADY, 9. CAT, 10. GOLF, 11. BURN, 12. BURN, 13. BURN, 14. BURN, 15. BURN, 16. BURN, 17. BURN, 18. BURN, 19. BURN, 20. BURN, 21. BURN, 22. BURN, 23. BURN, 24. BURN, 25. BURN, 26. BURN, 27. BURN, 28. BURN, 29. BURN, 30. BURN, 31. BURN, 32. BURN, 33. BURN, 34. BURN, 35. BURN, 36. BURN, 37. BURN, 38. BURN, 39. BURN, 40. BURN, 41. BURN, 42. BURN, 43. BURN, 44. BURN, 45. BURN, 46. BURN, 47. BURN, 48. BURN, 49. BURN, 50. BURN, 51. BURN, 52. BURN, 53. BURN, 54. BURN, 55. BURN, 56. BURN, 57. BURN, 58. BURN, 59. BURN, 60. BURN, 61. BURN, 62. BURN, 63. BURN, 64. BURN, 65. BURN, 66. BURN, 67. BURN, 68. BURN, 69. BURN, 70. BURN, 71. BURN, 72. BURN, 73. BURN, 74. BURN, 75. BURN, 76. BURN, 77. BURN, 78. BURN, 79. BURN, 80. BURN, 81. BURN, 82. BURN, 83. BURN, 84. BURN, 85. BURN, 86. BURN, 87. BURN, 88. BURN, 89. BURN, 90. BURN, 91. BURN, 92. BURN, 93. BURN, 94. BURN, 95. BURN, 96. BURN, 97. BURN, 98. 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