

# The MULLET RAPPER

## What's Happening in the Everglades City Area

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Senior Diamonds Virginia Klotz, Bea Rogers, Margaret Webb, Hope Boudy, and Jackie Roam were honored at Tea on Saturday, May 3, in the Seafood Depot. The 32 ladies 70 years old and older plus 13 hostesses and helpers were entertained by Snooker Joe Stem and Terri Rementeria while they enjoyed little sandwiches and home-baked desserts. They were addressed by Cathy Gallus of the Marco Island Tea Ladies before awards and door prizes were handed out. The annual Diamonds of the Everglades Tea is sponsored by Reach Out and was organized this year by founders Helen Bryan and Margaret Mannon with assistance from Hostess Charlotte Ledford.

### GRADUATION SPECIAL



The Grads  
The Awards

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### SUMMER CAMP



The Summer Camp for kids aged 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will start on June 16 and run until July 18. Older students can sign up as Counselors in Training. This free fun & educational activity group is operated by Reach Out Everglades & COPS, our neighborhood charity. To register phone Pam Drake at 695-2843 or Helen Bryan at 695-3298.



### INDEPENDENCE DAY



The theme of the parade during our celebrations on Sunday, July 6, will be "Celebrating Independence Day" and entrants should add their names to the list by phoning Elaine at 695-2695.

Vendors are wanted for "Art in the Glades" which will start at 11:00 a.m. and run until 3:00 p.m. If you have arts & crafts or anything else to sell or give away, phone Patty at 695-2397.

Yes, it's only May now but July 6 is just a little over a month away!



Over 100 local citizens turned out on Saturday, May 10, for the community fish fry in McLeod Park to honor our firefighters (in their new shirts, below), emergency medical staff, and Sheriff's deputies.



The menu consisted of grouper fried in the Mayor's special-recipe batter by Travis Goff, coleslaw, potato salad, baked beans, and the delicious cake decorated for the occasion. Many people showed their gratitude by bringing home-baked deserts.

Mayor Sammy Hamilton said he was pleased to be able to reward them for all they do for the community. The very best people have to deal with the worst circumstances in dealing with disasters and crime. They deserve to know how much they are appreciated.

Many local citizens can testify that the EMS and Fire Service and Sheriff's Deputies have been invaluable in times of crisis.




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If you have news, photos, announcements, or articles ... email snookcity@hotmail.com or phone 695-2397.

**MAY/JUNE 2008**

| <u>SUN</u>  | <u>MON</u>  | <u>TUES</u>   | <u>WED</u>  | <u>THURS</u>  | <u>FRI</u>   | <u>SAT</u>                      |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|---------------------------------|
| 11<br><b>Happy Mothers' Day</b>                       | 12<br><b>Hour of Prayer</b><br>Holy Family Catholic Church<br>7 pm<br><b>Big Cypress ORV mtg</b><br><b>OFCD Board</b><br>Fire Sta, 6 pm | 13  | 14<br><b>Ladies Coffee</b><br>Everglades Scoop<br>8 am  | 15<br><b>Lions Club</b><br>Bd Mtg, 5:30 pm<br><b>Copeland Civic Association</b><br>7 pm | 16<br><b>Crab Season Closed</b><br> | 17                              |
| 18<br><b>cocoplum bargains</b><br>last day<br>12-3 pm | 19<br><b>Hour of Prayer</b><br>Everglades First Baptist Church<br>7 pm  | full moon ● 20<br><b>Reach Out</b><br>Comm. Church<br>8:30 am<br><b>Sports Awards</b><br>School, 6 pm | 21<br><b>Ladies Coffee</b><br>Everglades Scoop<br>8 am  | 22  | 23<br><b>Graduation</b><br>School, 7 pm  | 24<br><b>Pet Vet</b><br>see p.3 |
| 25<br><b>Pet Vet</b><br>see p.3                       | 26<br><b>Memorial Day</b><br><b>Hour of Prayer</b><br>Everglades Community Church<br>7 pm   | 27  | 28<br><b>Ladies Coffee</b><br>Everglades Scoop<br>8 am<br><b>Great Gators</b><br>School, 9:30 | 29<br><b>Last Day of School, early release</b>  | 30   | 31                              |
| JUNE 1  | 2<br><b>Hour of Prayer</b><br>Copeland Baptist Church, 7 pm<br><b>FME mtg</b><br>Museum, 10 am<br><b>ORVs in BigC,</b><br>see p.3       | new moon ○ 3<br><b>Aide to Congressman</b><br><b>Mario Diaz-Balart</b><br>City Hall, 3 pm             | 4<br><b>Ladies Coffee</b><br>TBA<br>8 am  | 5<br><b>Lions Club</b><br>Depot, 7 pm   | 6  | 7                               |
| 8   | 9<br><b>Hour of Prayer</b><br>Chokoloskee Church of God<br>7 pm   | 10  | 11<br><b>Ladies Coffee</b><br>TBA<br>8 am   | 12  | 13   | 14                              |

July 6: Independence Day Celebration    Summer Camp: June 16 - July 18    Aug 19: School Starts Again  
Sept 5-7: Butcher "Muck About", phone 695-2428

THRIFT SHOP: Thurs, Fri, Sat, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm (new hours)    SKATING RINK: Friday/Saturday, 7:00 - 10:00 pm  
MUSEUM: Tues-Fri, 9 am to 5 pm; Sat, 9 am to 4 pm    SMALLWOOD STORE: daily 11 am to 5 pm  
FOOD PANTRY: Sat, 8:30 to 10:30 am, Community Church    ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Wed, 5 pm, Community Church  
CHRIST-CENTERED ADDICTION RECOVERY PROGRAM, Chokoloskee Church of God, phone 695-4626 for schedule  
SHERIFF AT CITY HALL: 5/15 (2-4 pm) 5/20 (9:30-11 am) 5/23 (9-11 am) 5/26 (9-11 am) 5/28 (noon-2 pm) 5/30 (9-11 am)

Holy Family Catholic Church closed until December. Mass at St. Finbar's (on US-41 south of CR-951): Sat, 4:30 pm and Sun, 10 am

**NAPLES HISTORY MONTH**

There are still events to attend during this gala spree of historical walks, talks, and socials. The calendar is at [www.naplesbackyardhistory.com](http://www.naplesbackyardhistory.com) and [www.thirdstreetsouth.com](http://www.thirdstreetsouth.com).

**ORV CLOSURE**

The annual 60-day ban on Off Road Vehicles in Big Cypress National Preserve starts on **June 2**. The ORV holiday allows the environment a chance to relax and recover. This closure applies to all types of ORVs including swamp buggies, airboats, ATVs and street legal 4x4s.

**CONGRESSIONAL AIDE**

George Barton, aide to Congressman Mario Diaz-Ballart, will welcome constituents on **Tuesday, June 3**, in City Hall from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. If you want to talk with him before that, phone 348-1620.

**OLD INK CARTRIDGES WANTED**

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**HAPPY 50TH!**

To Walter & Sunny Burke of Plantation Island who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on May 17. They first visited here over 30 years ago and retired here in 1983.

**COCOPLUM BARGINS!!!**

Up to 50% off before we close for summer on May 18. See you ... Saturday, 11 am to 4 pm, Sunday, 12 noon to 3 pm.



**RESTAURANT NEWS**



The Oyster House is closing on May 27 for the summer.

**OCHOPEE FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT**

- 04/30/08: Medical Call, Everglades City
- 04/30/08: Brush Fire, South Blocks
- 04/30/08: Vehicle Accident, 55m I-75
- 05/01/08: Emer. Med, Everglades City
- 05/02/08: Vehicle Accident, 65m I-75
- 05/03/08: Possible Stroke, Everglades City
- 05/03/08: Brush Fire, 58m I-75
- 05/04/08: Vehicle Accident, 61m I-75
- 05/04/08: Brush Fire, US 41 Near Oasis Ranger Station
- 05/04/08: Vehicle Accident, US 41 at Oasis Ranger Station
- 05/04/08: Vehicle Accident, 57m I-75
- 05/04/08: Vehicle Accident, Ochopee
- 05/04/08: Call Box, 70m I-75
- 05/07/08: Possible Broken Hip, Oasis Ranger Station
- 05/09/08: Brush Fire, Big Cypress Bend & US-41
- 05/09/08: Person Fell, Burns Lake Rd
- 05/09/08: Emer. Med, 52m I-75
- 05/10/08: Vehicle Accident, SR-29 & US-41 East
- 05/10/08: Vehicle Accident, 58m I-75
- 05/10/08: Leg Problem, Everglades City
- 05/11/08: Power Pole Sparking, US-41 & Burns Lake Rd
- 05/12/08: Overturned Canoe Picnic Key
- 05/12/08: Vehicle Accident, 3 Miles West of Oasis Ranger Station
- 05/12/08: Sick Person, Everglades City
- 05/14/08: Injuries due to a fall, Lee Cypress

**MOBILE PET VET**

Dr Baker will be at McLeod Park in Everglades City on **Saturday, May 24, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**, and in Copeland from **2:00 to 4:00 pm**. She will also visit on **Sunday, May 25** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for surgery by appointment only. Phone 777-PETS. The Mobile Pet Vet will not be here during June..



**TIDES FOR BARRON RIVER**

INFORMATION FROM <http://TIDESANDCURRENTS.NOAA.GOV>

|            |     |         |      |   |         |     |   |         |     |   |         |      |   |
|------------|-----|---------|------|---|---------|-----|---|---------|-----|---|---------|------|---|
| 05/16/2008 | Fri | 01:29AM | 2.3  | H | 07:56AM | 0.6 | L | 12:52PM | 2.7 | H | 08:42PM | 0.1  | L |
| 05/17/2008 | Sat | 02:15AM | 2.3  | H | 08:36AM | 0.6 | L | 01:20PM | 2.8 | H | 09:22PM | -0.1 | L |
| 05/18/2008 | Sun | 02:53AM | 2.3  | H | 09:13AM | 0.7 | L | 01:48PM | 2.9 | H | 10:00PM | -0.2 | L |
| 05/19/2008 | Mon | 03:28AM | 2.3  | H | 09:48AM | 0.8 | L | 02:15PM | 2.9 | H | 10:37PM | -0.2 | L |
| 05/20/2008 | Tue | 04:04AM | 2.2  | H | 10:20AM | 0.8 | L | 02:42PM | 3.0 | H | 11:14PM | -0.2 | L |
| 05/21/2008 | Wed | 04:44AM | 2.2  | H | 10:48AM | 0.8 | L | 03:09PM | 3.0 | H | 11:52PM | -0.2 | L |
| 05/22/2008 | Thu | 05:29AM | 2.2  | H | 11:15AM | 0.8 | L | 03:36PM | 2.9 | H |         |      |   |
| 05/23/2008 | Fri | 12:31AM | -0.2 | L | 06:20AM | 2.2 | H | 11:43AM | 0.9 | L | 04:07PM | 2.9  | H |
| 05/24/2008 | Sat | 01:12AM | -0.1 | L | 07:12AM | 2.2 | H | 12:19PM | 0.9 | L | 04:45PM | 2.7  | H |
| 05/25/2008 | Sun | 01:56AM | -0.1 | L | 08:03AM | 2.2 | H | 01:10PM | 0.9 | L | 05:35PM | 2.6  | H |
| 05/26/2008 | Mon | 02:44AM | 0.1  | L | 08:51AM | 2.2 | H | 02:29PM | 0.9 | L | 06:45PM | 2.5  | H |
| 05/27/2008 | Tue | 03:37AM | 0.1  | L | 09:35AM | 2.3 | H | 04:03PM | 0.8 | L | 08:24PM | 2.3  | H |
| 05/28/2008 | Wed | 04:31AM | 0.2  | L | 10:16AM | 2.4 | H | 05:19PM | 0.6 | L | 10:01PM | 2.2  | H |
| 05/29/2008 | Thu | 05:25AM | 0.4  | L | 10:54AM | 2.5 | H | 06:19PM | 0.4 | L | 11:26PM | 2.2  | H |
| 05/30/2008 | Fri | 06:17AM | 0.5  | L | 11:29AM | 2.7 | H | 07:14PM | 0.1 | L |         |      |   |

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# SCHOOL NEWS

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## IMPORTANT DATES

- Tues, 5/20:** Sports Awards, 6:00 p.m.
- Fri, 5/23:** Graduation; 7:00 p.m.
- Mon, 5/26:** Memorial Day (no school)
- Wed, 5/28:** Great Gators, 9:30 a.m.
- Wed, 5/28:** Kindergarten Graduation, 1:30 p.m.
- Thurs, 5/29:** Middle School Awards, 10:45 a.m.
- Thurs, 5/29:** Last Day, Dismiss at 11:15 a.m.



### From Savannah's Eyes

It is so amazing how generous people are in a small town when people need help. *Pennies for Peace* is doing so good in 5th and 6th grades. Thank you to the people

who have given me money for *Pennies for Peace*. We are still collecting money to send so if anyone has a donation, give it to me or someone in 5th and 6th grade, Mrs. Mitchell or bring it in yourself. We have a container in our school that we are collecting money in.

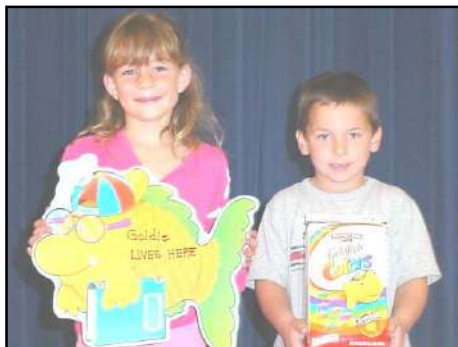
Thank you so very much.

Love and Peace, Savannah

*Savannah Oglesby is a 5th grade student at Everglades City School and a regular contributor to this paper.*



Grade 5,6: Angelica Martinez, Savannah Oglesby, Linzy Fails



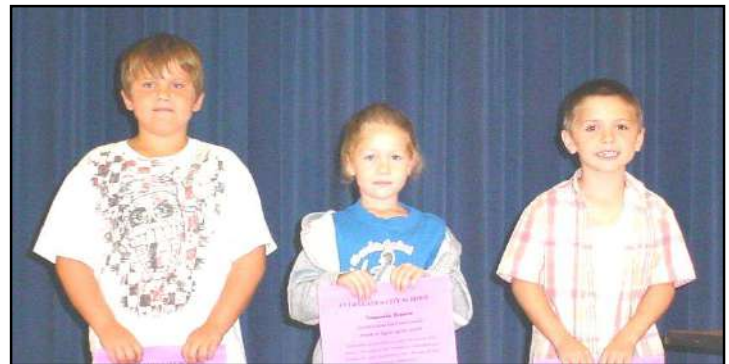
The Pre-K & K class won "Goldie" for coming tops in the Accelerated Readers' Contest.

Thanks to Trina Mitchell for photos.

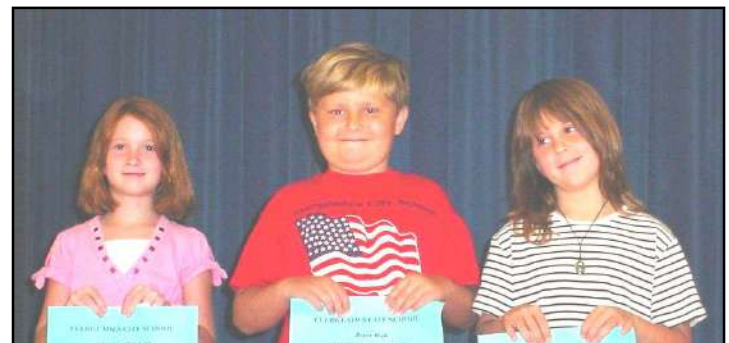
## GREAT GATORS, APRIL



PreK and K: Alexis Rain, Michael Rain, NOT PICTURED: Tyler Terrebonne (moved)



Grade 1: Cameron Foss, Samantha Bruscini, Seth Hooks



Grade 2: Hailey Mitchell, Bryce Kish, Joanna Satz



Grade 3,4: Cindy Cifuentes, Kevin Maley, Lindsay Thomas

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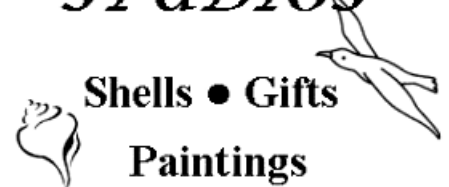
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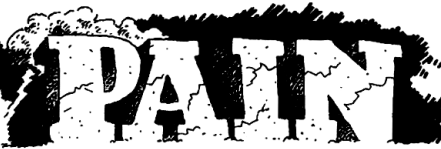
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## Sons of Confederate Veterans

We saw them serving delicious catfish and selling gear at the Tamiami-80 celebrations and we certainly heard them several weeks before that when their cannon went off in McLeod Park.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans is a national group who preserve the history and legacy of soldiers who fought in the War between the States. It is involved in preservation, marking soldiers' graves, historical re-enactments, scholarly publications, and charitable activities.

The local group is the 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. F.C.M. Boggess Camp and its Commander is Travis Goff. For more info, phone him at 695-4697.

The national website [www.scv.org](http://www.scv.org) has background and historical articles.

## Recipe for Good Eating

### Chocolate Oreo Balls

1 pkg. Oreo Cookies                      1 pkg Cream Cheese  
1 pkg White Chocolate bars        2 drops of Almond flavoring

Crush Oreos into small pieces. Mix with cream cheese. Make into small balls and refrigerate for one hour.

Melt chocolate and add almond flavoring. Cover balls with chocolate and place on tin foil or wax paper. When chocolate hardens, place in refrigerator.

*Helen Bryan sent this recipe from her friend Joanne Hawkins of Spartanburg, S.C. Helen suggests adding some chopped nuts.*



## Angels of the Swamp

We would like to recognize all the wonderful teachers and staff at Everglades City School who continue to give of their time and energy to nurture and teach the students of our community:



**Elementary School Teachers:** Theresa Ryan, Deborah Andler, Tracy Jones, Patty Jones, Hazel Mitchell, Karen Nicholson, Karen Schlonski, and Betty Oglesby

**Secondary School Teachers:** Paul D'Agostino, Beth Johnson, Louis Grossi, Mitchell Roberts, Julio Delarosa, Mark Cevallos, Elizabeth Ihle, Stacia Ferguson, Paul Tribble and Becky Welch

**Administration:** Principal Bobby Jones, Guidance Counselor Stephanie Young, Media Specialist Trina Mitchell, and Program Specialist Dana Snider

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## CONGRATULATIONS!

"The grandest wedding ever!" is how a proud Doug House described the nuptials of Kristin House and Ray Lefort (seen here with father-of-the bride Mitch House in a photo by Leah Minton) on Saturday, May 10. About 150 people attended a lovely outdoor wedding at the Rod & Gun where Parker Oglesby sang, "the best performance in his life" and there was a special arch designed as a fishing village, complete with crab traps. Officiating was the "family preacher", Amos Browning, who came home from Tennessee for the ceremonies.



The bride is finishing up her college studies and will be a teacher. The groom is a dentist from Fort Myers. A honeymoon is planned in the near future.



We had this email from Louis Ballerstedt from TetraPak:  
**Being one of the 700 visitors in Dec 07, I decided to come back a couple of weeks ago, and spent a day in Everglades city going to all the places we visited in Dec 07. I had kept contact with Kris Mol, one of the volunteers in the green shirts, who took me around the city, took me for lunch by the canal, and we biked around the city. As I came in by private plane, I took Kris on a short tour by air, enclosed the photo she took.**

**SWALE COMMENTS WANTED**

“A swale is a structure that distributes water from a culvert more evenly” and Everglades National Park is inviting comments on their proposal to install two of them on existing culverts along the Tamiami Trail (US-41) near the eastern boundary of the park. The swale would extend 500 feet on either side of the culvert and be 30-feet wide. This is a pilot project to see if water will, indeed, flow better through the Glades because of the swales.

There will be a public meeting on May 28 at Florida International University in Miami and written comments will be accepted until June 11. For info and to submit emails, see [www.parkplanning.nps.gov](http://www.parkplanning.nps.gov) and select Everglades NP or you can write to:

National Park Service, attn: Pat Kenney  
 Denver Service Center, Planning Division  
 P O Box 25287  
 Denver, CO, 80225-0187

For local info, phone (305) 242-7717.



**GRASSHOPPER STUDY  
 CONTINUES HERE**

by Laura Skinner

You may have heard that Illinois State University (ISU) has returned to Everglades City or seen our van around town. We are well into our third field season studying Eastern Lubber grasshoppers. My name is Laura Skinner and I am a graduate student working with Dr. Jason Jannot. I recently graduated from Northern Illinois State University with a Bachelor’s degree in Biological Sciences. I am studying how different native food plants affect lubber grasshopper growth and adult body size. In past years, Dr. Jannot has shown that there is a west-to-east gradient in adult grasshopper body size – grasshoppers found in the Fakahatchee Strand are 30% smaller than grasshoppers found at the Francis Taylor Wildlife Area near Miami.

This year, Dr. Jannot is conducting experiments to determine how the environmental conditions might vary along this gradient (e.g., temperature, vegetation, predators) and affect grasshopper growth and body size. Two undergraduate students from ISU, Alex Ko and Dustin Hermann, have arrived recently to start their summer research projects. Alex and Dustin will be studying how the environment affects grasshopper behavior and reproduction. If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact Dr. Jason Jannot at [jjannot@ilstu.edu](mailto:jjannot@ilstu.edu).

**FIRE WARNING**

The media are reporting massive fires in Florida and just down the road in the park, ENP have said that over 7,000 acres are on fire but will be suppressed. Because of the dry conditions and winds, even the hardwood hammocks are burning up.



It could be happening here. Be careful! Don’t toss that cigarette out the window!



**FLORIDA  
 FLORA**

Thanks to Friends of Fakahatchee member Jim Woodard who sent a photo of a Buttonbush flower that he took at the end of April. This wetlands shrub attracts butterflies.





## LOCAL HISTORY

"Boogie Books" were the Collier Corporation's own money (scrip) which employees received for their wages and could then spend in all the Collier-owned stores around town (eg, grocery, drug store, bakery, Manhattan Mercantile department store). If one had to go out of town, the "money" could be exchanged for US currency at the Administration Office.

However, why were they called "Boogie Books"? Arita Parker said at the Tamiami-80 story-telling that she thought the name could be a corruption of "bogus" or could be that when you got them you could "boogy" (have a good time). Are there any other theories?

And, what did they look like? Barbara Daniels said they were pastel with different colors for different denominations. Change for less than \$1.00 was given in US coinage.

If anyone has examples of Collier scrip, we would like to photocopy or scan them. Phone Patty at 695-2397.

There was also Janes company money, called "babbage", in Copeland which was honored by the Janes store and restaurant. The coins were in denominations of 1.00, .50, .25, .10, and .05 and were stamped with a "J". If workers needed US currency, they could trade them in at the company.

Unfortunately, the historic Janes' building was torn down in 2002 by Big Cypress National Preserve after they acquired it.

*Thanks to Jim Webb for letting us photograph his collection of Janes coins.*

## Historic Designations

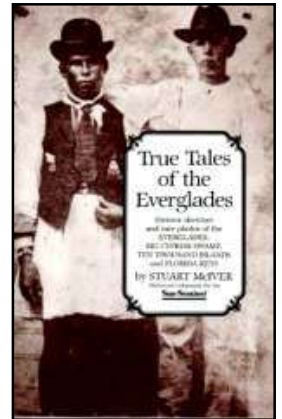
The Collier County Board of Commissioners approved historic designations for two local buildings at their meeting on Tuesday, May 13. The Bula Baptist Mission in Copeland and JT's store & restaurant in Chokoloskee were added to the County's Historical & Archeological Preservation Board list.

*Thanks to Naples artist Paul Arsenault for letting us reproduce his painting of the Bula Baptist Mission.*



## STUART McIVER

Florida historian and story-teller Stuart McIver passed away at the end of April, aged 86. His popular little book *True Tales of the Everglades* is available around town but he wrote much more than that. He was editor of *South Florida History*, the official magazine of the Historical Museum of South Florida in Miami and author of a number of hardback books. His latest was about Guy Bradley, the Audubon warden who was killed stopping plume hunters in 1905. Stuart visited Everglades City to promote the book during Seafood Festival, 2004, and a picture of him in front of our Museum is on his website [www.stuartmciver.com](http://www.stuartmciver.com).



## MUSEUM NEWS

With most of our winter visitors gone, there is even more need for volunteers to help at the desk. You don't have to be an expert in history to welcome visitors and chat with them. Greeters usually work from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. any day from Tuesday through Saturday. However, if one of those times is not suitable, different arrangements can be made. Stop in at the Museum or phone 695-0008 for more information.



If you haven't been into the Museum recently, have a look at the meticulously constructed model of the Bay City Walking Dredge. The huge original is at Collier Seminole State Park, in graceful retirement after helping to build the Tamiami Trail. It was restored by the late Meece Ellis, dredge-master and owner of the Royal Palm Hammock station nearby. The dredge is listed as a Historical Landmark by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers ([www.asme.org](http://www.asme.org)).

The Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## Household Tip

We had this tip in an email but haven't tried it yet: Does it work? Let us know ...  
**To keep mosquitoes away, place an anti-static clothes dryer sheet in your pocket.**



# AWARDS 2008



### SPECIALTY AWARDS

*Harvard Club Book Award:* Renee Medina Gonzalez

*Smith College Book Award:* Karisa Brown

*Sons of the American Revolution Book Award:*  
James Ridgway

### SCHOLARSHIPS

*Naples Forum Club William S. Gentry Award:* James Ridgway

*Naples Yacht Club Blue Gavel Award:* James Ridgway & Jerrett Oakes

*Suncoast for Kids Scholarship:* Jerrett Oakes  
*Betterment Association of the Everglades Area, Inc.:*  
Jerrett Oakes, James Ridgway, Teala Stokes

*JL Walker Scholarship:* James Ridgway

*Naples Pelican Bay Rotary Club:* Jerrett Oakes

*Southwest Florida Golf Charities:* James Ridgway



### OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

*Freshman:* Elvira Pablo: Ramirez

*Sophomore:* Peyton Beebe

*Junior:* Renee Medina Gonzalez

*Seniors:* Jerrett Oakes, James Ridgway

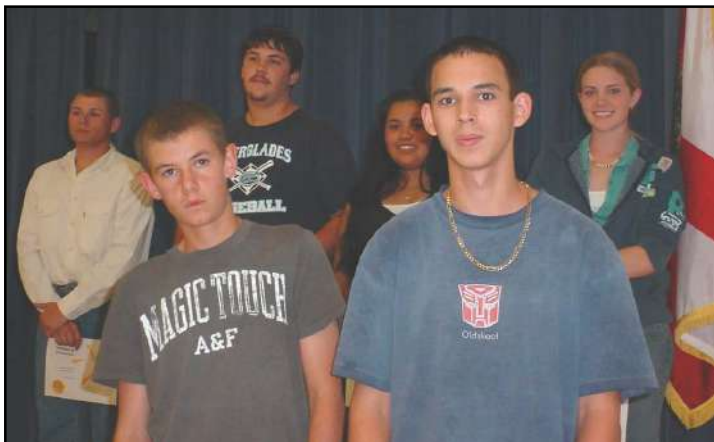
### WALL OF FAME

*Math:* Renee Medina: Gonzalez

*Language Arts:* Renee Medina Gonzalez

*Science:* Peyton Beebe

*Social Studies:* Renee Medina Gonzalez





# GRADUATION 2008



## **Justin Carroll**

Justin is known for his great sense of humor and was voted Class Clown. He always has a grin on his face and makes you wonder what he's up to. Justin served on the Homecoming Court for 2 years and was voted Homecoming Prince each time. He was a huge help this year with the ice deliveries at the Seafood Festival and spends most of his time working at Wooten's Airboat Adventures. Justin is the son of Grady and Christine Johnson.



## **James Ridgway**

James has been active in high school sports, playing basketball for 4 years and baseball for 3. He served on the Homecoming Court for 2 years. James is also an active member of the Betterment Association, The Sons of the Confederates, and the Seafood Festival staff. He will be attending the Marine Mechanics program at LWIT in Naples. James is the son of Diane and James Ridgway, Sr.



## **Jerrett Oakes**

Jerrett is known amongst his peers as the "Computer Guy". He enjoys taking them apart, putting them back together, and building one out of several. Jerrett is also quite the troubleshooter and is frequently called on by members of the community to come to the rescue when their computers won't cooperate. He will be attending LWIT in Naples and will be learning more about computers. Jerrett is the son of Theresa Oakes.



## **Teala Stokes**

Teala has been active in volleyball, cheerleading and yearbook and was the 2008 Homecoming Princess. She will be attending college in North Carolina and is planning to major in Communications with a concentration in Layout & Design. Teala is the daughter of Bart and Barbie Stokes.

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