

# The MULLET RAPPER

# What's Happening in the Everglades City Area

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### **Andy Opens for Lunch**

Right Choice is offering "personal pizzas" during their new noon-time opening hours, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday.

There will also be a lunch special each day. For example, this Monday Andy offered chili dogs, on Tuesday he had pot-roast with veggies, and on Wednesday it was spaghetti.

Watch the board outside the pizzeria each day to see what's for lunch. You can phone ahead at 695-3663 or cell 784-5385.

The evening pizza takeout will now operate only on weekends (Fri, Sat, Sun) from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m.

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### INDEPENDENCE DAY

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

The "Little Miss and Mister Fire Cracker" contest is being organized by Carol Foss (695-2277). Age groups for the best-dressed in patriotic clothing are 0-2 years, 3-5 years, 6-9 years, and 10-14 years.

Vendors are wanted for "Art in the Glades" in McLeod Park on July 6. If you have arts & crafts or anything else to sell, phone Marya at 695-2905. There is no charge.

The schedule on July 6 is:

11:00 - Arts & Crafts booths open

1:00 - Opening Ceremonies

1:30 - PARADE

### **HOUSING SEMINAR**

Collier County is presenting a seminar about owning your own home on Saturday, June 14, at the Community Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. See the insert for details.



### CHURCH GETS FACELIFT

As you drive around the Circle you can't help noticing the work being done on the Community Church. According to an email from Pastor Bob Wallace:

We are now in a restoration mode. The Bell Tower and Narthex were rather waterdamaged over the years. The structure was completed in 1940 and has stood the test of time through hurricanes, tropical storms and the blistering summer sun. The project you see in the picture is scheduled to be completed within thirty days, hopefully. The windows will be shaped to look again as they did in 1940 and the stained glass windows will be re-installed and covered and protected by impact resistant glass. We are told that the supports under the church are structurally sound. So, this will complete our first phase of restoration.

If you want to keep up with us on a weekly basis, visit our website at www.evergladescommunitychurch.com.

# **JUNE/JULY 2008**

SUN	MON	TUES	<b>WED</b>	THURS	<u>FRI</u>	SAT
8	Hour of Prayer Chokoloskee Church of God 7 pm FME mtg	10	Ladies Coffee Ivey House 8 am	12	13	Housing Seminar 10 am, see p.1 Bozzard Service
	Museum, 10 am  OFCD Board  Fire Sta, 6 pm					Chok COG, 4 pm see p.3
15 Fathers' Day	Hour of Prayer Holy Family Catholic Church 7 pm Summer Camp see p.3	Reach Out City Hall 8:30 am	Ladies Coffee Ivey House 8 am	Lions Club Bd Mtg, 5:30 pm Copeland Civic Association 7 pm	20	21
22	Hour of Prayer Everglades First Baptist Church 7 pm	24	25 Ladies Coffee Ivey House 8 am	26	27	28 BigC Lecture Clyde Butcher Gallery, 1 pm see p.7
29	30 Hour of Prayer Everglades Community Church 7 pm	JULY 1 Aide to Congressman Mario Diaz- Balart City Hall, 3 pm see p.3	Ladies Coffee Ivey House 8 am	new moon 3 Lions Club Depot, 7 pm	Independence Day	Reunion Depot, 2 pm see p.3 Jazz Knights details TBA
Independence Day Celebration see p. 1	7 Hour of Prayer Copeland Baptist Church,7 pm	8	9 Ladies Coffee Ivey House 8 am	10	11	12

Summer School/Camp: June 16 - July 18

July 19: Clyde Butcher Summer Lecture

Aug 19: School Starts Again

August 30 - Sept 1: Clyde Butcher's Labor Day "Muck-About", phone 695-2428 for reservations

THRIFT SHOP: Thurs, Fri, Sat, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

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: Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon; 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: Tues, 6/17 (9-11 am), Wed, 6/18 (10 am-noon), Fri, 6/ 20 (11 am - 1 pm), Mon, 6/23 (10 am - noon),

Wed, 6/25 (9-11 am), Thurs, 6/26/(noon - 2 pm), Mon, 6/30 (9-11 am)

### MEMORIAL SERVICE

A service for David Bozzard will be held on Saturday, June 14, at 4 pm at Chokoloskee Church of God.

### **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE**

George Barton, aide to Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart, will welcome constituents on Tuesday, July 1, in City Hall at 3:00 p.m. To talk with him before that, phone 348-1620.

# RESTAURANT NEWS



### **OPEN DURING THE SUMMER**

City Seafood:

11 am - 6 pm; daily **Everglades Scoop:** 

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Glades Haven Deli:

6 am - 6 pm; Sun - Thurs

6 am - 9 pm; Fri - Sat

Ivey House:

6:30 - 10 am; daily

Leebo's:

4 pm; Mon - Sat and noon; Sunday

Right Choice Pizzeria:

lunch: 11 am - 1 pm; Mon - Fri

pizza: 5 - 9 pm; Fri, Sat, Sun

Rod & Gun:

6 - 10 am Breakfast; Sat, Sun

11:30 am - 9 pm; daily

**Seafood Depot:** 

11 am - 9 pm; daily

Subway:

10 am - 8 pm; daily

Susie's Station:

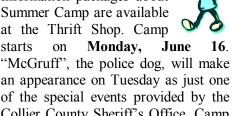
11 am - 5:30 pm; Sun - Thurs

11 am - 8:30 pm; Fri, Sat

Havana Café opening TBA.

### SIGN UP NOW FOR SUMMER CAMP!!!

Information packages about Summer Camp are available at the Thrift Shop. Camp starts on

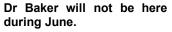


of the special events provided by the Collier County Sheriff's Office. Camp hours will be 7:30 a.m to 2:00 p.m. For more info, phone Helen at 695-3298 or Pam at 695-2843.

### 1968 SCHOOL REUNION

Join your colleagues at a Class Reunion on Saturday, July 5 at the Seafood Depot from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. The event is organized by the Class of 1968 but others on either side of the decade (1963 to 1973) are welcome. For more info, call Gary McMillin at 695-4540.

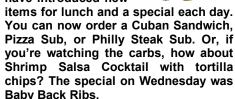
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### **DEPOT LUNCH** SPECIALS

The Seafood Depot have introduced new



OCHOPEE FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

05/28/08: Transformer Sparking, Everglades

05/29/08: Unconscious Person, Lee Cypress

05/29/08: Brush Fire, South Blocks

05/30/08: Unknown Medical Problem, **Everglades City** 

05/31/08: Assault Victim, Everglades City 06/01/08: Chest Pains, US-41 & Turner River

06/01/08: Power Line Down, 1/2 Mile East of

Birdon Road

06/01/08: Vehicle Accident, 51m I-75 06/03/08: Vehicle Accident, 60m I-75

06/03/08: Vehicle Accident, Everglades City

06/03/08: Tree Down, Everglades City 06/04/08: Vehicle Fire, 67m I-75

06/05/08: Vehicle Accident,, 51m I-75 06/07/08: Vehicle Accident. 72m I-75

06/09/08: Vehicle Accident, 54m I-75 06/09/08: Vehicle Accident, 65m I-75

06/10/08: Laceration to Hand, Lee Cypress

06/10/08: Vehicle Accident, 72m I-75

### OLD INK **CARTRIDGES WANTED**

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### **Hurricane Season**

For official forecasts, see http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/

which has maps and warnings.

### TIDES FOR BARRON RIVER

INFORMATION FROM http://TIDESANDCURRENTS.NOAA.GOV

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06/23/2008	Mon	01:25AM	-0.1	L	07:18AM	2.4	H	01:14PM 0.7	L	05:33PM	2.7	H
06/24/2008	Tue	02:03AM	0.1	L	07:55AM	2.5	Н	02:15PM 0.7	L	06:38PM	2.5	Н
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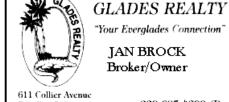
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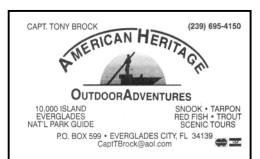
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# SCHOOL NEWS

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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Summer School/Camp Starts** Mon, June 16 Summer School/Camp Ends Fri, July 18

Tues, August 19 **School Starts** 



# From Savannah's Eyes

What a wonderful summer I've had already! And school has only been out for 2 weeks. We went on the Disney Cruise to the Bahamas,

seeing Atlantis, going to Disney's private island called Castaway Cay, and seeing the Flying Dutchman ship. When we first got on the cruise ship, we all went to deck 9 and went swimming. They separated the pools. Grown-ups are in the middle, then the Mickey pool, and lastly the teen pool. After that, we went to our room on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor (it has 11 floors). When we stepped into the room, it was beautiful. It was like a little cottage, so cozy. It had a big closet, bathroom, bunk bed that came down from the ceiling (awesome, I slept on that), and a couch that folds out into a bed (LaShaun came with us so she slept on that), and a queen-sized bed in the back. There was chocolate all over and a cobra made into a towel. After we ate all of the chocolate, we went to eat. The restaurant was called Parrott Cay. I fell in love and so did LaShaun, and my mom and dad. I highly recommend that if you want to go on a cruise, go on the Disney wonder!

Have fun in the sun, Savannah

Savannah Oglesby just finished the 5th grade at Everglades City School and is a regular contributor to this paper.

### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

Everglades City School is among only 22 schools throughout Florida to be awarded the 2007-08 Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSAA) / Fred E. Rozelle Sportsmanship Award. which recognizes schools for exemplary sportsmanship. Everglades City School is the winner of Section 4 of Class 1A.

The FHSAA/Fred E. Rozelle Sportsmanship Awards program was implemented during the 1990-91 school year. Each year the award is presented to one school in each classification whose total sports program best exemplifies the qualities of sportsmanship by its coaches, players and spectators. The section winners will each receive \$500 and a commemorative plaque.

Everglades City School principal, Bobby Jones, is very pleased with being chosen for this award. Coaches, administration and staff work hard to stress character and sportsmanship not only on the court and field, but in the classroom as well. This award is a tribute to the hard work of staff and students.

### LAST DAYS OF SCHOOL

with thanks to Trina Mitchell for photos



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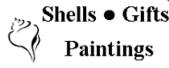
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### LOCAL HISTORY

The Everglades Society for Historic Preservation has a new website featuring this sketch by Hannah Ineson, a seasonal resident and popular artist of local scenes.

The website includes back issues of the ESHP newsletter, a summary of the Society's goals and activities, and a membership form.

See <u>www.evergladeshistorical.org</u>. The website is hosted by Exploritech of Naples who also designed and host the *Rapper* website.



# **MUSEUM NEWS**

The Friends of the Museum are planning their float for the parade to celebrate Independence Day on July 6 and hope they can again win one of the prizes. They came in first in 2005 and 2007. If you have ideas or want to help, phone Carol at 695-2159.

The Museum is open Tuesday through Friday, 9 am to 5 pm, and on Saturday from 9 am to 4 pm.

### **OBITUARY**

We have learned that Bill Isaacs, 91, a former resident of Plantation Island, passed away on May 11 in Naples. He is survived by his wife Arlene and daughter. He served from 1985 to 1990 at our local fire department.

### FIRE OUT!

Everglades National Park has announced that the Mustang Corner fire, which started on May 14 and spread to almost 40,000 acres, has been 100% contained. The *Rapper* received this email from an observer:

I had the chance to fly over freshly burned areas immediately after the fire. We spotted white-tailed deer in the black already scouting out the burn for new growth. In the area of East Everglades, where the fire originated, we've already got several inches of new growth sprouting.

### **Big Cypress Gallery Summer Lecture Series**

The first talk was such a success that two more have been scheduled:

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>June 28</u>: Lisa Andrews about Big Cypress and the Florida Panther

Saturday, July 19: Mike Owen with photographer Rick Cruz about "Endangered and Beautiful Species in the Fakahatchee".

The talks begin at 1:00 p.m. at Clyde Butcher's Big Cypress Gallery in Ochopee. For info, phone 695-2428 or see www.clydebutcher.com.

## Household Tips

Our electricity supplier, LCEC, advises the following for keeping bills down this summer:

- Set your air conditioner to 78°F because every degree cooler costs 8% more.
- Replace the filters every month.
- Consider tinting your windows.
- Set your water heater between 120°F and 140°F.

A special thank you to Savannah Oglesby and the students at Everglades City School who donated their pennies (and some nickels, dimes and quarters) for the Pennies for Peace Program. A total of \$46.88 was collected and will be sent to Greg Mortenson's program to provide educational opportunities for students in Pakistan and Afghanistan. For more information, look at website <a href="https://www.penniesforpeace.org">www.penniesforpeace.org</a>. Send your contribution to Pennies for Peace, P.O. Box 7209, Bozeman, MT 59771.

### MEMORIES

### **Growing Up in Everglades City**

by Barbara Hoffman Daniels

The year was Nineteen Thirty Nine, the month of June. School was out for Summer Vacation and that meant a lot of long hot days to find fun things to do after our chores were completed at home

I had a plan that I took to my friend's house three blocks away. She lived across the railroad tracks in the Atlantic Coast Line home that was provided for the foreman's family.

She approved of my plan and away we went to another friend's home across town. This friend lived on a two-story houseboat on the river. Her father let her use his mullet skiff at times and that was exactly what we needed to implement our plan.

We had already packed homemade biscuits, white bacon, and brownies for our lunch.

We loaded up in the skiff and our friend rowed down the river, first to the Riggs Fish Company market where we each bought a cola and a bag of potato chips and then away we went back around the bend of the river and over to what was then known as Treasure Island.

We spent the day picnicking and swinging on the old cracker-sack swings that the town boys had hung from high up in the pine tress and just talking "girl talk" and trying to solve some of life's puzzles. We were just starting on the subject of how different from girls that boys were and trying to figure out why, when we heard the 5:15 whistle blow and that meant that we had to get back across the river and to our homes as we were always to be home by six o'clock. That was an understood fact in the lives of most children in the little town.

It had been a good day and we would pick up our discussion at another time. Life was good in those days.

Barbara Hoffman Daniels grew up in Everglades City where her father was the electrician.

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by Patty Huff

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