

# The MULLET RAPPER

## What's Happening in the Everglades City Area

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### *Farewell to a Fisherman*

Earl Kenneth Dampier, 62, died on July 9 after battling with cancer. He was a life-time resident of Collier and Lee counties. He worked as a mechanic at OMC and Bay Marina in Naples, commercial fished and stone-crabbed in Everglades and St James City, and managed Outdoor Resorts of Chokoloskee. Before his illness, he was a Captain at Everglades National Park Boat Tours. He was an avid fisherman.

Ken and his wife Sandra Apps, who were married in 1967 in Michigan, owned Everglades Scoop. They have one son Earl Kenneth, Jr. (wife Temple Cox) and a beloved grandson Trenton Fisher. Other survivors include his mother Mildred Dampier, sisters Althea Cole and Debbie Durance; and five nephews and nieces.

At the service on July 18 at Everglades Community Church, Howie Grimm said that Ken taught him "Don't wait to tell loved ones that you love them; don't wait to spend time with them." He also reminded the packed sanctuary that Ken's grandfather had helped to build the Church in 1940, a fitting place for Ken to have his memorial.

Donations may be made in his memory to Everglades Community Church, P.O. Box 177, Everglades City, FL, 34139, or to Everglades Pre-K School, P.O. Box 170, Everglades City, FL, 34139.



### PLEASURE ISLAND FIRE

An early morning fire on Pleasure Island brought assistance to our local Ochopee firefighters from East Naples Fire Department (in photo below), as well as Port of the Islands and Marco Island.

Vicki Miller of Storter Avenue first noticed the flames across the Barron River at 4:30 a.m. on July 10 as she left her home for work at Circle K. She and a sheriff's officer notified the fire department who were on the scene immediately but too late to save one of the homes on the west side of Pleasure Island. Two other homes were damaged, one completely gutted and another affected by the flames and smoke. Flames shooting in the air could be seen as far away as City Hall.

Fire marshals on the scene said it may take weeks for the official report about the cause of the fire.



As the sun came up, the scene at Pleasure Island was smoke-filled as the flames were quenched.



### MAMIE STREET

A rough roadway has been opened up, as a result of a court case, to allow residents at Parkway Village in Chokoloskee to access their properties.

However, the Smallwood Store is still inaccessible from Mamie Street. On the other side of the fence, the old Blue Heron Motel has been knocked down



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# JULY / AUGUST 2011

<u>SUN</u>	<u>MON</u>	<u>TUES</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THURS</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>
17	18 Hour of Prayer Chokoloskee Church of God 7 pm	19	20 Ladies Coffee City Seafood 8 am	21	<u>RAPPER</u> 22	23
24	25 Hour of Prayer Holy Family Catholic Church 7 pm	26	27 Ladies Coffee Island Cafe 8 am	28 Summer Camp Last Day	29	new moon ○ 30
31	AUG 1 Hour of Prayer Everglades Community Church 7 pm	2 City Council <i>see p.3</i> National Night Out <i>see p.3</i>	3 Ladies Coffee City Seafood 8 am	4	<u>RAPPER</u> 5	6 Pet Vet <i>see p.11</i>
7 Pet Vet <i>see p. 11</i>	8 Hour of Prayer Copeland Baptist Church 7 pm	9 Medical Cabinet <i>see p.11</i>	10 Ladies Coffee Island Cafe 8 am	11	12 Florida Sales Tax Holiday	full moon ● 13 Florida Sales Tax Holiday
14 Florida Sales Tax Holiday	15 Hour of Prayer Chokoloskee Church of God 7 pm	16	17 Ladies Coffee City Seafood 8 am	18	<u>RAPPER</u> 19	20

Future Dates: Aug 22: Back to School    Aug 25: BigC ORVs Mtg    Aug 30: First notice for City Elections  
 Sept 3-5: Butcher's Labor Day Muck-About  
 Oct 22: Redsnook Tournament    Nov 22: City Elections

THRIFT SHOP: Sat; 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, *closed in August*

FOOD PANTRY: Sat, 8:30-10:30 am, Holy Family

LITTLE GATOR CLINIC: closed for summer

DR DEMARTINO: Fri, by appointment

SKATING RINK: Fri, Sat; 7-10 pm

ALCOHOLICS ANON: Wed, 5:00 pm, Holy Family Catholic Church

NARCOTICS ANON: Sat, 11:00 am, Community Center

MUSEUM: Tues-Fri; 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Sat; 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

SMALLWOOD STORE: closed until further notice

SHERIFF AT CITY HALL: *see notice outside office on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor*

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NATIONAL PARK: 695-3311

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**CITY COUNCIL**

The first meeting after the summer break is on **Tuesday, August 2**, at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall. If you want to speak during Public Comments, you can sign up before the meeting starts.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

The 28<sup>th</sup> annual crime prevention event will take place on **Tuesday, August 2**. CCSO is hosting its SafetyFests in our area that evening:

- 4:30-5:30: Everglades City Hall
- 6:30-8:30: Copeland / Lee Cypress

There will be public safety displays and free food. You can show your solidarity against crime by leaving your porch light on that evening.

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

Earlier on **Tuesday, August 2**, Neighborhood Watch signs will be installed:

- 12:30 p.m.: Chokoloskee
- 2:30 p.m.: Plantation Island

Everyone is invited to come along to the ceremonies, which will be brief.

**Commissioner Coletta**

Collier County Commissioner Jim Coletta does not have any scheduled visits to Everglades City during July or August. He is available at jimcoletta@colliergov.net or by phone at 239-252-8391.



**On their way to fight the fire on July 10, our team had to travel to the west side of Pleasure Island by boat.**

**Thrift Shop Hours**

The Reach Out Thrift Shop behind the fire station is open only on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. for the rest of July and will be closed in August.

Please do not leave items on the porch when it is closed! You can phone Helen at 695-3298 or Annie at 695-2009 who will personally accept your calls and donations.

**ADVISORY BOARDS**

There are vacancies on the County's Airport Authority Advisory Board and the Conservation Collier Land Acquisition Advisory Committee. The deadline for applications is **Thursday, August 4**.

For info, see [www.colliergov.net](http://www.colliergov.net) (click on "I want to", then "apply for") or phone 252-8097.

**OCHOPEE FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT**

- 07/05/11: Vehicle Accident, 52mm I-75
- 07/06/11: Emergency Medical, Everglades City
- 07/06/11: Emergency Medical, 63mm I-75
- 07/09/11: Emergency Medical, Everglades City
- 07/09/11: Emergency Medical, SR-29 & US-41
- 07/10/11: Structure Fire, Pleasure Island
- 07/10/11: Emergency Medical, 58mm I-75
- 07/10/11: Call Box Activation, 52mm I-75
- 07/11/11: Emergency Medical, Oasis Ranger Station
- 07/12/11: Emergency Medical, SR-29 & I-75
- 07/13/11: Emergency Medical, 66mm I-75
- 07/14/11: Vehicle Accident, 62mm I-75
- 07/16/11: Emergency Medical, 65mm I-75
- 07/16/11: Emergency Medical, Everglades City
- 07/16/11: Emergency Medical, Plantation Island
- 07/17/11: Vehicle Accident, 63mm I-75
- 07/17/11: Brush Fire, US-41 and SR-29
- 07/17/11: Public Assist, SR 29 & Wagon Wheel Road
- 07/17/11: Brush Fire, US-41 & SR-29
- 07/17/11: Power Line Down, Port of the Islands
- 07/18/11: Vehicle Accident, 59mm I-75

**THANKS!**

Club Everglades would like to publically thank the firefighters for their quick response and professionalism during the Pleasure Island fire on July 10.



Randy Mills told the *Rapper* that they were "unbelievable, awesome, and so dedicated". If it hadn't been for their diligence and speed, much more damage could have been caused.

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and [www.nhc.noaa.gov](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov) for storms

**TIDES FOR BARRON RIVER**

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

07/22/2011	Fri	02:33AM	0.6	L	08:05AM	2.5	H	03:55PM	0.5	L	08:54PM	2.0	H
07/23/2011	Sat	03:05AM	0.7	L	08:54AM	2.5	H	05:06PM	0.4	L	10:16PM	1.9	H
07/24/2011	Sun	04:03AM	0.8	L	09:50AM	2.6	H	06:11PM	0.3	L	11:48PM	1.9	H
07/25/2011	Mon	05:32AM	0.9	L	10:51AM	2.6	H	07:07PM	0.2	L			
07/26/2011	Tue	01:08AM	2.0	H	06:39AM	0.9	L	11:49AM	2.8	H	07:58PM	0.1	L
07/27/2011	Wed	01:56AM	2.1	H	07:34AM	0.9	L	12:39PM	3.0	H	08:43PM	-0.1	L
07/28/2011	Thu	02:31AM	2.3	H	08:23AM	0.8	L	01:22PM	3.1	H	09:25PM	-0.2	L
07/29/2011	Fri	03:04AM	2.4	H	09:09AM	0.8	L	02:02PM	3.3	H	10:06PM	-0.3	L
07/30/2011	Sat	03:36AM	2.5	H	09:53AM	0.7	L	02:42PM	3.4	H	10:45PM	-0.3	L
07/31/2011	Sun	04:08AM	2.5	H	10:38AM	0.5	L	03:23PM	3.4	H	11:24PM	-0.2	L
08/01/2011	Mon	04:41AM	2.6	H	11:23AM	0.4	L	04:08PM	3.3	H			
08/02/2011	Tue	12:02AM	-0.1	L	05:14AM	2.7	H	12:11PM	0.3	L	04:59PM	3.1	H
08/03/2011	Wed	12:41AM	0.1	L	05:49AM	2.8	H	01:02PM	0.2	L	05:59PM	2.8	H
08/04/2011	Thu	01:21AM	0.3	L	06:27AM	2.9	H	02:00PM	0.2	L	07:09PM	2.5	H
08/05/2011	Fri	02:04AM	0.5	L	07:10AM	2.9	H	03:07PM	0.2	L	08:28PM	2.3	H

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# SUMMER VACATION NEWS

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website: [www.collier.k12.fl.us/evg](http://www.collier.k12.fl.us/evg)



## IMPORTANT DATES

Thurs, July 28: Last Day of Summer Camp  
 Fri-Sun, Aug 12-15: Sales Tax Holiday  
 Mon, Aug 16: Teachers Return  
 Mon, Aug 22: First Day of School



### *From Savannah's Eyes*

Savannah is on vacation but she'll tell us all about it when she returns.

*Savannah Oglesby is going into the 9<sup>th</sup> grade at Everglades City School and is a regular contributor to this paper.*

## FOOTBALL CAMP

Students aged six and up are welcome on **Monday, July 25**, at the Edgerrin James Speed & Agility Football Camp from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Immokalee Sports Complex, 505 Escambia Street. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and walk-ins are welcome. Food & drink will be provided and there will be a chance to cool off later in the pool. You can sign up in advance at [www.edgerrinjamesfoundation.org](http://www.edgerrinjamesfoundation.org) or phone (239) 657-1951.

## Build-A-Chair

Students aged 11 to 14 years old are invited to "Build-A-Chair" during the week of **July 25-28** from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Community Center. The program is sponsored by the Sheriff's Office and will encourage youngsters to learn about working with tools as a team.



## SIGN UP NOW FOR FREE SUPPLIES

Free school supplies and bags for ECity School students will be given out on **Saturday, August 6**, from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Community Center by the Collier County Police Activities League (PAL). However, to help them know what to buy, you must RSVP **before Tuesday, July 26**, with the student's name and age or grade. See the Community Safety Team Facebook page or email [ccsopal@aol.com](mailto:ccsopal@aol.com).

## FUN & ICE CREAM

Collier County Parks and Recreation Department will host its 10th annual Ice Cream Social event on **Saturday, July 30**, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at Sugden Regional Park, 4248 Avalon Drive, Naples. There will also be entertainment, games, and a giant water slide. The event is part of National Park & Recreation Month. For info, see [www.collierparks.com](http://www.collierparks.com) or call 252-4000.



## Summer Camp



Summer Campers paid a visit to the Museum and to the Library on July 19. They were accompanied by Pastor Jim and Ruth Ann Fross who volunteered for the day. There was also a scavenger hunt in McLeod Park with prizes of Thirst Busters donated by Circle K. *Thanks to Helen Bryan for photos and report.*

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## Recipe for Good Eating

### Chicken Carbonara

by Patricia Huff



#### Ingredients

- |                              |                                     |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 4 Chicken breasts (skinless) | 5 Slices of cooked bacon, chopped   |
| 3 Eggs                       | 3 Cloves of garlic, minced          |
| ½ cup of dry white wine      | 1 ½ cups of Parmesan cheese, grated |
| 1 lb Spaghetti               | 1-2 cups Peas, frozen               |
| Salt and Pepper              |                                     |

Brown chicken and cook thoroughly in oil or in a small amount of bacon fat (you may also use left-over cooked chicken). Slice thinly and set aside. Boil water, add salt and spaghetti, cooking until just *al dente*. Meanwhile, saute garlic in bacon fat and add wine, cooking just a few minutes before adding this mixture to egg and cheese. When pasta is done, drain in colander over peas. Combine all ingredients together and serve warm.

Note: This is a great quick dinner recipe when you have lots of left-overs.

*If you have a favorite recipe to share, please phone or email us.*



## Off the Shelf – Book Review

### “Flavors of Greece”

by Rosemary Barron

reviewed by Marya Repko

One way to escape during the summer is to indulge in food from other cultures and make believe you are visiting there.

Written by an American who discovered Greece on an archeological dig, this book shows her love and admiration for the simple cooking that is so common in that ancient rural country. The smells and colors are enticing; the ingredients are fresh and natural; and the atmosphere over a meal is sociable. Food is an important part of Greek life.

This is not high cuisine but everyday eating. The meal may start with appetizers (meze) over drinks in the living room, then move to the table for the main course, perhaps followed by fruit but finished off in the living room again with coffee and sweet cakes. The important ingredients include olive oil, lamb (sheep graze on the infertile hills), yogurt and cheeses, lemons, honey, nuts, and a myriad of spices and herbs. Cooking over an open fire gives added flavor.

The author describes simple recipes for typical dishes and includes techniques for making your own yogurt and bread. There are also menus which suggest combinations of dishes for different occasions, from casual to festive.

Just as I was reading through her mouth-watering prose, I saw a review in the *Naples Daily News* (7/19/11) for several Greek restaurants near us. Greek Gourmet is opposite NCH on the Tamiami Trail; I've had lunch there and the wraps with hummus are wonderful. Another spot is Mario's Ice Cream in Towne Center mall which has a variety of dishes, some of them Greek. Finally, Olympia Dining has moved from Bonita to 2800 Davis Blvd (near Shadowlawn Drive) and serves American as well as Greek meals.

## SEAFOOD FESTIVAL, 2012



The organizers are already thinking about our traditional event on the first weekend in February and are looking for sponsors to help pay for the stage, tents, and security. These generous donors will be assured of huge exposure in the press, on the festival website, and during the event. Sponsors are also offered a chance to meet the celebrities and are treated to free meals.

The Seafood Festival is run by the Betterment Association of the Everglades Area, a 501(c)(3) non-profit which plows back any money earned from beer sales and concession fees to the local community. It is run entirely by volunteers.

If you can help, see [www.evergladesseafoodfestival.com](http://www.evergladesseafoodfestival.com) or phone 695-2905.

## FLORIDA FLORA

by Patricia Huff

### Pitcher Plant (*Nepenthaceae*)



Several years ago while my husband and I were visiting Fairchild Gardens in Miami, we were impressed with the beauty of the carnivorous plants that one grower was selling. We bought two varieties (*Nepenthaceae* and *Sarraceniaceae*).

The *Nepenthaceae* contains a single genus, *Nepenthes*, with about 120 species. This particular plant shown here hangs in a pot in our yard from our Royal Poinciana tree and it has quadrupled in

size since we purchased it. The "pitchers" themselves hang at the end of tendrils that extend from the tip of a leaf. Being carnivorous plants, their prey is trapped in the deep cavity of the pitcher. Crawling insects are attracted to its cavity and nectar. Because of the slippery and grooved insides of this pitcher plant, the insects cannot get out, thus drowning and gradually dissolving in the liquid (which is called *phytotelmata*). We were advised by the grower to use only filtered water during the dry season; otherwise, rain water is best for all Pitcher plants. The next issues of *The Mullet Rapper* will highlight another genus of Pitcher plants.



## FWC News

Recreational red snapper season in the Gulf ended on July 18.

The harvest of blue crabs from traps in all waters of Broward through Pasco counties will reopen on July 20.

Black skimmer chicks at Sand Dollar Beach on Marco Island were killed recently, probably by a dog. The public is reminded that shorebird nesting areas are protected and that disturbing nests, eggs, or chicks is illegal. Dog owners are responsible for ensuring that their animals do not enter posted areas.

"Patrol, Protect, Preserve" is the motto of FWC Division of Law Enforcement which introduced 20 new officers on July 15.

FWC arrested a man in Monroe County for BUI (boating under the influence), resisting arrest, and reckless operation of a vessel. All charges are misdemeanors.

For wildlife info and regulations, see [www.myfwc.com](http://www.myfwc.com).  
Wildlife Alert Hotline: 888-404-FWCC (3922)

## "Hola Everglades"

In an effort to reach out to its Spanish speaking neighbors, Everglades National Park has a new web page "en Español" at: <http://www.nps.gov/ever/planyourvisit/videos-en-espanol.htm>.

This page features two new videos designed to show Spanish speaking families how close they are to an amazing place and how they can explore it easily in a fun and entertaining way.

Also featured is 'Everglades: Aventura y Diversión' a reality television special produced by Univision 23 with a grant from the National Park Foundation. These and other videos are also on YouTube: <http://www.youtube.com/user/EvergladesNPS>.

## PARK CAFE HOURS

The Buttonwood Cafe in Flamingo is open during the summer from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday through Monday serving lunch and dinner. For info, call 695-3101.



## Reserve Now for Muck-About

Join Clyde and Niki Butcher for their Big Cypress Gallery Annual Labor Day Weekend Open House on **September 3-5**. The weekend events include: Large Format Camera Demonstrations, Black & White Hand Painting Demonstrations by Niki, Book Signings with Clyde and other Florida Authors, and Swamp Walks (very limited space).

Make your swamp walk reservation early. You will have a guide to lead you into the Big Cypress Swamp behind the swamp cottage at the Big Cypress Gallery which is a mysterious and secretive environment.

For reservations and information, contact see their website [www.clydebutcher.com](http://www.clydebutcher.com) or phone the gallery at 239-695-2428; or email [bcb@clydebutcher.com](mailto:bcb@clydebutcher.com).

## BigC ORV Trails

From July 22, Off-Road-Vehicle (ORV) access within the Big Cypress National Preserve is allowed along designated trail routes only. The restriction includes swamp buggies, ATVs, street-legal 4x4s, and airboats.



ORV usage in the Preserve is by special permit which can be requested at 695-1205. For a map of the designated trails, visit [www.nps.gov/bicy/planyourvisit](http://www.nps.gov/bicy/planyourvisit), click on "Things to Do", and then on "ORV Use", where you will also find permit forms.

## SAWFISH REPORTS

If you see a sawfish, please report it:

\* Online at: [www.flmnh.ufl.edu/fish/sharks/sawfish](http://www.flmnh.ufl.edu/fish/sharks/sawfish)

\* By phone: (352) 392-2360 or (352) 871-8230

\* By e-mail: [sawfish@flmnh.ufl.edu](mailto:sawfish@flmnh.ufl.edu)

The smalltooth sawfish is a protected species.



If you are interested in the tagging research that has been done in our area, see the 6/10/11 issue of the *Rapper*.





## LOCAL HISTORY

### Swamp Buggies

Capt. Ernie Carroll built "Pogo" in 1953 to traverse the swamps and marl prairie in the Fakahatchee Strand to carry two people plus hunting gear to and from their camp. It was built on a 1947 Crosley car chassis with a hand-crafted body of plywood and cypress. The current owners are Mark and Ray Carroll, grandsons of the original owner, who still have a camp in the Fakahatchee.

If you'd like to learn more and see Pogo "in the flesh", go to the presentation at the Marco Island Historical Museum on **Tuesday, August 2** (see column right).



### Gladesmen Culture

Public comment is sought by **Wednesday, July 27**, on the report *You Just Can't Live Without It* about the status of the Gladesmen Culture which is of concern within Everglades Restoration. For detailed info, see website [www.evergladesplan.org](http://www.evergladesplan.org), then click on "Programs", "Documents", and then on "Open to Review". You can download the parts or all of the report (it is a large PDF, 21.3MB) and leave comments on the website. For more info, email [Grady.h.caulk@usace.army.mil](mailto:Grady.h.caulk@usace.army.mil).

### ROAD TO OCHOPEE?

We understand that there was once a road from Plantation Island to Ochopee and that the bridge was washed away during Hurricane Donna in 1960. Apparently, some GPS systems still show it!

Do you remember the road? Who built it? Who used it? If you can help, phone Marya at 695-2905.

## MUSEUM NEWS

The Museum is open Tuesday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There is no admission charge but donations are welcome. For info, phone 695-0008.

The next Friends of the Museum of the Everglades Board meeting will be on **Wednesday, Sept. 5**, at 9:00 a.m. in the Museum. Members are welcome. For events, see the FME website [www.evergladesmuseum.org](http://www.evergladesmuseum.org).



### Marco Island News

Patty Huff gave a presentation on the Storter Collection to the Marco Island Historical Society on Thursday, July 7.



The Storter Collection will continue through the month of August at the Marco Island Historical Museum which is located at 180 South Heathwood Drive (next to the Collier County Public Library). It is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For info about monthly programs and exhibits, see [www.themihs.org](http://www.themihs.org).



The next presentation will be on **Tuesday, August 2**, at 7:00 p.m. about Swamp Buggies. Ray Carroll is bringing along "Pogo" and Lila Zuck will talk about her book *Naples Oldest Tradition, Swamp Buggy Days*. For more info, phone (239) 394-3917.

## INVESTMENT INSIGHTS

by Darcie Guerin, Financial Advisor, WMST<sup>TM</sup>  
Raymond James & Associates, Inc.



"I still have checks left, I can't be broke." Don't laugh, that statement was made by my Mom, bless her soul, and is one reason I'm a financial advisor. Although Mom was brilliant in many ways, managing money wasn't her strong suit. During thirty years in the investment industry I've found that investing is all about knowledge, and as they say "knowledge is power."

Patty Huff and Marya Repko asked if I'd like to write a monthly article on investments and I thank them for this opportunity. *Investment Insights* will cover topics like retirement planning, cash flow needs and provide explanations of the financial markets and some insight into current events. The goal will be to help you understand your finances, investment objectives, and risk tolerance so you can make informed decisions on financial matters whether you're an experienced investor or just starting out.

If there are topics you'd like to explore please let me know via email or phone. Everything remains confidential. This way the article will be more valuable to you and other readers to address what's on your mind. I look forward to hearing from you. Until next time, stay focused and invest accordingly.

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## SHERIFF'S REPORT

[www.colliersheriff.org](http://www.colliersheriff.org)

**Copeland:** on July 15, a 30-year-old female was arrested for possession of cocaine and other charges.

**Plantation Island:** between July 13-14, resident on Cardinal Court reported that person(s) unknown attempted to forcibly enter his parked vehicle but no entry was gained. If you saw this incident, please contact the Sheriff's office.

**Lt. Milligin** hopes everyone will come out for the installation of Neighborhood Watch Signs on Plantation Island and Chokoloskee and will take part in National Night Out (see page 3 for details). He said, "Let's show our partnership & solidarity against crime!"

**If you have information about criminal activity or see anything suspicious, call 695-2007 right away, no matter what the hour. In emergencies, call 911.**

## Behind the Scenes – FCD Update

by Lisa Marteeny

Within the scope of a very generous grant from the Walrus Foundation, the Prevention Planning Team [PPT] of the CCSO Community Safety Team met with Renee Solis from FCD [Freedom from Chemical Dependency] to lay the foundation for our team efforts within the Everglades Community Area that deal in the area of substance abuse. That meeting resulted in some great work:

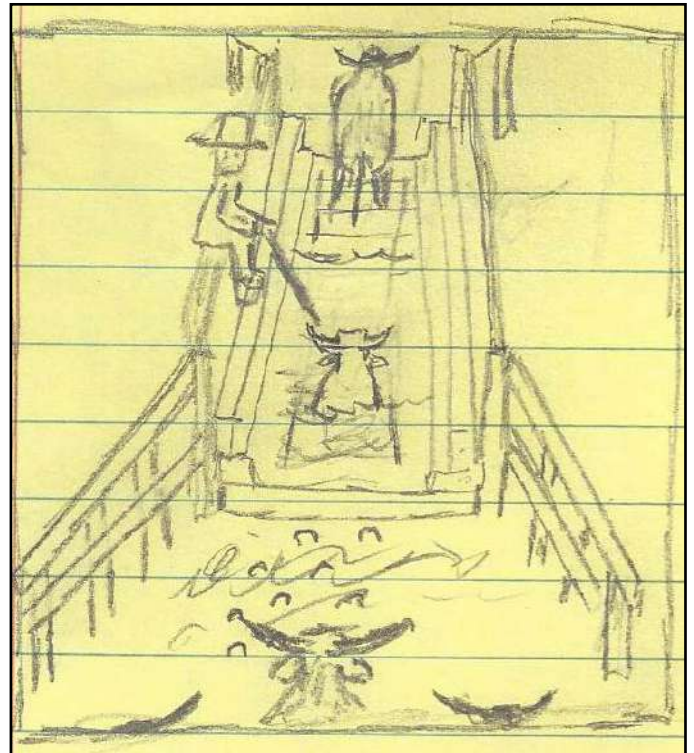
The **Vision Statement** of the PPT is *Promoting a healthy community by encouraging healthy choices*. Our **Mission Statement** reads *Coordinating community efforts for the prevention of substance abuse*. And, our **Guiding Principles** are as follows:

- View addiction as a health issue
- Understand addiction as a family disease
- Recognize the healthy majority
- Promote non-use by teenagers
- Encourage adults to make healthy choices regarding alcohol and other drugs
- Recognize the importance of intervention, treatment, and recovery
- Track efforts through data gathering

In addition, the PPT began work on a **Community Resource Wheel** that identifies the different factions of our community so we can determine how best to proceed in this endeavor.

The PPT is currently holding meetings throughout the summer as we prepare for the September visit from FCD. We were delighted to have had 22 people representing a myriad of organizations throughout our area at a meeting held recently upstairs at City Seafood. Work is underway to identify key contact people throughout the community who'd be willing to help coordinate an FCD session for their community organization. This is a wonderful opportunity for our community to get solid, helpful information on how to address the issues surrounding alcohol and drug abuse within our area. Remember, if you're not part of the solution, you're part of the problem!

To be included in future PPT/CCSO Community Safety Meeting updates, events, and programs, please email [revlisa@embarqmail.com](mailto:revlisa@embarqmail.com) to be added to our email info list.



## Florida Tales

### Cattle Dipping

by Chester Keene



When I lived on Coon Prairie in Desoto County as a young boy, and before the fence law was passed under Gov. Fuller Warren in the 1950s, the cattle were free range and were required to be dipped to get rid of the ticks that were a "hitchhiker" on cows. Forty six know dipping vats (Collier County had 17; a total of approximately 3400 in Florida) were built in DeSoto County. Holding pens were also built so cows could be pushed out of the swamps and scrub b the cowmen on horses and with dogs. The dogs ran them out of the swamps where the cowmen with whips would guide them to the holding pens. There was a chute and the cattle were driven into it. They were prodded into the vats which were 3-feet wide and 7-feet deep. It was over their heads. The cowmen would push their heads under the water which had arsenic mixed into it to kill the parasites, and then marked with a dab of paint to identify the dipped ones. The vat was sloped and the cows walked out the other end into the open range. The cowmen would let me sit on the rail and watch. After the tick period, the vats were abandoned and a hole was knocked into the bottom. After that we used it as a fort. We would keep our BB guns leaning against the wall inside, like the cowmen did with their "Winnies" or Winchester repeating rifles, on the ready for rustlers or outlaws. Someday I will take a walk back into the past where the popping of whips and the whistling of the cowmen at the cows can still be heard and see what's left. Maybe I'll find a keepsake like a pocket knife or a rowel off a spur that was left of lost by one of the cowmen.

*Chester Keene is a retired law enforcement officer and Florida native. He retains the copyright to this article and sketch.*

**RESTAURANT NEWS**

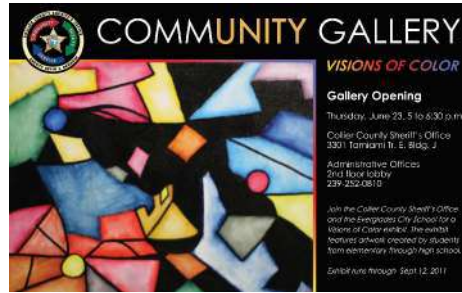


- Camellia Street Grill (695-2003):**  
*Closed for the Season*
- City Seafood (695-4700):**  
6:00 am – 6:00 pm; daily  
Fish Market also open
- Everglades Seafood Depot (695-0075):**  
10:30 am - 10:00 pm; daily  
Cabana Bash, 5:00 pm Sat
- Everglades Scoop (695-0375):**  
*Closed for the Season*
- Gator Express (695-3937):**  
7:00 am – 7:00 pm; Sun - Thurs  
7:00 am – 8:00 pm; Fri, Sat
- Glades Haven Deli (695-2091):**  
6:00 am – 6:00 pm; Sun - Thurs  
6:00 am – 9:00 pm; Fri, Sat
- Havana Cafe (695-2214):**  
*Closed for the Season*
- Island Cafe (695-0003):**  
6:00 am – 9:00 pm; daily
- Ivey House (695-3299):**  
6:30 – 9:30 am; daily  
Continental breakfast, box lunches
- Joanie's Blue Crab Cafe (695-2682):**  
Noon – 4:00 pm; Thurs - Sun
- Leebo's Rock-Bottom Bar (465-9521):**  
3:00 pm; daily  
live music all the time
- Oyster House Restaurant (695-2073):**  
11:00 am – 9:00 pm; Sun-Thurs  
11:00 am – 10:00 pm; Fri, Sat  
4:30 -6:30 pm – Early Bird Specials
- Port-of-the-Islands (239-394-3101):**  
4:00 – 10:00 pm; Thurs-Fri-Sat  
in the Lounge
- Right Choice Pizzeria (695-3663):**  
5:00 – 8:30 pm; Thurs- Sun (takeout)
- Rod & Gun (695-2101):**  
7:00 - 10 am Breakfast; daily  
11:30 am - 9:00 pm; daily
- Susie's Station (695-2273):**  
11:00 am - 5:00 pm; daily
- Triad Seafood (695-0722 or 695-2662):**  
*Closed for the Season*

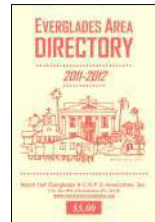
**Right Choice Supermarket:**  
9:00 am – 7:00 pm, Mon-Sat  
9:00 am – 6:30 pm, Sun



**Grimm's Stone Crab (695-3222).** Open 8 am to 6 pm Monday through Saturday if seafood available. Call in advance.



If you're in Naples, be sure to stop in at the Sheriff's Office, Bldg J, in government center at 3319 US-41 East to see artworks by our ECity School kids. For info, call 252-0810.



**EVERGLADES AREA DIRECTORY 2011-2012**

Reach Out is working on a new edition of the "little yellow phone book" and hopes local residents will make sure their listings are correct before it is printed.

If you want to make changes, please fill in the form below. There is no charge to be included.

**Medical Cabinet Drop Box**

Save up all those old prescription drugs you were going to throw down the drain and bring them to City Hall on **Tuesday, August 9**, at 1:00 p.m. to inaugurate the new Medical Cabinet Drop-Off box that will be opened by Collier County Sheriff Kevin Rambosk and Mayor Sammy Hamilton. And, yes, medicines that you have for your doggie or cats will also be welcomed.

**DOCTOR'S CLINIC**

Dr Kirk Demartino of Marco Island will see patients by appointment only on Friday afternoon. in the clinic behind the fire station. He accepts Medicare and insurance. For info and appointments, call (239) 642-5552.



**Little Gator Clinic**

The free walk-in clinic (behind the Fire Station) for youngsters age 18 and under is closed for the summer.



**MOBILE PET VET**

Dr Baker will visit the area again on **Saturday, August 6**, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in McLeod Park and from 2 to 4 p.m. in Copeland. There will be surgery on **Sunday, August 7**, by previous appointment only. For info, phone her at 777-PETS (7387) or see [www.naplesmobilepetvet.com](http://www.naplesmobilepetvet.com).



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

**Greet Visitors in the Museum**  
*Meet people from around the corner or around the world!*

Phone Martha 695-0008.

The **MEDICAL CLOSET** at the Thrift Shop has canes, crutches, wheelchairs, walkers, to loan out. Stop by if you need something or phone Helen at 695-3298.

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Fill in your listing info and drop this form off at City Hall or send it to Reach Out, P O Box 894, Chokoloskee, FL, 34138.

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# SNOOK CLASSIFIED

**FOR RENT:** 10 x 10 Storage units at 103 S. Storter, \$60 a month. Call Paul at (727) 430-3460.

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**FOR RENT:** Studio apartment for rent. \$600 a month or 1200 sq ft commercial space with office and handicapped-accessible bathroom with shower plus apartment for \$1000 a month. Call 239-340-4770.

**FOR SALE:** Fishermen's Paradise Lovely Duplex, 2 beds, 2 baths each unit. Lower level completely redone. Live in one unit; rent out the other. Located in Chokoloskee on a canal, deeded waterfront. \$465,000. Call Bonnie Woodward, Keller Williams Realty 239-860-6369.

**FOR RENT:** Office at 102 Buckner Ave South, phone 695-4535.

**FOR SALE:** Condo full of furniture, everything must go, furniture, all linens, kitchenware, etc. 239-695-4150 or 239-695-4299.

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## PET PICS

**Patches Oglesby got into the beach bag so she could go out on the boat with Savannah.**

*Send us your Pet Pics by email or post.*

# SNOOK CLASSIFIED

**FOR SALE:** Washer, dryer, electric water heater. All work well. \$450. Call 695-2159 or (239) 450-4356.

**FOR SALE:** 31-ft Airstream Trailer, \$200. Call 695-2159 or (239) 450-4356.

**FOR SALE:** ParCar Golf Cart, 1 bad battery, AM/FM radio, 48volts, FAST! Call 695-0243.

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