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FAREWELL TO ALICE

On Thursday, July 12, Alice Morrow was honored with a beautiful memorial service held at the Smallwood Store & Museum. Many of her friends were there to express their condolences. Lynn McMillin hosted a wonderful service with Pastor Morris Dantin officiating. The wind blew gently and was cool under the shade of the historic building where Alice worked for over 15 years. Shown above is her husband Myron and son Mike with his wife Kim.

If you would like to post your wishes and comments on Alice's online guest book, please visit to the following website before August 3:

<http://www.legacy.com/guestbook/buffalo/news/guestbook.aspx?n=alice-morrow&pid=158370527&page=2>



Thirty-one children participated in various programs during the "Amazing Wonders Aviation" project at the First Baptist Vacation Bible School during the week of July 9.



First Baptist Church also sponsored the Youth Program "A Race around the World to see some of God's Amazing Wonders" during the evening of the same week.

Photos thanks to Helen Bryan



Principal Bob Spano

Everglades City School has a new principal! Robert (Bob) Spano has over 20 years of experience as principal of various Collier County Schools: East Naples Middle, Tommie Barfield Elementary, Sea Gate Elementary, Vineyards Elementary, Golden Gate High, and Mike Davis Elementary. This background has prepared him for his new role as Principal of our local school which includes Pre-K through High School.

Originally from Struthers, Ohio, where he began his teaching career, Mr. Spano moved to Collier County in the late 1970's. He comes from a family of teachers, including one sister who teaches 1st grade, two brothers (one retired), two nieces, one nephew and his wife Darlene who is a Kindergarten teacher at Osceola Elementary.

Mr. Spano's hobbies are hunting and fishing with his three sons: Bobby, age 32, who owns a commercial fishing business in Key West; son Jimmy, age 30, supervisor of National Landscaping Company in Estero; and son Michael, age 21, who is a student at Florida Atlantic University. Mr. Spano also enjoys jogging and is making plans to start a cross-country team for the boys and a basketball team for the girls.

We welcome Mr. Spano to our school and our community.

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JULY / AUGUST 2012

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Aug 20: Back to School

Aug 30: BigC ORVs

Sept 1-3: Butcher Muck-About

Sept 11: Pet Vet

THRIFT SHOP: Closed for July and August

DR DEMARTINO: By appointment only, call office

FOOD PANTRY: Sat, 8:30-10:30 am, Community Church

AL-ANON: Thurs, 12 noon, Community Church

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

SKATING RINK: Closed in July

LITTLE GATOR CLINIC: Closed for the Summer

AA: Wed, 5:00 pm, Community Church

NA: Sat, 11:30 am, Community Center (Skating Rink)

SMALLWOOD STORE: Daily; 10 am to 4 pm

SHERIFF AT CITY HALL: *see the notice outside the office or phone the Carnestown substation at 695-2007.*

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Families, especially kids, are invited to McLeod Park on **Friday, July 20**, for this annual event sponsored by CCSO. There will be a rock-climbing wall, games for all ages, and free food. It starts at 6:00 p.m.

SUMMER CAMP

The next session begins **Monday, July 23** and ends on **Thursday, August 2**. Summer Camp is sponsored by Reach Out, our neighborhood charity, for kids aged 4 through 11. It meets at the Community Center (behind the fire station) on Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

If you would like to help with the expenses for this free camp for local youngsters, please send a check to Reach Out, P O Box 894, Chokoloskee, FL, 34138.

See more kids' activities on page 5.

TDC MEETING

The Tourist Development Council will meet on **Monday, July 23**, at 9:00 a.m. in the County Commissioners' chambers at Government Center, Naples. Members of the public may speak for 3 minutes if they register in advance. For info, phone Jack Wert at 252-2384.

PRIMARY VOTING

Early voting takes place from **Monday, July 30**, through **Saturday, August 11**, in City Hall. The hours are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Bring a picture ID such as a driver's license. You may also vote in Naples; see the sample ballot sent by post which you may also bring with you to the polls.

If you do not vote early, the deadline for requesting an absentee ballot through the mail is **Wednesday, August 8**. After that, you must pick one up at from the Supervisor of Elections in Naples.

The official date of the primary is **Tuesday, August 14**. For info, see www.colliervotes.com or call 252.8450.



Jack Wert, director of the Collier County tourism department, spoke on July 9 in Oyster House Restaurant to members of the public about TDC funding at a meeting organized by the Chamber of Commerce.



Local youngsters can be proud of their work during Build-a-Chair held this week, thanks to the Collier County Sheriff's Office.

SALES TAX HOLIDAY

The annual sales tax holiday is scheduled for **Friday, August 3, though Sunday, August 5**. During this period, no Florida sales tax or local-option tax will be collected on sales of clothing, footwear, and certain accessories costing \$75 or less per item nor on certain school supplies selling for \$15 or less per item. See www.myflorida.com/dor.

TENNIS CAMP

For the 4th straight year, our youth are being offered free tennis lessons at McLeod Park in ECity, thanks to Dennis Rager of the Players' Club & Spa at Lely Resorts. Tennis Camp starts **Monday, August 6**, for ages 6 to 15. Registration ended June 25. For info, contact Helen at 695-2398.

OCHOPEE FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

- 07/03/12: Brush Fire, Ochopee
- 07/03/12: Emergency Medical, Copeland
- 07/04/12: Emergency Medical, Everglades City
- 07/04/12: Emergency Medical, Everglades City
- 07/04/12: Vehicle Fire, 55 MM I-75
- 07/06/12: Emergency Medical, 63 MM I-75
- 07/06/12: Emergency Medical, Everglades City
- 07/06/12: Emergency Medical, Copeland
- 07/07/12: Vehicle Accident, 58 MM I-75
- 07/08/12: Vehicle Fire, Everglades City
- 07/10/12: Brush Fire, 63 MM I-75
- 07/10/12: Emergency Medical, Everglades Fire Station
- 07/10/12: Unknown Alarm, Everglades City
- 07/12/12: Emergency Medical, Ochopee
- 07/13/12: Vehicle Accident, 55 MM I-75
- 07/14/12: Emergency Medical, Plantation Is.
- 07/15/12: Vehicle Accident, 75 MM I-75

Ochopee Fire Control District Advisory Board will meet **Monday, August 13**, at Port of the Islands at 4:00 p.m.

DOCTOR'S CLINIC

Dr. Kirk DeMartino of Marco Island will see patients on Fridays by appointment only. You can contact him at (239) 642-5552.



MOBILE PET VET

Dr. Lopez will not be visiting in August but will return on **September 11**. Residents may take their pets to his office in Naples. For more information and appointments, please phone him at 777-PETS (7387) or visit www.naplesmobilepetvet.com.



CONGRESSIONAL VISIT

Monica Aranegui, the District Representative in Collier County at the office of Congressman David Riviera, will meet with constituents in City Hall on **Tuesday, August 7**, at 3:00 p.m. For info, phone 348-1620.


COLETTA VISIT

Collier County Commissioner Jim Coletta will be in Everglades City on **Tuesday, August 7**, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., to meet with constituents at City Hall. He will attend the City Council meeting and then have dinner at the Seafood Depot. To make an appointment, phone 252- 8097.

CITY COUNCIL

The first meeting after the summer break will be on **Tuesday, August 7**, in City Hall at 5:30 p.m.

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SUMMER VACATION NEWS

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website: www.collierschools.com/evg

IMPORTANT DATES

Wed, July 25 Individual student FCAT scores may be picked up at school



From Savannah's Eyes

I can't believe how quickly this summer is going by. It seems like yesterday when school was out, and now it's almost August which is when school starts. I'm having so much fun recently. I went to see my family in Steinhatchee, and we went scalloping which is so exciting! You have to dive for the scallops that are hidden in the seaweed or in the sand. It's one of my favorite hobbies!

Speaking of hobbies, volleyball conditioning has started and we are preparing for this coming volleyball season. So we decided to condition early so we won't be tired and sore for the games. I'm so happy we have started volleyball again because I've missed it; and when I took out my kneepads the other day, I said to them "It's great to have you back." Volleyball is my favorite sport, and I'm excited for this year's season!

Hope everyone's having an awesome summer so far!

Love, Savannah

Savannah Oglesby is entering the 10th grade at Everglades City School and is a regular contributor to this paper.

Message from Superintendent Dr. Kamela Patton

They say that the most important 20 minutes each day for any mom, dad, or guardian is the 20 minutes spent reading to their child. Some three weeks into summer break, I wish to remind you that reading to your child or with your child should be a daily summertime activity. Having your child read to you is just as important. In case you are wondering what to read, click on the "Everything Summer" at collierschools.com, our 2012 Summer Information page. It is full of useful information including summer reading lists. You will find our Collier County Public Schools "Splash into Summer" recreational reading lists for Kindergarten through grade five, a Just Read, Florida! summer reading list provided by the Florida Department of Education, and a "Teachers' Choice" summer reading list. Scrolling down the page, you will also find a cute icon link to our "School is closed – now what?" Summer Boredom Busters. These are ideas you can use to help keep children focused on reading, writing, and math while school is out. Research shows that the average loss of knowledge for a student during summer break is 18 to 22% and possibly as much as 30% for our English Language Learners. With your help, we can minimize the loss. Reading to your child and having your child read to you will make a difference. If you are unable to read to your child, Storytime, the TV read aloud show, will. Watch at 7 pm seven days a week on The Education Channel, Comcast cable 99, and online at www.collierschools.com. Please enjoy the rest of your summer!



Pee-Wee Basketball is keeping kids fit and happy this summer thanks to the wonderful volunteers who are teaching our youngsters basketball and cheerleading techniques.



BUSY SUMMER!

There's plenty for youngsters to do during the school recess:

- July 20: Hot Summer Nights
- July 23-26: Summer Camp (ages 4-11)
- July 25: Naples Zoo (CCSO outing)
- July 30 – Aug 2: Summer Camp (ages 4-11)
- Aug 6-9: Tennis Camp (ages 6-15)

Summer Tutoring Classes Offered

Tutoring Subjects: music theory, music history, world and American history, anthropology, geography, government, Spanish, French, English, writing, biology, chemistry, Algebra I, Arithmetic. Music Lessons: violin, voice coaching, master classes. College counseling: undergraduate and graduate level application process, specialization/major consulting, application essay editing. Lessons are private and will be customized to the needs of each client. Also looking to perform as violinist, composer and vocalist for hire. For information and fees, e-mail Danielle Swisher at dmswisher85@gmail.com or call (239) 280-8971.

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Angel of the Swamp

We have so many wonderful volunteers in this small community and so many parents who help out with the kids in town. One person who continues to give her all, despite owning and operating two businesses, is Carol Foss. She is a full time loving mother of three sons, devoted wife of Jeff, owns Everglades Island Properties Real Estate and the popular local restaurant Island Café. Carol has been president of Reach Out for many years and has spent many hours every year working on the Seafood Festival and the 4th of July festivities. If that is not enough, Carol has worked diligently with other parents on sporting activities for students, including the softball teams and pee-wee basketball this summer. Carol also makes sure that the summer campers are adequately fed, as well as the kids and staff of Build-A-Boat and Build-A-Chair. Thank you, Carol, for all the work you do in the community!



BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Everglades Seafood Depot

Billy and Crystal Potter have been operating the Everglades Seafood Depot in the historic railroad station since 1997. It is the scene of many banquets, receptions and family events. Fodor's has this review:

"Count on affordable meals in a scenic setting at this storied 1928 Spanish-style stucco structure fronting Lake Placid. Beginning life as the original Everglades train depot, the building later was deeded to the University of Miami for marine research, and appeared in scenes from the film "Wind across the Everglades", before becoming a haven over the years for assorted restaurants. Well-prepared seafood including shrimp, frogs' legs, and alligator – much from local boats – dominates the menu ... There's also an all-you-can-eat salad bar. Save room for coconut guava cake or key lime pie..."

Recipe for Good Eating

Chicken & Rice Casserole

by Denise Johnson



- 1 can condensed cream of chicken soup plus 1/2 can of water or chicken broth
- 1 cup mayo
- 2 tsp lemon juice
- 2 cups cooked chicken
- 2 cups cooked white rice
- 1 cup cooked chopped broccoli
- salt, pepper, garlic powder and Everglades Seasoning to taste

Heat oven to 350°. Spray 13x9 casserole dish with PAM. Mix soup, mayo, lemon juice and water/broth in bowl till soupy. Mix in other ingredients till combined. Spread in dish and bake till hot and bubbly about 45 minutes. Add shredded cheese or crushed cornflakes (mixed with a little melted butter) on top the last 15 min of cooking. Serve with garlic bread. Tastes even better the second day. This recipe is best because I use all leftovers so the cost of making it is minimal. Recipe may be cut in half or doubled easily.

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



Off the Shelf – Book Review

"Florida Heat Wave"

edited by Michael Lister

reviewed by Marya Repko

I like collections of short stories because I can sample works by authors I haven't read before and then borrow full-length books from the library. This one, published in 2010, also includes some old favorites like James W. Hall and Tom Corcoran.

All the stories are set in Florida, mostly in city areas, but one is in the Everglades: "Low-Budget Monster Flick" by Mary Anna Evans – I won't spoil the ending for you but alligators play a role.

As an author myself, I got a kick out of "Personal Experience" by Carolina Garcia-Aguilera about writer's block when trying to describe a murder scene realistically.

Alex Kava and Patricia A. Bremmer collaborated to produce "A Breath of Hot Air" featuring detective Maggie O'Dell in an episode set in Pensacola Beach with a large hurricane looming.

These are not all detective stories but death or crime or suspense seems to be included in most – light reading for the summer that you can dip into at the pool.

HOUSEHOLD TIPS

1. You can flip a toaster on its side and grill cheese in it.
2. The color on the bread tab indicates how fresh the bread is, and those colors are in alphabetical order: blue, green, red, white, yellow.
3. Marshmallows can cure a sore throat. Perfect for kids who don't like medicine.
4. Take your bananas apart when you get home from the store. If you leave them connected at the stem, they ripen faster.
5. Store your opened chunks of cheese in aluminum foil. It will stay fresh much longer and not mold! (But you can scrape off any mold and still eat the cheese without changes in flavor!
6. Dried grits (uncooked grits) may be used to get rid of those pesky ants around your home. Just sprinkle some around the affected area inside or outside your home.

NATIVE PLANT RECIPES WANTED

A friend is preparing a book about Florida native plants and would like to include recipes. If you have any (eg, sea grape jam), please let us know by email or post.



FWC News

Red snapper recreational harvest season closed on July 17.

If you go saltwater fishing in this state, FWC researchers want to learn about your experiences and opinions through the new online Florida Saltwater Fishing Panel. You can sign up at www.fwcsaltwaterfishingpanel.com.

New editions of manatee and sea turtle decals are available at local tax collectors' offices. Anyone donating \$5 will receive a decal. Donations support manatee and sea turtle research, rehabilitation and educational programs, as well as FWC conservation efforts.

If you catch a tagged fish, report it to 800-367-4461.

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

GLADES DAZE

by the ENP Gulf Coast Park Rangers

The Great Egret

A common resident of the Everglades is the Great Egret. Seen year-round stalking its prey in shallow wetlands, it has long legs built for wading and a sharp yellow bill built for spearing. A dramatically long s-shaped neck accents its elegant white body. The s-shaped neck is characteristic of those who belong to the same taxonomic family as the Great Egret. This family includes herons, such as the towering Great Blue Heron, as well as the less obvious bitterns, such as the American Bittern.



Members of this family have displayed more than 30 different feeding behaviors. The Reddish Egret appears to do a little dance with outstretched flapping wings. The Snowy Egret at times uses its famous "golden slippers" to stir up the water. The Green Heron "baits" fish by placing insects, flowers, twigs, or other items at the water's surface to attract fish. Perhaps the most common display is one that is often demonstrated by the Great Egret, standing completely still, eyes focused on the water, waiting for its prey. All of these techniques end in a lightning speed stabbing motion of the neck and head and, ideally, the bird's next meal.

Taking a closer look at the neck reveals a number of remarkable adaptations that assist in successful foraging. Beneath feathers and skin, the bones are placed in a much more exaggerated s-shape than what we see, allowing the bird to strike with incredible speed. Also, the esophagus and the trachea run in front of the vertebrae in the upper neck and then actually cross over and continue behind the vertebrae in the lower part of the neck. This essentially creates a shorter distance for the food to travel as well as provides important protection in case the strong yet slender neck were to hit something while the bird is striking.

The next time you stop to observe the Great Egret, consider just a few of the adaptations that help it and other members of this family thrive while hunting and living in the Everglades.



The Living Gulf Coast

by Charles Sobczak

(Excerpt from *The Living Gulf Coast*
available at the Chamber Welcome Center
and the
Big Cypress Swamp Visitor Center)

Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*) Other names: kildee, meadow plover / Status: FL=thriving because of its ability to adapt to urban environments, IUCN=LC / Life span: to 11 years / Length: 8-11 in. (20-28 cm) / Wingspan: 18-19 in. (46-48 cm) / Weight: 3.2 oz (90 g) / Nests: throughout SW Florida / Found: All Counties, coastal, near coast, mainland / Months found: **JFmamjASOND**.



Photo by Judd Patterson

Perhaps most famous for its loud, familiar call, *killdeeahdeede*, the killdeer's scientific name aptly describes its behavior: *vociferous*, meaning loud and vocal. Often found in pastures and open fields, the killdeer is a fairly large plover that frequents uplands, as well as beaches. Larger than the Wilson's plover, the killdeer is most easily recognized by its double-banded neck and its distinctive call.

One of the most successful of all plovers, the killdeer is an example of an animal that not only has learned to adapt to the ways of man, but also flourishes in any number of urban or suburban environments. It nests in baseball fields, gravel rooftops, railroad yards, and scores of similarly unlikely locations. Because of this adaptation, the killdeer is prone to pesticide poisoning, and traffic and window collisions, among a host of other metropolitan dangers. Despite some losses, the killdeer population continues to expand its range, reaching all the way from the northern fringe of Chile to British Columbia.

The killdeer's diet consists almost entirely of insects, but it will also take small crustaceans and an occasional seed. It is a solitary nester and will feign a broken wing if you approach too near to its nesting locale. Its tiny chicks rely completely on camouflage to survive to adulthood.

Charles Sobczak lives and writes on Sanibel Island. To find out more about the author and his books, visit www.indigopress.net.

OBITUARY

Clara Smallwood, aged 95, passed away on July 1 in Sparta, NC, where she was living. The daughter of pioneering Thompson and Hamilton families, she grew up in Chokoloskee and married Ted Smallwood, son of C.S. (Ted) & Mamie who owned the Smallwood Store.

She leave behind 2 daughters and 1 son plus numerous relatives. Her husband Ted pre-deceased her and her elder son Ted R. suffered from a fatal accident.

Ted and Clara operated the Small Boat Dock and Western Gateway Motor Court & Trailer Park which is now the site of the Everglades Isle Motor Coach Resort on the Barron River with its landmark lighthouse. Clara was known for her fly-fishing ties.

Mayor Sammy Hamilton said he remembers her when he was growing up in Chokoloskee and that she was a wonderful person, very kind. She and Ted helped him with his first little boat when he was a youngster. They were "good people".

Classical Music Radio

by Marya Repko

My cousin in West Palm Beach introduced me to Classical South Florida radio several years ago and I could sometimes get it in my car here in ECity but it was fading by the time I reached Port of the Islands.

I'm delighted now that they have started broadcasting as WNPS for our area on 88.7 or 89.7 FM which I can tune into at home as well as in the car.

This is a user-supported service and you can become a founding member of WNPS at www.classicalsouthflorida.com.

The new station does not really compete with our local public radio on WGPU and WMKO – they focus on news or talk shows so both have reserved spots on my radio dials.

ESHP News

The Everglades Society for Historic Preservation is planning events for the coming winter season and would like to hear from you.

Do you want more Movie Nights? Which movies with an Everglades interest would you like us to show?

Or, would you like talks about historic subjects? preserving old buildings?

Please email ESHP@hotmail.com or phone Marya at 695-2905 with ideas so she can organize the calendar.

MUSEUM of the Everglades NEWS



The art work by the Everglades City School students continues to receive enthusiastic comments by locals and visitors. Everyone is impressed with the professionalism and creativity of these young individuals in our community. Stop by and visit this exhibit through August. Sketch on the left by student artist Michael Doster, 7th grade.

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 information, phone 695-0008.

INVESTMENT INSIGHTS

by Darcie Guerin, CFP®

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"It is not our job to protect people from the consequences of their political choices."

Chief Justice Roberts



The Supreme Court upheld the Affordable Care Act of 2010, a.k.a. Obamacare. The court said the law, which requires most Americans to obtain health insurance or pay a penalty, was authorized by Congress's power to levy taxes.

It's hard to predict how the legislation will affect the federal budget, and ultimately your finances. Despite the uncertainty, individuals' tax burdens are almost certain to increase.

Boom

The U.S. Census Bureau states that over the next forty years the number of Americans age 65 or older will more than double. As a result, the health-care industry will face new challenges. At the same time, new opportunities will be created.

Demand for health-care services is high and will likely increase in the future. If history is our guide, the health-care industry will continue to innovate and meet these demands through medical advancement.

Tax laws revisions will be phased in over the next few years. Financial markets and regulatory environments are always changing, and in uncertain times like these, it's important to keep a long-term view and not panic over short-term headline news. Stay focused and invest accordingly.

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ART WALK

Visit twelve artists in three galleries on **Wednesday, July 25**, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Esplanade on Marco Island, 760 N. Collier Blvd, for music, snacks & beverages, plus the chance to chat with the artists. This event takes place on the last Wednesday of every month so mark it on your calendar.



Florida Tales
“A Long Trip South”
 by Chester Keene



Here is a story of how a Pioneer family moved to South Florida. I got the letter from a kinfolk, and I will quote. "We moved from S.C. to Fl.in 1888,I was 6 years old. All our earthly belongings was loaded into 2 one horse drawn wagons. There was not enough room for me to ride, so I walked most of the way. On the journey here to my Grandparents Homestead in South Florida where we moved. It took us about a month to make the trip, we camped, fished and hunted along the way. My Father did a few jobs on the way down in exchange for salt, coffee and what we were short of. When we moved into the home it had one big room, a fireplace in one end and three beds in the other end. On the north side of the log cabin was a board room for the kitchen and dining room. The four boys slept in the loft in the barn. It had about 15 acres of farm land and citrus trees. Rough Lemon, Sweet Oranges also Sour Oranges and Grapefruit. A few Chickens were in the yard along with a Hog and Cow. About 1900 we built a Double Pen Log House that had a separate kitchen. The one room Single Pen Cracker House become a Double Pen or Saddlebag House by adding another room and another Fireplace with a breezeway or dog trot. I had a good Father and he raised Sugar Cane along with the other fruit and vegetables we grew. We would sell the Cane Syrup we made and sell it in town. Momma would buy feed from the store for the chickens. When the clerk saw her headed his way he knew he would be moving a lot of sacks around for her to find the right pattern for our clothes that she made us. It was a hard life I was told later on in life. We all had the same kind of life but it didn't matter, we were raised Country and we had love of Family".



DOUBLE PEN
LOG HOUSE



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



SHERIFF'S REPORT

On July 4 a 27-year-old male from Everglades City was arrested outside the immediate area and charged with driving while license is suspended or revoked, robbery with a firearm, and aggravated assault.

The Collier County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating the theft of a boat and trailer that occurred sometime between July 7 and July 8. They belonged to Everglades National Park Boat Tours and were taken from Copeland Ave South. The boat was a 2002 23-foot Carolina Skiff with a 115 hp Yamaha outboard motor attached. Should you have any information concerning this theft please notify the Collier County Sheriff's Office immediately at 252-9300.

New 911 Emergency Program

“Smart 911”- Help us to protect you. Create your safety Profile for your household that includes vital personal and medical information you would want first responders to know in the event of an emergency. Under Smart 911 when you dial “911” your profile is immediately available to call takers and emergency responders to assist you faster and more effectively. It's “Private and Secure” and it could save your life or someone you love. Go to www.smart911.com to create your safety profile today.

If you have any information concerning criminal or suspicious activity please notify the Collier County Sheriff's Office immediately at 252-9300 non-emergency or “911” for emergencies.



FLORIDA FLORA

Acacia
(Acacia auriculiformis)

by Patricia Huff

Because it is a fast growing attractive tree that tolerates our climate and soil, the Acacia is a favorite of many land owners and developers. It enjoys full sun and grows up to 40 ft.

A native of Australia, it does well in South Florida. The bark is brittle, leaves bright green, 4 to 6 inches, and has beautiful yellow blooms. Nice shade tree for your yard.

RESTAURANT NEWS



- Camellia Street Grill (695-2003):
Closed for the summer
- 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
- Everglades Scoop (695-0375):
Closed for the summer
- Gator Express (695-3937):
7:00 am – 6:00 pm; Sun - Thurs
7:00 am – 7:00 pm; Fri, Sat
Subway closed for summer.
- Glades Haven Deli (695-2091):
6:00 am – 6:00 pm; Sun - Thurs
6:00 am – 9:00 pm; Fri, Sat
- Havana Café (695-2214):
Closed for the summer
- Island Café (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 Café (695-2682):
11:00 am – 4:00 pm; Thurs thru Mon
- Oyster House Restaurant (695-2073):
11:00 am – 9:00 pm; Sun thru Thurs
11:00 am – 10:00 pm; Fri, Sat
4:30 -6:30 pm – Early Bird Specials
- Right Choice Pizzeria (695-3663):
5:00 – 8:30 pm; Thurs- Sun (takeout)
- Rod & Gun (695-2101):
7:00 – 10:00 am Breakfast; daily
11:30 am - 9:00 pm; daily
- Susie's Station (719-0190):
11:00 am - 5:00 pm; daily
- Triad Seafood (695-0722 or 695-2662):
Closed for the summer
- Right Choice Supermarket (695-4535)
9:00 am – 7:00 pm, Mon-Sat
10:00 am – 6:30 pm, Sun
- Grimm's Stone Crab (695-3222)
Closed for the summer
- Loco's Produce
Frank's cell phone (239) 462-7050
7:00 am - 4:00 pm; Saturday
ECity Post Office



"Flight of the Heron," a recent photo taken by Alan Philliskirk visiting from Weipa, Australia, while out fishing for tarpon in the Everglades with friend Steve Huff.

TIDES FOR BARRON RIVER

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Butcher "Muck-About"

Clyde and Niki Butcher will be available to meet guests attending the 19th Annual Open House and "Muck-About" Swamp Walks over Labor Day Weekend at the Big Cypress Gallery in Ochopee. Reserve your space early for the swamp walks! See their website www.clydebutcher.com or call 695-2428.

The Gallery also has Clyde's 2013 calendar ready and is offering a special deal – buy 4 of them for \$20 each and get an extra one free. You can do your holiday shopping early by going to the website.

WinCar Hardware Vacation

WinCar will be closed for the month of August while Jim, Carolyn, and staff take a well-earned break so make sure you stock up for those summer household projects.

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- Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) 313-530-3395
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