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What's Happening in the Everglades & 10,000 Islands! News, Stories, Classifieds, Tide Tables & More

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Meet The Candidates

November 14th 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Everglades City Hall Council Chambers

Election Day is November 28th

The mayor's seat is up for election. Below are the two candidates vying for this seat:

Howie Grimm Jr. (incumbent)
Dulce Valdes

There are three city council seats up for election. Below are the five candidates vying for these seats:

Mike McComas (incumbent)
Parker Oglesby (incumbent)
Tony Pernas (incumbent)
Naiara Rementeria Freeman

Steven Lenz

Join us on November 14th to meet the candidates and learn more about their opinions on important issues in Everglades City.

Candidates will be asked questions that are received from the community members. The candidates will not be given the questions prior to the roundtable. There is a three person volunteer panel that will receive the questions and present them at the roundtable.

If you have a question you would like addressed at the roundtable, please send it in an email to Evergladesvotes@Gmail.com

All candidates are invited to attend, however their attendance is optional.

This is a very important election and your vote counts!

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MusicFest Preview on Live Radio

The "Florida Folk Show" will be broadcast live on Saturday, November 4, from Everglades City before the Centennial Music Festival at the historic Rod & Gun Club.

The weekly radio show starts at 10:00 a.m. on 96.7FM and can be heard at website <u>www.radiostpete.com</u> until 12 noon.

Host Pete Gallagher will interview surprise guests and play tracks by popular local musicians who may appear at the Festival which follows. An archive of past shows can be accessed at www.floridafolkshow.com and on Facebook.

This is the third Music Fest organized by the Everglades Society for Historic Preservation (ESHP) that raises funds to maintain the unique heritage of this remote, rural area.

Besides the great live music, there will also be auctions of donated items.

Tickets are \$50 for a reserved seat or \$20 for general admission. You can book in advance at www.eshp.org or phone Marya at (239) 451-0265.



50% Discount on Park Passes, Hunting & Fishing Licenses October 14 to January 13

From October 14, 2023, to January 13, 2024, the Great Outdoors Initiative is in full swing in Florida. This initiative encourages Floridians to explore the state's natural beauty, including its many state parks, beaches, and recreational areas.

During this three-month period, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) are offering a substantial 50% discount on annual state park passes and FWC Gold Sportsman hunting and fishing licenses.

Florida boasts an abundance of natural wonders, with numerous award-winning state parks and miles of sandy beaches, making it a paradise for outdoor enthusiasts. These discounts aim to make it easier for families and individuals to enjoy these natural treasures and engage in activities like fishing and hunting.

So, gather your loved ones, seize the opportunity to explore Florida's outdoors, and make lasting memories. To learn more about this initiative and take advantage of these discounts, follow the provided links. It's time to embark on an unforgettable adventure in the Sunshine State!

Florida State Parks Annual Passes:

Additional fees & taxes may apply

Family Annual Pass: \$60 Individual Annual Pass: \$30

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Annual: \$50.75 Five-year: \$247.75

Lifetime Sportsman License:

Age 4 or younger: \$201.50 Ages 5–12: \$351.50 Ages 13 and older: \$501.50

More Information visit:

MyFWC.com/license/recreational

EVENT CALENDAR - October 29, 2023 to December 9, 2023							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
29	30	31 HALLOWEEN	November 1 Food Pantry p3	2 Ladies' Coffee Island Cafe 8:30a	3 Hook'em p3	4 Hook'em p3 Music Festival p3 Win-Car BDay p3 Walk-Run p6	
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26	27 Full Moon	28 EC Elections	29 Food Pantry p3	30 Ladies' Coffee Island Cafe 8:30a	December 1	2 Swamp Fest p9	
3	4	5 City Council 7p	6 Food Pantry p3	7 Ladies' Coffee City Seafood 8:30a	8	9 - RAPPER	

AREA BUSINESS & CLUB HOURS & NUMBERS

AA: Wed., 5p, 1st Baptist Church, 416 School Dr., Everglades City Carnestown Recycle & Trash: 2nd Sat. of month, 9a-12p, 12:30p-2p Everglades City Visitor Center: Open Daily except Wed., 10a-2p

Lions Club: 2nd Thurs. of month, 6p

Museum: Open Tues.-Sat., 9a-4p (239) 252-5026 Smallwood Store: Open daily 11a-4p (239) 695-2989

Everglades Community Church Food Pantry: Wed., 9:30a-Noon

Mobile Pet Vet: hsnaples.org/mobile-veterinary-clinic

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Ochopee (239) 695-2099

(M-F: 8a-10a, Noon-4p; Sat.10a-11:30a)

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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What's Happening

November 3 & 4 Hook'em in the Glades

The 6th Annual Hook'em in the Glades fishing fundraiser supporting Everglades City Schools is scheduled for November 3-4, 2023! Teams will fish the 10,000 islands for a chance to catch the biggest Snook, Redfish, and Seatrout while supporting our school. Find out more: https://hookemintheglades.com

November 4 | 11 am Carolyn Thompson Celebration Win-Car

Come celebrate Carolyn Thompson's 90th year of life and love! Nov. 4 at Win-Car Hardware, 11 am - 2 pm. Spend a moment wishing her a Happy Birthday or how she has touched your life. Refreshments will be served.

November 4 | Noon EC Centennial Music Festival

Celebrate one of Collier County's last 2023 Centennial celebrations at this year's Centennial Music Festival, held on the lawn behind the historic Rod & Gun Club. Enjoy live entertainment, arts & crafts and an auction. Reserve your seat early by visiting www.eshp.org or call Marya at (239) 451-0265 or email ESHP@hotmail.com.

November 11 & 12 | 10 am to 4 pm Goodland Holiday Bazar

Experience the 14th Annual Holiday Bazaar at MarGood Harbor Park in Goodland. Explore a variety of fine art, unique crafts, holiday gifts, and more in a historic and picturesque setting.

November 15 | 6:30 pm Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Chokoloskee Family Church will be having their Annual Church Family & Friends Thanksgiving Dinner November 15 at 6:30. All are welcome.

November 17 | 2 pm Bank Welcome-Back Talk

REG Architects will be giving a presentation on our *Vision of the Bank Building* for ESHP's Welcome-Back Talk at 2 pm on Friday, November 17, at Everglades Isles. Please RSVP to Patty at (239) 719-0020 or email eshp@hotmail.com. Everyone welcome to learn more about this exciting project.

November 18 | 10 - 1 pm Art in the Glades

Come along to McLeod Park for a relaxing saunter around the outdoor arts & crafts fair in this remote, rural town which was our first County seat. Well-behaved doggies are welcome. Admission is Free.

November 25 | 6:30 pm Praise Night

On the last Saturday of each month, First Baptist Church of Everglades City will have a "Praise Night" with a light supper at 6:30 pm, followed by praise music and fellowship.

December 2 | 10 - 3 pm Swamp Heritage Festival

A day full of music, art, food, history, culture, and kids' activities at the Nathaniel P. Reed Visitor Center Festival Grounds in Big Cypress National Preserve, Ochopee, FL.

Community Services

Food Bank Wednesdays | 9:30 - Noon

Food is distributed from the rear of Everglades Community Church located at 101 S. Copeland Ave., Everglades City. "This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

Everglades Area Information Daily | 10 - 2 pm

The Everglades Area Visitor Center is located at 207 Broadway W., Everglads City. The Visitor Center is open daily 10 am to 2 pm.

Planning & Zoning Meeting 3rd Tuesdays | 6 pm

P& Z Board meetings are held monthly on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. City Council room, 2nd floor City Hall. https://www.cityofeverglades.org

City Council Meeting 1st Tuesdays | 7pm

City Council meetings are held every 1st Tuesday of the month @ 7 pm in the City Council room, 2nd floor City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

Save The Date

December 20 | 6:30 pm Christmas Dessert & Contest

Join us for the Chokoloskee Family Church Annual Christmas Dessert & Ugly Sweater Contest on December 20 at 6:30 pm. Don your ugliest sweater for a chance to win prizes.

December 24 | 10 am Christmas Blessing Service

Join us for the Chokoloskee Family Church Annual Christmas Blessing Service on December 24 at 10 am. Worship with us and win great prizes as we celebrate the holiday!

January 12, 13 & 14 | 10 am Everglades Roots Festival

Join us for the Everglades Roots Festival at Trail Lakes Campground in Ochopee, Florida, featuring Swampy JamGrass, good times, and a celebration of Gladesman culture and heritage. Get your tickets at https://www.evergladesrootsfestival.com/contact.

February 2, 3, & 4 Everglades Seafood Festival

The 54th Annual Everglades Seafood Festival is set to commence Friday, February 2, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., just outside Everglades City Hall at 102 Copeland Ave. North. The festival will conclude at 6 p.m. Sunday, February 4, 2024. More Info: https://evergladesseafoodfestival.org/

February 24 | 11 - 3 pm Rumble in the Glades

Chokoloskee Family Church is hosting a fundraiser that includes blessing of the bikes, music, a chili cook off, food trucks, vendors, old cars, and a silent auction in McLeod Park.

BLESSING OF THE FLEET

The Blessing of the Stone Crab Fleet was a fantastic experience again this year. This year the event had moved to a new location at the Camilla Street Grill, and the atmosphere was buzzing with excitement.

One of the unique additions to the event was the "Bait the Trap" game, which replaced the traditional frog jumping contest. Contestants tried their hand at tossing mullets into a stone



crab trap, and it was a lot of fun to watch and participate.

The Guava-Coconut Cake contest was another highlight. It was clear that people were excited to showcase their culinary skills and compete in this friendly competition.

Live entertainment by local favorites Gator Nate and Jack Shealy added to the festive atmosphere, and the crowd was thoroughly entertained.

Of course, the most anticipated moment of the event was the arrival of the stone crab boats. What a fantastic way to kick off the stone crab season.





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Update from City Hall

by Michael McComas Everglades City Council



On Friday October 13, Florida's Chief Financial Officer Jimmy Patronis and Senator Rick Scott hosted a roundtable discussion about the IRS focusing on concerns relating to the proposed 87,000 new agents and the

potential impact for Floridians. Invitees included a diverse group of Southwest Florida residents and elected officials including Everglades City



Mayor Howie Grimm and City Councilmember Michael McComas. The discussion was wide ranging and informative.

Also on Friday the 13th qualifying petitions for the upcoming city election were submitted by the following candidates; for a 4 year term as Mayor, incumbent Howie Grimm and Dulce Valdes.

Candidates for 3 seats on Everglades City Council who submitted qualifying petitions are, incumbent Tony Pernas, incumbent Parker Oglesby, incumbent Michael McComas, Steven Lenz and Naiara Rementeria. The top 2 candidates will serve 4-year terms and the runner-up will serve a 2 year-term. There will also be several Charter amendments for the voters to cast ballots. The election will be held on Tuesday November 28 and there will be at least one public forum for voters to meet the candidates and become familiar with the Charter amendments.

Help Us Count The Animals
Participate in the
Fakahatchee Strand Bio Blitz series
a unique opportunity to
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Next Two Wednesdays
November 15
December 13
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Just look for the Lighthouse!

Light of the Silvery Moon

by Lila Zuck



Until the Amendment was repealed on December 1933 by Utah's ratification of the 21st Amendment to the United States Constitution. the massive endeavor to "redeem the moral fabric of society" was not always successful, providing families all over the country with added income for almost 15 years, an era which exposed the chemist in the average man, produced faster speed boats and automobiles, unleashed and internal war between the makers of moonshine, bootleggers the the lawmen, that lasted longer than World Wars I and II combined.

In 1929, 10 years into the era of prohibition, New York State Representative LaGuardia publicly admitted that "Dry America consumed more Canadian liquor than wet Canada."

In Florida the moon shone over hundreds of stills concealed along creeks in the Everglades and runners ran rum towards the State's shores from Bimini, Nassau, and Cuba as religiously as the daily tide came in and retreated.

With one swing of his gavel, Ray L. Olson of Ogden, President of the Convention to ratify the repeal, knocked the nation off the water wagon, officially ending the dry reign in the United States.

Until then however, moonshine dollars fed and clothed families all over America. In Southwest Florida, stills were assembled and hidden amidst underbrush anywhere there was a running creek to operate

them, from as far south as Chokoloskee, northward to Fort Myers. They turned out a gallon of white lightning every three minutes.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28, 1927(AP) "TRY TO DRY FLORIDA BY LAND, SEA, AIR; Washington Officials Sending Destroyers and Airplanes for a Liquor Blockade"--A new campaign of prohibition enforcement will be started in Florida within the next month under the direction of federal prohibition headquarters. Already forces are being moved toward the State with secret orders to start a driving attack against the rum-runners and the moonshiners from land, sea and air in cooperation with State officials.

Local fishing guides profited from knowing their way around coastal islands, whose inhabitants, once accustomed to just getting along, suddenly became rich overnight. Men were paid to "baby sit" a pile of whiskey. Their job was to prevent anyone from stealing the liquor, and to run like heck if the law came around, recalled Naples resident Omah Clarke.

Many locals tested the skills of lawmen and managed to successfully dodge capture. Others, not as lucky, were handcuffed, leaving wives behind who suddenly found themselves assuming the positions of heads of households until their husbands were released from jail.

"Often Daddy would come home late at night wet, cold, and exhausted, his gaunt features covered by a week's worth of growth. Mamma would greet him calmly, and fix up a good hot meal. We kids learned later how precarious the Bimini run was. Daddy lost several ships, had cargo stolen, was stopped by the revenuers 52 times in 13 years, and was once kidnapped to Fort Lauderdale, when he had a load hijacked at gunpoint," recalled Lucy House Storter in 1985, her blue eyes sparkling as vigorously as the pioneer spirit that still lingered within her soul.

Their children knew the value of "Everglades Dew" and quickly learned how to take advantage of this new found productive by-product of prohibition. Helen, Pat, and Marie Aldacosta, who called themselves the "wild Aldacosta girls," found their father, Alfonse "Perk" Aldacosta's contraband liquor and successfully bartered two bottles for tickets to a movie in Naples. They tried drinking it and immediately decided the commodity was far more useful as barter.

Years later, at age 85, Marie Aldacosta Price described Collier County during the 1920s as "mostly fishermen, rum-runners, one or two politicians, and no Catholic church."

It was an era when livings were made "by the light of the silvery moon."



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EVG School Update

Dr. Cherie Allison Principal, EVG, Everglades City School



Champions for Learning proudly gave Mr. Stein a grant to buy Everglades City School students all new ukuleles. It is always wonderful to be able to expose our students to the arts. (*Above*)

Mr. Cartamil's Biology class is learning about water properties (cohesion and surface tension) by experimenting with regular and soapy water. These hands on experiences make all of the difference in our students learning. (right)



Students caring for and feeding turtles live super food worms. (left)



Our XC team is now 11 strong! This year was the first time our middle school could compete as a TEAM! You need six girls to do this! (right)



Also, we are very proud of XC captain - Nora Potter! She continues to advance her running ability and earned two medals this season thus far... She came in second place at the Lehigh Senior Invitational and seventh place in the North Port Cross Country Invitational! (left)

It was an incredible season and all runners had great gains on their personal record by the end of the season!



NOVEMBER 4, 2023 | Race Starts at 8 am

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Administrative Center Campus 5775 Osceola Trail, Naples

More Info: https://www.collierschools.com/ccps5K



Everglades Book Club 23-24

Meetings are open to all. We just read the book, have wonderful discussions and make new friendships.

Nov. 16 The Great Book of Florida by Bill O'Neill 10 am at the home of Connie Barker, 612 Collier

Dec. 14 Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus 10 am at the home of Linda Williams

Jan. 18 Little Women by Louisa May Alcott 10 am at the home of Geri Freiberger, 300 Kumquat

Feb. 15 The Brilliant Life of Eudora Honeysett by Annie Lyon 10 am at the home of Sharon Nykiel, 301 S. Copeland, Unit 101

Mar. 21 Miss Dreamsville and the Collier County
Women's Literary Society by Amy Hill Heath
10 am at the home of Elaine Middelstaedt, 410 Storter Ave. South

April 11 Last Train to Paradise by Les Stand 10 am at the home of Patty Huff

Questions Call: (812) 361-7402 Diann Lock









Our 6th Annual Hook'em in the Glades fishing fundraiser tournament is quickly approaching and it's time to get signed up if you haven't already.

Registeration fees are:

- \$250 Boat Registration for 2-6 Crew Members
- \$50 Student Boat/Kayak Registration (18 yrs & younger)
- \$50 On-Shore Student Registration (18 yrs & younger)
- \$75 Paddle Division

The captain's dinner is at Camellia Street Grill on Nov. 3 and fish the 10,000 Islands on Nov. 4th.

We have country singer Matt Chappell as our musician at Camellia Street on Friday night. We have some amazing raffle items too!

Make sure to plan to get a ticket for the A & M Marine Services 15 hp Tohatsu outboard with a 15" tiller, prop, electric start, and 5 year warranty. Tickets are only \$50 and you pick which student group you want to support and the money will be donated to them. You can pick Prom Committee, Homecoming Committee, Student Government, Cheer, Softball, and more!

Register at

https://hookemintheglades.com



Success & Winners

The 20th Annual Romp In The Swamp was a great success. The kick off party and raffle hosted numerous attendees as we also had barbeque and music from Gator Nate. We had 81 teams that included 12 fly fishing teams competing. The winning spin team had 88 inches of one redfish, one trout and one snook. The winning fly team Loose Loops had 64 inches. The tournament payed the top three places in each division as well as top female and youth angler. We were able to raise money for local families that we will donate to throughout the year with the help of our sponsors and anglers! The 2024 dates will be September 27/28. Save the dates!







Where Are You Going When The Time Comes

by Rev. Bob Wallace



This is a subject you may not want to think about, but one you have been putting off for some time. It should be uppermost in your mind if you are getting for the time you may not be able to live alone any longer. Here are some things for you to think

In-home care is a non-medical service that provides custodial services and companionship to seniors who want to age comfortably in their own homes. It typically includes light housekeeping and assistance with personal care.

Home health care adds basic medical support to those services and is often delivered by skilled nurses and occupational therapists. Home care can offer nonmedical services, such as companionship and help with daily tasks like bathing and meal preparation. Home health care is prescribed by a doctor and provided by medical professionals. Differing costs and payment options may set these two health care types apart.

Check with Caring.com as it provides a comprehensive list of in-home care providers in Florida, along with their ratings, reviews, and pricing information. Seniors who want the advantages of in-home care services without relocating to an institution can find Florida has many in-home care and home health care agencies dedicated to helping seniors age comfortably.

To learn more about senior living and senior care, there are multiple types of care and communities available. It's important to know which is the best fit for your needs.

Assisted living communities are a great choice for someone who needs help with activities of daily living, such as eating, grooming, and bathing. Many also offer respite care as well as short-term stays.

Memory care communities are specially designed living environments for people with Alzheimer's or other dementias. Staff members have extra training to help people with memory loss. Some also provide respite (relief for caregivers) care.

In-home care can provide help with driving, getting around the house, meal preparation, companionship, and light housekeeping, even hiring a professional caregiver through an in-home care agency. Caregivers can be hired on a one-time basis or a regular monthly schedule. Rates usually range from \$20 to \$40 per hour.

Independent living communities are great for residents who want to enjoy the bonus of community living, but who don't need regular assistance with activities of daily living.

Nursing homes, also called Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) are staffed by skilled medical professionals who can provide 24-hour support. Some also offer short-term stays for someone who is transferring from the hospital, but not yet ready to go home.

Hospice helps provide comfort to someone in their last days. Care teams specialize in keeping pain and suffering to a minimum. This care is often provided at home, but

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care teams can also go to a hospital or other care facility to provide relief.

If it's time for you to think about where you are going to go when the time comes, these suggestions may help. But don't wait until it's too late! Now would be a good time to begin!

Reverend Doctor Bob N. Wallace **Everglades Community Church Ever-Community-Church.com**



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There will be a limited number of single-day booths available at reduced rates on a first come, first served basis. For details & applications contact Tara O'Neill at

local newspapers, social media, street signs, banners, flyers, and Naples, Marco Island, and Goodland media outlets, and Chambers of Commerce. On-site security

See Events

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Tust in time for the holidays!

Museum of the Everglades

105 West Broadway Avenue Everglades City, FL



Originally a 1927 commercial laundry, the Museum of the Everglades building testifies to the town's history as a bustling business center and the region's first county seat. Now a museum, it's open Tuesday to Saturday from 9 am to 4 pm with free admission. Certain events may

require reservations. Book your reservation at colliermuseums.com or call (239) 252-5026. Come explore Everglades heritage today!

Exhibits & Events

Ebbets in the Everglades: The Unusual Story of the World-Famous Photographer You Never Heard Of September 12 – January 20

Charles C. Ebbets, a versatile 1920s photojournalist, blended his diverse interests like outdoor pursuits, aviation stunts, racing, and



wrestling with photography, elevating his craft. His iconic "Lunch atop a Skyscraper" photo earned a spot in TIME magazine's "100 Greatest Images." Ebbets explored the Tamiami Trail early, capturing wildlife and landscapes, and developed a close bond with Seminole tribal leader Ingraham

Billie. On January 18th there will be a lecture by Ebbets' daughter, Tami Ebbets Hahn, who will share personal insights into her father and his work.

We Are Still Here: The Past & Present of the Miccosukee Indians January 23 – May 11



Pauline Reeves Gallery will present both the past and present of the Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida. Created in collaboration with the tribal council, the exhibit explores the Miccosukee's culture and heritage while celebrating their unique achievements in selfgovernance, education, environmental

protection, and more. During the Seafood Festival (February 3rd & 4th) there will be demonstrations of traditional crafts, cooking, and even alligator wrestling on and around the museum grounds.

Third Thursdays Talk

11/16 at 2 pm — Roadside Reservations: Seminole Tourist Camps Along the Tamiami Trail

For Native American Heritage Month, Museum Manager Thomas Lockyear will explore the evolution of Seminole and Miccosukee communities along the Tamiami Trail after its 1928 completion. This transition from tourist camps to residential compounds reshaped their culture and livelihoods. The presentation will also discuss the changing perception of Native American handicrafts from souvenirs to recognized art.

12/21 at 2 pm – Low Bush Lightning: Illegal Liquor in the Everglades Prohibition fueled the illicit liquor trade in the Everglades, but moonshining has deep roots in gladesman culture. For those in the 10,000 Islands, distilling spirits wasn't just about income; it was a way of life. Some even profited from smuggling Bahamian rum. Museum Manager Thomas Lockyear will cover the area's rum runners, moonshiners, and the Sheriff's office's efforts to combat lawlessness in Florida's last frontier and maintain a dry Collier County.

2023 Swamp Heritage Festival



WHEN:

December 2nd, 2023 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

WHERE:

Big Cypress National Preserve Nathaniel P. Reed Visitor Center Festival Grounds 33000 Tamiami Trail E., Ochopee, FL

WHAT:

A day filled with music, arts, crafts, food, history, culture and fun. Loads of activities for kids.

This is a FREE event!











nding for this program was provided through a grant from Florida Humanities with funds from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Any views, findings, conclusi recommendations expressed during this event do not necessarily represent those of Florida Humanities or the National Endowment for the Humanities.

SWAMP FAMILY PHOTO CONTEST

Does your family love the swamp? Do you hunt in the sawgrass, fish in the backwater, hike across the Hammocks, or picnic under cypress domes? Is your other family car a swamp buggy? Have you ever ridden an airboat to school?

Friends of Museum of the Everglades are sponsoring a Swamp Family Photo Contest in conjunction with the return of the Swamp Heritage Festival at Big Cypress National Preserve on December 2nd.

Whether you were born in the Everglades or just like to visit, we



want you to share a photo that shows your family's connection to our region and its unique wetlands. You can submit old photos, new photos, or even antique vintage photos. Pose for a family photo on a swamp buggy or an airboat, or with everyone knee deep in the mud! Anything that shows a family connection to the swamp is fair game. Use your imagination – the possibilities are endless!

The contest is open to all students in grades K through 12. Entries should be submitted digitally.

Send to GladesHistorian@gmail.com
or Museum of the Everglades staff can scan during regular hours.
Submission Deadline
Saturday, November 25th.

All photos submitted will be displayed at the Swamp Heritage Festival on December 2nd where winners will be selected by a panel of local judges. Cash prizes (\$200, \$100, two \$50, and four \$25) will be awarded to the winners on the day of the festival. All entries will be included in an exhibit at the Big Cypress National Preserve Visitor Center following the contest.

Lunchroom Ladies Brownies

Ingredients

Brownie

1 cup Butter

1/2 cup Cocoa

2 cups Flour

2 cups Sugar

4 Eggs

4 tsp Vanilla

1 cup Chopped Nuts

Icing:

1/4 cups Softened Butter 1/4 cup Milk

1/4 cups Cocoa

3 cups Powdered Sugar

Dash Salt

Directions

Brownie

Mix ingredients then pour in 9 x 13 pan.

Bake 20-25 minutes at 350 degrees. Check at 20

Icing

Mix ingredients together & Frost Cooled Brownies



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Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Sun. Kids Church 10:00 am

Sunday Renewal 6:00 pm

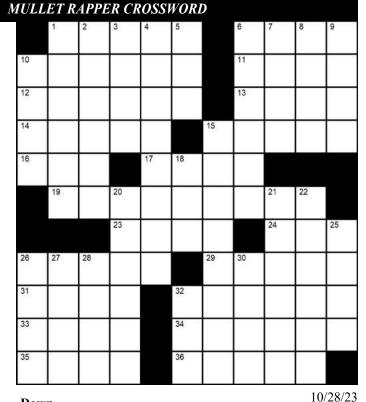
Wed. Youth Renewal 6:00 pm

Thur. Bible Study 7:00 pm

Doing Life Together

Across

- 1. Type of acacia
- 6. Bottom
- 10. Fix
- 11. Ashtabula's lake
- 12. A Winter Olympics skiing style
- 13. ___ gum (food thickener)
- 14. Nickels and dimes
- 15. Englishman (slang)
- 16. Lt.'s inferior, in the Navy
- 17. Make, as money
- 19. Of dubious integrity or legality
- 23. "Good grief!"
- 24. Be nosy
- 26. Alone, on stage
- 29. Like "The X-Files"
- 31. Capital on the Dnieper
- 32. 1983 chart-topper not written about Rosanna Arquette
- 33. Apple spray
- 34. Sheen
- 35. Sort
- 36. Extort from



Down

1. Breakfast fruits

2. Arrogant

3. Been in bed

4. Roots used in herbal energy drinks

5. " we there yet?"

6. "Get lost!"

7. Jack-in-the-pulpit, e.g.

8. Thailand, once

9. Mysterious: Var.

10. Dash

15. Self-satisfied

18. Alias

20. Body of work

21. Fairy

22. Flashed

25. Calendar span

26. 32-card game

27. Greasy

28. Ballet move

30. European language

32. Priestly garb



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BARRON RIVER TIDES							
10/28/2023	Sat	2:14 AM	3.23	Н			
10/28/2023	Sat	9:54 AM	-0.06	L			
10/28/2023	Sat	3:24 PM	3.12	Н			
10/28/2023	Sat	10:09 PM	0.72	L			
10/29/2023	Sun	2:40 AM	3.33	Н			
10/29/2023	Sun	10:39 AM	-0.17	L			
10/29/2023	Sun	4:12 PM	2.95	Н			
10/29/2023	Sun	10:48 PM	0.83	L			
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Vote-by-Mail Ballots Due Nov 16

The Collier County Supervisor of Elections office began sending Vote-by-Mail ballots to eligible voters for the

City of Everglades City Election this week. The deadline to request a Vote-by-Mail ballot is 5 p.m. on November 16.

Voted ballots must be physically returned (not just postmarked) to the Supervisor of Elections office or the Everglades City Clerk's office by 7 p.m. on Election Day, November 28, 2023. The United States Postal Service recommends that voters mail their voted ballots one week before Election Day to allow for timely receipt and processing by the elections office.

To request or track your ballot, visit www.CollierVotes.gov/RequestBallot or contact the Supervisor of Elections office at (239) 252-VOTE (8683).



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2-Hour Eco/Sight-Seeing Tour Adults (Ages 16 and up)...\$100 Youth (Ages 7 to 15)... \$80 Children (Ages 6 and under)... Free

3.5-Hour Eco/Sight-Seeing Tour
Tour will be the same as the 2-hour
eco tour but will include a 1-hour
island stop where guests can swim,
shell, and explore the beach!
Adults (Ages 16 and up)... \$150
Youth (Ages 7 to 15)... \$110
Children (Ages 6 and under)... Free

3.5-Hour Shelling Tour
This tour will include a 2.5-hour island stop for shelling along the beach and if desired another island can be explored!*
Adult (Ages 16 and up)... \$150
Youth (Ages 7 to 15)... \$110
Children (Ages 6 and under)... Free

*Guests should consider travel time to another Island will deduct from total allotted shelling time.

Chokoloskee Family Church

Sun: 10 am School & Worship, 6 pm Renewal

Wed: Youth Program 7 pm

Copeland Baptist Church

Sun: 10 am School, 11 am Worship

Everglades Community Church Sun: 11 am Worship

1st Baptist Church of Everglades City

Sun: 9:45 am School, 11 am Worship & 6 pm Svc Wed: 6 pm Bible Study

CLASSIFIED ADS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

YARD SALE: Multi-person yard sale Saturday, October 28. Chokoloskee Drive & Mamie Street. Starts at 8 am. Lots of stuff. No early birds please.

PET PHOTO CALL: If you have cute, crazy or just lovable pets please send their photo to the Mullet Rapper and we'll put them in the paper for all to enjoy. They'll be Famous!

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HELP WANTED: The Visitor Center is looking for volunteers. Recently, we have spoken with interesting tourists from Germany and France as well as Floridians who have never been to our remote, rural, historic area. We give them a map of Everglades City and Chokoloskee as well as pointing them to the Big Cypress where they can see alligators and hike, weather permitting.

Visit 207 West Broadway, opposite the Rod & Gun, or call Patty at (239) 719-0020



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"The Everglades is a test. If we pass it, we may get to keep the planet." ~ Marjory Stoneman Douglas

