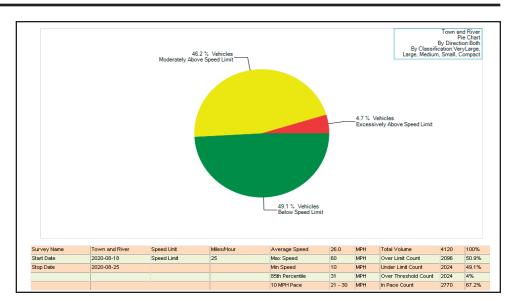
Speeds Up!

Lee County Sheriff's department generously lent Town & River a speed tracker and sign to remind us to obey the 25 mph speed limit set for our residential streets. The machine tracked our speed on Cypress Lake Drive, Aug. 18 to 25 and on S. Town & River, Feb. 19 to March 17. Below is a comparison of the two reports:



Drivers in 2020:	Cypress Lake Drive Aug 18 - 25	S. Town & River Drive Feb 19 - Mar 17		
Below the speed limit	49.1%	64.2%		
Above the speed limit	46.2%	34.3%		
Excessively Above the speed limit	4.7%	1.5%		
Average Speed	26 mph	24.2 mph		
Max Speed	60mph	58mph		
Total Car Count	4120	4305		



ArtFest Fort Myers

High School Art Competition – Art Under 20

In this ever-changing world of COVID-19 it is more important than ever to keep opportunities available to our community's students. Their education has become challenging and arts can help keep them connected in meaningful ways.

Art Under 20 exhibit and competition at ArtFest Fort Myers the first weekend in February provides a professional setting for students to display their artwork and compete for \$10,000 in annual cash awards. Over the past 20 years, 4,500-plus students have participated from all Lee County high schools and won \$133,000 in total awards.

All new in 2021, Art Under 20 is also going virtual on ArtFest@Home, the virtual version of ArtFest Fort Myers. Art Under 20 will have a high-impact gallery allowing each student's artwork to be displayed to a large

national audience. ArtFest is excited to give students this new experience of participating in virtual shows and competitions and learning the skills of properly photographing their artwork for exhibits.

All Lee County high school students (public, private and home-schooled) are invited to participate in Art Under 20. Entries are accepted in seven categories: digital, drawing, mixed media, painting, photography, 3-D, and art created using recycled materials.

Kristin Woolam has been the Art Under 20 cochairwoman for 21 years and shares the belief of Art Under 20 sponsor Suncoast Credit Union that "When the arts are an active and vibrant part of a community, everyone benefits. Students and the larger community get exposure to the arts in such a special way through Art Under 20."

Art Under 20 was created through ArtFest's dedication to the fact that arts are essential to the complete education of our youth. The arts teach students innumerable lessons that are critical to success in the ever-evolving creative economy that lies ahead. The arts teach youth that there are several paths to take when approaching problems and that all problems can have more than one solution. Accepted research shows impressive benefits of arts in education - encouraging students to stay in school, succeed in school, succeed in life and

People and organizations that believe in supporting art opportunities for our youth can support Art Under 20 in a variety of ways. Some include creating additional award categories; providing scholarship funds for winners; or hosting art experiences for participants. Contact ArtFest Fort Myers for more information.

ArtFest Fort Myers, Southwest Florida's premier art festival, takes place Feb. 6 and 7 in the Fort Myers River District. Of course, the 2021 art festival will have many new safety protocols to allow attendees, artists and volunteers to enjoy the festival in our new world. Join 150 artists from across the county; the largest high school art exhibit and competition in south Florida and free interactive art experiences for children of all ages.







Art Under 20 award winners 2020 Art Under 20 entry forms and more information are available through all Lee County high school art departments or at ArtFestFortMyers.com/ au20. Entries will be accepted beginning Oct. 15

Dec. 11. What: Southwest Florida's premier art festival featuring 150 national artists, high school art competition, street chalk art competition, children's art activities, fine food and entertainment. Safety protocols added.

and the deadline to enter is

Art Under 20: Located in the 3,000-square-foot tent at the west end of art festival under the U.S. 41 bridge.





When: Feb. 6 and 7, Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Where: Downtown Fort Myers River District on Edwards Drive

Tickets: Timed tickets and entrances for everyone's safety and peace of mind Parking: Look for bright event parking signs and flags. Parking lots adjacent to

festival, street parking and city garages are open.

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The Board meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. **South Pointe South Clubhouse** 9734 Foxglove Circle, Fort Myers All are encouraged to attend and wear a mask please. Check out our new website www.townandriverfl.com

Sudoku Puzzle

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Word Scramble

Cats

By Ellie Neal

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Crossword Puzzle

Across

- 1. Flatboat
- 6. Ogive
- 10. Little lies
- 14. Double-reed instruments
- 15. Filly's mother
- 16. Norse god
- 17. Sneaked
- 18. Type of sword
- 19. Forearm bone
- 20. 100th anniversary
- 22. Close
- 23. Restricts
- 24. Confuse 25. Actor Pitt
- 29. Spire
- 31. Freedom
- 33. Demean 37. Beneficial
- 38. Lifted
- 39. No longer working
- 41. Latter part of the day
- 42. Type of black beetle
- 44. Way in
- 45. Thrash
- 48. Woo
- 50. Great affection
- 51. Acting arrogantly
- 56. Basic unit of money in China
- 57. Hindu princess
- 58. Cash
- 59. Sweeping story
- 60. Therefore
- 61. Harness racer
- 62. Depend
- 63. To fancy (archaic) 64. Exchange

Down

- 1. Pear variety
- 3. A soft sheepskin leather



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- 4. Lady's escort
- 5. Glacial ridge
- 6. Civility
- 7. Pillaging
- 8. Wrinkled
- 9. Part of a foot
- 10. Failing
- 11. Stagnated
- 12. Twofold 13. Trap
- 21. Snuggled
- 24. Seaweed
- 25. Make unclear
- 26. Ascend 27. Assist in crime
- 28. Inadequacy
- 30. Deviant

- 32. Not urban
- 34. Largest continent
- 35. Fender blemish 36. Border
- 40. Proclaim one's support
- 41. Evasion
- 43. Lollygag
- 45. Aviator
- 46. Jeweler's glass
- 47. Utilize
- 49. Lure
- 51 Reer
- 52. Lion sound
- 53. Ancient Peruvian
- 54. Require 55. Calyx
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Experience

Experience stimulating theatre productions, engaging gallery exhibitions, year-round events and the Alliance ArtsPark.

Plays Well With Others – Sept. 11 Through Oct. 17

Cost: Admission to the gallery is free, but a \$5 suggested donation keeps programming affordable and accessible.

Plays Well with Others is an exhibition of local and national artists who create work that engages with play and toys in interactive, mischievous and subversive ways. The exhibition will include 2-D and 3-D works of all media that both entertain and unsettle and will be installed in the gallery space in an immersive installation. This fun and vibrant show will bring fresh voices to the Southwest Florida arts scene and engage the community through (socially distant!) public programming. This exhibition is generously funded through the City of Fort Myers Arts and Culture Grant program and curated by Jessica Todd.

The Alliance for the Arts gallery and gift shop hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. or by appointment by contacting Ehren at exhibitions@artinlee.org.

Explore

Explore exciting events, inspiring art classes, creative art camps and our arts access programming. We welcome you to join us year-round to meet your neighbors, find your people, your passion or simply escape into a vibrant world of color and creativity.

Outdoor Yoga Presented By Yoga Bird Tuesday And Thursday – 8 to 8:45 a.m.

Join Anna and Chip from Yoga Bird for an uplifting morning outdoor yoga session on the lawn at the Alliance for the Arts! These sessions are each and every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 8 to 8:45 a.m.



This accessible all levels class (beginners welcome) will be fun, energizing and safely distanced (limited to 20 students). Please preregister online at www.yogabirdstudio.com/schedule and please bring your own mat and/or blanket and water. See you in the fresh morning air! It is \$20 for a drop-in or check Yoga Bird for class package options.

Protest Poster Design With Myra Roberts Saturday, Oct. 3-1 to 4 p.m.

Cost: \$50, members; \$55 nonmembers

A good cause deserves a good design! Create your own protest poster art with environmental and social activist artist, Myra Roberts. Learn to communicate your message clearly through



basic illustration and design elements. Students will be guided through examples of protest posters throughout art history, work out their own designs through brainstorming sketches, and finish their work with bold black and white shapes in high contrast. Prerequisites include basic drawing and painting skills.

Required Materials:

Canvas or poster paper

Graphite pencil

Transfer paper

Brushes – Watercolor or acrylic

Black ink or acrylic paint

Express

The arts are a sanctuary that provide a space to create, rejuvenate and challenge the mind, body and soul. Take the next step on your creative journey and express yourself through exhibition opportunities and casting calls or discover an artistic space for your next event.

Members Exhibition: Gravity Of Gratitude

We invite our current members to submit one work following the theme "A Show of Gratitude" to be displayed in the main gallery during this month-long group exhibition. Works should be delivered framed, wired and ready to hang. There is one entry per current Alliance member. All mediums welcomed (no crafts, please).

Open to all current Alliance for the Arts members, free of charge. Nonmembers wishing to enter may do so by purchasing a membership onsite, online or by calling



(239) 939-2787 or visiting www.ArtInLee.org/Join. Individual memberships are \$55 and are good for one year.

Artwork Drop-off: Monday, Oct. 26, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. **Virtual Opening Reception:** Friday, Nov. 6, 6 to 7 p.m. **Artwork Pickup:** Monday, Nov. 30, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. – artwork must be picked up at this date, no exceptions.

Light Projection Mural – Rotating Exhibit

As a newly developed installation space and concept, the light projection mural aims to increase awareness of visual arts and artists in our community through an immersive light mural experience. This project is an unconventional outdoor exhibition using projection artworks visible

to pedestrian and vehicle traffic along McGregor Boulevard. Accepted stencil artworks will be projected for approximately one week from dusk until midnight. This is a long-term project that will continue for the next



several months and may continue as a permanent fixture of the Alliance exhibition schedule.

Engage

Engage with all the arts and all the people. Get connected to creative opportunities and to your neighbors through membership, contribution and volunteer opportunities.

Membership: Experience engaging exhibitions, community events and inspiring educational opportunities. Membership gives you special benefits throughout the year and helps the Alliance remain an outlet for creativity and connection for all in our community. Donate: Your generous gift helps create a vibrant community in which the arts inspire the creative exchange of ideas through an abundance of innovative, relevant and diverse cultural experiences. Volunteer: Discover a world that promises to stimulate your imagination and inspire new ways of seeing and thinking. From building sets to representing the Alliance at community events, volunteer opportunities are boundless. Share your talents with the world

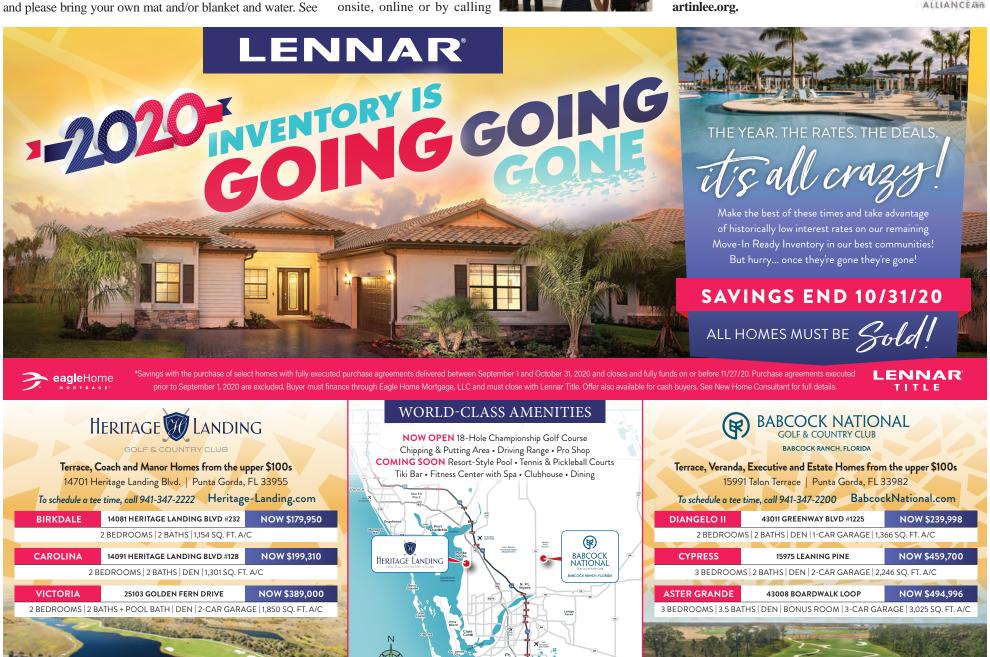
and volunteer with us!

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What's Blooming At Edison And Ford Winter Estates?

By Debbie Hughes, Senior Horticulturist at Edison and Ford Winter Estates

Many people enjoy looking at a field of wildflowers and taking in the beauty of the different shapes, sizes, and colors; however, stop and think about what the flower's purpose is. Are flowers meant for our enjoyment, or do they have ulterior motives?



Actually, plants have evolved to attract pollinators for the allimportant job of reproduction. Bees, butterflies, beetles, flies, moths, bats, birds, and other pollinators are all on a quest to find the right flower. Pollination happens right under our eyes and sometimes we don't even realize the perfect union of flower and pollinator occurred. Surprisingly, bees and butterflies see colors we as humans are not able to see in natural light. For moths – the nighttime pollinators – the flowers entice with scent that appears or gets stronger when night falls.

Town & River Civic Association Inc. Balance Sheet As of August 31, 2020

As 01 August 31, 2020	Aug 31, 20
Assets	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
First Citizens Bank- Operating	3,499.34
First Citizens Bank - MMS	70,881.55
Total Checking/Savings	77,380.89
Other Current Assets	
Prepaid, Lake Expense	3,284.19
Prepaid, Other Expense	1,921.85
Total Other Current Assets	5,206.04
Total Current Assets	79,586.93
Total Assets	<u>79,586.93</u>
Liabilities & Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Annual Dues, Advanced	635.48
Total Other Current Liabilities	635.48
Total Current Liabilities	635.48
Total Liabilities	635.48
Equity	
Prior Year Fund Balance	56,180.89
Net Income	22,770.56
Total Equity	78,951.45
Total Liabilities & Equity	<u>79,586.93</u>

Town & River Civic Association Inc. Profit And Loss August 2020

	Aug 20	Jan - Aug 20
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Income - Mandatory	0.00	10,830.00
Income -Voluntary	0.00	25,280.00
Total Income	0.00	36,110.00
Interest Income	0.60	7.13
Total Income	0.60	36,117.13
Expense		
Accounting Fees	315.00	3,065.00
Bank Fees	0.00	6.00
Corp Insurance	228.83	3,310.39
Email Service	243.00	729.00
General Repairs & Maintenar	nce 0.00	149.11
Legal Expense	0.00	151.25
Meeting Rooms	130.69	255.69
Newspaper Postage	138.10	966.62
Office Expense	0.00	252.04
Postage Expense	0.00	113.95
Printing & Postage	0.00	1,308.35
State Fee	0.00	61.25
Secretary Expense	0.00	967.50
Storage Expense	119.79	918.40
Utilities	45.22	311.62
Website Maintenance	40.00	780.40
Total Expense	1,260.63	13,346.57
Net Ordinary Income	-1,260.03	22,770.56
Net Income	-1,260.03	22,770.56



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Lady of the Night flowers Brunfelsia



Sunflowers grow easily from seed.

Flowers come in many different forms. Some flowers, such as daisies and sunflowers have ray flowers. I remember being a child and saying, "He loves me, he loves me not," until I plucked all of the petals - and of course, learned that he loved me! Queen Anne's lace, dill and carrots are all umbel flowers. Basil, delphiniums, and salvia are spiked flowers. Then there's orchids and amorphophallus flowers. I wish flowers lasted forever; but then, we wouldn't have the benefits of fruits and seeds. Fruits or seedpods are the result of fertilization, which is how we get more plants. We definitely want

People need plants too – they are not just to look at and smell pretty. Many flowers, fruits, seeds, and other plant parts are used for food and medicine. Flowers may not need man to pollinate them, but it does seem that the more time I spend in the garden, the more they flower. It is as if they know our adulation requires their cooperation or they may be shovel pruned.

There has been a lot of research on how plants benefit man - and not just for nutrition and medicine, but also for our mental health and overall wellbeing. Spending time in the garden can raise our spirits and improve our outlook on life. I know I enjoy spending a few minutes before work or after work checking on what new surprises happened while I was gone or sleeping. I am always impressed and astounded



Florida native beautyberry showing off its berries.

to find a flower where I didn't see one yesterday.

Some plants only bloom at certain times of the year, and some only bloom at night. Visitors to Edison and Ford Winter Estates can view many of these flowers and then decide if they would like to try growing them in their own gardens. One of my favorites is the Lady of the Night or Brunfelsia sp, which is visited by moths during the nighttime hours. There are lovely specimens growing in the Moonlight Garden, where visitors can see and smell them!

Some flowers have very specific pollinator needs, and not all flowers have a pleasant aroma. The Stapelia plant and other carrion-type flowers have an odor that only a fly could love. There are many Heliconia flowers constructed so particular that only a specific beak of a hummingbird could fit into the flower in order to reach the treasure inside the nectary. What a beautiful thing! There are several types of heliconias blooming at the estates, but no hummingbirds in sight yet.

The migration of hummingbirds from the northern states down to South America – with Fort Myers in the path – happens during the fall. One particular Heliconia called the Lobster moved to Florida? I hope to see you soon!





Orchids blooming at Edison and Ford Winter Estates.

Claw is used extensively in the florist trade because it lasts for weeks as a cut flower. Once a Heliconia blooms, the stem will die, making room for another new stem for the future blooms.

As the summer season is winding down, it is time to fall in love with your garden all over again. The one chore you won't have to do as much is mow the lawn. However, if you have been doing just that, maybe it is time to start using more native plants now that you know flowers are important for our native populations of pollinators, including dozens

Surprisingly, if you plant a diversity of flowering plants such as beautyberry (Calliacarpa americana), marlberry (Ardisia escallonioides), various stoppers (Eugenia sp), fiddlewood (Citharexylum spinosum), fire bush (Hamelia patens) and a plethora of other outstanding natives you will reward the environment as well as your conscience.

Many native plants need specific growing conditions, so do your homework to make sure you put the right plant in the right place. For example, dune or beach sunflower (Helianthus debilis) likes to grow in a dry area of the garden, clambering over other plants nearby. Don't plant this annual in an area that needs to be kept tidy with regular trimming. Let each plant shine in the allotted space – if the literature states the plant chosen will grow five feet wide and 10 feet tall, provide that space for it. Look at the potted plant overhead and observe that plants grow from the center out.

A good website for reference is the Florida Native Plant Society (FNPS.org). You can look each plant up and learn all about it. It's important to know how much sunlight and soil moisture each plant needs, as well as the eventual mature size. Many people plant shrubs way too close to their house. If a plant gets six feet wide, then you need at least three feet for half of the plant and space to get between the plant and the house for painting or other maintenance.

We have a lovely section of Florida native plants at Edison Ford. I hope you'll visit soon and ask your tour guide to point out the native garden. Members can visit daily at no additional cost, so I encourage membership - and you will get to go to all of the gardens and museums with reciprocal

I encourage you to spend more time outdoors, looking for these flowers and pollinators. After all, isn't that why we all

Fun Days This Fall

Nov. 23 To 25 – \$15 Per Day

Come spend your teacher in-service days having fun with friends. Day may include games, activities, crafts, nature walks and much more. Call the center for the day's itinerary. Price does not include field trip cost (when applicable). Hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Please bring a bagged lunch, snacks and drinks.

Lee County Parks and Recreation is planning Fun Day events from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fun Day programs are open to children ages 6 to 13 years old. The Fun Day program at all sites may include organized games, crafts, swimming, nature walks, field trips, and more. Participants must bring lunch, snack, and drinks.

The Seven Sites Offering Fun Day Programs Include:

- Olga Community Center, 2325 S. Olga Dr., Fort Myers
- Estero Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd.,
- Karl J. Drews Community Center, 18412 Lee Road, Fort Myers*

- Matlacha Community Center, 4577 N.W. Pine Island Road, Matlacha
- North Fort Myers Recreation Center, 2000 N. Recreation Park Way, North Fort Myers
- Veterans Park Recreation Center, 55 Homestead Road S., Lehigh Acres
- Wa-Ke Hatchee Recreation Center, 16760 Bass Road, Fort Myers

*The Karl J. Drews Fun Day program is for individuals with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities who are ages 6 to 21 and has limited hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Lee County Parks and Recreation will be following Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines by offering reduced camper-to-staff ratios and adhering to the six-foot social distancing requirement. Each site will be disinfected and cleaned frequently and routinely throughout the day. Please no electronics and closed-toe shoes are recommended.

To register online, please visit leeparks.org or call (239) 533-7275.

Outright Sale Of A Concentrated Stock Position

Presented by Jacqueline J. Lambros, Registered Principal

Most owners of concentrated positions understand the risks inherent in continuing to hold their shares. A significant drop in the price of the issue has the potential to inflict irreparable harm on a portfolio. One guaranteed solution to the



problem is to sell the stock. But many owners are wary of the tax implications of implementing this simple strategy and are therefore hesitant to take action. Sometimes, however, the simplest option produces the best result. To determine whether an outright sale is an appropriate solution for reducing risk, let's review the benefits and downside considerations associated with such action.

Benefits Of Outright Sale

- The risk associated with the position is immediately removed from the owner's portfolio.
- The owner now has available cash to allocate to a diversified portfolio one that is more appropriate for his or her risk tolerance and financial goals.
- For most taxpayers, long-term capital gain tax rates are still historically low at 15 percent. If the owner is in this 15 percent bracket, selling the position now may make his or her tax bill more manageable than it could be in the future, if rates were to rise.

Downside Considerations Associated With Outright Sale

• Although long-term tax rates may be at historic lows, the sale of low-basis shares can significantly increase the owner's taxable income.

- A very large capital gain may subject the owner to the alternative minimum tax.
- The owner will no longer participate in the appreciation of the sold shares.
- If the owner were to hold the shares until his or her death, the heirs would inherit the position with a step-up in tax basis to the fair market value on the date of the owner's death.
- The sale of a significant number of shares on a public exchange could lead to a decrease in the price of the security.
- If the owner's income exceeds the taxable income thresholds (\$441,450 individual and \$496,600 married filing jointly), the owner will be subject to the higher 20 percent long-term capital gain rate.
- If the owner's modified adjusted gross income exceeds the thresholds (\$200,000 individual and \$250,000 married filing jointly), the owner's capital gains will be subject to an additional 3.8 percent Medicare surtax on investment income.

All information is for the tax year 2020. This material has been provided for general informational purposes only and does not constitute either tax or legal advice. Although we go to great lengths to make sure our information is accurate and useful, we recommend you consult a tax preparer, professional tax advisor, or lawyer.

Consumer Alerts

Driving For Extra Cash? Check Your Car Insurance First

By Jim Kreidler, Consumer Education Specialist, FTC

With more people seeking delivery services during the coronavirus pandemic, many companies are looking for drivers to shuttle meals, medicine, groceries, and other items to people at home. Before you think about making some extra cash as a delivery driver using your own vehicle, you need to be aware of the insurance pitfalls.

You might think the company you work for will cover the costs of an accident while you're on duty. Right? Wrong. If you're in an accident while making (or returning from) a delivery in your own car, you may be personally on the hook for the car repairs and medical bills — both for yourself and anybody else involved in the accident. Many delivery companies, ride sharing services, and restaurants don't cover those costs.

You might also think your car insurance covers you. Right? Wrong again. Most auto insurance policies do not cover the business use of your own personal vehicle. That means you

might have to pay for medical care and car repairs out of your own pocket

Before you become a delivery employee or gig worker, here are some things to consider:

Ask the delivery company or restaurant if they have insurance that covers you. Get a copy of the policy. Some delivery companies give you no coverage. Others might pay for your personal insurance deductible or claims over a certain amount. Or, they may cover only damages caused while you're on the way to make a delivery, but not while you're coming back or waiting for your next delivery.

Ask your auto insurance company if your policy covers driving for work. Some insurance companies are responding to the coronavirus pandemic by extending coverage to customers who are using their personal vehicles to make deliveries.

If your personal auto insurance policy doesn't cover business use, you may need a commercial auto policy. Commercial policies cover business uses, like delivering food, packages, or driving for a rideshare company.

Earning money is hard enough. You don't want a surprise accident to cost you money while you're hustling to make it.

Oktoberfest 2020

Our annual Oktoberfest has been postponed this year amid concerns about the spread of the coronavirus and in accordance with



large gathering directives from Governor DeSantis. In these uncertain times, the health and safety of our members and community weigh heavily in all decisions made and we are hopeful to safely bring this event back in the first quarter of next year.

Please visit our website **www.capecoraloktoberfest. com** for further announcements.

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Word Scramble Solution from page 2

Domestic Panther Jaguar Ocelot Wildcat Lion Leopard Lynx Cheetah Tiger Puma **Bobcat**

Crossword Solution from page 2

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Sudoku Puzzle Solution from page 2

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6	3	8	9	7	1	2	4	5
1	4	9	6	2	5	8	7	3
5	7	3	1	8	9	4	6	2
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If you or someone you know is a soldier, Army veteran, Army family member or other proud military supporter, you can become a permanent part of history at the National Museum of the United States Army.

A historic project led by the Army Historical Foundation and the U.S. Army, the museum is going up at Fort Belvoir, Va., just south of Washington, D.C.

"We are proud to build a national museum that will tell the history of the Army - and our nation - through the eyes of American soldiers," said Foundation President U.S. Army Retired Lt. Gen. Roger Schultz. "The timeline for opening the museum was delayed because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but we promise it will be worth the wait."

To be included in the museum's story, soldiers and Army veterans can submit their stories of service in the Registry of the American Soldier, which will be one of the largest collections of American soldier profiles ever assembled. Stories can also be submitted on a veteran's behalf, at no cost. The foundation currently features the registry on its website and the collection will be made available on kiosks in the museum. Stories can be submitted at www.armyhistory.org/the-registries/.



Members of the Army community can also be a permanent part of the museum by ordering a customized commemorative brick to be laid on the grounds of the museum. More than 8,000 bricks have already been installed, honoring soldiers from all 50 states. Among the bricks are those for such well-known Army veterans as Senator Bob Dole and General Eric Shinseki. Individuals and organizations can order bricks at www.armyhistory.

To stay up to date on the project, including announcements about opening day, visit www.armyhistory.org.

From The Desk Of **Sheriff Carmine Marceno**

sheriff, am always concerned about your safety and well-being and that includes keeping you



informed about scams circulating in our area.

Like me, you probably receive dozens of emails each day that fill up your inbox with junk. Unfortunately, some of these emails are craftily designed by scammers to trick you into either giving out your personal information or draining your hard earned cash from your bank account.

Recently, scammers targeted a 96-year-old woman with an email claiming that her Amazon account had been hacked and was being used to fraudulently purchase merchandise. In order to protect her account, the email instructed her to contact the number listed in the email. Although the woman did not have an Amazon account, she followed the fraudster's instructions and called the listed number, which linked her directly to the con artist. In turn, he convinced her to purchase \$3,400 in gift cards, then quickly transferred the loaded money off of the cards and into his pocket.

You should be aware that this scheme, known as "phishing," may have subject lines in the email aimed at grabbing your attention such as, "your recent order cannot be processed due to problems with your method

of payment," or "your account has been hacked and your password changed," or "you have a package ready to be delivered, please download the attachment to confirm your delivery address."

To keep from becoming a victim of this clever scheme, I recommend you follow these safety tips:

- Be on the lookout for unofficial email addresses in the "from" section. For instance, if you receive an official email from Amazon it will always come from @amazon.
- Never purchase gift cards for anyone you do not know. Gift cards are like cash and scammers regularly use them to steal your money. Once you buy the card, the cyber thief will ask for the card and PIN numbers, which gives them immediate access to the money you loaded onto the card.
- If an email appears suspicious do not open or respond. Simply hit the delete button.

You can report an Amazon "phishing" scam in the following ways:

- Call (888) 280-4331 or forward the fraudulent email to stop-spoofing@amazon.com.
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Catch The Action

October On The Water

By Capt. Bill Russell

As the water temperatures of Southwest Florida begin to drop, large schools of baitfish make their migration south through our waters from the northern gulf. Many predator fish are on the move south as well. Combined with our resident species, October presents good fishing for a variety of species.

You can target a specific fish or just cast in the midst of a feeding frenzy where you might be surprised what you hook into. At times, a host of species are ganged up on the same bait pod, it's common to catch a half dozen or more different species from one area. It's likely that larger fish are lurking as well, keep a heavy rod rigged and ready for that cobia, tarpon, shark, or whatever else might make a presence. While targeting a specific species of fish can become challenging and often frustrating, taking advantage of whatever might be feeding around bait schools will give you plenty of action and fun. Plus, that elusive fish that you were targeting might just show up when least expected.

Offshore, look for bait balls from just a few feet of the beaches out into the gulf about as far as you dare to travel. Birds are the best indicator to locate the schools, watch for terns, gulls, or other birds grouped up and dipping to the water. Look for what appears as rain (baitfish) on the water, watch for feeding activity and the torpedo shapes of mackerel skyrocketing from the water. Artificial reefs are some of the best areas to concentrate your efforts. It's common to catch king and Spanish mackerel near the surface or drop a bait to the bottom for snapper and grouper.

Inshore, watch for the same key signs when over open water or deeper grass flats. Also, in the deeper water, a pod of dolphin hanging around an area is a great indicator of fish. Along shorelines and areas of shallower water you



will also notice schools of nervous bait and possibly fish busting them at the surface. This is where you can expect to catch snook, redfish, snapper, and some big trout. Don't ignore mullet schools, there is almost always something hungry and often big, either mixed in or hanging around the perimeter of the schools. Large trout and redfish look for food flushed out from the schooling mullet, and there is the possibility of a large shark cruising around the perimeter of the schools, often in only a few feet of water. If you are a wade fisherman take note and keep your eyes open.

As inshore water temperatures drop, big redfish will devour anything in their path. Often there may be several hundred or more working across the shallows on an eating mission. Fishing for the big bull reds will peak in October as they begin their migration offshore once the first real cold fronts of the season begin to drop down from the north. Exactly when that will be only time will tell, if the weather remains mild the big fish can entertain us throughout the entire month.

Mangrove snapper fishing was great all summer inshore.

for artificial reefs and ledges or hard bottom in depths from thirty to fifty feet to hold concentrations of fish. Snapper should be holding in and around the gulf passes. Live shrimp with light tackle is the best way to go and, if you are anchored, a chum block is a great idea. Always have a heavier rig in the rod holder with a live flatlined bait. You never know when a big cobia or some other species might come in to play.

Last year was a good one for sheepsheads and we should begin to see them later in the month. As they move in from the deeper gulf, there could be some big ones mixed in with the snapper. Sheepsheads will not eat any type of fish, live or dead, shrimp is the go-to bait for most anglers.

Remember to keep updated on current fishing regulations for the area you fish. Snook, sea trout, and redfish remain catch and release only from the Pasco-Hernando county line up around Tampa, south to Gordan Pass in Collier County. This closure is due to the devasting fish kills we experienced a few summers ago. No harvest will allow the stocks to rebuild quicker. You can still enjoy some great catch and release fishing of all three species, they just need to be released as quickly as possible.

October is one of the best months of the year to fish. With great weather and not a lot of fishing pressure, we can expect days where fish are hungry and aggressive. If you are fishing or just spending time on the

water this is a great month. For charter information, please contact us at Gulf Coast Guide Service and "Catch the Action" with Capt. Bill Russell. Call or text (239) 410-8576, website: www.fishpineisland.com, email: gcl2fish@live.com.

Capt. Bill Russell is a native and lifelong resident of Pine Island who has spent his entire life fishing the waters surrounding Pine Island and Southwest Florida. For the past 25 years Bill has been a professional fishing guide who takes pride in customizing each trip to ensure everyone on board has a great time and will return again. Come join us and "Catch the Action."



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