



The Northwest Wire

Serving residents West of El Dorado Blvd and North of Pine Island Road

The President's Perch -

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'America's Night Out Against Crime' known as 'National Night Out' will take place in the Cape on Tuesday, August 2nd. It is also the 28th Anniversary for this national event recognized in over 15,000 communities nationwide. This is the time for us to recognize and applaud law enforcement efforts made on crime prevention in our communities and underscores the value of having active 'Watches' in our own neighborhoods.

Current plans are to have two city events from 6 pm to 9 pm — one at Joe Stonis Park and the other at Jaycee Park. Block Captains may also choose to celebrate this event in their own neighborhoods. While not an NWNA event, we fully support this effort and hope that you will find time to participate.

If you do not know your Neighborhood Watch Block Captain, you likely don't have a 'Watch' in your vicinity. Just e-mail info@capecoralwatch.com to learn more or contact us at nwna@nwcape.com.

Working Together Is Achieving Together!

Burrow Bits

Have an announcement or something to sell?

Email your Burrow Bits to Barb Wenz at secretary@nwcape.com. Be sure to include Burrow Bits in the subject area.

Please note:

- All bits must be received by the 20th of each month for posting in the upcoming issue.
- You must be a current member of NWNA and all postings must pertain to you or an immediate family member.
- All bits will be in text form only (no graphics or business cards).



JOIN US!

We're revitalizing our Membership Committee and looking for fresh ideas. If you would like to take an active part in strengthening our neighborhood, sign up at nwna@nwcape.com. An informational meeting will be held in late July. Exact date, time and location to be announced.



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- *June 6, 2011—
Environment
Committee Meeting,
6:30 pm, contact Judy
Harvey, Chairperson
for details.*
- *June 19, 2011—
Father's Day*
- *July 14, 2011—Board
Meeting. 7:00 pm.*
- *July 21, 2011—Nwana
Association Meeting,
Mariner High School
Cafeteria, 6:30 pm
social; 7 pm meeting*
- *August 2, 2011—
National Night Out,
Joe Stonis Park,
6 pm to 9 pm*

Gator- Aid



Try TEA for a bad sunburn!

Whip up a batch of tea (either from boiled tea bags or sun tea), and cool it in the fridge along with some ice. Spray directly on burned skin or dab with a soft rag. It instantly cools and relieves the burn, so keep applying for best results!



Fish Tales —

Source taken from the Miami Herald—04/10/11

Shark Men star Chris Fischer is currently anchored in the waters of Charlotte Harbor at Boca Grande. Chris is the host of National Geographic Television’s Shark Men—Season 2.

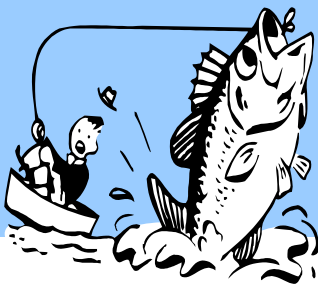
The series follows the Kentucky native aboard his research vessel, The Ocean. He and his crew study the predator’s migration patterns, breeding, feeding cycles and overall development.

Fischer, 42, lives in Park City, Utah and is the father of two. “It’s highly stressful and draining,” says the former fisherman. “When it takes the first bite of the hook, the power is overwhelming.”

Look for Shark Men — Season 2 on Sunday nights at 9:00 pm.



Email those fishing reports, tips and photos for the next issue to secretary@nwcape.com.



Rays of Sunshine

NWNNA
Membership Committee

Please help the NWNNA’s Membership Committee send a **Ray of Sunshine** to our Northwest Neighbors who have an extended hospital stay or lengthy illness at home. Kindly contact us at nwnna@nwcape.com with a brief note providing our neighbor’s name, home address and hospital room number (if known). Thank you.



OUR MISSION:

The C.O.R.E. Committee seeks to embrace our Neighborhood Community with initiatives focused on those who inspire us most.

POTENTIAL INITIATIVES

- **911 COOKIE PATROL** — Committee Members will bake cookies and assemble baskets for local Police, Fire Department and EMT Units — delivery on 9/11.
- **HOORAH\$ FOR HEROES** — Committee members will adopt a military unit currently deployed (preferably one related to a current Nwana member). Flat Rate postal boxes will be sent filled with personal and snack items to unit as a 'thank you for your service' several times a year.
- **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION** — Small coloring books (Things in My Cape Coral Neighborhood) will be created and published by committee members. Coloring books will be presented to Christa McAuliffe Elementary School for distribution to newly enrolled kindergarten students.
- **BABY STEPS FORWARD SHOEBOXES** — Committee members will collect donated items, wrap and deliver Gift Shoe Boxes for the Infants and Children of those living in a women's shelter and/or disaster victims.
- **VALENTINE'S FOOD DRIVE** — Committee members will implement an annual Valentine's food drive for local food banks.
- **YOUR IDEAS—**

Looking for an opportunity to give back? We welcome you to join the C.O.R.E. Committee. An informational meeting will be held in July. Meeting date, time and location to be announced. Sign up by contacting nwna@nwcape.com.



Environmental Topic: Florida-Friendly Landscaping

During our May 19th meeting, Thomas Becker, Lee County Extension Service Agent gave a presentation on Florida-Friendly Landscaping. Mr. Becker's appearance was arranged by Judy Harvey, Environment Committee Chairperson. The membership enjoyed a most informative presentation and photo show of some of the beautiful gardens located throughout Lee County.

Florida-Friendly Landscapes are attractive, low maintenance landscapes which protect our natural resources by conserving water, reducing pollution and waste, creating wildlife habitat, and preventing soil erosion.

Florida Yards and Neighborhoods focuses on nine major landscaping principles:

1. Use the right plant in the right place, with plants grouped according to water needs.
2. Water only when necessary and irrigate lawns and plant beds separately.
3. Fertilize appropriately by using organic or slow-release fertilizers, and iron instead of nitrogen to "green-up" your lawn in summer months.
4. Mulch plants with 2-3" of byproduct mulch such as pine bark or recycled products.
5. Attract wildlife by planting vines, shrubs and trees that provide food and shelter for birds and butterflies.
6. Control pests responsibly by treating only affected plants and using environmentally friendly pesticides.
7. Recycle grass clippings, leaves and pine needles.
8. Reduce storm water runoff by directing downspouts to lawns or plant beds.
9. Protect the waterfront by removing invasive species, leaving a border of low-maintenance plants between your lawn

The Eagle's West


If enough interest is expressed, Tom Becker will schedule a class exclusively for NWN A Members only. Please contact us at nwna@nwcape.com so that we may add your name to our listing of interested parties. Class date, time and location are still to be determined and will be announced as soon as possible.



Tom Becker provided the formula for landscaping success along with numerous photos showcasing Florida yards.

The Environment Committee is looking for additional members who enjoy all the wildlife and beauty that the Northwest Cape has to offer. We hold meetings throughout the year. Please contact Judy Harvey, Environment Committee Chairperson, at jharvey48@embarqmail.com for further information.

Hoo's Who in the 'Hood

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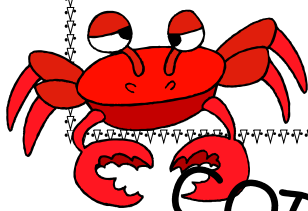
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- 6 pack English Muffins
- 1 jar Kraft Old English Cheese
- 1 can crabmeat
- 1 stick butter

Directions

Mix Old English Cheese, crabmeat and butter together. Spread on English Muffins. Broil until crisp. (Can freeze, defrost and broil.) Cut each muffin in quarters.



CORNER

Wise Words



“Remember that you become what you practice most.” ...Anonymous