

ABOUT TOWN HEAR Y'ALL!

Club Meetings and Other Points of Interest

Free listing for service clubs' and charitable organizations schedules and special events open to the public. Send information to About Town, 1313 Central Terrace, Lake Worth, FL 33460, fax 561-585-5434 or email lwheraldje@gmail.com. Please keep it brief. We reserve the right to edit and/or reject any announcement deemed not appropriate for this column.

ongoing events

BINGO - Every Sunday, 6 p.m. Holy Guardian Angels Church, 1325 Cardinal Lane (off Hypoluxo). Complimentary drinks.

CONRAD-SUNRISE CHAPTER OF AMERICAN HIBISCUS SOCIETY - holds monthly meetings for members and the general public every third Wednesday of the month, 7:30 p.m., at the Mounts Botanical Gardens main meeting hall on Military Road in West Palm Beach, just south of Belvedere Road.

BINGO - American Finnish Club: Every Sunday, 1:30 p.m. 908 Lehto Lane, Lake Worth. Complimentary coffee.

COFFEE CLATCH AT COMPASS meets the first Monday of each month, 10 a.m.-noon, at Compass, 201 N. Dixie Hwy., Lake Worth. A social group focusing on the mature LGBT+ community in Palm Beach County, providing a relaxed environment for meeting friends, discussing interesting topics, and engaging in community projects. This event is free. For more information, joekolb@compassglacc.com

THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES (FOE), located at 2102 Lake Worth Road, Lake Worth, is open to the general public for Sunday morning breakfast. Breakfast is served from 9-11:30 a.m. Everyone welcome.

GREENACRES HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 p.m. at the Greenacres Community Center located at 501 Swain Blvd. Everyone is invited. For more information, contact Estelle Friedman at 561-968-3123.

CASUARINA WOMAN'S CLUB meets the second (general meeting) and fourth (crafts) Sunday of each month at 1 p.m. Maddock Park (portable). Public welcome. Contact President Christine at 561-596-1896 or dragonwing58@yahoo.com.

LOCAL LOOKOUT

Tovah Williamson, of Lake Worth, has been named to the dean's list for the Spring 2019 semester at Quinnipiac University.

Helen Isabel O'Brien of Lake Worth has been named to the spring semester 2019 Dean's List at Clemson University. O'Brien, is majoring in Elementary Education.

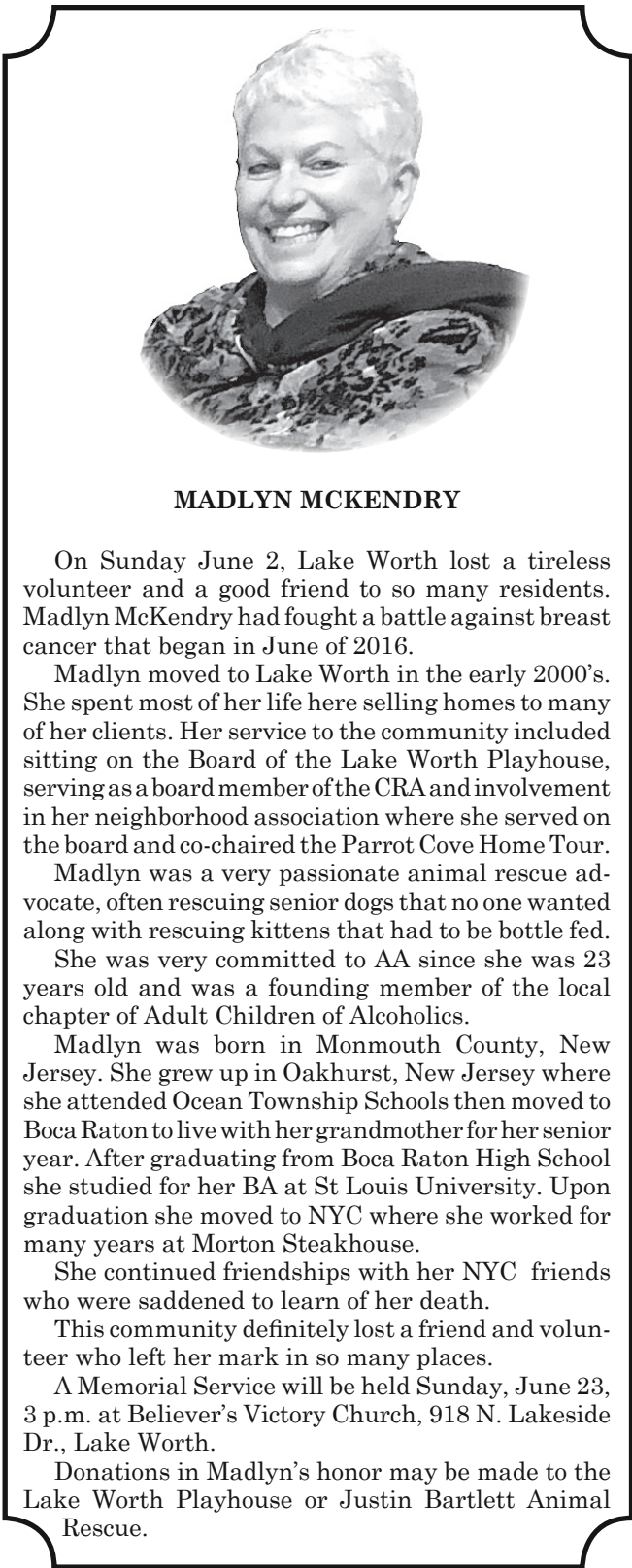
Husayn El Sharif of Lake Worth has earned a Doctor of Philosophy in Civil Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology.

Baillie Jorth, of Lake Worth, FL graduated from Colgate University Class of 2019 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. Jorth, a graduate of Pope John Paul II High School, majored in psychology, with a minor in art Colgate.

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MADLYN MCKENDRY

On Sunday June 2, Lake Worth lost a tireless volunteer and a good friend to so many residents. Madlyn McKendry had fought a battle against breast cancer that began in June of 2016.

Madlyn moved to Lake Worth in the early 2000's. She spent most of her life here selling homes to many of her clients. Her service to the community included sitting on the Board of the Lake Worth Playhouse, serving as a board member of the CRA and involvement in her neighborhood association where she served on the board and co-chaired the Parrot Cove Home Tour.

Madlyn was a very passionate animal rescue advocate, often rescuing senior dogs that no one wanted along with rescuing kittens that had to be bottle fed.

She was very committed to AA since she was 23 years old and was a founding member of the local chapter of Adult Children of Alcoholics.

Madlyn was born in Monmouth County, New Jersey. She grew up in Oakhurst, New Jersey where she attended Ocean Township Schools then moved to Boca Raton to live with her grandmother for her senior year. After graduating from Boca Raton High School she studied for her BA at St Louis University. Upon graduation she moved to NYC where she worked for many years at Morton Steakhouse.

She continued friendships with her NYC friends who were saddened to learn of her death.

This community definitely lost a friend and volunteer who left her mark in so many places.

A Memorial Service will be held Sunday, June 23, 3 p.m. at Believer's Victory Church, 918 N. Lakeside Dr., Lake Worth.

Donations in Madlyn's honor may be made to the Lake Worth Playhouse or Justin Bartlett Animal Rescue.

FREE ADULT ENGLISH CLASSES - Tuesdays 6 - 8 p.m. Compass Community Center, 201 N Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth. To register call 561-863-5778. Everyone is welcome.

CRESTHAVEN STAMP CLUB meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 1:15 p.m. at Barkley Clubhouse on Barkley Street in Cresthaven subdivision, off Haverhill. Stamp auction, stamp trading, current catalogues, appraisals. Public welcome, new members always welcome. More info, call Bob Burr, 561-267-1903.

LAKE WORTH ROTARY CLUB meeting every Wednesday at Brogues Down Under, 621 Lake Ave., downtown Lake Worth. 12 Noon. Come visit, become a member! For info call Ron Leeds at 561-969-9600.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION OF LAKE WORTH - For meetings and times contact Judy at 876-9520 or smiles@aol.com.

LAKE WORTH LIONS CLUB is the oldest civic club in the area. They meet every first and third Tuesday of the month at the Braille Club, 4801 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach. For more information call 561-582-6126.

LAKE WORTH WEST DEMOCRATIC CLUB meets the second Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. in the Greenacres Community Center, 501 Swain Blvd. Coffee and bagels will be served. For more information call Virginia Savietto, 561-906-9158.

AMERICAN LEGION VOGEL-LEE POST 47, 2315 N. Dixie Hwy, Lake Worth. 561-582-4616. Herm Apol, Commander. Regular meeting on the third Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. Free one year's membership to new signups. All veterans welcome. Bingo every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Free card on your birthday. Dinners Saturday 3 to 6 p.m. Karaoke Friday, Saturday, Sunday evenings by Todd.

VFW POST 4360 - 222 Cypress Ln., Palm Springs. Bingo every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Food served at 5 p.m. All new cash prizes. Free Bingo sheet for your Birthday week, free Bingo sheet for first timers. Dinner every Friday 6 p.m. Karaoke every Friday 7 p.m. Bar Bingo every Sunday 5 p.m.

Obituaries

Escamilla, Isabel, 101, of Greenacres.
Levites, Miles F., 75, of Lake Worth.

McSherry, Dennis James, 63, of Lake Worth.
Teitsma, David A., 81, of Lake Worth.

Are You Homeless?

By Helen Vogt Greene

The Homeless Coalition of Palm Beach County is holding "Project Homeless Connect" on Thursday, June 20 (today) 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This major event will be held at the Polish American Club located at 4725 Lake Worth Road.

"Project Homeless Connect" is being sponsored

be the United Way of the Town of Palm Beach. The Palm Beach County Homeless Services and provider agencies will be on hand to provide free services for this event.

Other free resources will be available, such as toiletries, haircuts, food, HIV Testing and medical screening.

For information call 561-355-HOME.

South Florida Fair CEO Calling it Quits

WEST PALM BEACH - After a successful 37-year career in the fair industry, Rick Vymlatil is retiring at the end of June. A Certified Fair Executive, he has served as the president and CEO of the South Florida Fair & Palm Beach County Expositions, Inc. since July 2004.

Vymlatil began his fair career in November 1982 as assistant general manager of the South Florida Fair. He also served as manager of the St. Lucie County Fair in Fort Pierce for almost three years and as executive director of the Florida State Fair in Tampa for eight years. In 2018, he served as Board Chair of the International Association of Fairs & Expositions, Inc. (IAFE).

"The South Florida Fair and its employees and volunteers have been a wonderful second family to me and I'm proud of what we've all been able to accomplish during my time here," said Vymlatil.

Vymlatil's accomplishments during his tenure as the fair's top leader have included:

- Completion of more than \$17.5 million dollars in capital improvements to the fair's facilities and equipment including the addition of a new Fair Operations and Hospitality building in 2016.

- As a non-profit organization with no recurring public support, business practices and contracts were renegotiated to maximize the organization's revenue potential.

- Added one of the fair's most successful promotions in its history with \$2 Tuesdays, increasing weekday attendance and providing the most economical option for residents to visit the annual South Florida Fair.

- The fair's historic area, Yesteryear Village, was

opened on a year-round basis.

- Increased the fair's public persona by encouraging staff involvement in other area organizations and by making the fair's facilities available to more community based service and charitable organizations.

- Expanded existing relationships with Palm Beach County government and the School District of Palm Beach County.

As for Vymlatil's replacement, history is being made. For the first time in the South Florida Fair's 107-year history, a woman will be serving as the president & CEO. Vicki Chouris, CFE, has been with the South Florida Fair since 1985.

Chouris said, "Rick set a great example of what leadership should be and I'm looking forward to leading our staff of more than 50 employees. It's an honor to serve in this capacity, especially knowing that I'm the first woman who has been appointed to this position."

Additional staff changes include the addition of Becky Brashear, CFE, as the new business development director. A veteran fair professional for three decades, Brashear most recently was the chief operating officer at The Maryland State Fair in Timonium and served as the IAFE's chair in 2017.

Other changes in the new organizational structure include Rita De Mier-Lincoln, director of brand management; Matthew Daly, CFE, director of operations; Cindy Bennett, director of finance; and Paige Poole is in the new position of education and community relations manager. Matt Wallsmith will continue in his role as vice president. Also new to the team is Meghan Garcia, agricultural and livestock area manager.