

ARE WE HEALTHY YET?

Sally A. Jackson

February 24, 2010

Sally Jackson is Systems Director, Community Projects, Lee Memorial Health System (LMHS). As a member of the LMHS leadership team since 2005, Ms. Jackson is responsible for community and government relations and special projects at LMHS. She works with elected officials at the local, state and federal levels and with other community, health and human services organizations to develop and fund cost effective solutions that address health-related needs and healthcare services delivery for Lee County residents.

Prior to joining LMHS, Ms. Jackson's career as a civic entrepreneur included leadership roles in state government, chambers of commerce, higher education and private business.

Join us for Covenant's Concert series:

All concerts are presented FREE to the community and are held in the sanctuary of Covenant Presbyterian Church.

February 12 • 7:30	ETA3 Emily Thomas, Flutist, Tomoko Nakayama, Pianist, Alexey Gorokholinsky, Clarinetist	
February 26 • 7:30	Vegas, Soul, Rock 'n' Roll	Ron Gartner
March 19 • 7:30	Spring Concert	Conductor Mary Mozelle, Jubilate Ringers, Orchestra
April 9 • 7:30	WCC Scholarship Concert	Rebecca Leshures, Pianist

If you do not have a church home, we welcome you to join us for Sunday worship at 10:00 am to hear an inspiring message and great music.

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Wednesday Morning Live

Community Concert Series

2010 "Really Living"

January 6 - February 24, 2010 Coffee & Snacks at 9:30 am Lectures begin at 10:00 am

The Wednesday Morning Live lecture series begins its ninth season on January 6, 2010. The lectures are free of charge and open to the entire community.

Our distinguished presenters will speak on a variety of interesting and entertaining topics. This year's series are all about living "Really Living" for how could you have lived, if you had not experienced music, dance, conversation, treasures and good health.

We are proud of the professionalism of our presenters, and we thank them for their service. To learn more about them, just turn the page. We cordially invite you, and your friends and neighbors to join us on Wednesday mornings for these outstanding programs and discussions. We'll have your coffee and snacks ready and waiting!

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THE THEOLOGY OF DANCE

The Reverend Dan Hagmaier

January 6, 2010

The Reverend Dan Hagmaier is the Senior Pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Fort Myers. He holds a Master of Divinity from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He came to Covenant Church in 2008 after serving as Senior Pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Bradenton, FL for 10 years. Reverend Hagmaier is active in the Peace River Presbytery serving as Moderator in 2008 and is currently serving as Chair of the Presbytery Council.

Reverend Hagmaier will explore the theology of dance both in the Old Testament and New Testament. Can Christians dance? Why is dance so important to tribes in Africa, South American and around the world? Are Christians a bit prudish? Rev. Hagmaier will take you on a magical journey from Noah Astaire to Ginger Rogers as we take a theological peek into the importance and history of dance!

Rev. Hagmaier is married to Jayne J. who is a jeweler by trade. She is currently employed with Mark Loren Designs, an award-winning jewelry designer based in Fort Myers.



Reverend Dan Hagmaier and his lovely wife, Jaye J.

EASTERN ETHICS

Dr. Russell Swanson

January 13, 2010

Dr. Swanson returns by popular demand following his fascinating lecture on "Emerging Ethical Thought" last year. He is a professor of philosophy at Edison State College since 2004, and designed and teaches a variety of courses within the discipline, including logic and ethics. He has served as a president of the Faculty Senate since 2007.

Dr Swanson earned his Ph.D. in Philosophy at Florida State University. He has taught at Florida State, Florida A & M and Barry Universities as well as Tallahassee Community College. He was a 1992 Rhodes Scholar nominee at Florida State University.

Dr. Swanson played professional soccer in the Tallahassee area during 1997-98 and coached the Top of Florida Soccer Club for three seasons. His community service includes three years as chairman of the board of directors of DAMAYAN, Inc., a nonprofit environmental education corporation.

OUR FLORIDA TREASURES

Rae Ann Wessel

January 20, 2010

Rae Ann Wessel is a Limnologist and Marine Scientist who has been engaged in environmental work in South Florida since 1978. She currently serves as the Natural Resource Policy Director for the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. The Foundation is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of natural resources and wildlife habitat on and around Sanibel and Captiva Islands.

In 1994, Ms. Wessel assisted with the coordination of a community forum on issues related to the Caloosahatchee River. Since that time, she has been involved with identifying critical Caloosahatchee issues and building support for sustainable solutions. In addition, she is involved in oxbow research, natural resource policy issues, historical documentation, and education projects on the Caloosahatchee and its estuary. She developed and guides educational river cruises covering the ecology, history, folklore and current issues related to this historic river.

Ms. Wessel has also been actively involved in Everglades restoration issues over the past 15 years. She is currently working with other stakeholders on the River of Grass acquisition planning process for restoration of the historic Everglades through the US Sugar land purchase.



ALL THE NEWS THAT'S FIT TO TELL

Russ Kilgore

January 27, 2010

Russ Kilgore, News Director at Wink TV and Covenant Church member, arrived in Fort Myers in August 2008 with the winds of Tropical Storm Faye, and his first day of work lasted almost 48 hours. He has been in the TV news business for over 25 years and worked his way up from photojournalist, field producer, special projects producer, assignment editor, managing editor to News Director. He has won numerous awards as a news photographer, editor and documentary producer as well as growing news program TV ratings for all the stations he has served. Prior to coming to Fort Myers, Mr. Kilgore was News Director at KMIR-TV in Palm Springs, California.

Mr. Kilgore received his education at the University of South Alabama, College of Communication Arts. He is a member of the Radio and Television News Directors Association and the National Press Photographers Association.

MUSIC THERE SHALL BE

Mary Mozelle

February 3, 2010

Mary Mozelle is Director of Music & Organist at Covenant Presbyterian Church, Ft. Myers, FL. Ms. Mozelle is a world-class organist who has performed in solo recitals and with orchestras throughout the USA. She has performed on the magnificent pipe organs in the British cathedrals of Exeter and Chester. She has performed with many conductors including Leonard Slatkin, Robert Shaw, Mstislav Rostropovich and J. Reilly Lewis.



Ms. Mozelle is widely recognized for her creation and performances of "The Sights and Sounds of the Pipe Organ," a narrated musical program that is both entertaining and educational. She has served as organist in several noted churches including The National Presbyterian Church in Washington, DC and St. James Episcopal Cathedral in Chicago, IL. As an artist, she has recorded two CDs of organ music. Ms. Mozelle studied at the University of Chicago, The Chicago Musical College and West Virginia University where she received her Master of Music degree. She will demonstrate her keyboard artistry on Covenant's magnificent Rogers organ.

A LIFE OF RICHES

The Reverend James A. Bing

February 10, 2009

The Reverend James A. Bing is pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Fort Myers. Rev Bing was educated at Edward Waters College and Lee Seminary. He has provided 35 years of faithful and loving service to his congregation and the Fort Myers community during a period of tremendous cultural changes. His congregation refers to him as "Shepherd."

As a community advocate and leader involved in denominational, cross cultural and interracial ministries, he has relevant viewpoints to many current issues facing the Fort Myers community.

A CONVERSATION WITH AN ICON

Mrs. Berne Davis

February 17, 2010

Berne Davis, community leader and philanthropist, is an icon of Southwest Florida and can indeed be titled "First Lady" of Fort Myers. She has distinguished herself throughout her ninety-five years in the Ft. Myers area through her interest and participation in all aspects of community life. Her major theme has been to create beauty wherever she goes, from her own glorious garden to the leadership she has given both locally and nationally to garden clubs. She is a member of numerous boards including the Edison/Ford Foundation, Edison State College Endowment Board and Uncommon Friends. Her giving is legendary including major financial gifts to Florida Gulf Coast University and the Berne and Sidney Davis Arts Center. Come and converse with Mrs. Davis as she relates her living history of the local area.

