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TODAY'S NEWS

CYBER SECURITY FORUM ON TAP

A special privacy and cyber security forum will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Nov. 8 at the Naples Daily News Community room at 1100 Immokalee Road in Naples. William C. Huff Cos. will sponsor the informational and interactive forum for the community.

The goal of the forum is for attendees to gain a clearer understanding of how



to keep their families, wealth, and businesses private. There will be a panel of three experts speaking about security and what that means to families and to businesses. The speakers will be: Kris Coleman, former CIA officer and FBI special agent; Mark Wallace of EstateSpace; and Jim Henderson of William C. Huff Cos. To register for the forum, visit

www.eventbrite.com/e/privacy-cyber-security-forum-tickets-69297644119.



OWEN TO SPEAK AT MENTAL HEALTH LUNCHEON

Sarah Owen, president and CEO of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, will serve as the keynote speaker for the Hope Clubhouse "Faces of Hope Who Give" mental health luncheon Oct. 28 at Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre in Fort Myers. The event is from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Tickets are currently on sale for \$100 and available at hopeclubhouse.org. Sponsorship opportunities are also available on the website.



LUMÈ LASH OPENS IN FORT MYERS

Michelle and Tom Nelson will celebrate the opening of a Lumè Lash franchise from 5-8 p.m. on Friday at 9903 Gulf Coast Main St. Specialties include Lash Friendly, microneedling, chemical peels, dermaplaning, microbladed brows and handmade lashes.



HAMAN JOINS DAL LAGO LAW

Dal Lago Law recently hired Christian Haman as a new associate. He assists companies at all stages of their corporate development, primarily representing debtors and creditors as they navigate the complexities of Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Prior to joining Dal Lago Law, was as a judicial extern with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. He was admitted to the Florida Bar in 2019. Haman received his Doctor of Law degree from Emory University School of Law in 2018.



FSW PROFESSOR HONORED FOR HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Florida SouthWestern State College Health Information Technology Professor Elizabeth Whitmer has been named as Top Professor of the Year in Health Information Technology by the International Association of Top Professionals (IAOTP). Whitmer was selected for the award for her contributions to students and professionals in the Health Information Technology field. She is also a recipient of the "2018 Distinguished Professor Award" from the Florida State University.

A vertical blue banner with a background of a modern building's glass and steel structure. The text "CHANGE YOUR PERSPECTIVE" is written vertically in large, bold, white and green letters. Below this, the names "RANDAL MERCER" and "BRANDON STONEBURNER" are listed in white. A large green ampersand "&" is positioned between the names. At the bottom, the "CRE CONSULTANTS" logo is shown in white and green, followed by the phone number "239.481.3800" and the website "CRECONSULTANTS.COM" in green.

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technology field. She created "HUAH: Hoot Operation App Rescue," a smartphone app for medical coding students, and patented the My Healthcare Coder keyboard, a specially designed, user-friendly keyboard that includes only the 45 keys that healthcare coders use to convert clinical documentation. The IAOTP is an international boutique networking organization who handpicks the world's finest, most prestigious top professionals from different industries.



SAN-CAP TRUST VP PROMOTED

The Sanibel Captiva Trust Co. announced that Joel Johnson, vice president, has been promoted to portfolio manager after successfully completing the curriculum and testing to become a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA). The professional distinction of CFA measures and certifies the competence and integrity of financial analysts. Johnson has been a member of the investment management team for four years. Prior to joining the firm, Johnson worked as a personal banker at Fifth Third Bancorp. He obtained his degree in finance from Florida Gulf Coast University.



FIFTH ANNUAL SWFL DIABETES & WELLNESS CONFERENCE ON NOV. 3

The region's leading experts on diabetes prevention and wellness will present at the fifth annual von Arx Family Foundation Southwest Florida Diabetes & Wellness Conference on Nov. 3. This year's conference takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Florida SouthWestern State College – Collier Campus, 7505 Grand Lely Drive, Naples. Founded by the Help A Diabetic Child Foundation, the von Arx Family Foundation Southwest Florida Diabetes & Wellness Conference each year brings together doctors, researchers, medical experts, patients, parents and caregivers whose lives have been affected by diabetes. CME credits for physicians, nurses and other medical professionals are offered for this conference. Corporate sponsorships are also currently available. The full-day conference offers lecture-style talks, hands-on demonstrations, nutritional advice for diabetes management and prevention, vendors and products, support groups, and other educational opportunities. For a complete list of speakers, visit www.FLDiabetes.com.



BLUE ZONES PALOOZA! TO BE HELD SEPT. 28

Blue Zones Project-Southwest Florida (bluezonesproject.com) will host the inaugural Palooza! on Sept. 28 at North Collier Regional Park. The community is invited to attend this free event that will allow participants to experience what Blue Zones Project is all about and how to increase their well-being. The event takes place from 9 a.m. to noon and offers yoga, tai chi and boot camp classes, gardening and plant-based cooking demonstration, a children's activity area, a purpose workshop, food tastings from Blue Zones Project-approved restaurants and more! To RSVP, visit bzppalooza.eventbrite.com.



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Cut-A-Thon hair donation event slated for Friday

Cora Cares, started by a local 6-year-old diagnosed with Alopecia Universalis, presents the Cora Cares Cut-A-Thon from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday at Studio RK Salon, 6420 Plantation Park Court, No. 102, Fort Myers. The Cut-A-Thon is collecting hair donations of 8 inches or longer, as well as monetary donations to raise awareness and support for Alopecia and children suffering from hair loss due to other medical conditions. The Cora Cares Cut-A-Thon will feature 19 stylists from Studio RK, who are donating their time and talents of hair services (haircuts, washes and blow-dries) in exchange for a donation. Refreshments and raffles will be provided by Norman Love Confections, Allyn International and Johnson Brothers of Florida. Hair donations of 12 inches or more, not chemically treated, will be sent to Wigs for Kids. Hair donations of 8 and 12", 12" or longer and/or chemically treated, will be accepted and sent to Children With Hair Loss. For more information, contact Bethany Solow, co-founder Cora Cares and director of marketing at Allyn International at (239) 357-7668 or solow.b@allynintl.com



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Average Joe 5K to benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida

The [Average Joe 5k](#) will held Saturday at North Collier Regional Park. Awards are given out to the people with the most average run time rather than to the first finished. The difference between the time of the first-place runner and the last place runner determines the "average Joe or Jane time." The participant closest to that time is the winner of the Average Joe Run. The cost is \$30 to register, and a portion of the proceeds benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida.

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