

newsletter

Proud to be part of Sanibel & Captiva Chamber of Commerce annual luncheon

Community Housing & Resources was proud to take part in today's Sanibel & Captiva Chamber of Commerce annual luncheon. It was a wonderful opportunity to gather with friends, neighbors, and fellow community members over lunch and to enjoy another outstanding Chamber event.

We are especially proud of our own Clair Beckmann, who was named Volunteer of the Year. Clair serves selflessly and so well on our board as treasurer, and we celebrate this wonderful achievement.

We also want to recognize Laurie and Bill Harkey, who received the Spirit of the Islands Award. As longtime champions for CHR, their generosity and commitment have made a meaningful difference for our organization and for our islands. Laurie is also a CHR ambassador.

This was a truly well-deserved honor, and we were delighted to see them recognized for their extraordinary support.



Craig's story

After Hurricane Ian devastated CHR's Riverview property, Community Housing & Resources moved quickly to support displaced residents like Craig Rumpf. Grateful for the help, Craig says CHR made it possible for him to stay connected to the island community he loves.

"It's such a great program," Craig said. "Quite a few of my coworkers live in CHR properties, so this is something that's needed."

A Michigan native, Craig first fell in love with Sanibel during childhood vacations. Eight years ago, he moved to the island for a job with Tarpon Bay Explorers and soon found housing through CHR. When Hurricane Ian struck, Craig lost both his home and job, forcing him to temporarily relocate to Naples for work.

Eventually, Craig returned to Sanibel and now works for the Sanibel Sea School while living in another CHR apartment.

"Affordable housing is hard to find here," Craig said. "CHR can be a big game-changer."

Celebrating **community impact**

A massive congratulations to Saint Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church, Sanibel on receiving the Impact Award – a truly well-deserved honor recognizing their incredible commitment to the community.

From supporting Sanibel's recovery efforts after Hurricane Ian to their ongoing outreach programs and charitable work through Noah's Ark Thrift Shop, the church continues to make a meaningful difference in the lives of so many on and off the island.

Congratulations to the entire congregation, staff, volunteers, and leadership team on this outstanding recognition!



CHR presents at **FISH of SanCap's Friendly Faces Luncheon**

It's always a pleasure to share our message with the community, and even better when we can do it alongside our Island partners. Thank you to everyone who attended and helped make the event such a success. We're so grateful for the opportunity to share more about Community Housing & Resources and the importance of below-market-rate housing for our island workforce, as well as housing options that help support older residents on Sanibel.

Thank you to everyone who attended and spent time learning with us, and thank you to our friends at FISH for welcoming us so kindly. We had a great time, and we're excited to keep the conversation going.

Great Progress building **CHR Riverview**

Rebuilding our community is something Benchmark General Contractors are truly passionate about. They are making tremendous progress at CHR Riverview, our affordable housing project on Sanibel Island.

Destroyed by Hurricane Ian, CHR Riverview is now being rebuilt with completion set for October of this year. The drone photo shows the incredible progress the team is making.



2024 Residential and Commercial Hurricane Re-Entry Permits Remain Valid for 2026

Residents and Businesses may continue to use the City of Sanibel issued 2024 Hurricane Re-Entry Permits in 2026. If you have a 2024 permit, you do not need to obtain a new one.



CHR community highlights



Grateful for Rookie and Bank of the Islands for your generosity and support of our Islands! Thank you for your thoughtful donation to CHR.

The CAP Plaque recognizes organizations involved for one year in the American Red Cross Community Adaptation Program (CAP), an initiative focused on strengthening disaster resilience and essential community services in vulnerable areas like Lee County following Hurricane Ian.



Special thanks to this amazing group who are always willing to get their hands dirty and dig into any task. These dedicated volunteers give every Thursday to CHR...we are forever grateful for "the Crew."

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| <i>Dave Burnett</i> | <i>Greg Matre</i> |
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| <i>Joe Evans</i> | <i>Buddy Long</i> |
| <i>Dan Hannah</i> | <i>John Seaman</i> |



April was Happy Birthday month to our Executive Director, Nicole! We appreciate her intelligence, wisdom, and kind, caring ways every day. We are so grateful for all she brings to CHR and Sanibel.

Thanks to all that were part of the give-a-ways:
*Bubbly Latitude • FISH of SanCap • The Green Flash Restaurant • Jerry's Foods
MacIntosh Books + Paper • On Island • Pak n' Ship • Rosalita's Cantina
Sanibel Firefighters Benevolent • The Shack of Sanibel • Tunaskin*



Spreading Spring Cheer to our "little" CHR residents. A huge THANK YOU to Phaidra and the Kingfisher Real Estate, Inc. team for putting together Easter baskets for our kiddos! We love to spread holiday cheer, and your team of bunnies made this spring season egg-stra special!

Community events

F.I.S.H. Friendly Luncheon – Speaker Billy Kirkland

May 12th at 11 am | Sanibel Community Church

RSVPs are required – to register click here:
friendlyfacesmay2026.rsvpify.com

Noah's Ark Summer Hours

Beginning April 28th through July 28th
Tuesdays from 10 am to 1 pm

Islands Night

May 8th | Parade at 5:50 pm | Game Starts at 7:05 pm

Tickets and information:
gofevo.com/event/Sambaileys2

we've moved offices!
2340 Periwinkle Way *Suite L-1*



What an amazing day with our wonderful community, friends, and neighbors. Thank you for coming out, sharing the fun, and making the celebration so special. We're so grateful for the connections we share and for such a beautiful day together. Thank you to everybody who attended and made it a great event!

Special thanks to our sponsor, Jarrett Glosson, SWFL Regional Office, Modern Woodmen of America for your generosity! And huge thank you to McCarthy's and Captiva Cruises, Ruben, and Jason Cohen for all their help to make this event so successful!



Job Openings

GUEST SERVICES / HOSPITALITY

Blind Pass Condominium
Reservationist
Call Nancy: 239-472-6981

Captiva Civic Association
Director
Call: 239-472-2111

FOOD SERVICE

Sundial Beach Resort & Spa
Pantry Cook, Sushi Artist - Part-Time,
Bartender / Server - Turtle's Tiki Bar, Sous
Chef, Expo, Line Cook - \$800 Sign-On Bonus,
Pizza Cook
Apply: <https://columbushm.rec.pro.ukg.net/COL1509COHM/JobBoard/Od94c03b-e563-4f86-955a-6dd59150dec7/?q=&o=postedDateDesc>

Cheeburger Cheeburger
Food Runner, Line Cook - Part-Time, Seasonal
Host / Hostess, Seasonal Milkshake Artist

Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille
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Banquet Setup, Housekeeping Supervisor,
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Representative
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Accounting Coordinator - Part-Time
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