

From left, Julia Grant, Rita Ewell, Clay Ewell, Emery Lowden and Emily Ankerson Hess at the CCA's Fool's Fest photos by Kathy Kurtz Ferrari

What's 'Cap'-enings A Glance At Captiva Events

by Kathy Kurtz Ferrari

lenty of islanders and visitors alike showed up for fun at the Captiva Civic Association's (CCA) Porch and Patio Series event on March 28. Surprise guests included Tom Brady and his wife Gisele Bündchen, as well as Sandra Bullock, who finally confirmed rumors

she had a house along Captiva's Gold Coast. Elton John even showed up to entertain the crowd on the keyboard. If this all sounds too good to be true,

you're no April Fool, but the CCA's Fool's Fest did bring out some Tom Foolery. Those actually in attendance were dressed in colorful costumes and mismatched attire to fit the party theme. Just a warning to stay on your toes for

more tricks today, the first day of April! It felt like the old days at Jensen's

Marina on March 23 as Nashville singer and songwriter Brett Moyer returned



From left, Karen and Larry Bettcher join Kris and Jerry Gerish at Fool's Fest

to the seaside stage with some fellow performers for an informal evening session. As a friend of the Jensen family, Moyer has visited the island many times over the years to entertain guests as well as curious visitors drawn in by music wafting on the island breeze.

The Captiva Island Historical Society (CIHS) wraps up its season by learning about historic St. Augustine, the oldest city in America. The event takes place on Monday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at the CCA. First established by Spanish explorers

in 1565, St. Augustine is the birthplace of not only Florida history, but the United States as well. During the evening lecture, an expert will share intriguing facts about this significant destination, which is not only for history buffs, in preparation for CIHS's planned trip there in 2023.

Tickets for the discussion are \$12, which includes desserts and soft drinks. Visit www.captivaislandhistoricalsociety. org for more information.

And that's "What's Cap-ening" on Captiva this week!

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Merni Libonate and Lisa Riordan get into the spirit of the Fool's Fest party on Captiva



The band The Hot Buttered Nuggets entertains the crowd at the Captiva Civic Association



Musician Brett Moyer, second from right, performs with some friends at Jensen's Marina

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Emerging Artist Series April 5 - 11:00 am



On April 5, the entire Bower School of Music Symphony Orchestra performs under the direction of Dr. Kyle Szabo. The W.A. Mozart Symphony No. 38, "Prague" and the Stravinsky Pulcinella Suite will be presented as complete works. A free will offering supporting the Bower School of Music will be collected. Register for seating at both concerts at www.SanibelMusicFesitval.org The concerts are sponsored by local residents Lee and Gene Seidler.

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