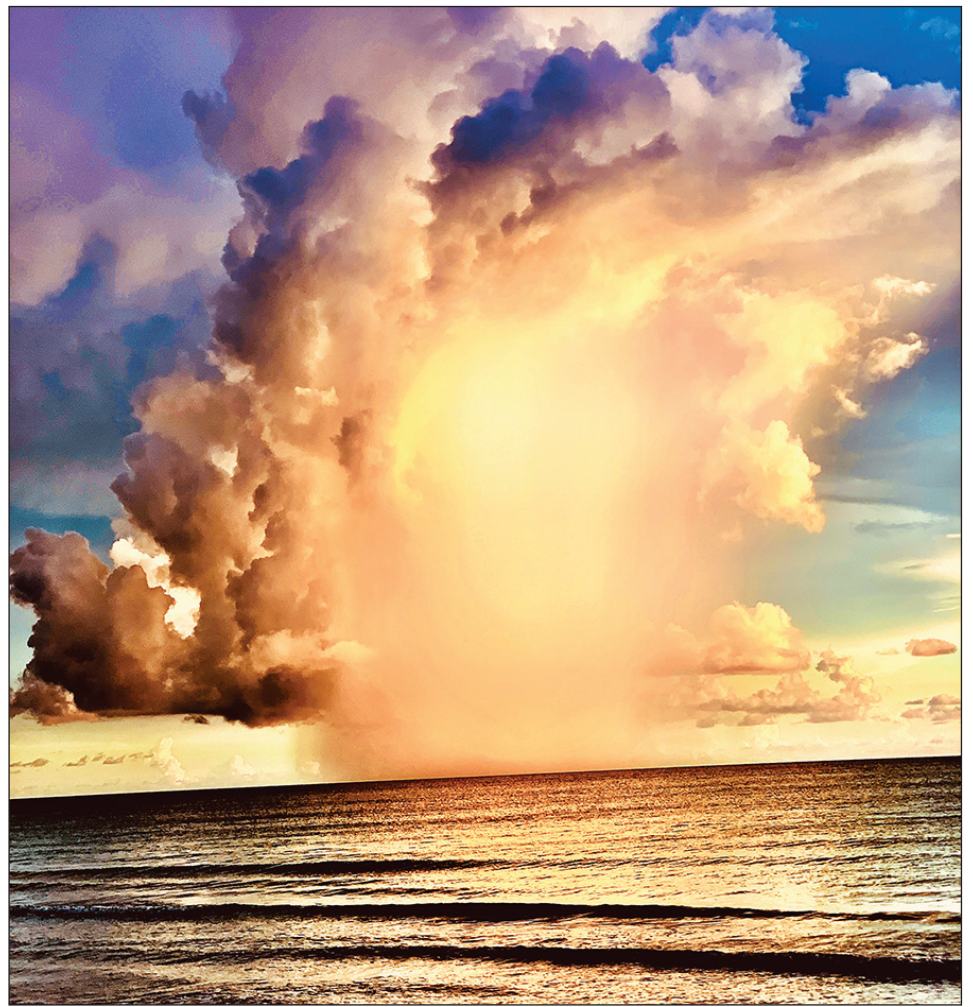
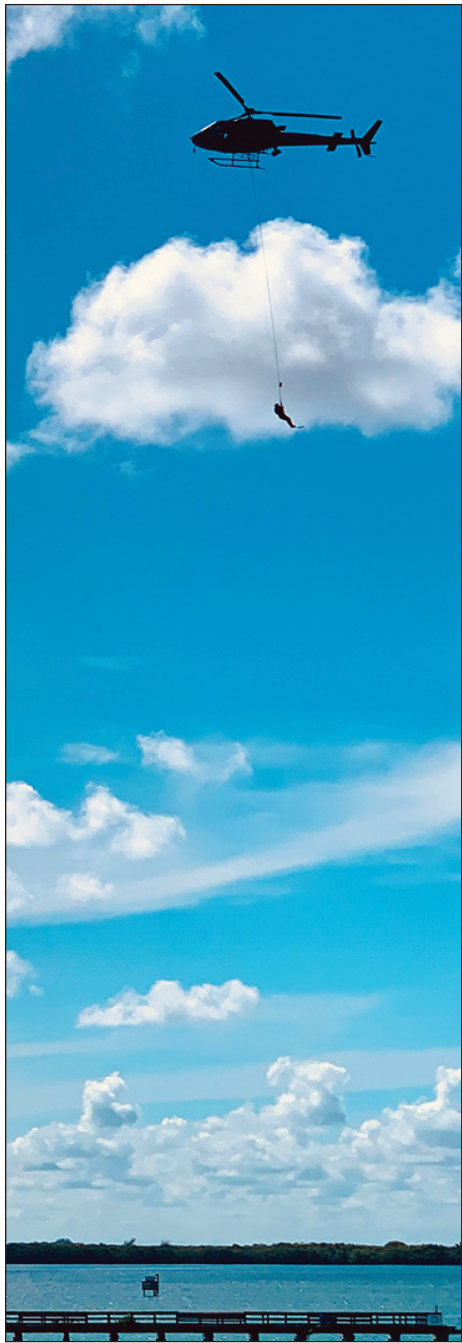


# Around the town ...



■ For those of you who have left the island for the summer, you are missing some crazy sights. Above, cotton candy skies are actually a more common sight than you might think, but the Halloween dragon and French poodle clouds that showed up just before dark on Tuesday night were more than amazing. Bottom right, a big cloudburst out in the Gulf at sunset just touched land, then headed toward Englewood. Below right, another unusual sight this week was a Charlotte County helicopter casually tracking over Gasparilla Sound with someone dangling from a rope. Just another day of training of the newbies at CCSO, apparently. Bottom left, a large amount of century plants are blooming on the island right now.

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