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## 2012 Humanitarians of the Year

*Hodges U. honors Neighborhood Health Clinic co-founders*

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Dr. Bill and Nancy Lascheid have been named Hodges University's 2012 Humanitarians of the Year in honor of their "spirit of benevolence and public service in the community." The award will be presented during a luncheon Thursday, Feb. 23, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club.

Now in its 16th year, the award tradi-



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**Nancy and Bill Lascheid**

tionally has gone to one individual; this is just the fifth time a couple has been

celebrating, according to Philip Memoli, vice president of university advancement. A university press release adds that the honor is bestowed to the Lascheids "... for their support of the community, for fostering hope in those afflicted by despair, for proving that the promise of tomorrow's future never means forsaking the past, and for demonstrating the degree to which a family can make a positive difference when times most demand it."

The Lascheids moved to Naples from Pittsburgh in 1982 and since then have

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## COMMENTARY

## Educating a president

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Even in his 50s, Abraham Lincoln, the 16th president, could still hold an axe straight out from his body with his arm fully extended by clasping the bottom of the axe handle. And he could do it longer than anyone else. I learned that by reading Doris Kearns Goodwin's unparalleled biography, "Team of Rivals."

Can Mitt Romney or Newt Gingrich or Barack Obama do that?

Then there was John Adams, the second president.

Once, he set sail for Europe intent on serving his appointment as ambassador to France (30 days or so at sea, no toilets, no showers, no fresh food or water, just to get there). It was during the war — the first war, the so-called Revolutionary War when everybody, rich and poor, put their lives, their wealth, their reputations, all of it, on the line.

The ship was attacked by a British war vessel. Mr. Adams grabbed a musket, powder and ball and climbed into the rigging with U.S. Marines, where he proceeded to fire on the enemy at close range, taking fire in return and winning the respect of the men around him. I learned that by reading David McCullough's unparalleled biography, "John Adams."

Would Newt Gingrich or Mitt Romney or Barack Obama have done that?

And what about all those others? Ulysses S. Grant, our 18th president — born poor,

West Point grad (not very high in his class), Mexican-American War veteran, a drunk, the only Union general tough enough and smart enough to get the job done for Lincoln. Not a great president, but not because he lacked integrity.

For war experience, there was also Teddy Roosevelt (Spanish-American War), Harry Truman (World War I) and the remarkable and unpretentious Dwight Eisenhower, another West Point grad (World War I and World War II).

Jimmy Carter was a Naval Academy grad who captained a nuclear submarine right through the hair-trigger hottest years of the Cold War — a man a lot tougher than most people ever gave him credit for.

George H.W. Bush was a rich guy like the current crop of Republican candidates — but not just any rich guy. He flew planes off carriers until he was shot down in World War II.

Except for Lincoln, I'm citing leaders who had war experience or at least military experience, but that's beside the point. They all had experience, all the good ones, including many who never saw a platoon fall in to formation and shoulder arms.

And their experience put them in places where they were not judged for their wealth, or their connections, or their schools, or their family names, or their leadership experience managing this company or that one, or their fundraising talents.

Instead, they were judged for their ability.

They had done things that required them to sweat — to see how other people lived and sweated by living and sweating with them.

They had been other people, in other words,

before they became presidential people.

Can Newt Gingrich or Mitt Romney claim that?

President Obama can — raised by a single mom from Kansas, black boy in America. Which doesn't make him a better president. But it gives him a credential most candidates nowadays lack.

It gives him the kind of experience that allows you to say YES to the great defining question posed by Jimi Hendrix: "Have you ever been experienced?"

All of our presidential candidates these days are rich — but so was George Washington, the first president. And he had five horses shot out from under him just in the Revolutionary War alone (he'd fought as a British officer in the French and Indian war years before that).

Could Newt Gingrich or Mitt Romney or Barack Obama — all rich guys now, like Washington once was — do that? Could they sit on a horse under fire?

I say it's time to find out.

What's wrong with this election process is not that money and wealth have taken over, or that super PACs can dominate American thinking with negative ads (as if we can't think for ourselves), or that poor people can't become president anymore. No.

What's wrong is that we haven't established a simple little Presidential Academy — like the Naval Academy or the Air Force Academy or the U.S. Military Academy or the Coast Guard Academy. An academy complete with drill instructors of experience, with classes in experience and ethics, with four years of rigorous training in which candidates, like military academy candidates, sweat and think and suffer and lead.

Four years of learning (get ready for this concept) teamwork.

Why not pass an act of Congress mandating that from now on, anyone who wants to run for president has to first graduate from the Presidential Academy?

Which brings us back to Abe Lincoln, paradoxically the least warlike warrior we've ever chosen to lead us forward.

Mr. Lincoln's personal presidential academy included hard physical labor in his early life. For a brief time he'd served in a kind of pick-up militia as an Indian fighter too, although he never shot anybody. In letters, he described the experience and his comrades-in-arms as a bunch of know-nothings stumbling through the woods making a hell of a lot of noise — undisciplined men who were lucky they didn't run into an enemy determined and resourceful.

Lincoln just wasn't a killer. That wasn't what he had to learn to become president. In fact, he couldn't even shoot a turkey when he had a chance once — he didn't want to pull the trigger. And this was a guy who'd grown up in the woods, a man who would someday make decisions that caused hundreds of thousands of other men to die for their country, and for humans with whom they shared little in common.

The stories about him are telling, but not because they prove the old adage, "They don't make 'em like they used to."

I don't believe that. I see men and women every day who are the equals of any Americans who came before — or could be if challenged.

And that should happen, nowadays, in a new U.S. Presidential Academy, for Americans only. ■

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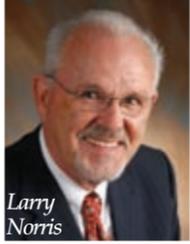
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## OPINION

### 'Dude, where's my life boat!'

**richLOWRY**

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When they make the movie about the Costa Concordia, the cruise ship that grounded off the coast of Tuscany, there won't be romantic tales about its captain. Italian authorities immediately arrested him on suspicions of manslaughter and abandoning ship prematurely. He might have been the skipper of the ill-fated vessel in all senses of the word.

A century ago this spring, as the Titanic entered its death throes and all its lifeboats had been launched, Capt. Edward Smith told his crew: "Men, you have done your full duty. You can do no more. Now it's every man for himself." One witness recalled seeing him, probably washed overboard, clutching a child in the water as the Titanic disappeared. A member of the crew always believed it was Capt. Smith's voice he heard from the water after the Titanic was gone, urging him and others on: "Good boys! Good lads!"

"Every man for himself" is a phrase

associated with the deadly Costa Concordia disaster, but not as a last-minute expedient. It appears to have been the natural order of things. In the words of one newspaper account, "An Australian mother and her young daughter have described being pushed aside by hysterical men as they tried to board lifeboats."

Women and children were given priority in theory, but not necessarily in practice. The Australian mother said of the scene, "We just couldn't believe it — especially the men, they were worse than the women." Another woman passenger agreed, "There were big men, crew members, pushing their way past us to get into the lifeboats."

Guys aboard the Costa Concordia apparently made sure the age of chivalry was good and dead by pushing it over and trampling on it in their heedless rush for the exits. The grounded cruise ship has its heroes, of course, just as the Titanic had its cowards. But the discipline of the Titanic's crew and the self-enforced chivalric ethic that prevailed among its men largely trumped the natural urge toward panicked self-preservation.

Women and children went first, and once the urgency of the situation

became clear, breaches weren't tolerated. The crew fired warning shots to keep men from rushing the lifeboats. In an instance Daniel Allen Butler recounts in his book, "Unsinkable," a male passenger trying to make it on one lifeboat was rebuffed and then beaten for his offense.

The survivor statistics tell the tale. More women from third class — deep in the bowels of the ship, where it was hard to escape and instructions were vague or nonexistent — survived than men from first class. Almost all of the women from first class (97 percent) and second class (84 percent) made it. As Butler notes, the men from first class who were lost stayed behind voluntarily, true to their Edwardian ideals.

The Titanic went down, they say, to the strains of the hymn "Nearer, My God, to Thee" as the band courageously played on. It lent a final grace note to the tragedy. Today, we don't do grace notes. We've gone from "Women and children, first," to "Dude, where's my lifeboat?" As the women of the Costa Concordia can testify, that's a long way down. ■

— Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.

## The day the Internet roared

**amyGOODMAN**

Special to Florida Weekly



Wednesday, Jan. 18, marked the largest online protest in the history of the Internet. Websites from large to small "went dark" in protest of proposed legislation before the U.S. House and Senate that could profoundly change the Internet. The two bills, SOPA in the House and PIPA in the Senate, ostensibly aim to stop the piracy of copyrighted material over the Internet on websites based outside the U.S. Critics, among them the founders of Google, Wikipedia, the Internet Archive, Tumblr and Twitter, counter that the laws will stifle innovation and investment, hallmarks of the free, open Internet. The Obama administration has offered muted criticism of the legislation, but, as many of his supporters have painfully learned, what President Barack Obama questions one day he signs into law the next.

First, the basics. SOPA stands for the Stop Online Piracy Act, while PIPA is the Protect IP Act. The two bills are very similar. SOPA would allow copyright holders to complain to the U.S. attorney general about a foreign website they allege is "committing or facilitating the commission of criminal violations" of copyright law. This relates mostly to pirated movies and music. SOPA would allow the movie industry, through the courts and the U.S. attorney general, to send a slew of demands that Internet service providers (ISPs) and search-engine companies shut down access to those alleged violators, and even to prevent linking to those sites, thus making them "unfindable." It would also bar Internet advertising providers from making payments to websites accused of copyright violations.

SOPA could, then, shut down a community-based site like YouTube if just

one of its millions of users was accused of violating one U.S. copyright. As David Drummond, Google's chief legal officer and an opponent of the legislation, blogged, "Last year alone we acted on copyright takedown notices for more than 5 million webpages." He wrote, "PIPA & SOPA will censor the web, will risk our industry's track record of innovation and job creation, and will not stop piracy."

Corynne McSherry, intellectual property director at the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF.org), told me: "These bills propose new powers for the government and for private actors to create, effectively, blacklists of sites ... then force service providers to block access to those sites. That's why we call these the censorship bills."

The bills, she says, are the creation of the entertainment, or "content," industries: "SOPA, in particular, was negotiated without any consultation with the technology sector. They were specifically excluded." The exclusion of the tech sector has alarmed not only Silicon Valley executives, but also conservatives like Utah Republican Congressman Jason Chaffetz, a tea party favorite. He said in a December House Judiciary Committee hearing, "We're basically going to reconfigure the Internet and how it's going to work, without bringing in the nerds."

PIPA sponsor Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said in a press release, "Much of what has been claimed about [PIPA] is flatly wrong and seems intended more to stoke fear and concern than to shed light or foster workable solutions."

Sadly, Leahy's ire sounds remarkably similar to that of his former Senate colleague Christopher Dodd, who, after retiring, took the job of chairman and CEO of the powerful lobbying group Motion Picture Association of America (at a reported salary of \$1.2 million annually), one of the chief backers of SOPA/PIPA. Said Dodd of the broad-based, grass-roots Internet protest, "It's

a dangerous and troubling development when the platforms that serve as gateways to information intentionally skew the facts to incite their users in order to further their corporate interests."

EFF's McSherry said, "No one asked the Internet — well, the Internet is speaking now. People are really rising up and saying: 'Don't interfere with basic Internet infrastructure. We won't stand for it.'"

As the Internet blackout protest progressed Jan. 18, and despite Dodd's lobbying, legislators began retreating from support for the bills. The Internet roared, and the politicians listened, reminiscent of the popular uprising against media consolidation in 2003 proposed by then-Federal Communications Commission Chairman Michael Powell, the son of Gen. Colin Powell. Information is the currency of democracy, and people will not sit still as moneyed interests try to deny them access.

When Internet users visited the sixth-most popular website on the planet during the protest blackout, the English-language section of Wikipedia.org, they found this message:

"Imagine a World Without Free Knowledge."

"For over a decade, we have spent millions of hours building the largest encyclopedia in human history. Right now, the U.S. Congress is considering legislation that could fatally damage the free and open Internet."

In a world with fresh, Internet-fueled revolutions, it seems that U.S. politicians are getting the message. ■

— Denis Moynihan contributed research to this column.

— Amy Goodman is the host of "Democracy Now!," a daily international TV/radio news hour airing on more than 1,000 stations in North America. She is the author of "Breaking the Sound Barrier," recently released in paperback and now a *New York Times* best-seller.



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# PROFILES IN PARADISE

## A Lakeland family makes in the case for visa reform



Immigration reform is a polarizing topic in America. I personally prefer simplifying the immigration process so that the right people (healthy, with no criminal records) can enter the United States to pursue the American dream.

Our immigration rules are complicated and, in some cases, make no sense. Consider the E2 Treaty Investor Visa, which allows immigration for the purpose of starting a business that employs U.S. citizens. It allows no opportunity for a green card, and it must be renewed every two years.

Zoe Adams holds an E2 Treaty Investor Visa holder and has been a guest on my show several times. I support her crusade for E2 visa reform. Although she resides in Lakeland, Fla., she speaks for E2 visa holders along the Paradise Coast and across the United States.

Her family came from England in September 2003. She and her husband, Steve, own Richard's Pool Service in Lakeland. They have four employees, and Steve has a Florida contractors license.

Eight years ago, they lived on the south coast of England and owned a vacation property in Davenport, Fla. Steve began to question his future in sales in the semi-conductor business and began considering opportunities in Florida. They met with an owner who was selling a pool servicing

company and quickly decided it could be a good business for them, especially because the owner committed to stay with the business for a year and teach Steve everything he needed to know.

So the Adams — with daughter Melissa, then 12, and son Tom, then 10 — packed up and departed for Florida, excited about starting their business and life in America.

They entered on an E2 Treaty Investor Visa. Although they knew the visa would not lead to an opportunity for a green card, they had no idea about the future implications of their status. They were told the visa needed to be renewed every few years and as long as their business was successful and they had employees, that the renewal process was easy; but in reality, that was not the case.

As they developed relationships in the community, their sense of "non-belonging" began develop. They must leave the U.S. every two years and renew their (temporary) driver's licenses every year. More importantly, their children are not covered by the visa once they turn 21 or complete college. And they cannot apply for Social Security numbers, which means Melissa and Tom cannot work and earn their own money.

Melissa turns 21 in June and just received an F1 International Student Visa, which will cover her until the end of her studies for 12-18 months after that while she applies for jobs. She is studying math and secondary education at Florida Southern College, where she is president of the Honor Society, vice president of the Math Honor Society, a Southern Ambassador (she gives tours of

the school) and captain of her dance team. She has a boyfriend of more than two years, and getting married may well be her easiest course for being allowed to stay here.

Tom is now 18 and in his sophomore year at the University of Florida in Gainesville. He's studying physiology and kinesiology and hopes to earn a master's in physical therapy and then a Ph.D. He volunteers at a campus gym for UF faculty members, helps with school research projects and is on the UF wakeboarding team.

Here's the bottom line: If Melissa and Tom don't marry U.S. citizens, they'll have to return to England, where social and family ties are nearly non-existent. Their lives are here.

I feel strongly that they should be able to apply for citizenship and for Social Security cards, and that they should be able to continue their lives here in America, along with other children whose parents hold E2 visas.

There are approximately 100,000 E2 Treaty Investor Visa holders in the U.S. today, most of whom are small business owners. Small businesses are the major contributors to new jobs in Florida and throughout America.

I suggest we support Zoe Adams in her appeal for E2 visa reform in Congress (see [www.E2VisaReform.org](http://www.E2VisaReform.org)). Is there any reason why we wouldn't? ■

— Bob Harden is the producer and host of "The Bob Harden Show," airing from 7-8 a.m. weekdays at [www.bobharden.com](http://www.bobharden.com). The show is archived for listeners' convenience.



Talking points with Zoe Adams

**Something that has been your mind:** It's always on my mind how to convince the people who can change the law that we are good for the United States. We are here legally, we pay taxes and we spend our hard-earned money in our communities.

**Something your mom was right about:** Chocolate is a luxury — not!

**What makes you laugh:** We have a dog and six cats... I can always laugh at their antics.

**Last book read:** "Take a Chance on Me," by British author Jill Mansell. I spend a lot of money on books from Amazon.co.uk, as they are still my favorites.

**Pet peeve:** Having to pronounce the Z at the beginning of my name in a totally different way now from the first 45 years of my life.

**Something people would be surprised to find out about you:** I used to be a dancer. I danced in the same competitions as Nigel Lythgoe from "So You Think You Can Dance" — he was older than me, but I remember watching him dance.

**What are you most proud of:** How my kids have turned out.

**What the Paradise Coast really needs:** Florida as a whole could do with drivers who use their indicators more often.

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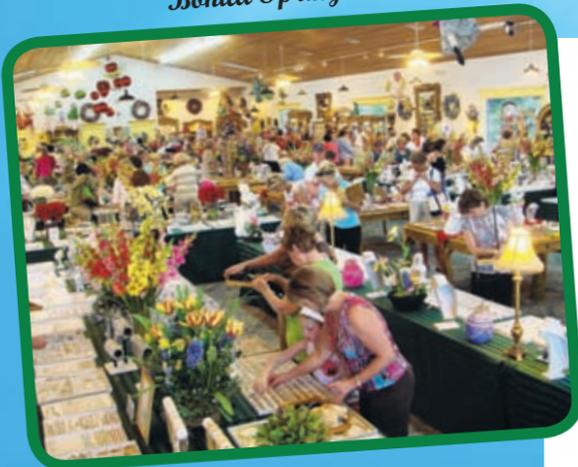
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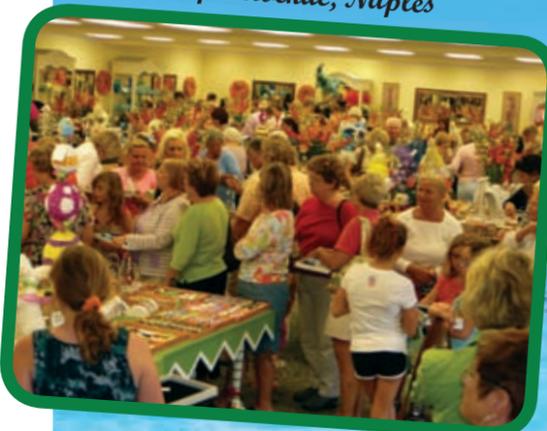


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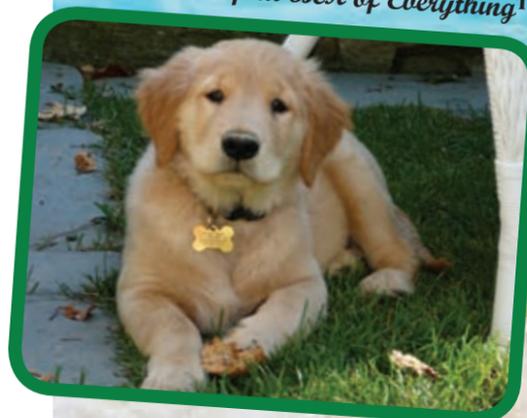
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Newt Gingrich, Ron Paul, Mitt Romney and Rick Santorum are battling to win Florida, a state considered crucial for garnering the GOP nomination.

# So it comes down to Florida — again

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Inconvenient as it may be for political reporters paid to handicap the 2012 presidential contest right through to its conclusion on Nov. 6, the race may well be over by next Wednesday morning, the first day of February, 2012.

By the end of the previous evening — Tuesday, Jan. 31 — Republicans in Florida will have picked not only their candidate but arguably and perhaps inadvertently the next president of the United States, a man who may or may not be their candidate.

Here's the logic of that thinking.

The candidate who wins the primary here will be the party's nominee to face President Obama in November. But Republicans universally agree: Not every one of their candidates can beat President Obama, either in Florida or in the nation.

Pick the wrong candidate, the logic goes, and you've just elected President Obama to a second term.

History suggests as much.

Through 10 presidential election cycles since the state's primary process was modernized in 1972, Florida Republicans have demonstrated an infallible authority. When they pick a primary candidate, he becomes a presidential candidate.

That was true 40 years ago when Florida's GOP voters picked incumbent President Richard Nixon, and it's been true ever since, as the history of Florida's primary-winners shows.

In 1976, Florida's GOP pick was Gerald Ford. The choice was Ronald Reagan in 1980 (who lost the primary here in 1976), followed by Reagan again in '84; George H.W. Bush in '88 and '92; Bob Dole in '96; George W. Bush in 2000 and 2004; and John McCain in 2008.

Each of those men, Florida primary winners, sought the White House as the standard bearers of what is now almost a century of Republican social and economic values.

(Coincidentally, Florida voters in general elections bet correctly on the next president 20 out of 21 times since 1928, only failing in 1992 when they picked incumbent Pres. Bush but the nation sent Mr. Clinton to the White House.)

All of which suggests why everything Republican in 2012 may be on the line this week in Florida.

What does that mean for Florida's citizens?

From east to west and north to south — from Palm Beach Gardens to Punta Gorda, and from Fort Myers to Bonita Springs and Naples where Republicans have long dominated local politics — Florida Weekly sought the opinions of men and women who have spent years thinking Republican thoughts.

Here you will see how they judged the current week on the eve of its arrival, how they measure the candidates in the Republican race, and how they weigh the issues as voting day approaches.

They're weighing none of it lightly.

"This is the most important election of our lives," insists Lavigne Kirkpatrick, the newly appointed spokeswoman for the Tea Party in Naples. She led Republican Gov. Charlie Crist's gubernatorial

campaign in Collier County in 2006, and headed the McCain-Palin team there in the 2008 election.

"Obama is not going to be easy to beat. He isn't spending one dime right now. He's the only candidate facing us. And he's letting everybody else burn up their energy and money. Whoever your candidate is now, we all have to come together behind one."



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## Will the third man please sit down?

But coming together is a hat trick that requires an answer to the obvious question: Who is the right candidate in the minds of Florida's Republicans?

Following Mr. Gingrich's prairie-fire win by 12 percentage points in South Carolina last week, many observers now call it a two-man race.

But that analysis falls short of reality, according to Steve Abrams, a commissioner and head of the Gingrich campaign in Palm Beach County. Mr. Abrams also serves on the Gingrich team's state steering committee.

There are two men capable of winning, perhaps, but a third man who could determine who he'll be, Mr. Abrams suggests. And that third man isn't Ron Paul, who continued to run a distant but vocal fourth as the political parade thundered out of the Palmetto State and into the Sunshine State.

"The first thing Newt faces doesn't have to do with Newt as much as with what Rick Santorum does," Mr. Abrams explains.

The former Pennsylvania senator is the third man in the mind of many who support Mr. Gingrich — and they'd like him to sit down and shut up now, not later.

"Ultimately, no matter how good a campaign Newt runs here, the Romney alternative vote keeps splitting," Mr. Abrams concludes. "So Santorum either needs to drop out, or do poorly enough that he's not a factor in the race. Then you'll have the one-on-one showdown everyone's been waiting for."

Which isn't quite how John Knowles sees it. The director of development and external affairs at the Ave Maria University School of Law, Mr. Knowles spent a decade in Michigan politics before moving to Naples.

"I think this will go longer than anybody realizes," he predicts. "You have three candidates that have the will and resources to move into the future."

And Mr. Santorum, vocal champion of socially conservative moral values, isn't one of them.

"Those three are Mitt, Newt and Ron Paul," explains Mr. Knowles. "Santorum lacks national structure and the financial backing to mount an ongoing campaign into March and April."



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## The showdown

To many, March and April lie in another world, even if Mr. Santorum and Mr. Paul continue maneuvering to influence the frontrunners until then.

The showdown appears to be here and now, and for the Republicans that means it's essential to get out and vote, advises Mr. Knowles.

"It's not the people who choose, it's the people who choose to vote who choose," he notes. That may be true both in the primary this week, and on Nov. 6.

Now the baton of choice has been passed with great fanfare from a small bastion of Republicanism in South Carolina — more conservative, more distinctly Southern, more strictly dependent on the attitudes of Tea Partiers and Evangelical Republicans — to a large one, a Sunshine State of pluralists, of diverse viewpoints and allegiances, of widely varied geographies that can be reached most effectively with expensive advertising.

And the pass was not smooth.

Emerging from the state neck-and-neck in the primary win-lose column — but with one candidate bloodied and reeling from lackluster showings that he sought to overcome Monday night in the first Florida debate — Newt Gingrich and Mitt Romney now realistically represent the Republican choices.

And each is bringing the muscle of a two-year-old Supreme Court decision into play significantly for the first time in modern politics.

The decision, known as Citizens United, allows super PACs to spend as much money as they desire to promote a candidate without identifying the sources of that money. In Mr. Romney's case, that has amounted to \$4 million in Florida alone, even before the week began, according to news reports.

"The Sunshine State will be blanketed with numerous ads all week, particularly from Mr. Romney — more aggressive, attacking ads," says Mr. Knowles. "You'll see all kinds of super PAC advertising. And the evidence is overwhelming that these expensive negative creative attack ads work almost every time."

Out of the fray, one candidate will emerge next Tuesday night as the Florida pick. And that man will very likely become not only the Republican nominee, but the next president.

## The baggage train

That is, if Republican voters this week make the right choice.

Unfortunately, with the Democrats looking on like wolves watching the progress of Red Riding Hood, Republicans will exploit their own weaknesses for the next six days, many fear.

Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, who has refused to endorse any candidate, called the finger-pointing, personal style of the campaign so far a "circular firing squad." The quote appeared in *The New York Times*.

The candidates' weaknesses appear to be considerable, which leaves much to point at. But their baggage may also prove inconsequential.

One has hidden his tax history for years, for reasons not even his supporters can rationalize (that's changing as the

week progresses, and will change even more before long, he announced under pressure). He once lambasted the late Sen. Edward Kennedy for doing the same thing even while he carried on the tradition. To complicate matters for him, his father, one-time presidential candidate George Romney, set a much different example by releasing 12 years of tax records.

(The late Mr. Romney also had a tendency to change his mind at the wrong political moment, like some critics accuse the current candidate of doing. When he reversed his position on the Vietnam War in the contest to choose a Republican candidate for the 1968 presidential race, he went suddenly from first in the polls to historic obscurity, leaving the field open for Mr. Nixon.)

The other candidate — the flamboyant South Carolina primary winner, Mr. Gingrich — has hidden two adulterous affairs behind a veneer of self-righteous indignation and puffy moralizing about gay marriage and women's choice advocates.

One candidate — Mr. Romney — has hidden the greed that powered tremendous corporate success at Bain Capital, the firm he headed for many years, behind a business-is-good-for-America arrogance, in the eyes of his critics.

And the other, Mr. Gingrich, has hidden an ethical history pocked with missteps in his professional as well as his personal life behind a proud justification that such "grandiose" acting and thinking is all-American — suitable for a nation of people who think big and act on it.

Mr. Gingrich faced 84 ethics charges during his time as speaker of the house in the 1990s. He was fined \$300,000, becoming the first speaker in history to be so chastised. While consulting or lobbying from 2000 to 2010 for Freddie Mac, the government's secondary home-mortgage company, his Gingrich Group was paid \$1.6 million or more. He had previously blamed Freddie Mac for the financial implosion that led to recession, and argued that the money he took paid for his service as a "historian," not a lobbyist.

There is more that Democrats are likely to exploit, especially in the case of Mr. Gingrich, and Republicans know it.

"The Democrats are fantastic at play-making a negative campaign," notes Jenna Persons, an attorney and partner at Strayhorn & Persons in Fort Myers.

Ms. Persons, a sixth generation native, worked as a political staffer for Senate Majority Whip Roy Blunt for two years after graduating from law school at George Washington University, before returning to her hometown. She is now a member of the Lee Executive Republican Committee.

## The media elite and forgiveness

For his part, Mr. Gingrich has claimed that criticisms of his behavior are part of an "elite" and "liberal" media bias that has insisted for half a century that Americans become un-American.

That media-is-to-blame reaction is one some Republicans here embrace, as well.

"I believe the news media has been telling all of us that Romney is the candidate for the last year," says Mrs. Kirkpatrick.

"My personal concern about that is, if the media is telling me that this is the

person, the last thing I want to do is listen to them. Do I really want the media telling me this is the person?"

Republicans everywhere, ultimately, appear to be a forgiving group when it comes to fellow Republicans — they're willing to forgive both the personal, in Mr. Gingrich's case, and the professional in the case of both candidates — as long as there is some transparency.

"Gingrich has navigated the micro-issue of his ex-wife (going public) really skillfully," says Mr. Knowles. "Its not news, it's been out there already, he's skillful in pointing out (his side of the story)."

"And people are tired of it," adds Mrs. Kirkpatrick — "tired of the personal stuff that goes on in people's lives. No human is perfect, and some people, who could be the greatest statesmen, won't run because they don't want their mistakes revealed."

Clearly, those people do not include Mr. Gingrich or Mr. Romney.

The latter could dispense with his tax and income problem in 24 hours, by releasing the information — simply by being transparent, advises Mr. Abrams. And the former is a historian who has made his personal life history, along with almost everybody else.

"When you start going down the ladder to the point where the discussion is about Newt's marriage 20 years ago, it's not a relevant factor for anyone but a handful of voters," Mr. Abrams says.

**The vortex question**

Therefore the choice for many would seem to come down to issues — but even that proves a misconception about GOP thinking this week.

The issues themselves may be secondary to a single overriding question, the pundits agree: Who can beat Mr. Obama?

And who can beat him not just in the final rugged run-up to November but this

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— Jenna Persons, attorney

week in Florida, where the presidential race itself is a distinct shadow splashing visibly through the wake of the primary race?

That question, more than any issue, creates the compelling vortex gravity of the 2012 presidential race, and of the Florida Republican primary here.

More than jobs and the economy, more than how much to lower the tax rate and for whom, more than how much to reduce the size of government and how much to deregulate business, more than the questions of abortion or same-sex marriage or immigration, Florida Republicans this week are agonizing over an unequivocal Lombardian philosophy: There is no second place. There are only winners and losers.

"Whether you're an evangelical Christian or a Tea Partier or a moderate Republican, your first question should be, 'Who can beat Obama?'" advises Ms. Persons.

"One thing that unites the national security Republicans, the Libertarians, the social conservatives, and the moderates is that almost all Republicans want to see Obama defeated in November," observes Mr. Knowles.

Perhaps that unity does not characterize Republicans here quite yet, however.

Meanwhile, what about the issue of war?

Terrorism, Afghanistan and Iraq — three distinct wars that defined the first decade of the 21st century and deeply shaped its presidential elections — were Bush and McCain-era issues, in the minds of Republican voters.

Tellingly, none of the men or women who joined Florida Weekly to think through this Republican week initiated any conversation about war, although two wars continue.

**The nuanced primary**

All of this points to the significant risk Republicans nationwide are running this week as Florida's GOP voters shoulder the weight of the contest.

The primary process itself is finicky and complex. To win, a Republican candidate must garner 1,212 votes from delegates representing the 50 states at the national convention.

Some states, 17 of them, allow Independents, or Independents and Democrats together, to vote in the Republican primary (Florida does not; it hosts a "closed" primary).

Others still hold caucuses, a throwback to the old days when small groups around the state would gather in public to take a show of hands or vote, sending delegates to the national convention that way.

Normally, Florida would command 99 of those 1,212 necessary delegates, or just over 8 percent.

But that changed after the state's Republican leaders disobeyed the marching orders of the party's national leadership last year.

Instead of accepting a mid- or late-season date on the primary calendar, they shouldered their way nearly to the front

of the line, to stand just behind Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina in the GOP schedule.

"I'm proud of the state leaders for taking the initiative, and insuring we play a major role in presidential picks," says Ms. Persons. "I'm proud of them for looking out for our interests."

But that looking out has come with a cost.

To punish the lack of discipline, national Republican leaders recently cut Florida's delegates in half, from 99 to 50. (The Sunshine State's delegates also lost their front-row seats at the convention, along with reservations to the most convenient and proximate hotels).

None of that will likely matter as much as what the nation observes this week in Florida, Republicans here believe. Nor as much as what primary voters decide Tuesday — a reality foreseen, perhaps, by the state's Republican leadership last year.

Florida is defined as a "swing state." That's because nearly 19 million residents represent a hodgepodge of demographic and political constituencies that chose a Democratic leader four years ago on the backs of the state's Independents. The inability of Republicans to rally decisively behind a single candidate now could leave room not only for continued Republican in-fighting, but for exploitation by a Democratic machine at once wealthy, well-oiled and rested. If that happens, Republicans may lose Florida and the nation, once again.

That's the bottom line this week in a state plumped by 29 electoral votes. Florida is tied for third with New York, behind California (55) and Texas (34).

Not just in November, not just in August, but right now: The Sunshine State is the key prize for Mr. Gingrich, Mr. Romney, and a sidelines onlooker this week, President Barack Obama. ■

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The Education Foundation of Collier County's project was one of 11 chosen to receive \$4,750 in grant money. Twenty projects were reviewed and scored by a panel of STEM industry professionals through CFEF, which has 55 member foundations.

"We are very excited to be able to bring this opportunity to local students," says Susan McManus, president of the Education Foundation of Collier County. Fine arts, computer graphics and digital design students participating in this

project will realize the impact and value of their STEM classroom experiences, she adds.

Titled "Technology, Digital Design and Social Media," the project will give the students exposure to career options, a business environment and mentoring from employees of the Naples-based interactive technology consulting business 4What Interactive. The students will evaluate the needs, produce a plan and work to create solutions around technology essentials for real-world situations.

"The future of American innovation depends on a diverse pipeline of critical thinkers who are well versed in STEM principles," says Matt Blakely, director of the Motorola Solutions Foundation. ■

— *Founded in 1990, the Education Foundation of Collier County is an independent, nonprofit organization that strives to eliminate barriers and create opportunities for students, families, educators and the community to work together so that every student may succeed. Get on the bus for Collier students: Learn, volunteer, give. For more information, visit www.GetOnTheBusCollier.org.*

## FGCU receives funds for STEM scholarships

The Florida Gulf Coast University Foundation has received a \$250,000 pledge from Algenol Biofuels Inc. to create the Algenol Biofuels Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Scholarship Fund.

Juniors and seniors at FGCU who are majoring in biology, biotechnology, chemistry, environmental engineering and mathematics are eligible for the scholarship.

"STEM education has long been a priority at FGCU, from our academic programs to sponsored outreach from our Whitaker Center for STEM Education," says FGCU President Wilson Bradshaw. "This gift from Algenol Biofuels allows the university to reaffirm its commitment to helping deserving students realize their dreams of earning degrees in the science and technological fields."

FGCU graduated 264 students in STEM subjects in 2010-2011, up from 58 in 2006-2007.

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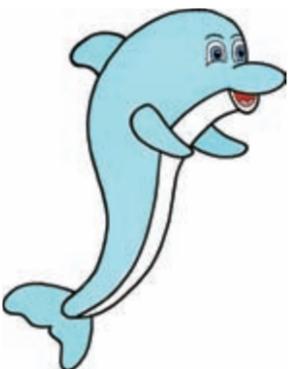
"We have long benefited from a partnership with FGCU for our STEM needs, drawing upon current students as interns and hiring graduates for full-time positions," he adds.

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## Accelerated construction

Traditional bridge replacement on as prominent a highway as Interstate 15 in Mesquite, Nev., has generally required rerouting traffic for as long as a year, but the new "accelerated" technology in January necessitated detours for less than a week. Excited engineers traveled in from around the country to watch the old bridge be demolished and the new one (which

had been built on a platform off to the side) be slid into place using hydraulic jacks and Teflon-coated metal beams — lubricated with Dawn dishwashing detergent to glide them smoothly into the old frame. The Nevada Department of Transportation estimated that the accelerated process saved commuters about \$12 million in time and fuel costs. ■

## The entrepreneurial spirit

■ "(Our critics) are absolutely right. We are professional liars," said Everett Davis, founder of the Internet-based Reference Store, which supplies pumped-up, but false, resumes for job-seekers having trouble landing work. Davis and associates are, he told Houston's KRIV-TV in November, ex-investigators schooled in deception and therefore good at fooling human resources personnel who follow up on the bogus work claims. Mr. Davis admitted he would even disguise a customer's past criminal record — but not if the job is in public safety, health care or schools.

■ Veterinary technician and food blogger Lauren Hicks recently inaugurated service on what is surely one of the few food trucks in the country catering exclusively to dogs. She parks her "Sit 'n Stay Pet Cafe" — a retrofitted mail truck — in downtown Winter Park, Fla., on Thursday nights (according to an October Orlan-

do Sentinel report), serving gourmet organic snacks like the Poochi Sushi (jerky), "Ruff-in" muffins, and "Muttballs" and "Grrr-avy," among other specialties.

■ Western nations and foundations have tried for decades to build sewage treatment plants in sub-Saharan Africa, with little success (since many countries lack stable governments to assess operating fees), and to this day, raw sewage is still merely collected and dumped, either in rivers or directly onto beaches, such as the notorious (and formerly beautiful) Lavender Hill in Ghana. U.S. entrepreneurs recently established Waste Enterprises in Ghana to build the first-ever fecal-sludge-to-biodiesel plant (funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation). Feces undiluted by water, and then heated, is highly concentrated and more resembles coal than the goo that Americans associate with sewage. ■

## Cutting-edge science

■ The British Medical Journal reported in December that a 76-year-old woman had been unbothered until recently by the felt-tip pen she accidentally swallowed 25 years earlier. It was removed without complication, and, though the plastic was flaky, the pen still had an ink supply and was "usable."

■ Twice during 2011, babies with two heads were born in Brazil. Though the first, in Paraiba state, died hours after birth, the 9.9-pound "Emanoel" and "Jesus," born in Para state in December, are apparently otherwise healthy. (The baby has two heads and two spines but shares one heart, liver, pelvis and pair of lungs.)

■ Ratnagiri, India, businessman Murad Mulla, 48, filed a complaint recently with the Maharashtra Medical Council after his surgeon used an outdated procedure to cure his urine-retention disorder. Previously, skin from the scrotum was routinely used for urethral repair, but current science recommends using skin from the mouth to avoid the worst-case risk, which Mr. Mulla apparently experienced. Specifically, the scrotum contains both hair-bearing tissue and non-hair-bearing tissue, and only the latter is usable. Evidently, MR. Mullas' surgeon used hair-bearing tissue, and as a result, Mr. Mulla's urethra itches constantly, and he expels specks of pubic hair with his urine. ■

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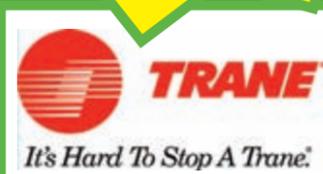
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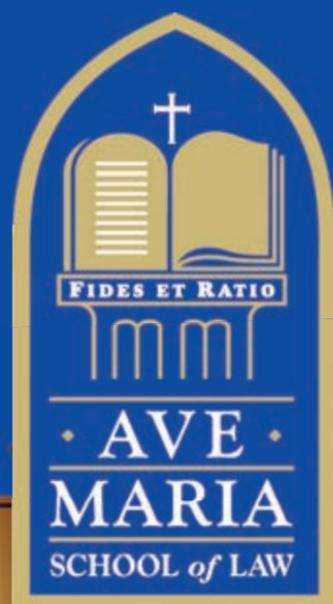
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Archaeologist Michele Loger

work in exploring the cultural history is complementary to similar work being conducted in the Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve by Matthew Betz, who was originally slated as the speaker.

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The second annual Bonefish & Tarpon Trust research symposium and fundraiser takes place from 6-9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, at Foxfire Country Club, 1030 Kings Way. Presentations by leading marine biologists in tarpon, permit and bonefish research will highlight the work they are doing and the results of their research.

Recreational fisheries generate more than \$8 billion a year for Florida's economy, and tarpon, bonefish and permit are some of the most sought-after fish in the state. Before BTT was founded in 1998, however, almost nothing was known about the three species of fish. The trust's mission is to employ research results to craft

long-term conservation strategies to ensure the health and vitality tarpon, bonefish and permit.

In addition to the presentations, the evening will include beer, wine and hors d'oeuvres as well as a raffle and silent and live auctions for fishing rods and reels, golf outings, artwork and trips to Mexico, the Bahamas Costa Rica and more.

Tickets for \$100 include a one-year BTT membership.

For tickets or more information, call Keith Goodman at 248-8380 or e-mail FloridaDryFlyGuy@yahoo.com. For more information about BTT, visit [www.tarbone.org](http://www.tarbone.org). ■

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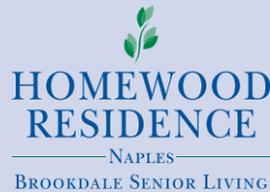
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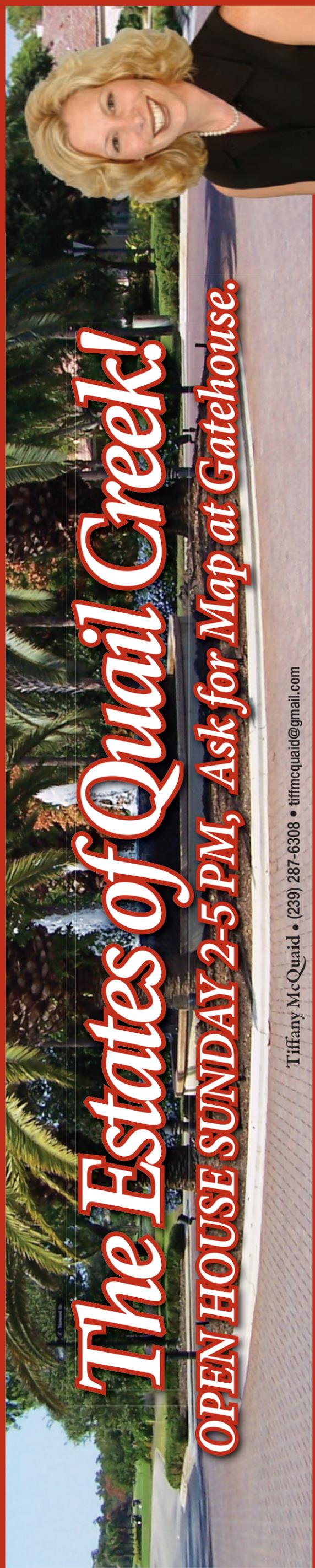


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# OUTDOORS

## Black mangrove forest near Marco is set for restoration and expansion

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A barren landscape of dead trees in the Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve near Marco Island is on its way to restoration as a black mangrove forest thanks to a joint effort by the Conservancy of Southwest Florida, Coastal Resources Group and the Rookery Bay reserve.



Fabien Cousteau

While mangrove restoration experts and biologists make drainage improvements that will restore tidal flow, the Conservancy staff will monitor the effort and evaluate the success of the project. Groundbreaking is set for late February.

"We've done this before in Rookery Bay and Clam Bay, so we are utilizing proven technologies and best practices," Robin Lewis, president of nonprofit Coastal Resources Group, says. "Some planting will be necessary, but the majority of the work is done by Mother Nature."

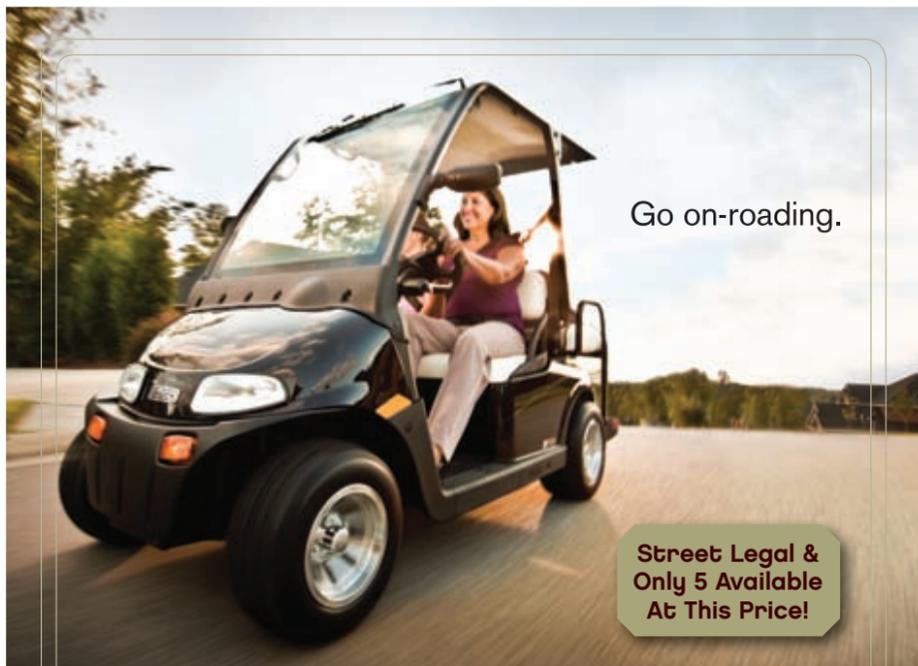
The participating organizations announced the Fruit Farm Creek Mangrove Restoration project earlier this month alongside environmental activist Fabien Cousteau, grandson of world-renown ocean explorer Jacques Yves Cousteau. In Naples to speak to more than 700 members of the Conservancy at the organization's annual meeting, Mr. Cousteau shared highlights of "Plant-A-Fish," his recently launched, non-profit initiative aimed at educating and engaging youth and adults in replanting of marine species, including mangroves throughout South Florida.

"Mangroves serve as an indicator of the health of our coastal waterways, a top priority to the health of Florida's economy," Mr. Cousteau said. "As my late grandfather said, 'If we break it, we have to fix it.'"

For more information, visit [www.conservancy.org](http://www.conservancy.org) or [www.marcomangroves.com](http://www.marcomangroves.com).

Over the years, development in the area altered the natural water flow through the maze of black mangroves, killing the 64-acre mangrove forest. With a grant from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, private funding and in-kind support from participating organizations, tidal flow will be restored, the mangroves will regrow and an additional 161 acres will be preserved in what has been named the Fruit Farm Creek Mangrove Restoration Project.

"Southwest Florida's mangroves have been threatened and many lost due to development and pollutions," says Andrew McElwaine, Conservancy of Southwest Florida president and CEO. "Our seafood and recreational fishing industries are supported by mangroves. We cannot stress enough the importance of the health of Southwest Florida mangroves."



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# OUTDOORS

## Renovations continue at Conservancy Nature Center

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida Nature Center continues to undergo "Sustainable Campus" renovations and is temporarily closed. Plans are for the center to reopen sometime in the second quarter of 2012, once the Allyn Family Docks are completed for electric boat cruises and the Dalton Discovery Center and von Arx Wildlife Hospital are opened.

Various elements of the center will open in phases throughout the year, leading up to a grand reopening celebration in January 2013. Once completed, the 21-acre Conservancy Nature Center will have a new entrance off Goodlette-Frank Road (Smith Preserve Way). In addition to the docks and wildlife hospital, the campus will include the Dalton Discovery Center, the Ferguson Interactive Learning Lab, the Eva Sugden Gomez Environmental Planning Center, Eaton Conservation Hall with the Jeannie Meg Smith Theater, the Shotwell Wavering Filter Marsh and the Lutgert Commons Deck. For updates, visit [www.conservancy.org](http://www.conservancy.org).

## Native Plant Society planning banquet

The Naples chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society holds its annual

banquet beginning at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, at the Naples Botanical Garden. Guest speaker Loran Anderson, professor emeritus of biological science and former curator of the Godfrey Herbarium at Florida State University, will discuss "What is a Flower? (Gestalt Strategies Plants Employ)."

Tickets are \$35 per person for the banquet and \$20 for the lecture only. Seating is limited, and reservations are required. Call 597-7222 or visit [www.naplesFNPS.org](http://www.naplesFNPS.org).

## Extension service gardening workshops continue

Horticulturist Jan Abernathie of the Naples Botanical Garden will discuss plant propagation and bamboo when the Collier County Extension Office of the University of Florida Institute of Food and Agriculture Sciences continues its series of gardening workshops from 10-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at Unity of Naples Church, 2000 Unity Way.

Next in the series is a program about alternative ideas for growing tropical fruits in Southwest Florida, presented by horticulturists David and Jenny Burd, aka "The Friendly Burds," from 10-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 9, at the church.

Cost for each program is \$7. For more information, call 353-4244 or visit [www.collier.ifas.ufl.edu](http://www.collier.ifas.ufl.edu).

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Completed ballots must be returned in the official ballot envelope provided, and the envelope must be signed by the voter. Absentee ballots must be returned to the Supervisor of Elections Office by 7 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, Jan. 31.

Those who are returning an absentee ballot by mail should note that as of Jan. 22, the cost of mailing a 1-ounce piece of mail through the United State Post Office is 45 cents, up from 44 cents.

Anyone who requests an absentee ballot but decides to vote during early voting or on Election Day should bring the marked or unmarked absentee ballot to the polls so it can be cancelled.

### Early voting

Voters who wish to cast their ballots early and in person can do so through Saturday, Jan. 28, at any one of Collier County's seven

designated early voting sites, which are open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Bring a current photo and signature identification to:

- Everglades City Hall, 102 Copeland Ave. N.
- Naples City Hall, 735 Eighth St. S.
- Collier County Supervisor of Elections Office in the Government Complex, 3295 Tamiami Trail E.
- The Marco Island Library, 210 South Heathwood Drive
- Golden Gate Library, 2432 Lucerne Road
- Headquarters Library, 2385 Orange Blossom Drive
- The Immokalee Library, 417 N. First St.

Acceptable forms of identification include a Florida driver license, DMV-issued Florida ID card, U.S. passport, debit or credit card, military ID, student ID, retirement center ID, neighborhood association ID or public assistance ID. If your photo ID does not include your signature, you will be required to provide an additional form of identification that provides your signature.

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As elections approach, Florida voters need to know where they can obtain information about judicial candidates as well as unbiased assessments of proposals state lawmakers will consider during the session.

Judge Hayes has 33 years on the Collier bench. He is a former chief judge

for Circuit 20 and a former associate judge on the Second District Court of Appeals.

Ms. Hanlon is a recent member of the Judicial Nominating Commission and was the founding president of the Collier County Women's Bar Association. She is a director of the Collier County Bar Association.

The cost of the optional luncheon is \$20 for LWVCC members and \$25 for non-members. Reservations should be made by 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3, by calling 263-4656 or at [www.lwvcolliercounty.org](http://www.lwvcolliercounty.org). ■

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He will also host a live auction to benefit Children's National Medical Center and Naples Town Hall.

Mr. Baier and his wife have two young sons. Born with congenital heart defects, their son Paul underwent multiple surgeries at Children's National Medical Center. Now 4 years old, Paul is thriving. The auction winner will receive four round-trip, business-class flights to Washington, D.C., for a two-night stay at The Hotel Palomar in DuPont Circle, a guided tour of the Supreme Court, a private tour of Capitol Hill and a tour of the FOX News Bureau led by Mr. Baier. Also

included is attendance at a live broadcast of "Special Report with Bret Baier" and dinner with Bret Baier and The All Star Panel of Charles Krauthammer, Stephen Hayes and Juan Williams.

Sponsorship opportunities as well as special event tickets for \$175 per person are available by calling 659-6524 or visiting [www.NaplesTownHall.org](http://www.NaplesTownHall.org).

The event is not part of the sold-out 2012 Naples Town Hall Distinguished Speaker Series, which kicked off with media icon Glenn Beck on Jan. 7. Coming up in the regu-

lar series: Andrew Weil, the father of integrative medicine, on Wednesday, Feb. 1; world-renowned endurance artist David Blaine, Thursday, March 1; and former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, Tuesday, March 20.

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# FAITH NOTES

## Hear Allen Weiss at Moorings church

Moorings Presbyterian Church launches its 2012 Distinguished Speaker Series with "Your Health versus the Economy: How Both Can Thrive," a presentation by Dr. Allen Weiss, president and CEO of NCH Healthcare System, on Thursday, Jan. 26.

Dr. Weiss has been in his current position with NCH since September 2006. After graduating from Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons and subsequently completing his training at both the New York Presbyterian Hospital and Hospital for Special Surgery of Cornell University, he had a solo practice in rheumatology, internal medicine and geriatrics for 23 years.

Dinner at 6 p.m. will precede the 7 p.m. program. Those who come for dinner should bring a vegetable or salad to serve 10; cost is \$5 per person. Reservations for dinner are requested and can be made by calling 261-1487.

Attendance at the program only is free.

The series continues at 11:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 5, with a luncheon and program by author/editor/publisher Karl Weber, who collaborated with 2006 Nobel Peace Prize laureate Muhammad Yunus on "Creating A World Without Business" and "Building Social Business." For reservations or more information, call the number above.

## JCMI hosts wine expert for Italian dinner

The Sisterhood and Men's Club of the Jewish Congregation of Marco Island host an Italian-theme wine dinner with wine expert Ron Kapon beginning at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 29, at JCMI, 991 Winterberry Drive.

Mr. Kapon's family wine merchant business, Acker, Merrill and Condit, was established in 1820. In 1995, he launched the wine program at the International School of Hospitality and Tourism at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Hackensack, N.J., where he continues to teach.

For reservations or more information, call 642-0800.

## Prepare for the next season of your life

Grace Lutheran Church present "Embracing Life's Transitions," a series of programs beginning from 3-5 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at the church at 860 Banyan Blvd. in Naples. Keynote speaker Dr. Richard Bimler will discuss "Ah-Ha Moments." Dinner and fellowship will follow the presentation.

RSVP by calling 261-7421 by Friday, Jan. 27.

## Interfaith series continues on Marco

The Marco Island Clergy Association's 2012 Interfaith Community Educational Series, "Embracing with Love and Understanding," provides an opportunity for adults to learn about one another's faith at weekly lectures and discussions. All begin at 7 p.m. February dates and locations are:

■ **Feb. 1**, United Church of Marco Island, where Rev. Richard Adair will discuss Congregational Christianity;

■ **Feb. 8**, the Jewish Congregation of Marco Island, where Rev. Rita Partin of the Cupbearer Ministry will discuss her denomination;

■ **Feb. 16**, St. Mark's Episcopal Church with Rev. Kyle Bennett; and

■ **Feb. 29**, Wesley United Methodist Church with Rev. Kirk Dreiser. ■



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# FAITH NOTES

## 'A Simcha in Song' celebrates Hadassah centennial

Collier County Hadassah presents a musical journey from Israel to Broadway beginning at 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12, at Temple Shalom. Ten cantors and cantorial soloists will present a program of Israeli, Sephardic-Ladino, Yiddish and Broadway music, and the Naples Klezmer Revival Band with Stuart Warshauer will join in creating "A Simcha in Song."

Cantor Donna Azu, Temple Shalom's first female cantor, will lead the program that celebrates 100 years of Hadassah, the Women's Zionist Organization of America.

Cantor Azu's Persian roots influence her frequent use of melodic Sephardic/Ladino music of the Jews expelled from Spain who settled in the Middle East. Her Temple Shalom colleague, organist and choir director Peter Lewis, will provide accompaniment. Others performing will include:

■ Cantor Faith Steinsnyder, an instructor at Hebrew Union College-Institute of Religion and cantor for the Village Temple in New York. She was featured in the documentary "100 Voices: A Journey Home," which was filmed in the Polish National Opera House.

■ Cantor Aaron Kaplan, cantor for Temple Shalom in Boynton Beach.

■ Douglas Renfroe, artistic director of the choral ensemble Voices of Naples and cantorial soloist and music director at Temple Bat Yam on Sanibel Island. Mr. Renfroe's specialty is

oratorio performance of works such as Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, Brahms's Requiem and Mendelssohn's Elijah. He has portraying Tevye in "Fiddler on the Roof" for productions in Bulgaria and Israel.

■ Lawrence Dermer, cantorial soloist at Temple Beth El in Fort Myers. A Grammy-nominated composer/producer, Mr. Dermer has had multi-platinum successes with Gloria Estefan, Jennifer Lopez, Madonna and others.

■ Cantor Donna Goldstein, retired, from Community Synagogue in Rye, N.Y., and Temple Israel in Westport, Conn.

■ Cantorial soloist Ann Newman, who had a long, distinguished tenure at Temple Shalom.

■ Cantorial soloist Jane Galler of the Naples Jewish Congregation and a vocalist with the Naples Klezmer Revival Band.

■ Cantorial soloist Hari Jacobsen, a Juilliard graduate who attends the Jewish Congregation of Marco Island and who previously served as cantorial soloist at Temple Shalom.

■ Lori Cohen, who served as cantorial soloist for 13 years at Temple Ahavat Shalom in Palm Harbor, Fla., before coming to Naples, where she served as executive director at Temple Shalom for several years.

Tickets begin at \$50 (\$18 for ages 25 and under). Call Lauren Becker at 592-5304 or Lynn Weiner at 598-1009. ■



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## Soup's on for Empty Bowls lunch

The fifth annual Empty Bowls soup lunch to benefit the Harry Chapin Food Bank takes place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at Cambier Park.

A \$10 donation gets a handmade pottery bowl to take home (while supplies last) and a ladle of soup with a chunk of bread for lunch.

At least 1,500 bowls made by Collier County students will be available, and 40 area restaurants will serve up specialty soups from seafood chowder and roasted mushroom bisque to minestrone, split pea and beef barley.

A silent auction will have works by area artisans Myron Gifford, Ruth Hablutzel, Annabelle Johnson, Gabrielle Nappo, Jim Rice and Joan Shapiro, among others.

Entertainment throughout the afternoon will be by the Barron Collier High School drum line, Brian Rapasz and the a capella boys choir, Rika, Gabby, Corinna, Livvy and The Ramos Bros.

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Students from the following schools have made bowls: Avalon and Vineyards elementary schools, East Naples middle and Barron Collier, Golden Gate, Gulf Coast and Lely high schools. Special assistance has been provided by Adam Meistrell and the Extreme Potters Guild, North Collier Junior Women's Club, Mollie Bauman, Donna Torrance, Michelle Holder, Peggy Garrett, Jayne Sventek, Jan Russell and Lisa Connors.

The Harry Chapin Food Bank solicits, collects and stores food for distribution to families in need through a network of more than 150 local nonprofit agencies in Collier, Lee, Hendry, Charlotte and Glades counties. In the last fiscal year, the organization distributed 12.5 million pounds of food and other grocery products, a 31 percent increase over the previous year.

For more information, call 377-1229, e-mail [info@emptybowlsnaples.com](mailto:info@emptybowlsnaples.com) or visit [www.emptybowlsnaples.org](http://www.emptybowlsnaples.org). ■

## Boats, RVs and fun for all at Naples Boat Show

The Marine Industries Association of Collier County presents the Naples Boat Show from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday, Jan. 26-29, at the corner of Goodlette Frank Road and Tamiami Trail E. New and use boats of all kinds and RVs will be on display and for sale.

Bring the kids for special activities sponsored by the Second Chance Foundation and the Freedom Waters Founda-

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# LASCHEIDS

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immersed themselves into the community, serving with many organizations. They are best known, however, as co-founders of the Neighborhood Health Clinic, which since 1999 has provided quality health care to the uninsured working poor, utilizing a volunteer professional staff.

The clinic is supported by donations, area businesses, foundations, service clubs, civic and religious organizations and grants. It accepts no government funding.

A retired dermatologist, Dr. Lascheid has degrees from Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Penn.; the University of Pittsburgh; Case Western Reserve University; and The Cleveland Clinic. With the first Marine Division in Korea in 1951-52, his tour of duty included serving as a battalion surgeon and with a M.A.S.H. unit.

After the Lascheids moved to Naples, he joined the medical staff at Naples Community Hospital, where he was chief of medicine for two years and worked the emergency department. In 1992-93, he served as president of the



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Collier County Medical Society.

An RN who earned degrees from Allegheny College, Jackson Memorial Hospital and the University of Pittsburgh, Mrs. Lascheid focused her professional career primarily on emergency medicine and nursing education. After moving here from Pittsburgh, she joined her husband in his private practice before co-founding the Neighborhood Health Clinic.

"It is an honor to recognize such a dynamic couple who have dedicated their lives to helping our community," says Terry McMahan, president of Hodges University. "Bill and Nancy realize that health is a big factor in measuring the quality of every life; with their work at the Neighborhood Health Clinic, they are delivering much needed health care services to a segment of our community that is in great need of those services."

"They are an inspiration to us all, and we're delighted to name them our 2012 Humanitarians of the Year."

Previous award recipients are: Dolph and Sharon von Arx (2011); Juliet "Judy"

Sproul, Katherine "Katie" Sproul and Jennifer Sproul Sullivan (2010); Terry and Christine Flynn (2009); Jerry and Arlene Nichols (2008); Truly Nolen (2007); Michael Watkins and Ellin Goetz (2006); Clyde Butcher (2005); Peter Thomas (2004); William Schoen (2003); Frances Pew Hayes (2002); Earl Hodges (2001); Corbin Wyant (2000); Jack Humphrey (1999); Myra Janco Daniels (1998); and Lavern Norris Gaynor (1997).

For tickets or more information about the Hodges University 2012 Humanitarian of the Year luncheon, call Alyssa DeLora at 938-7826 or visit [www.hodges.edu](http://www.hodges.edu). ■

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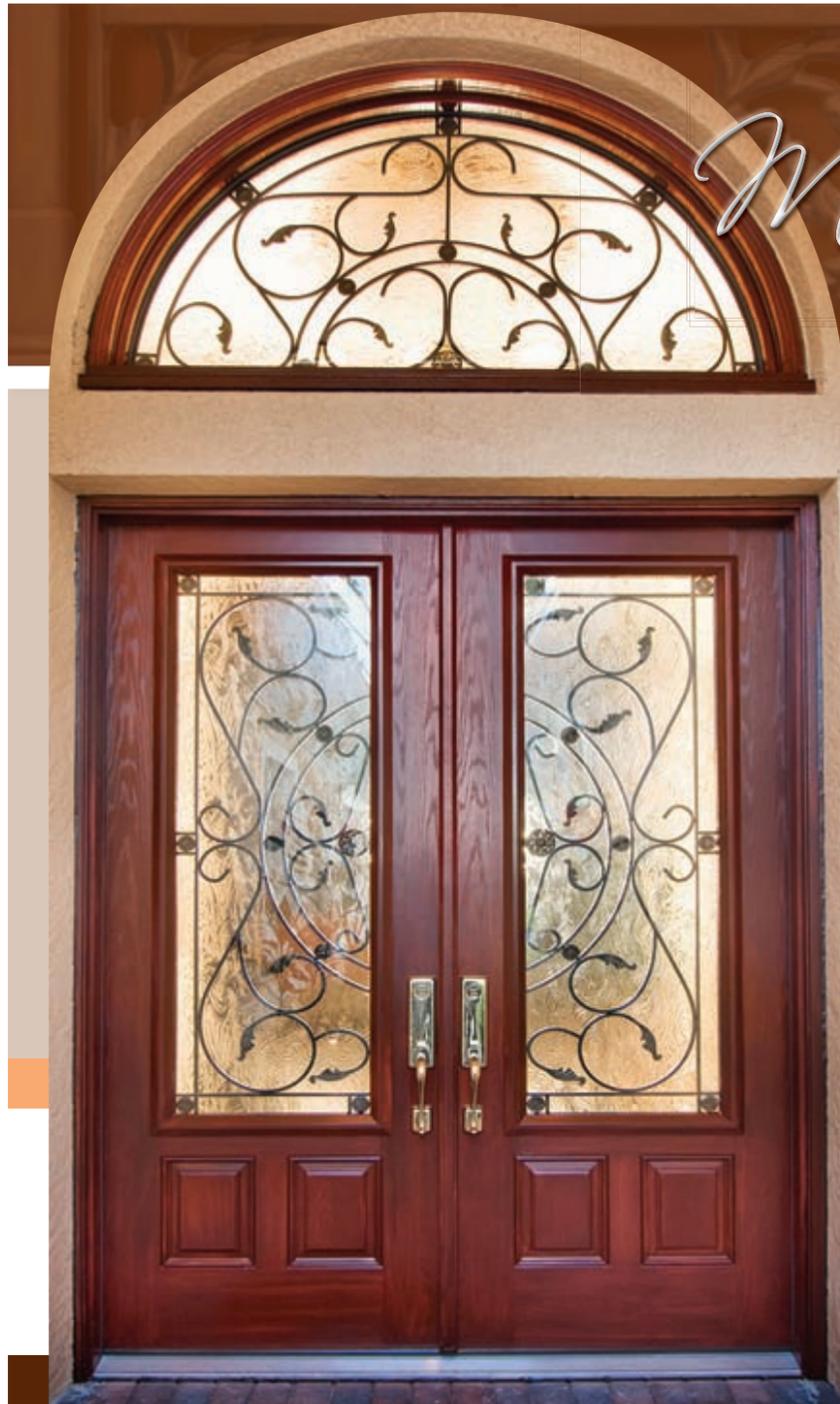
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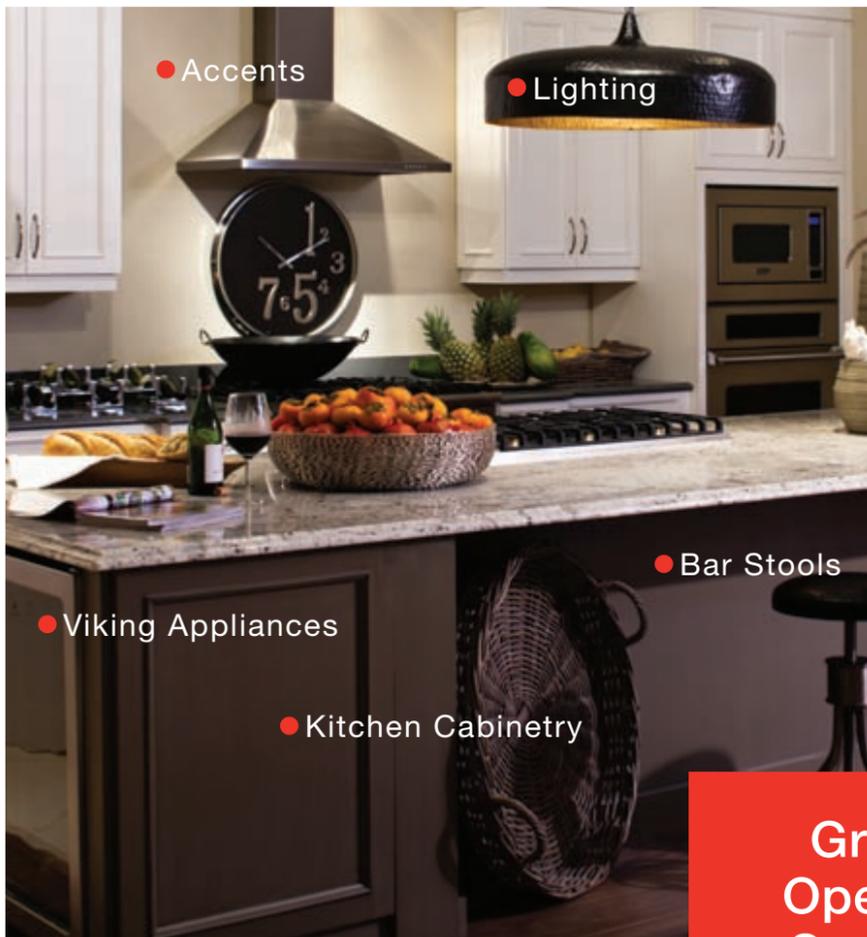


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## Search is on for outstanding senior volunteers

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Nominees must be 65 years of age or older and volunteer at least 15 hours a month.

"Helping others defines life for many local retired seniors," says Sue Bidwell, owner of the Home Instead Senior Care office in Naples. "And what a difference we have observed in health, attitude and outlook among those who choose to stay active as they age."

According to research conducted by the Home Instead Senior Care network, 52 percent of seniors volunteer their time through unpaid community service. Nearly 20 percent of seniors surveyed started volunteering when they reached the traditional age of retirement - 65 or older. Furthermore, 20 percent of seniors who volunteer say that their community service is the most important thing they do.

Dr. Erwin Tan, director of the Senior Corps, a national organization that links more than 400,000 Americans 55 and older to service opportunities, agrees. "The one thing that I hear constantly from the seniors in our programs is that volunteering gives them a purpose in life — they say that it's the reason they get up in the morning."

Nominations will be accepted at [www.SaluteToSeniorService.com](http://www.SaluteToSeniorService.com) through March 15. Nomination forms also can be requested at [ckoehler@homeinsteadinc.com](mailto:ckoehler@homeinsteadinc.com). Winners at the state level will receive plaques, and their stories will be posted on the Salute to Senior Service website. In addition, \$5,000 will be donated to the national winner's nonprofit charity of choice.

For more information about the "Salute to Senior Service" program or Home Instead Senior Care, call 596-2030. ■



Face painting added to the fundraiser fun.

COURTESY PHOTOS

## Peace, Love, Little Donuts and dollars for two local charities

BY ROBIN DEMATTIA

Florida Weekly Correspondent

Peace, Love and Little Donuts threw open its doors to raise money for Charity for Change and the Make-A-Wish Foundation earlier this month.

Owner Mark Couch, a military veteran of Operation Desert-Storm, quietly opened Peace, Love and Little Donuts last summer but decided to hold off on a grand opening celebration until the winter season. He says it was important for him to do something for children as part of the celebration.

"The little ones who come into our shop every day have become like my own," he says. "They draw me pictures, bring me letters and write to me about their favorite donuts... I have my very own little 'family' right here at PLLD."

Mr. Couch also had a nephew whose wish was granted by the Make-A-Wish Foundation before he died. "It was important for my wife and I to support Make-A-Wish," he says.

A career pilot who put his cockpit controls on hold last year to create Peace, Love and Little Donuts, he arranged for face-painters, glitter-tattoo artists, DJs, radio station B103.9-FM and WINK-TV to join the grand opening and give time to the charities; Coca Cola donated a hospitality vehicle, and other donations came from Clive Daniel, Ooh La La Jewels, the PGA Superstore and Grey Oaks Country Club.

"What we didn't bargain for was a Sunday afternoon surprise visit from Gov. Rick Scott and his wife, First Lady Ann Scott," he says. "The governor heard about the fundraising weekend and, en-route to an official engagement, popped in to give our business his blessing. Being that one of his first businesses was making doughnuts, I'm taking his support as a great endorsement."

Peace, Love and Little Donuts is at 2201 Tamiami Trail N. (inside the BP Station at the corner of Mooringline Drive). ■



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# NONPROFIT NEWS

## Take the Baby Basics challenge: Walk or ride in fourth annual event

BY PAUL GIACOBBE  
Special to Florida Weekly

The Baby Basics Biking & Riding Challenge returns to North Collier Regional Park next month, and planning is well under way to ensure that everything goes smoothly.

"We basically started to plan for this year the day after we finished last year's race," says Dick Lynch, who along with co-chair Tom Mann has been involved with the family-friendly event since its inception three years ago.

Last year, more than 200 riders and walkers took part and raised about \$26,000.

The 2012 challenge takes place Saturday, Feb. 11, and includes bike rides and walks within the park as well as 25-, 50- and 100-km rides outside the park.

"We've gotten great support for the three longer rides from local bicycle shops Naples Cyclery, Big Momma's Bicycles and Trek Bicycle Store," he says.

Breakfast will be provided by McDonald's, and Wynn's Catering will serve turkey tetrazzini and salad for lunch.

There's a new element to the event this year, Mr. Lynch adds. "Since it's an election year, we're inviting candidates to put up booths and involve their supporters in the race." There is a nominal cost for a candidate's participation, and organizers hope the candidates'

supporters will take part in the walk or the bike ride.

A 100 percent volunteer organization, Baby Basics of Collier County supplies diapers to some 300 of the area's working poor. Recipient families are screened by local church and social service agencies; in order to be eligible, one parent must be employed and the family can receive no state or federal cash assistance.

The biking and walking challenge is the organization's major fundraising event of the year. All donations, except those specifically earmarked for administrative costs, are used to purchase diapers.

This year's Premier Sponsor is the Johnson Meland Group at Morgan Stanley Smith Barney; honorary chairperson is Collier County Commissioner Jim Coletta.

"Entry fees and the support provided by our sponsors are important to our ability to continue helping these children and their families," says part-time Neapolitan Jean Ann Lynch, who founded Baby Basics in 1992 in Ridgewood, N.J. Since then, 13 additional programs have been established nationwide. The local program in 2004.

Sponsorships remain available beginning at \$500. Entry fees for walking and riding range from \$10 to \$25. For more information, visit [www.baby-basicscollier.org](http://www.baby-basicscollier.org) or [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) (search for Baby Basics). ■



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Vineyard Elementary Head Start pre-K students and their teacher, Diane Palmer, at the 2011 book distribution by First Book-Collier County.

## 'Stay at Home and Read' promotes literacy for young Collier students

First Book-Collier County celebrates the birthday of beloved children's author Theodor Geisel with a "Stay at Home and Read" fundraiser in conjunction with the national literacy movement, Read Across America.

Every year FBCC gives books to more than 6,000 local children from low-income families to read, cherish and keep. More than 285,000 books have been distributed since the organization was founded in 2005.

On Friday, March 2, FBCC will distribute 1,500 copies each of Mr. Geisel's "Cat

in the Hat," "Green Eggs and Ham," "Fox in Socks" and "Oh, Can You Say" to pre-kindergarten Head Start classes as well as kindergarten, first and second grade students in Title 1 schools across Collier County. For a \$500 donation, those who want to help the effort can "Stay at Home" and adopt a Title 1 classroom. Sponsorship ensures that each child in the class will receive a book every month from October to May.

Donations of any amount are always welcome. For more information, visit [www.FirstBookCollierCounty.org](http://www.FirstBookCollierCounty.org). ■

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The Goodland Civic Association holds its annual all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast from 8-11:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28-29, at the Goodland Community Center, 417 E. Mango Ave. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$4 for children. Raffle tickets will be sold for gift certificates to Goodland restaurants and marinas, with all proceeds benefiting the GCA. Association officers for 2012 are: Joanie Fuller, president; Greg Bello, vice president; Barry Gwinn, secretary; and Jim Inglis, treasurer. Board members are Kasey Knoebel, Noreen Seegers, Jay McMullen, Marciano Gizzi and Connie Fullmer. Shown here are volunteers Diane Valliere, Pam DeSmet and Amy Bozicnik working the 2011 breakfast.

## Place your bets on 'Chips for Charity'

Aston Gardens at Pelican Marsh hosts the first annual "Chips for Charity" Casino Night to benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17. Professional Vegas-style gaming will include blackjack, craps, roulette and more.

Tickets for \$30 include a cocktail, heavy hors d'oeuvres, entertainment and with \$2,000 in "play money."

Aston Gardens at Pelican Marsh is a senior-living community offering independent living, assisted living and memory care facilities. To purchase tickets to "Chips for Charity" tickets, call 593-3744.

## '60s fashions at Boys & Girls Club

The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County presents "Fashion Pack," a '60s-inspired fashion show beginning at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, at Waterside Shops. Participating boutiques from the shopping center will include: Anne Fontaine, Brooks Brothers, The Beach House of Naples, Cache, Calypso, Isabella, Saks Fifth Avenue and White House Black Market.

Tickets for \$100 per person are available by calling 325-1765 or visiting [www.bgccc.com](http://www.bgccc.com).

## Designers' Boutique expands to two days

Everyone who loves to shop will especially love shopping the Designers' Boutique to benefit The Shelter for Abused Women & Children from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 20-21, in the ballroom at The Ritz-Carlton, Naples.

Part of the Shelter's annual Mending Broken Hearts with Hope luncheon, the boutique expands to two days this year for the first time. Nearly three dozen vendors will display and sell their specialty clothing, fashion accessories, decorative items and giftware. Favorite returning from previous years include Melanie White Designs, the Anita Ford Collection, the Romantic Room, A Wreath of Wishes and the Nina McLemore Collection. Newcomers include Fancy's Folly, Queen Bee Studio and Valerie Louthan.

Admission to the Designers' Boutique is free (\$5 valet parking for those not attending the Mending Broken Hearts with Hope luncheon).

Tickets to the luncheon on Tuesday,

Feb. 21, are \$350 per person. For reservations or more information, call 775-3862, ext. 261, or e-mail: [cdalessandro@naplesshelter.org](mailto:cdalessandro@naplesshelter.org).

## Junior Achievement revives bowl-a-thon

After an eight-year absence, Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida brings the JA Bowl-A-Thon back, with games set for 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at Gator Lanes in Fort Myers and at the same time Sunday afternoon, Jan. 29, at Bowland Beacon Lanes in Naples.

There's still time to assemble a team and get in on the fun. JA welcomes groups of coworkers, family members, neighbors and friends who want to bowl for the cause. Six-member teams are charged with raising at least \$600; all donations are tax deductible and all proceeds will benefit JA programs in local schools.

To sign up or for more information, call MJ Scarpelli at 225-2590 or [mjscarPELLI@jaswfl.org](mailto:mjscarPELLI@jaswfl.org).

Through a dedicated volunteer network, Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida provides in-school and after-school programs for students in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties that focus on three key content areas: work readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy. For more information about the organization, visit [www.JASWFL.org](http://www.JASWFL.org).

## Parade organizers seek nominations

The Naples St. Patrick Foundation, organizers of the annual Naples St. Patrick's Day Parade, is accepting nominations for the 2012 parade grand marshal.

The 34th annual parade takes place Saturday, March 17, in Old Naples.

Jim McEvoy, president of the foundation, says the honor of grand marshal will go to "someone who is a real contributor to the Collier County community through actions, leadership or volunteerism." The written nominations should include background information on the candidate and the name, address and telephone number of the person making the nomination.

Nominations should be e-mailed to Mr. McEvoy at [irmusic@embarqmail.com](mailto:irmusic@embarqmail.com) or mailed to the Naples St. Patrick Foundation, 300 Fifth Ave. S., Suite 101, Naples FL 34102.

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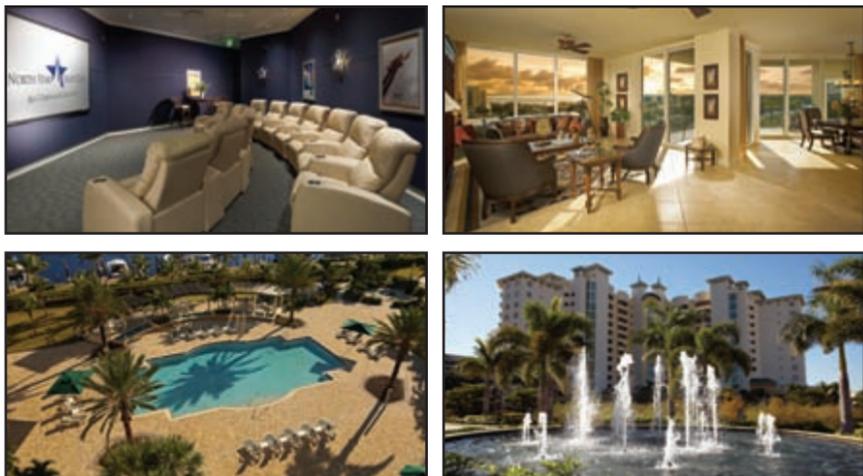
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## CLUB NOTES

It's high season for clubs and organizations throughout the area. Here's what some of them have on their upcoming programs:

■ **The Cleveland Club** celebrates its 14th anniversary with a dinner dance on Tuesday, Jan. 31, at Heritage Bay Country Club. All Clevelanders are welcome. The club's second dinner dance of the season will be held Saturday, March 24, at Cypress Woods Country Club.

Tickets to each evening are \$30. For reservations, call Diane Corcelli at 992- 6723.

■ The Naples chapter of **Southwest Florida Federated Republican Women** meets for lunch and a program beginning at 11:30 a.m. on the first Wednesday of the month in the clubhouse at Arbor Trace.

Cost is \$18. The next meeting is Wednesday, Feb. 1.

For reservations or more information, call Anne Brown at 254-9979.

■ **The Marco Island Kiwanis Club** presents "Runway Madness," a luncheon and fashion show featuring clothing from Hideaway Beach Pro Shop, Island Trends and Petunia's on Fifth, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at Hideaway Beach Club on Marco.

Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased by calling 331-0908.

■ **The Ohio State Alumni Club** of Naples holds a wine and pizza party from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at The Wine Merchant, 12820 Tamiami Trail N. All alumni, fans and friends are welcome.

Cost is \$20. For reservations, call Sara

Ann Mousa at 593-9196 or e-mail [brusara@aol.com](mailto:brusara@aol.com).

■ **The German American Club** Gemuetlichkeit holds a Valentine's Dinner Dance on Friday, Feb. 10, at St. Katherine's Greek Orthodox Church, 7100 Airport-Pulling Road. Doors open 5 p.m.

Cost is \$25 for members and \$30 for others. For reservations, call 774-1582.

■ **The Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club** of Naples holds its next meeting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, at the Naples Beach Hotel. The combined "Monmouth Duo" meeting is hosted by the Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae Club of Naples. All alumnae of Pi Beta Phi chapters across the country and Canada are welcome.

Cost is \$25 per person. For reservations or more information call 262-2259 or e-mail [conskind@aol.com](mailto:conskind@aol.com).

■ **Ikebana International-Naples** members and guests will enjoy a performance of Japanese folk and Samurai dance by Satomi Hirano when the chapter meets at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. The meeting will also include a session of Kanzashi, the art of making hair ornaments with fabric much like origami. Ikebana supplies will be available for purchase (cash or check only).

Attendance is free and all are welcome. Reservations are requested, however, and can be made by e-mailing [ikebananaples@me.com](mailto:ikebananaples@me.com).

The chapter holds its annual luncheon and demonstration Wednesday, Feb. 15, at Grey Oaks Country Club. The silent auction opens and raffle ticket sales begin at 9:30 a.m.

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The program will be by Jennie Sterling, recipient of the Sogetsu school of Ikebana Riji degree, the highest degree for students in Sogetsu. Ms. Sterling has belonged to Ikebana chapters in Florida, Georgia, South Africa, Australia and Tapei. She served as president of the Miami chapter from 2003-2008 and is a founding member of the Atlanta chapter.

The program will begin at 10:30 a.m. and lunch will be served at 12:15 p.m. Cost is \$65. Reservations are required and can be made by sending a check payable to I.I. #160 to Peggy Freers, 2059 Swainsons Run, Naples, FL 34105.

For more information about Ikebana International-Naples, visit [www.ikebananaples.com](http://www.ikebananaples.com).

■ **The Naples Garden Club** presents event stylist and floral designer Kathy Whalen with "A Passion for Parties" beginning at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6, Moorings Presbyterian Church. Ms. Whalen will discuss how her love of flowers that was nurtured in childhood lead to a 15-year career as a designer and instructor at the New York Botanical Garden.

Admission is free for club members and \$10 for others. Register online at [www.naplesgardenclub.org](http://www.naplesgardenclub.org) or for more information, e-mail [info@naplesgardenclub.org](mailto:info@naplesgardenclub.org).

The club's 2012 House & Garden Tour set for Saturday, Feb. 4, is sold out. There is a stand-by option, however. Visit the website above for more information.

■ **The Naples Orchid Society** kicks off its 50th anniversary season with a buffet dinner and silent auction beginning at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Wynn's Catering will provide the meal, and guest speaker Michael Coronado of R.F. Orchids in Homestead, Fla., will discuss the recent World Orchid Conference and his orchid trip to Indonesia.

Cost is \$25 for NOS members and \$35 for others. Sign up at [www.naplesorchidsociety.org](http://www.naplesorchidsociety.org). For more information, e-mail [info@naplesorchidsociety.org](mailto:info@naplesorchidsociety.org).

■ **Civitan International of Naples** presents the "Naples Shining Stars Dinner Dance" at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 2, at the Country Club of Naples. The evening will raise funds for the formation of Challenger Little League Baseball for children with developmental disabilities.

Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased by calling Nery Kircher at 774-2623, e-mailing [neryk@aol.com](mailto:neryk@aol.com) or sending a check made out to Naples Civitan Club at P.O. Box 7422, Naples FL 34101.

■ **Women's Cultural Alliance**, an affinity group of the Jewish Federation of Collier County, has 700 members and more than 250 courses, events and trips planned for the new season. Annual membership is \$60.

For more information, call Jane Hersch at 948-0003 or visit [www.womensculturalalliance.com](http://www.womensculturalalliance.com).

■ **The Naples Newcomers Club** welcomes women who have been permanent residents of Naples for no more than five years and who want to meet others who are new to the area.

The club meets for lunch at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of every month at country clubs throughout the area. In addition, groups within the club plan outings and dates to share varied interests, such as mah-jongg and duplicate bridge, gourmet cooking and discussions about philosophy.

Prospective members are invited to coffee at 10 a.m. on the first Thursday of each month. For meeting locations and more information, call 298-4083 or visit [www.naplesnewcomers.com](http://www.naplesnewcomers.com).

■ **The Bonita Springs Newcomers Club** welcomes women who have lived in Bonita for less than three years. Luncheons are held at area country clubs on the third Thursday of every month (December meeting is on the second Thursday).

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■ **The Zonta Club of Bonita Springs** is accepting grant and volunteer service hour request applications from area nonprofits working to combat violence against women, to support education opportunities for women of all ages and to provide health care to women who cannot afford it.

The club has also opened the application process for its annual scholarship awarded to an area woman continuing her education in math, science or business.

The deadline for grant applications is 4 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 1. Scholarship applications are due by Friday, March 23. Requests for volunteer service hours are accepted all year.

Application forms can be found at [www.zontabonitasprings.org](http://www.zontabonitasprings.org). For more information, call Denese Mattrey, chair of the club's grant committee, at 989-3453 or e-mail [dmattrey@embarqmail.com](mailto:dmattrey@embarqmail.com). ■



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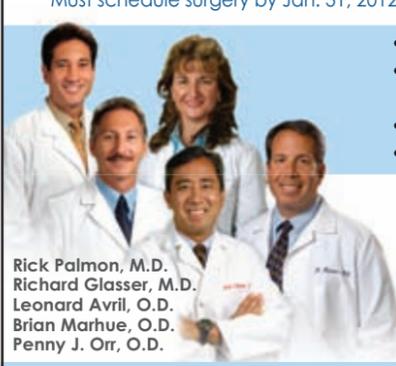
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Heart patients who have stents that prop open blocked arteries often face a dilemma when they need open heart surgery: Continue taking life-saving blood thinners but risk severe bleeding during surgery, or stop taking the medicines and risk a heart attack.



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Now, researchers from the University of Florida and elsewhere have identified a new drug that can serve as a "bridge" during that time when patients have to stop taking blood thinners, minimizing both the risk of a heart attack and the risk of excessive bleeding during surgery. The findings appeared Jan. 18 in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*.

"This could be a way to satisfy an unmet need and solve a huge clinical problem for millions of patients," said the study's lead author, Dr. Dominick Angiolillo, an associate professor of medicine and medical director of the UF Cardiovascular Research Program at the UF College of Medicine-Jacksonville.

Patients who have stents — small mesh tubes that help open up the arteries — must take aspirin or other blood-thinning medication for at least one year after implantation of the devices. But a problem arises if a patient requires open-heart surgery during that year. The patient must stop taking blood thinners five to seven days before surgery to avoid severe bleeding during surgery. But stopping the medication increases heart attack risk.

The need for a short-term "bridge" between traditional medication and heart surgery came to national atten-

tion when former President Bill Clinton had a mild heart attack in 2004 and needed bypass surgery. Clinton had to wait six days for surgery because he had been taking aspirin and clopidogrel, commercially sold as Plavix.

Dr. Angiolillo and colleagues conducted a two-year international clinical trial to determine whether an experimental intravenous blood-thinning drug called cangrelor can keep patients in good health during the pre-surgery period in which they stop taking traditional oral medication. The trial was funded by The Medicines Company, which manufactures cangrelor.

The researchers determined the appropriate dosage of the drug then administered it to half of the 210 patients in the study. The other half received a placebo that did not contain the drug. Neither patients nor physicians knew to which group a patient was assigned until surgery was needed.

The researchers found that cangrelor can effectively thin the blood to keep heart attack risk low without increasing the risk of major bleeding during surgery. Some cases of minor, non-life-threatening bleeding occurred among patients on cangrelor. Because the blood-thinning effects of cangrelor are not as long lasting as they are for traditional medications such as aspirin and clopidogrel, the risk of heavy bleeding is reduced.

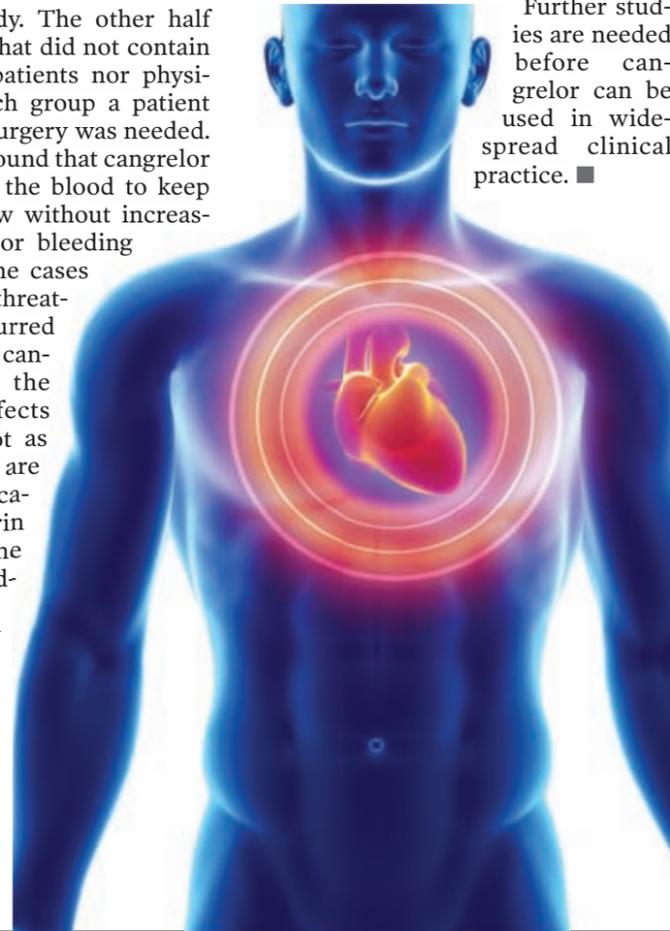
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"This could be a way to satisfy an unmet need and solve a huge clinical problem for millions of patients."

— Dr. Dominick Angiolillo

that raise their bleeding risk," said Dr. Deepak Bhatt, an associate professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School, who is not affiliated with the current study but has also conducted research on cangrelor.

Further studies are needed before cangrelor can be used in widespread clinical practice. ■



## Promoting physical fitness as the best preventive medicine



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I know you don't have to be a long-distance runner to benefit from exercise — but I try anyway. Once again a couple of weeks ago, I joined 1,623 runners, including a score from NCH, in the 26th annual Naples Daily News Half Marathon.

Fitness, of course, is the best preventive medicine, and the annual run is a good example of why our county remains the healthiest of the 67 in Florida.

We in Collier County, with our moderate year-round climate, are blessed to have so many other opportunities to enjoy the benefits of outdoor exercise. Even small amounts of exercise can boost health, with just 20 minutes a day lowering the risk of coronary heart disease by 14 percent. What might that entail for you?

Five laps around the glorious Garden of Hope & Courage at our downtown campus equal one mile. Six laps around the brand new and beautiful Beatrice Branch Briggs Founders Park just south of the downtown Wellness Center equal another pleasant mile walk. A regular jaunt on either of these two "courses" can change your health for the better.

Our North Naples campus has a lovely pond that provides a lovely setting for recreation and rehabilitation for patients in the Brookdale Center for Healthy Aging and Rehabilitation, which is part of the 325-bed campus.

For anyone who wonders whether walking really benefits health, here are some facts: Brisk walking increases blood flow by as much as 15 percent, according to research presented at a recent Experimental Biology meeting.

What many of our 6,700 Wellness Center members do goes beyond light exercise. At our two centers (on the downtown campus and in the Greentree Shopping Center off Immokalee Road near the North Naples cam-

pus), they find 205 classes each week for activities from traditional spinning and aerobics classes to the more exotic Zumba and tai chi as well as cross training, chair yoga, prenatal and Mommy and Me workouts.

One reason why fitness is so essential has to do with our nation's obesity epidemic, which threatens to result in an alarming number of the current generation of children predeceasing their parents. A staggering 61 percent of Floridians are overweight, obese or morbidly obese. Florida's rate of obesity has increased more than 80 percent in the last 15 years. We need to fight this menace ferociously.

The Safe and Healthy Children's Coalition of Collier County, led by Dr. Todd Vedder, NCH chairman of pediatrics, is leading the charge on the plague of children's obesity. The first target for Dr. Vedder and a motivated group of pediatricians is zip code 34116 in Golden Gate, where three public elementary schools have obesity rates above 25 percent. The doctors are attacking the problem by working to:

1. Develop a consistent wellness message for parents;

2. Maximize children's caloric burn during physical activity and free play periods;

3. Increase fitness opportunities and healthy food choices in the community; and

4. Increase the percentage of mothers in the area who are exclusively breast-feeding their children at 2, 4 and 6 months. Results will be closely monitored.

Keeping fit benefits everyone, from elementary school kids to long-distance runners and all of us in between.

If Collier County is to maintain its status as the leader in the nation in terms of longest life expectancy for a woman and the second longest for a man, we at NCH have a special responsibility to promote wellness, prevent illness and, consequently, lower health-care costs for all of us. ■

— Dr. Allen Weiss is the president and CEO of NCH Healthcare Systems.

# TO YOUR HEALTH

## Bereavement group starts next month

An eight-week bereavement support group, offered by Jewish Family Services, begins Thursday, Feb. 16, at JFS office at 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. The session will meet Thursdays from 10-11:30 a.m.

For more information or to register, call Margaret Passeri at 325-4444.

## Early screenings can save your sight

January is National Glaucoma Awareness Month, and Physicians Regional Healthcare System's Senior Extra pro-

gram urges that getting screened for this disease should be a priority.

Although traditionally associated with aging, glaucoma can affect people at any age. In particular, people of African, Asian and Latino descent are at a higher risk for developing glaucoma, making eye exams that much more imperative for all ages.

While glaucoma is treatable, it is an incurable disease. Called "the sneak thief of sight," glaucoma is the No. 1 one cause of preventable blindness.

The good news is that early detection can help save your vision. Because the disease has no symptoms, however, screening is important. A variety of factors determine the course of treatment, but medication, surgery or combinations of the two are common forms of treating glaucoma. ■

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Free screenings at The Vein Center are conducted by a partnership of a cardiologist and vascular surgeon, who can discuss the most modern, medically advanced options to patients with vein diseases.

MAKOplasty seminars educate attendees about the newest advancements in robotic-arm-assisted knee and hip surgeries, and the presenting surgeon ends the program with a question-and-answer session.

This column is the first in a series that will acquaint readers with the Physicians Regional family of care-providers. Innovation, people, service, quality and growth are the core values of our system. Our talented physicians, nurses, clinicians and other professionals make it possible for us to provide world-class care. I look forward to introducing them in subsequent columns.

Thank you for your ongoing encouragement and involvement with our health-care system. Your support inspires us to deliver great care to you and yours. ■

— Todd Lupton is the CEO of Physicians Regional Healthcare System.

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Do yourself some good and help local charitable organizations at the same time by signing up and getting out to some of the following events:

■ Gulf Coast Runners and Humane Society Naples are warming up for the sixth annual **Run for the Paws** 5K run/walk to benefit HSN. Starting time is 8 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Naples Municipal Airport. Sign up by Jan. 27 for \$25 per person and on the day of the race for \$30 per person (\$10 for students in high school and younger).

Pets must be on a non-retractable leash and up-to-date with vaccinations. Runners/walkers with pets must start at the rear of the pack and cannot interfere with other participants or pets.

For more information, call 643-1555 or visit [www.hsnaples.org](http://www.hsnaples.org).

■ **The Naples Pathways Coalition Bike Brunch** on Sunday, Jan. 29, promises a bike ride that can be as fun and relaxing or as challenging as participants want to make it. Everything starts and finishes at Lowdermilk Park.

Continental breakfast and registration open at 6:30 a.m. The 100-mile ride sets out at 7 a.m., followed by the 62-mile ride at 8 a.m., the 30-mile trek at 8:30 a.m., the 20-miler at 9 a.m. and the 10-miler at 10 a.m. A 3-mile walk for those who prefer to hoof it also sets out at 10 a.m.

An all-you-care-to-eat brunch donated by Moe's Southwest Grill will be served from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the beach, where music, volleyball,



a hula-hoop contest and a scavenger hunt will also take place. Ride support ends at 3 p.m.

Participation is limited to the first 600 registrants. For registration fees and forms and more information, visit [www.naplespathways.org](http://www.naplespathways.org).

■ Men and women are urged to don as much red as they can manage and walk, strut or stride around the pavilion at Waterside Shops to raise awareness of heart disease in women and the **AHA's Go Red for Women** campaign from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3.

Free health screenings will be conducted by staff from Lee Memorial Health System. Waterside Shops will donate a percentage of sales throughout the day to AHA. Awards will be presented for Most Red, Most Glamorous and Most Spirited participants.

Registration is \$15. To sign up or for more information, call 485-4900.

■ The Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida holds its annual **poker walk** on Sunday, Feb. 26, at

North Collier Regional Park. Teams that raise \$500 by Jan. 30 will have their names placed on event T-shirts.

Registration on walk day begins at 8:30 a.m. and the trek begins at 9 a.m. Breakfast will be provided by Costco, and Jet-Blue has donated two round-trip tickets for a raffle (\$25 for three tickets).

For more information, call 417-3465 or visit [www.pasfi.org](http://www.pasfi.org).

■ The **2012 Southwest Florida Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure** is set for Saturday morning, March 12, at Coconut Point in Estero. The sanctioned 5K event also includes a non-competitive 5K run/walk and a 1-mile fun run/walk. More than 12,000 supporters attended the 2011 Southwest Florida Race for the Cure, proceeds from which allowed the Southwest Florida affiliate to make grants totaling \$1,015,235 to 13 local nonprofit agencies that provide breast cancer education, screening, treatment and support in Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades counties.

For registration and more information, call 498-0016, visit [www.komen-swfl.org](http://www.komen-swfl.org) or e-mail [raceinfo@komen-swfl.org](mailto:raceinfo@komen-swfl.org).

■ The **Collier County March for Babies**, a 3-mile trek to benefit the March of Dimes, sets out at 6 p.m. April 28, at North Collier Regional Park off Livingston Road. For registration or more information, call 433-3463 or visit [www.marchforbabies.org](http://www.marchforbabies.org). ■



## Free clinic on the basics of sled hockey

The Florida Sled Hockey Association hosts a free introductory clinic about the sport from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Fort Myers Skatium.

Sled hockey is an accessible version of ice hockey, adapted for people with physical disabilities.

"Our goal is to get 10-15 new athletes for our program this year," says Ron Robichaud, coach of the Florida Eels sled hockey team. Players and coaches from around the state will be on hand to explain the sport, demonstrate skills and facilitate on-ice lessons and scrimmages.

Attendees should wear warm clothing (jeans and sweatshirts). All equipment will be provided.

The clinic is sponsored by Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida and the City of Fort Myers Skatium.

The skatium is at 2250 Broadway, near downtown and the City of Palms Park. For more information, call Mr. Robichaud at (207) 252-7134 or e-mail [floridasledhockey@yahoo.com](mailto:floridasledhockey@yahoo.com). ■

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## Bernhard Langer to defend his 2011 ACE Group Classic title

Former world No. 1 golfer and two-time Masters champion Bernhard Langer has committed to defend his title at the ACE Group Classic coming to The TwinEagles Club Feb. 13-19. This year marks the 25th anniversary of Champions Tour golf in Naples and a return to The TwinEagles Club for the first time since 2006.

Mr. Langer's 2011 ACE Group Classic wire-to-wire victory was nothing short of spectacular, as he posted scores of 64-66-66 to finish four shots ahead of Fred Funk and set a tournament record for lowest score (20-under par). The win was Langer's 14th on the Champions Tour.

Shortly after his win in Naples, Mr. Langer underwent surgery to repair an injury to his left thumb suffered during a biking accident and was out of commission for nearly three months, derailing his quest for four consecutive Player of the Year awards.

From 2008-10, he became the only player in history to win both the Jack

Nicklaus Trophy (Player of the Year) and the Arnold Palmer Award (Money List Winner) for three straight years.

Tickets to the 2012 ACE Group Classic are on sale at [www.acegroupclassic.com](http://www.acegroupclassic.com), by phone at 593-3900 or in the Naples' PGA Tour Superstore.

### Anniversary specials

In honor of the 25th anniversary of Champions Tour golf in Southwest Florida, The ACE Group Classic offers special discounts leading up to the start of the tournament. Each promotion is only valid for one week; new offers are available every Monday.

The first deal, valid through Sunday, Jan. 29, is one free weekly ticket to the ACE Group Classic with purchase of two regular priced weekly tickets — a savings of \$50. Children 17 and under are admitted free all week with a ticketed adult.

The offer is available at [www.acegroupclassic.com](http://www.acegroupclassic.com) or in the PGA TOUR Superstore, 2135 Tamiami Trail N. ■

## NFL alumni coming back to The Quarry

The 12th annual Earl Morrall/NFL Alumni Celebrity Charity Golf Classic tees off Monday, April 23, at The Quarry.

A former player for the Miami Dolphins and Baltimore Colts, Earl Morrall will welcome fellow former NFL players to play with each foursome to benefit area children's charities. On Sunday before the

tournament, a celebrity auction and dinner will be at the Naples Hilton.

Over the past 11 years, the event has raised more than \$1 million.

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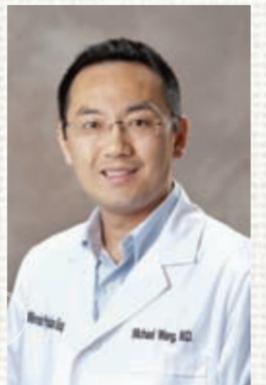
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# PET TALES

## Tanks a lot

Finned friends can help your health

BY GINA SPADAFORI  
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If you're looking for a way to lower your stress, improve your health and get your children off the couch, part of the answer may be fish — not eating them, but keeping them.

Whether you choose a small tank with a few freshwater fish or a stunning saltwater setup that makes you feel like a deep-sea diver without getting wet, you'll be getting some of the proven health benefits of keeping fish.

"It doesn't have to be difficult to keep fish," said Dr. Roy Yanong, a veterinarian with a lifelong love of fish-keeping that he pursued into a career with the Tropical Aquaculture Laboratory at the University of Florida.

"Depending on the species, you can start with a 10-gallon tank. But you always have to think about the water," he said. "Fish make ammonia, which is excreted through their gills. You need the right number of fish, and a bio-filter with the right set of bacteria. If you don't have that, the water will turn toxic, and that's when fish die."

But just as you don't need to be an ichthyologist — a fish expert — to keep healthy fish, you don't have to be a chemist either, says Dr. Yanong. All you need to make sure the water is right for your fish is to test it yourself with easy-to-find kits, or have it tested at a specialty aquarium store.



While you can go all-out with a large and expensive saltwater aquarium, starting with a small freshwater setup is just fine.

"Help with fish-keeping is pretty easy to get," he said. "You can talk to someone who's keeping fish successfully. You can also find sites online that can help."

Dr. Yanong has been working with fish since 1992, which is also when the popularity of keeping aquatic pets started to grow. While the more complicated and expensive saltwater setups have remained the interest of only a tiny percentage of dedicated hobbyists, keeping freshwater fish has risen steadily for the past two decades.

"That's a pretty good rise," said Dr. Yanong, who, despite having fish all around him pretty much all his working hours, still keeps a tank of mudskippers nearby. "Aquaria is a where a lot of kids first got their interest in nature. I know I did. And while any pet can be an entry into the world of nature, the fascinating thing

about fish is that you're not just keeping pets, you're running an ecosystem."

At a time when it's hard to get kids to put down the video console and get off the couch, experts say looking into a fish tank may be key to getting youngsters up and out the door — perhaps to a career in science. And it can all start with a small tank and a couple of puppies.

**Video bonus:** Training expert Mikkel Becker demonstrates the proper way to teach children to safely hold a cat or small dog: [vetstreet.com/train/how-to-pick-up-and-hold-a-cat](http://vetstreet.com/train/how-to-pick-up-and-hold-a-cat). ■

### Pets of the Week



>> **Fox** is a 2-year-old neutered tabby who resides in the cat condos at Petco on Naples Boulevard for now. He would love to find a forever home.



>> **Shania Twain** is a 2-year-old spayed dachshund/Chihuahua mix who's great with children and other animals.



>> **Snowflake Martha** is a 1-year-old spayed calico whose beautiful marking match her eyes and her wonderful disposition.



>> **Zuppie** is a 6-month-old neutered collie/Australian shepherd mix. He loves to run and play with children and with other dogs. He's learning basic obedience commands and is crate-trained, too.

### To adopt or foster a pet

— This week's adoptable pets are from Brooke's Legacy Animal Rescue, an all-volunteer, foster home rescue organization. For more information, call 434-7480, e-mail [Admin@BrookesLegacyAnimalRescue.org](mailto:Admin@BrookesLegacyAnimalRescue.org) or visit [www.BrookesLegacyAnimalRescue.com](http://www.BrookesLegacyAnimalRescue.com).

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# MUSINGS

## Sub rosa



"In the beginning was the gerund. And this verb-noun was with that subject, and that noun-verb was this object."

— Arupa's Apocrapha, 23:68

"I wasn't lookin' but somehow you found me.... The spy who loved me is keepin' my secrets safe tonight.... There's some kind of magic inside you that keeps me from runnin'.... How'd you learn to do the things you do? Oh, and nobody does it better..."

— Marvin Hamlisch/Carole Bayer Sager, "Nobody Does It Better"

"If the doors of perception were cleansed everything would appear...as it is: infinite."

— William Blake, "Marriage of Heaven and Hell"

"He who is not a bird should not camp above abysses."

— Friedrich Nietzsche, "Thus Spake Zarathustra"

"Only in the dance do I know how to tell the parable of the highest things."

— Friedrich Nietzsche, "The Tomb Song"

"Seymour once said to me-in a crosstown bus, of all places-that all legitimate religious study must lead to unlearning the differences, the illusory differences, between boys and girls, animals and stones, day and night, heat and cold."

— J.D. Salinger, "Franny and Zooey"

"Today I will be a Bulgarian Minister of Education. Tomorrow I will be Helen of Troy."

— Bokonon quoted in Kurt Vonnegut's "Cat's Cradle"

Who was minding the store? I was merely twilight pre-tending and pre-formal operations: Some things never change. So when I look into the mirror, I usually spy the whole story, one caricature after another, a display like a skein of fireworks or a gaggle of kaleidoscopes. There is the king and queen. There are the wrathful ones with masks awry and the flying beasts and all the attendants. And all the many deities breathing, living, their bodies like watery morphing universes. Some are using their accouterment in mundane tasks, quite happily cooking and planting and sewing. Others see only the sacred uses. But it was all fine and good, this one knowing what is presently in store, opening out beyond all the ten points of the compass rose.

And you know I, too, set great store

in goings and comings, in changelings. Like changing umbrellas into walking sticks, both the kind that hold whiskey in an empty handle and the kinds that crawl, the living phasmids. These are many kinds of goings: Going into storage, going for broke, going for gusto, going beyond the rhyme and rhythm.

But in the language of the birds there is but one infinitely kind of coming. This twilight language that does not easily resist embrace.

In this our coming of sage that mirror gazing is different. Not merely one looking at many. Is that blurring? Perhaps a friend behind, looking two too? And who could say anything about edges or distinctions or boundaries? Not me. Not mine to say.

And when the monologue that is dialogue moves out and on like a wide and thin river of

grass, unendingly subvocalized, position in space-time is razed, purged and cleansed, back lit, insistently non-glossy. Seamless, seems less polysemy than longing felt and herd.

A group of geese is a gaggle, but only when they are on the ground. Coming in the air the group is a skein.

This positing of that question without answer is irrelevant to the one queried. The relevance is only for the one who asks. Who could ask for anything more? ■



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# Ripple effect



ERIC RADDATZ / FLORIDA WEEKLY

The lowest gas price at this Fort Myers station was \$3.51.

in the know

### Gas prices

	Low	High	Difference
Bonita Springs	\$3.51	\$3.59	8 cents
Fort Myers	\$3.41	\$3.59	18 cents
Naples	\$3.45	\$3.69	24 cents
Port Charlotte	\$3.42	\$3.60	18 cents
Punta Gorda	\$3.43	\$3.53	10 cents

\*Prices as of Sunday, according to GasBuddy.com

## The cost of fuel could drive up everything else

BY NANJI THEORET

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GAS PRICES ARE ON THE RISE — AGAIN — yet local drivers seem to be taking a wait-and-see attitude before dramatically altering their driving patterns. Per gallon prices have increased 25 cents since the beginning of the year, and some experts are predicting gas to surpass the \$4 mark by Memorial Day — a price not seen since July 2008, when prices reached an all-time high of \$4.10 in Naples and \$4.03 in Fort Myers.

Per-gallon prices for regular gas in Southwest Florida, as of Sunday, ranged from a low of \$3.41 at Sam's Club in Fort Myers to a high of \$3.69 at the BP station at Davis Boulevard and SR 951 in Naples, according to GasBuddy.com, a Tampa-based company that tracks from-the-pump prices reported by spotters throughout

SEE GAS, B7 ▶

## Ads remind northerners what's great about Paradise

BY JONELL MODYS

Special to Florida Weekly

Collier County tourism promoters have launched a new travel advertising campaign in the New York and Chicago areas to welcome the start of the winter season. Staff and marketing partners from the Naples, Marco Island, Everglades Convention and Visitors Bureau reported on the new northern marketing efforts at the Jan. 23 Collier County Tourist Development Council meeting.

Branded with the tagline "That's why they call it Paradise," the highlight of the Chicago campaign is the strategic



COURTESY PHOTO

Chicago area drivers see digital billboards reflecting real-time temperatures here in the Paradise Coast.

placement of digital billboards throughout the Chicago area. The boards feature a thermometer display providing

the real-time temperature of the Paradise Coast. In New York, commuters are being treated to billboard images of the

area's white sand beaches as a contrast to their current winter conditions.

"The New York and Chicago areas are important markets for us, and in today's marketplace, many people make travel decisions on the spur of the moment based upon a marketing message that resonates with them at that particular time," says Jack Wert, executive director of the CVB. "We want to remind them that when they are looking to escape the harsh Northeast and Midwest winters, they can hop a short flight and be in paradise."

SEE TOURISM, B4 ▶

# MONEY & INVESTING

## Bad news for Japan, the UK and Ireland



After the 2008 financial meltdown, any conversation about debt mostly centered on U.S. subprime mortgage debt.

By 2010, the focus had shifted from the subprime to the sovereign debts of Greece and other EU countries, Portugal, Ireland, Italy and Spain.

By summer of 2011, the U.S. debt ceiling made the headlines but was soon eclipsed by the critical problems of possible sovereign debt defaults and potential trans-Atlantic contagion.

The headlines have gravitated toward the debt "busts" and toward near last-minute sovereign defaults. But now the news and economic reports are starting to peel back the onion skin and it is getting increasingly noxious, just as much as that kitchen task can be.

In understanding any debt problem, it is important to know the level of debt, the maturity structure of the debt, the interest rate on the debt and the cash flow of the borrower to repay the debt.

In understanding any particular country's debt problem, all categories of debt, not just sovereign, must be considered. These debt categories include households, non-financial corporations and financial institution debt. The rea-

son being that the collective burden of all these forms of debt must be shouldered by the country's GDP (or externally financed.)

So, generally speaking, to get a picture of a country's debt, a good starting point is the consolidated indebtedness of any country relative to its GDP.

Most readers have been duly trained by the press and cable news to believe that Greece is the very worst of debt offenders and so it would be reasonable to think that surely Greece wins the prize for the worst consolidated debt levels.

But McKinsey & Company has just released a jaw-dropping report that quantifies the global debt problem and has several countries take the center stage away from Greece. ("Debt and deleveraging; uneven progress on the path to growth," January 2012; www.Mckinsey.com) You might be very surprised (as I was) to know that, per their analysis, the number one debt-challenged country is Japan (512 percent of GDP), to be followed by the UK (507 percent of GDP).

In succession come, Spain, Italy, France and South Korea; all come before the United States' relatively low, consolidated debt burden at 279 percent of GDP. It seems as if the U.S. is smelling like a rose in a garden of stink weeds... granted the calculations exclude present value of future liabilities (e.g. social security, Medicare, etc.) and excludes

off balance sheet liabilities (Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac).

Countries that look good include: Brazil (148 percent), India (122 percent) and China (184 percent).

But what to do with the enormity of the debt of Japan, UK and Ireland?

Japan has government debt at 226 percent of GDP, though lesser if investments offset to create a net debt number. Still, the Japanese are financing and rolling a huge amount of government debt.

How did this ever come to be? Most know the story of Japan's meteoric growth in the 1980s and concomitant rise in real estate and equity valuations, financed partially by a large increase in corporate and household debt. But what might not be known is that though Japan peaked by 1990 and clearly entered a deflation of the past 21 years (with no recovery in sight), its debt burden as a percentage of GDP continued to grow from 387 percent to the recent level of 512 percent. Who buys their debt? Some 90 percent is bought by Japanese institutions: \$5 trillion is owned by its banks; its pensions and insurers own \$4.5 trillion. With incredibly negative demographics, it is a mystery how the country will ever repay the debt. (Does Japan have the makings as a major shorting opportunity for hedge funds... someday?)

Next on the debt burden list is the UK and, specifically, the disproportionate

amount of debt issued by its financial institutions. Per the McKinsey report, the UK banks have a very large exposure to the PIIGS: they own \$65 billion sovereign and \$294 billion private sector PIIGS debt. Bottom line, their financial institutions are seemingly fully leveraged and their financial institutions have large PIIGS exposure. This is not true for Japan and may be the reason why Japan is back burner.

Lastly, what are the Irish to do? How can they ever repay consolidated debts at 663 percent of GDP? And how did that ever happen?

Besides the McKinsey report, there is another good read about the global debt. As charts do tell a lot of the story, the IMF in its Fiscal Monitor (September 2011) has a great chart on page 12 of the report showing who holds what percent of each country's government debt.

Given that I am admittedly predisposed to being negative about the U.S. plight, I want to admit that I stand self-corrected and concede that the U.S., though in a terrible economic mess, might not be in as bad a situation as some others and the others might ultimately make Greece look like a cake walk. ■

— Jeannette Showalter, CFA, is a commodities broker with Worldwide Futures Systems. For mid-week commentaries, write to showalter@wwfssystems.com.

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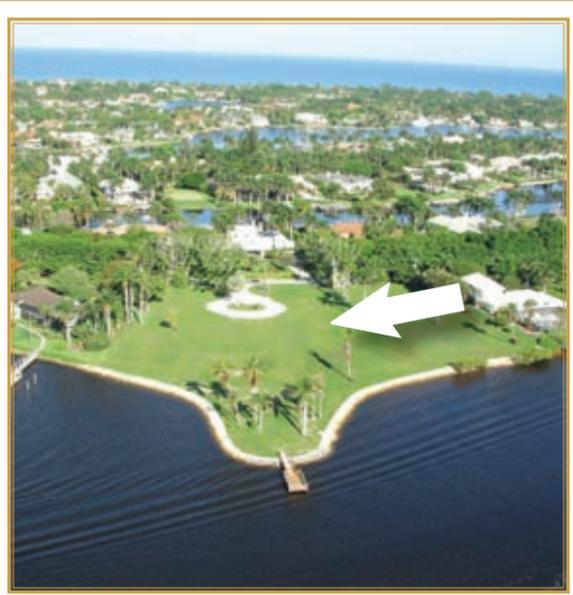
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# ON THE MOVE

## Awards & Recognition

**Harmon-Meek Gallery** has earned the Service to the Arts Award from the Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art. The award signifies the gallery's noteworthy involvement in and advocacy of the arts. **Bill Meek** will accept the award at the museum's "Night of Distinction" in April at the Loretto Museum in Loretto, Penn.

## Banking

**Jennifer Erickson** has joined Shamrock Bank of Florida as senior vice president and CFO. A Southwest Florida resident since 1991, she most recently worked for First Community Bank of Southwest Florida in Fort Myers. Ms. Erickson earned a master's degree in accounting from the University of Florida.



Erickson

**Tina Blake** and **Cathi Johnson** have joined Iberia-Bank both working at the local headquarters on Goodlette-Frank Road. Ms. Blake is a vice president/private banker. Originally from Cornwall, England, she moved to Southwest Florida in 1990 and has 24 years of experience in the financial services industry. She holds the Accredited Wealth Management Advisor designation from the College for Financial Planning. Ms. Johnson joins



Blake

the bank as vice president/branch manager/private banker. Originally from LaGrange, Ill., she started her banking career with Barnett Bank on Fifth Avenue nearly 25 years ago. She also has earned the AWMA designation from the College for Financial Planning. She serves as vice president/treasurer on the board of trustees for Youth Haven.



Johnson

## Board Appointments

**Rainer Filthaut**, Fifth Avenue South property owner and owner/broker of International Realty Corp., has been elected to a three-year term on the Fifth Avenue South Business Improvement District. **Stefania Martin** of Bellini on Fifth has been reelected for a second three-year term. Board members continuing to serve for 2012 are: **Lou Vlasho** as president, **Skip Quillen**, **Beth Ressler**, **Rod Castan** and **Phil McCabe**.

## Chamber of Commerce

**Erin Morton** has been named vice president of the Leadership Collier Foundation and as such will manage programs including Youth Leadership Collier, Growing Associates in Naples, Leadership Collier and the Campaign for Leadership. She will also administer the foundation's alumni association and



Morton

act as the primary program contact for the foundation's board of directors. Originally from Wisconsin, Ms. Morton relocated to Naples six years ago and most recently served as a business relationship manager with the Economic Development Council of Collier County. She holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater and an MBA from Capella University in Minneapolis.

**Jaimee Romines** has joined the staff at the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce as visitor center coordinator. A graduate of Florida Gulf Coast University with a major in public relations and minor in global studies, Ms. Romines worked for eight years in the customer service department at Publix before joining the chamber. She also has event planning experience as a wedding coordinator for Platinum Florida Wedding Company. In her new capacity, she supervises the volunteers who staff the visitor center, manages the database and assists with projects for the Bonita Springs Estero Economic Development Council.

## Health Care

**Karen Gotkiewicz** has joined the staff at Florida Eye Health as senior clinical director. A certified ophthalmic technician, she has worked in the eye care business in West Virginia and Virginia since 1981, most recently at Vistar Eye Center in Roanoke, Va., and before that as clinical director for a 16-physician practice with seven locations in Salem, Va.

**Murinda Lowthorp** has been named director of community relations for Juniper Village at Naples. She has worked in the long-term care industry for more than 10 years in Illinois and in Naples. She has a background in skilled care and assisted living with Alzheimer's residents in the areas of activity planning, financial relations and community relations. She is responsible for promoting the mission of Juniper Village at Naples and serves as a liaison to hospitals, physicians and other medical professionals and also facilitates the admission process to assure smooth transitions for new residents.

## Hospitality

**Tom Blair Wallace III**, **Rob Anderson** and **Carmen Mauceri** form the new leadership team at The Club at Mediterra. Mr. Blair, CEO and general member, previously served as general manager for nine years at Oakmont Country Club



Anderson



Wallace III

in Oakmont, Penn. Mr. Anderson is the club's new director of golf, a position he held for four years at Belfair Plantation in Bluffton, S.C. Mr. Mauceri, director of clubhouse operations, previously worked in that capacity at Chagrin Valley Country Club near Cleveland, Ohio.



Mauceri

## Insurance

**Ruth Villanueva** has been promoted to customer concierge, a new position at Ted Todd Insurance Agency. Ms. Villanueva is originally from Lima, Peru, and has been with the agency for four years, most recently as an agency manager.



Villanueva

## Interior Design

**Lynn Royal** and **Jane Sberna** have joined Norris Home Furnishings as sales/design consultants in Naples. Ms. Royal is an Interior Design Society associate with 18 years experience in



Royal

furniture sales and interior design. She is a past president of the Interior Design Society of Naples and is certified by the Council for Qualification of Residential Interior Designers (CQRID). Ms. Sberna has worked for a commercial design firm on projects in South Africa and Italy.



Sberna

## Professional Development

**Gabrielle O'Boyle**, vice president of the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, has graduated from the Institute for Organization Management, the professional development program of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and earned the designation of IOM. Since 1921, the program has educated tens of thousands of association, chamber and other nonprofit leaders on how to build stronger organizations, better serve their members and become strong business advocates.

## Retail

**Melissa Wolf** has joined Coastland Center mall as marketing manager. She previously worked with the American Cancer Society, where she helped plan and execute the Relay For Life of Naples, among other special events. ■



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# TOURISM

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Mr. Wert released calendar year visitation numbers for Collier showing a 7.7 percent increase for 2011 over 2010. The CVB's research partner, Research Data Services, calculates that 1,489,900 people stayed in Collier County hotels or short-term vacation lodging in 2011. Direct visitor expenditures for 2011 were \$865 million-plus, an increase of 10.6 percent, and the annual total eco-

nomic impact from tourism was \$1.289 billion, also an increase of 10.6 percent. The year ended on a high note, with a year-over-year 15.3 percent increase in visitors and a 19.7 percent increase in direct spending for the month of December. ■

— *JoNell Modys is the public relations and communications manager for the Naples, Marco Island, Everglades Convention and Visitors Bureau, which is funded entirely by the Collier County tourist development tax. For more information, visit www.paradisecoast.com.*



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## My Dumbest Investment

### This Black Gold Is Red

I recently decided to take a chance on ExxonMobil, since it was the richest, or second-richest company in the world. Since then, my small investment has been in the hole. I thought it was successful enough that I wouldn't have to worry too much about it, but red is the only color it's wearing. — N.T., Roseburg, Ore.

The Fool Responds: Patience, grasshopper. Great stocks and strong performers often fall or remain stalled for a while. Invest in stocks for the long haul, with money you won't need for at least five or more years. Don't expect a stock to perform just because the company is big and rich, though. The company needs to be healthy and growing, ideally with some competitive advantages.

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Q What are "catalysts" that I've heard stock analysts mention?  
— J.R., Keene, N.H.

A A catalyst is a factor or event that will prompt a change in a stock's value. It's clearly good to invest in stocks trading below their fair value, as they should eventually catch up.

But when and why will they do so? When analyzing a potential investment, it can be useful to figure out what catalyst(s) there are and when they might materialize, as the catalysts will help the stock become fully valued.

A catalyst for a pharmaceutical company could be Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approval of a promising new drug. For a software company might be the release of a major new operating system. For a manufacturer, an effective catalyst might be the introduction of an exciting new product.

The end of a recession or a housing boom can also be a catalyst, as can changes in laws or regulations. Looking for catalysts can be profitable. ■

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## The Motley Fool Take

### Waste Management's Future

Waste Management (NYSE: WM), the Houston-based garbage giant, didn't have the rosier 2011, but 2012 may be better.

In our sluggish economy, consumers and businesses can't cut garbage collection, but a softer economy does mean less stuff is made and consumed. As a result, there's less waste to be collected. An economic turnaround would push Waste Management's volumes in the right direction.

For a business like waste collection that's not growing rapidly, pricing is a key component. Waste Management targets its price increases to be between half and one percentage point above the con-

sumer price index. That's significant, and it reveals a big part of Waste Management's value proposition: Because it offers customers compelling service, it has been able to raise prices ahead of inflation.

Finally, the company has been investing in growth businesses, such as technologies that convert waste to energy, as well as putting money toward efficiencies and long-run cost reductions. These may be great places to invest shareholder money, but only if they pay off. So investors should watch for positive revenue and earnings from these initiatives.

In the meantime, Waste Management is rewarding shareholders with a dividend yield above 4 percent. (The Motley Fool owns shares of Waste Management, and its newsletters have recommended it.) ■

# BUSINESS MEETINGS

■ **A Job Search Support Group** meets from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. Contact Karen Klukiewicz at [kluk77@comcast.net](mailto:kluk77@comcast.net) or visit [www.napleschamber.org](http://www.napleschamber.org).

■ **"Training Your Great Worker to be a Great Leader,"** a workshop by Ralph Whitley of Performax Learning & Development, takes place from 8-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 31, at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, 2390 Tamiami Trail N. Participants will learn how to help a strong worker transition into a leadership role. Cost is \$15. Sign up at [www.napleschamber.org/events](http://www.napleschamber.org/events).

■ The next members-only **Accelerated Networking** lunch sponsored by the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 2, at Osetra Champagne & Caviar Bar. Cost is \$15, and reservations are required. Sign up at [www.napleschamber.org/events](http://www.napleschamber.org/events).

■ **Wake up Naples** with the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce beginning at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, at the Hilton Naples. CRS Technology Consultants is the sponsor. Sign up at [www.napleschamber.org/events](http://www.napleschamber.org/events).

■ **Bonita-Estero Market Pulse**, a program of the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce, takes place from 8:30-10:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 10, at Florida Gulf Coast University. For more information, call 992-2943 or visit [www.bonitaspringschamber.com](http://www.bonitaspringschamber.com).

■ **The Collier County Bar Association** holds its next monthly member-

ship luncheon at noon Friday, Feb. 10, at Carrabba's, 4320 Tamiami Trail N. Guest speaker will be Jeff Ahren of the Collier County Legal Aid Society. Sign up at [www.colliercountybar.org](http://www.colliercountybar.org).

■ **The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** holds a welcome reception and orientation for new members from 8-9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14, at the chamber, 25071 Chamber of Commerce Drive. Call 992-2943 or visit [www.bonitaspringschamber.com](http://www.bonitaspringschamber.com).

■ **The PC Business Users Group** will hear from a Collier County librarian about "Overdrive e-Books" from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, at Naples Regional Library. For more information, visit [www.pcbug.org](http://www.pcbug.org).

■ **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its next Business After

5 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, at Bryan, Bradley & Williams, 3003 Tamiami Trail N. Suite 210. Sign up at [www.napleschamber.org/events](http://www.napleschamber.org/events).

■ **The East Naples Merchants Association** meets for Business After Business at 5:30 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month. For location and more information, call 435-9410 or 643-3600.

■ **Partner 4 Performance**, a networking group for small business owners, meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the second Thursday and from 8:30-10 a.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month at Patric's in Mission West Plaza. Cost is \$10, plus \$12 for the lunch meeting. For more information, call 948-0050 or visit [www.partner4performance.com](http://www.partner4performance.com). ■

# GAS

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the U.S. and Canada.

The American Automobile Association, which surveys more than 100,000 self-service stations daily for its fuel gauge (fuelgaugereport.com), reported a national average of \$3.385 per gallon, a fraction-of-a-penny decrease in a week. The organization also reported Florida's average at \$3.48 per gallon.

Gas prices averaged about \$3.25 locally on Dec. 31, but have steadily ticked up to \$3.50 in just three weeks. Southwest Florida drivers haven't paid this much for gas since September 2011, the last time prices hit \$3.50. Today's prices are still 50 cents less per gallon than they were in 2008, when drivers plunked down \$65.60 to fill the average car's 16-gallon tank.

Some experts are predicting gas to hit \$4.20 nationally by Memorial Day — an outcome that could stall economic recovery, according to Gary Jackson, director of the Regional Economic Research Institute and an assistant professor of economics at the Lutgert College of Business at Florida Gulf Coast University.

"Higher oil prices tend to create an inflationary pulse through the economy," he says.

Key to the effect locally and nationally is the cause, says Dr. Jackson. A number of factors can influence prices paid at the pump — from a hike in crude oil to increased demand from emerging nations like China and India.

"A rise in oil prices has the potential to slow down recovery," he says. "A couple of what I would call unexpected events could derail our recovery."

Those two wildcards include sovereign debt issues facing Greece and Italy



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The lowest gas price at this station in Fort Myers was \$3.48.

and the threat by Iran to close the Strait of Hormuz, a vital shipping lane for 17 million barrels of crude oil a day.

Tensions in the Middle East impacting gas prices is nothing new. Prices rose last year following unrest in Libya, peaking locally at \$3.98 per gallon in Naples and \$3.92 in the Fort Myers area in early May.

Even economic recovery can up prices.

"If the Federal Reserve's forecast for next year is correct and there is the growth its predicting, it creates more demand for oil and gasoline," Jackson says.

Despite the quarter-on-the-gallon increase this year, Meals on Wheels programs in Naples and Port Charlotte have not lost any of their drivers, volunteers who are not reimbursed for mileage.

More than 200 volunteers with the

Naples organization, operated by St. Vincent de Paul, log 34,200 miles a year delivering warm meals to shut-ins five days a week. Most donate one day a week, using their own vehicles and filling their own tanks — with no compensation, says Paul Brigham, executive director.

"We have a really special group of volunteers," he says. "Their commitment is very, very strong."

That commitment never falters, even when gas prices start rising — or when they topped \$4 as they did nearly four years ago.

"So far none of the volunteers have offered gas prices as a reason for quitting," says Andy Wallach, who organizes St. Vincent's Meals on Wheels routes on Marco Island.

He typically fills in for one or two

regular drivers each week. "I'm always conscious of the price of gas and keep my eye out for the least expensive," says Mr. Wallach. "I would never not do it if the price got really high but I certainly would notice it."

"Not many things effect the pocket like the price of gas," adds Mr. Brigham. "We've had no fallout. Our volunteers are still volunteering."

Gas prices can, however, affect the charity's pick-up routes. St. Vincent de Paul uses its own trucks to collect furniture, appliance and food donations. "We'll tighten up our routing and double-backs," he says. "A few summers ago, when gas prices spiked, people started donating money to pay for our gas. It was nice."

Meals on Wheels of Charlotte County operates 13 delivery routes daily and one of their volunteers drive another 20 from his home to the meal distribution site, says Mary Howard, executive director. "For him, it's probably a good 70 miles, including the route."

Daily, volunteers rack up 410 miles delivering about 220 meals. Routes average about 32 miles, says Ms. Howard. "We haven't lot a single volunteer because of gas prices. They're so loyal," she says. "A couple have mentioned they're tightening their belts."

Prolonged spikes will ultimately force businesses to re-evaluate their practices and the fuel economy of their fleet, says Dr. Jackson. In recent years, some industries have passed along the added costs as surcharges for everything from pizza and package delivery to checked baggage fees.

"We talk about this in class," says Dr. Jackson. "High gasoline prices might nudge people to more fuel-efficient automobiles and trucks and hybrids. From the standpoint of an economist looking at this, in the short run there is not a lot you can do. In the long run, businesses will look to substitute capital; it's going to more expensive but provides a cushion against higher prices."

Federal Express made the move to hybrid and all-electric vehicles a few years ago and has improved its fleet's overall fuel efficiency by 15 percent — well on its way to a 2020 goal to improve efficiency by 20 percent.

"Our all-electric and hybrid-electric fleet has logged over 9.5 million miles — 20 times to the moon and back — saving approximately 276,000 gallons of fuel and reducing our CO2 emissions by nearly 2,800 metric tons," Deborah Willig, who heads the company's environment media relations, wrote in an e-mail.

Ironically, rising oil prices can also create jobs, enticing businesses to hire employees specifically to keep costs from rising, says Dr. Jackson.

"The price of oil really does impact everything." ■



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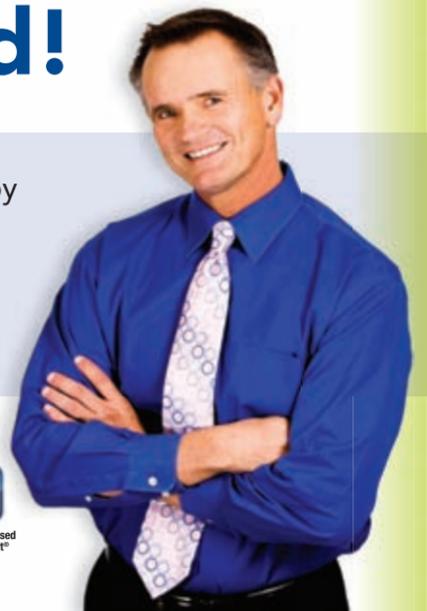
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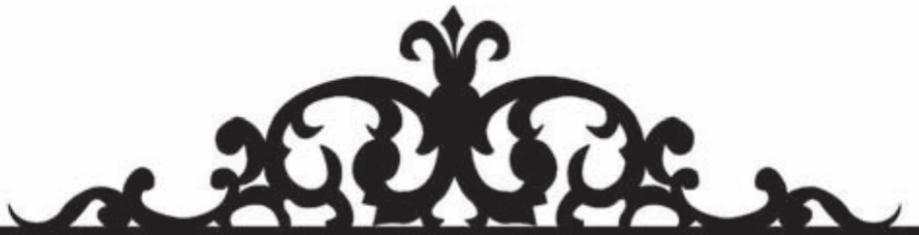


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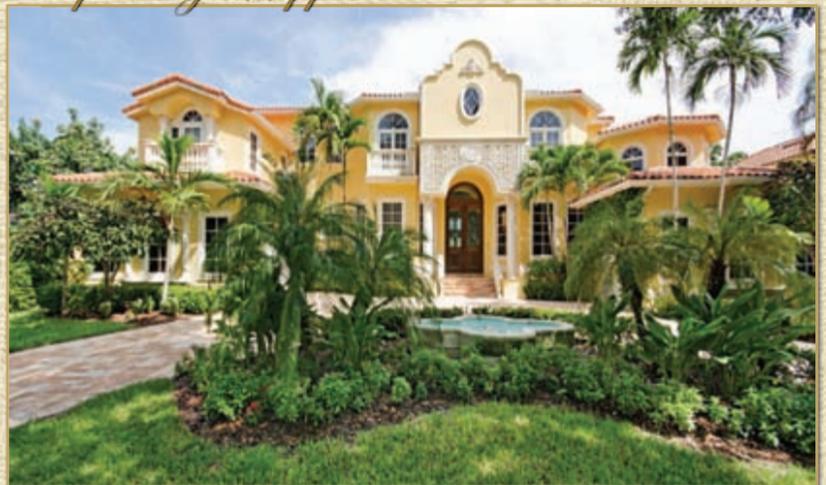
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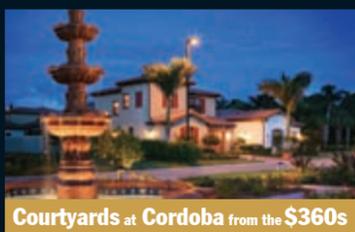
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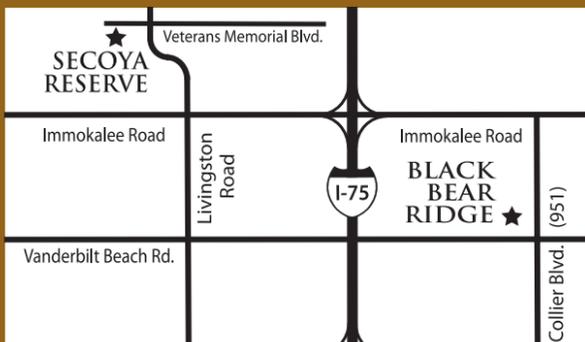
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**Estuary at Grey Oaks**, 1330 Noble Heron Way - This luxuriously appointed former model home offers 4681 SF, wonderful kitchen, private guest cabana & beautiful outdoor space with pool, spa & lake/golf views. 4+Den/4.5 (V1611) Claire Licciardi, 250-4564, Carol McElroy, 860-0833 **\$1,900,000**



**Vineyards**, 467 Terra Vista Ct - Spectacular lake & fountain view from expansive paved pool area. Enjoy outdoor entertaining on oversized deck w/extended covered area. Stunning & spacious. 4+Den/4.5 (H5904) Barbara Salinas, 449-2733 **\$1,495,000**



**Admiralty Point At Moorings**, 1 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #402 - 10 acre Gated Luxury Beach Resort. One of a kind, facing beach & Gulf. 4th floor. Owner pd \$1.6, then renovated/furnished. Turnkey. 3 pools, boating, Stunning. 3/3 (C7666) The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-7000 **\$1,399,000**



**Pelican Bay**, 806 Slash Pine Ct - On quiet cul de sac, 5870 T.Sq Ft Pool Home boasts Total Renovation. Granite Kitchen & BAs, Marble, Tile, Fireplace, Cathedral Ceilings, New Roof & Pool. Florida Rm. 3/2.5 (H4744) The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-7000 **\$1,229,000**



**Colliers Reserve**, 862 Barcarnil Way - London Bay Award winner. 6000 sq. ft. Superb finishes, marble, granite, hardwood. 3 car garage. Elevator to 2nd level bonus suite. 3+Den/3.5 (H4839) The Hutchison-Carmony Team, 272-7000 **\$1,199,000**



**Park Shore**, 4451 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #1604 - Wow views beyond your imagination from this 16th floor condo, City & Gulf. Walk to the beach or the Shops at Venetian Village. Complete custom remodel in 2001. 3/2 (C8009) Douglas Treadwell, 919-2002 **\$1,100,000**



**Bonita Bay**, 27401 Hidden River Ct - "Harwick" home. Beautiful lake view, stately oak trees, crown molding, family room, fireplace, formal living & dining rooms, tray ceilings, large covered lanai. 3+Den/3.5 (H6176) Judy Stead, 273-3438 **\$1,100,000**



**The Landings**, 5260 Landings Dr S, #1707 - Amazing view of Caloosahatchee River & Marina from majestic Penthouse. Completely remodeled, Turnkey, 3600 sf living area. Furnished w/Robb & Stucky furniture. 3/3.5 (C7117) Teresa Flack, 822-7979 **\$913,000**



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**Moorings**, 2170 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #81 W - OPEN BY APPT. Spectacular Gulf & bay views! Penthouse unit ready for renovations! Walk to beach access. Boat slips available. Call today! 2/2.5 (C7599) Barbara Salinas, 449-2733 **\$549,000**



**Lely Resort**, 8993 Maverick Ct - Fabulous upgraded Tilbury floor plan. Tile, granite, cherry cabinets, vaulted & tray ceilings. West rear exposure. Fantastic Lely Resort amenities, gated golf comm. 4/3 (H6189) Robin Hill, 776-0733 **\$525,000**



**The Strand**, 5913 Ashford Ln - Expanded Montroux floor plan with many designer upgrades. Large heated pool and spa. Long water views. Offered Turnkey. 2+Den/2.5 (H6131) John Newman, 280-2255, Fran Engelhardt, 248 248-5393 **\$465,000**



**Foxfire**, 1433 Foxfire Ln - Stunning lake and golf course views from every room. Upgrades galore, new roof in 2007. Hurricane resistant sliding glass doors, air conditioned extended lanai. 3/2 (H6077) Jeffrey Buchholz, 269-3551 **\$449,000**



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**Bonita Bay**, 26876 Wedgewood Dr - Updated 2416 sq. ft. end unit coach home. Glassed in lanai, granite, bamboo floors, volume ceilings, & golf course view. Beach club, tennis, golfing, boating. 3/3 (C7875) Judy Stead, 273-3438 **\$424,000**



**Firano At Naples**, 7932 Piemonte Way - This pristine home is the gold standard in this gated boutique Toll Bros. community. 2775 s.f. with pool and lake view. 3+Den/3 (H6149) Bobbie Dusek, 659-6132, Alexander Dusek, 207-7263 **\$414,900**



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**Shadow Wood At The Brooks**, 9211 Palmetto Ridge Dr, #202 - Beautiful 2nd floor coach home. SW Lake & golf course view. Featuring tray ceilings, tumbled marble back splash, diagonal tile & built-ins. Tommy Bahama decor. 3/2 (C7974) Judy Stead, 273-3438 **\$315,000**



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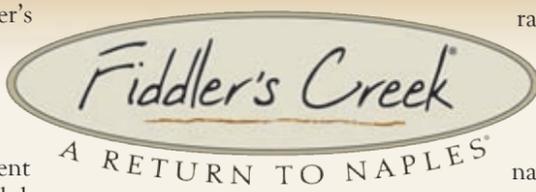


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# Housing inventory for 2011 ends at five-year low

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Real estate activity in the Naples area for 2011 led to a five-year low of inventory, according to the latest numbers from the Naples Area Board of Realtors, which tracks home listings and sales within Collier County (excluding Marco Island).

NABOR statistics show an increase in overall sales with inventory diminishing in Collier County, a sign that market conditions are motivating buyers. "Homebuyers have fewer choices today in 2012 than they had in 2011," says Kathy Zorn, broker/owner of Florida Home Realty. "Sales have continued to increase, which has resulted in a decline in inventory overall and increased prices in some market categories."

The winter sales season began with 1,564 fewer homes on the market than were available at the same time in 2010, adds Brenda Fioretti, managing broker of Prudential Florida Realty. The loss of listings includes 1,000 properties in the \$300,000 and under price bracket, she says.

In addition, the NABOR report shows, overall pending sales and closed sales increased year over year, with pending sales up 8 percent and closed sales up by 5 percent. Every market category showed increases in both pending and closed sales, with the largest increase in the \$1 million and above categories.

"Closed sales in the \$2 million and above luxury market increased 12 percent, with 223 sales in 2011 compared to 199 sales in 2010," says Bill Poteet, 2012 NABOR president and president of Poteet Properties. "The traditional market has become a large percentage of our total market share (66 percent) as the number of short sale and foreclosure sales diminishes," he adds.

The 2011 report provides annual comparisons of single-family home and condo sales (via the SunshineMLS), price ranges and geographic segmentation. It also includes an overall market summary combining the statistics for both single-family and condominium properties. Highlights include:

■ Single-family pending sales increased 5 percent with 5,162 contracts in 2011 compared to 4,896 contracts in 2010.

■ Condo pending sales increased 11 percent with 4,908 contracts in 2010 compared to 4,422 contracts in 2010.

■ The overall median closed price in the \$300,000-plus range increased

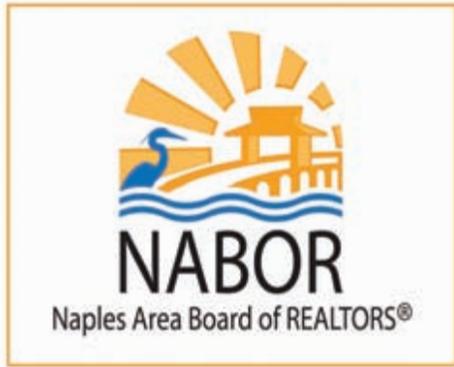
2 percent to \$550,000 in 2011 from \$540,000 in 2010.

■ Overall closed sales in the \$1 million to \$2 million category increased 38 percent with 76 sales in the fourth quarter of 2011 compared to 55 sales in the fourth quarter of 2010.

■ Single-family home sales in the \$500,000 to \$1 million range increased 13 percent with 90 sales in the fourth quarter of 2011 compared to 80 sales in the fourth quarter of 2010.

■ Condo sales declined 2 percent to 793 sales in the fourth quarter of 2011 compared to 808 sales in the same quarter of 2010.

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Moroccan-inspired masterpiece has nearly 4,800 SF, built using the finest building materials. Private cul-de-sac.  
\$2,650,000 | Thomas Gasbarro | 404-4883



**OLDE CYPRESS**  
An elegant estate home featuring great views of the golf course. Professionally furnished. Lanai, heated pool/spa. \$1,595,000  
Jane Bond | 595-9515



**QUAIL CREEK**  
Expansive golf views. Home theater, 4BR+den and 7,440 A/C SF. Two-storied screened lanai and 4.5-car garage. \$1,575,000  
Sharon Kaltenborn/Terri Moellers | 248-1964



**KENSINGTON - KENSINGTON GARDENS** Golf equity membership is included with this exquisite 3BR/3BA+den estate home. Country club living, pool & spa.  
\$1,299,000 | Darlene Roddy | 404-0685



**COLLIERS RESERVE**  
Outstanding home featuring ceramic tile, granite countertops, SS appliances, screened-in pool/spa & 3-car garage. \$1,285,000  
Terri Moellers/Sharon Kaltenborn | 404-7887



**COLLIERS RESERVE**  
Sunny southern exposure golf course custom home features 3BR/3.5BAs, den, family room, large pool & spa area. \$1,199,000  
Ann M. Nunes | 860-0949



**WYNDEMERE - LODGINGS**  
Expansive golf views, 5BR/4BA + family room estate home, 1.5 lots. Oversized lanai, pool/spa. Membership required.  
\$995,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**WYNDEMERE - GRASMERE**  
826 Wyndemere Way - Desirable community, 3BR+den with lake/golf course views plus heated pool. Clubhouse, tennis, membership required.  
\$795,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**OLDE CYPRESS**  
Privacy abounds with views of pool/preserve. Functional 4BR/3.5BA+den home. Championship golf, membership optional. \$779,900  
Sandra McCarthy-Meeks | 287-7921



**VINEYARDS - VILLA FLORENZA**  
Expansive double fairway golf course views! Highly upgraded villa. Optional country club private memberships. \$719,000  
Roya Nouhi | 290-9111



**MEDITERRA - VERONA**  
Private cul-de-sac lot in a neighborhood with 36 estate sites/homes. Sports/golf memberships, beach club, tennis. \$690,000  
Terri Moellers/Sharon Kaltenborn | 404-7887



**WYNDEMERE - GRASMERE**  
870 Wyndemere Way - A crisp, contemporary feeling in this 4BR/2.5BA stunning home. Lush landscaping. Social/golf membership required.  
\$675,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**VINEYARDS - VALLEY OAK**  
Charming custom 4BR/3BA home with pool/spa on .4 acres on golf course. Low fees, various golf/social memberships.  
\$639,000 | Mara Muller | 272-6170



**WYNDEMERE - LODGINGS**  
Masterfully updated, 4BRs, 3BAs, Mexican tile and wood floors. Sun patio with koi pond. Membership required.  
\$625,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**TIBURON - CASTILLO I**  
Wonderful former model in the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Numerous designer upgrades, preserve views, beach shuttle.  
\$599,500 | Beth McNichols | 821-3304



**WYNDEMERE - GRASMERE**  
Immaculately cared for 3BR home. Open plan, screened lanai & lush landscaping. Golf, tennis, membership required. \$599,000  
Nick Stepan/Gordie Lazich | 287-0622



**WYNDEMERE - PRESERVE**  
Refined & refreshed 3BR+den home. Private side yard, koi pond. Golf & wooded area views. Membership is required.  
\$598,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**TIBURON - CASTILLO**  
Spectacular residence in the renowned Ritz-Carlton golfing community. High ceilings, preserve view, large lanai.  
\$595,000 | Michael Lawler | 571-3939



**MEDITERRA - BRENDISI**  
Every upgrade possible & preserve views from this exquisite 3BR/3BA coach home. Den has built-ins, oversized lanai.  
\$525,000 | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210



**VINEYARDS - CAMELOT PARK**  
A spacious home, lovingly cared for in a popular golf course community. Rare 5BR + den plan, pool with park views.  
\$564,500 | Patricia Bucalo | 248-0694



**WYNDEMERE - GOLF COTTAGES**  
Sunsets, golf course and lake views. Updated 3BR, 2.5BA. Wide plank cherry floors. Screened heated pool/spa.  
\$495,000 | Dave/Ann Renner | 784-5552



**QUAIL WEST**  
Western exposure estate lot with lake views. Custom design & build the home of your dreams on this oversized lot.  
\$459,000 | Susan R. Payne | 777-7209



**WYNDEMERE - VILLA FLORESTA**  
Beautifully updated kitchen, improved master/guest baths. Social or golf membership required (limited discounts).  
\$475,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**WYNDEMERE - PRESERVE**  
Long lake and golf course views! Attached 3BR villa. Family room, upper loft & heated pool. Membership is required.  
\$399,900 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**OLDE CYPRESS**  
Exceptional three bedroom plus den villa home is tastefully furnished. Southern exposure, private pool and spa. \$419,000  
Sandra McCarthy-Meeks | 287-7921



**TIBURON - BOLERO**  
#1001 - Incredible golf views, charming 1st floor carriage home, decorated by Robb & Stucky. Social membership included. \$439,000  
Sharon Kaltenborn/Terri Moellers | 248-1964



**WYNDEMERE - COMMONS**  
An absolutely stunning, 3BR/2BA remodeled end residence overlooks golf course. Social or golf membership required.  
\$425,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**WYNDEMERE - VILLA FLORESTA**  
One-of-a-kind courtyard home. Championship golf, tennis, fitness center. Social/golf membership required. Furnished.  
\$399,000 | Susan R. Payne | 777-7209



**OLDE CYPRESS**  
Elegant, open 2BR+den plan, heated pool and golf course views. Award-winning clubhouse, social membership included. \$399,000  
Terri Moellers/Sharon Kaltenborn | 404-7887



**AUDUBON COUNTRY CLUB**  
Irregular size cul-de-sac lot with great views over golf course. Clubhouse, many social & recreational activities.  
\$299,900 | Teri Purvis | 860-6226



**WYNDEMERE - CYPRESS COMMONS** 200 Wyndemere Way #B405 - Totally renovated 2BR/2BA+den with oversized lanai overlooking lake. Membership is required. Clubhouse with pool. \$299,000 | Roxanne Jeske | 450-5210



**TIBURON - CASTILLO III**  
#101 - Resort-style living at its best at the Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Gorgeous, totally remodeled 3BR, preserve view. \$459,900 | Paul Graffy | 273-0403



**WYNDEMERE - COMMONS**  
Ultra spacious 4th floor 3BR/2BA corner condominium. Glassed-in lanai, lake and golf views. Membership required. \$299,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**STONEBRIDGE - ASHTON OAKS** Panoramic golf views! Spacious 2BR, first floor coach home. New carpet, granite countertops & stainless appliances.  
\$259,000 | Gordie Lazich/Nick Stepan | 777-2033



**VINEYARDS - SILVER OAKS**  
Well-priced 2BR/2BA condominium. SW exposure, golf views. Clubhouse, pool, memberships available. Renter is in place. \$179,900 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**WYNDEMERE - COURTSIDE COMMONS** Furnished, 2 masters, 2 glassed-in balconies, wood burning fireplace & volume ceilings. Club membership required. \$125,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**VINEYARDS - FOUNTAINHEAD**  
Warm sophistication throughout, 2BR/2BA with Murphy bed in the den, lanai overlooks lake. Private membership golf. \$395,000 | Krista Harris | 877-6745



**WYNDEMERE - COMMONS**  
Ultra spacious 4th floor 3BR/2BA corner condominium. Glassed-in lanai, lake and golf views. Membership required. \$299,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



**WYNDEMERE - WATER OAKS**  
Great price for a 2BR/2BA with 2-car attached garage. Walk to club & all of its amenities. Membership is required. \$190,000 | Kathryn Hurvitz | 659-5126



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**PARK SHORE - VENETIAN ESTATES** Wide southern Venetian Bay view. Unique interior design, 3 en suite bedrooms, separate guest house. Courtyard pool.  
 \$6,400,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**PARK SHORE** Well-appointed classic 4BR/5BA+den estate home with over 100 ft. on Venetian Bay. Oversized dock, close to beach.  
 \$4,995,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**PARK SHORE** A boater's dream, spacious 2-story 5BR/6BA+den single-family home on Venetian Bay. Large dock, 2 lifts, pool & spa.  
 \$3,995,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**COQUINA SANDS - NAPLES CASAMORE** Directly on the water, The Casa Bella Vita Model boasts spectacular interior design, 6,008 SF total, beach access.  
 \$3,995,000 | Call 963-4242



**PARK SHORE** Open vistas of world-famous sunsets from multiple living areas. New construction 4BR/4.5BA + den waterfront home.  
 \$3,995,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**COQUINA SANDS - NAPLES CASAMORE** Absolutely stunning 4BR/4.5BA model home by Godfrey Designs. Furnished, 6,242 SF total. Beach access, boat slip.  
 \$3,795,000 | Call 963-4242



**PARK SHORE** A spectacular 4BR/4.5BA home with nearly 115' on the Bay. Custom floating dock, impressive outdoor area and views!  
 \$3,295,000 | Michael Lawler | 571-3939



**MOORINGS** Spectacular wide open bay views! Sparkling clean 5BR/5.5BA pool home. Smart house electronics/wiring. Dock w/lift.  
 \$3,175,000 | Dave/Ann Renner | 784-5552



**MOORINGS - VISTA ROYALE** Sensational Bay view! Unique 4BR waterfront villa encompasses over 3,900 SF. Private pool, spa & dock, gated entry. \$3,200,000  
 Barbi Lowe/Trish Lowe Soars | 216-1973



**MOORINGS** Expansive western views! Updated 4BR/3BA pool home, over 100 ft. on the water & 'no bridge' access to the Gulf.  
 \$2,995,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**COQUINA SANDS - NAPLES CASAMORE** 1752 Gulf Shore Blvd. N. A private tropical enclave of 12 detached grand single-family homes - each with its own elevator, gated backyard, pool, spa, boat slip with Gulf access & 4-car garage. Steps to exclusive beach access. Offering 6,000 - 6,400 total sq. ft. Priced from \$2,800,000 | Call 963-4242



**PARK SHORE** 314 Neapolitan Way - Waterfront 3 bedroom plus study home with multiple open and screened lanais, heated pool/ spa. Dock with lift.  
 \$2,795,000 | Michael Lawler | 571-3939



**COQUINA SANDS** On a picturesque double lot, this 4BR + den custom built home is perfect for entertaining. Patio with pool & spa.  
 \$2,695,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**MOORINGS** Located seconds from the Gulf of Mexico with direct access. Commanding views, 100 ft. on the bay, 3BR/3BA + den.  
 \$2,695,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**PARK SHORE** Waterfront living, updated 3BR/3.5+study pool home, 3,381+ SF living area. Direct Gulf access, private dock/lift.  
 \$2,695,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**MOORINGS** Classic Mediterranean architecture, 2 stories, 5BR/4BA, study, recreation room & theatre. Tropical area with pool.  
 \$2,350,000 | Carolyn Weinand | 269-5678



**PARK SHORE** Sweeping water views, 5BR plus bonus room home includes screened pool/spa, outdoor kitchen, & boat dock.  
 \$2,300,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529



**COQUINA SANDS** Tucked into a cove overlooking Hurricane Harbor, this large, wide water, lot is home ready & has quick Gulf access.  
 \$2,195,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**COQUINA SANDS** Large, lakefront 5BR/4BA plus 2 half bath estate includes a 6-car A/C garage, and upscale kitchen on a .85 acres.  
 \$2,095,000 | Richard/Susie Culp | 290-2200



**PARK SHORE** Highly desired property, 116' of water frontage, one bridge to Gulf of Mexico. Eligible for private beach access.  
 \$1,495,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**COQUINA SANDS** Fabulous opportunity to build your dream home. Lot size is 115' x 197' x 110' x 195'. Close to beaches, shopping & dining.  
 \$1,339,500 | Linda Perry/Judy Perry | 261-6161



**COQUINA SANDS** Beautiful open floor plan home with sunny interiors, oversized pool & lanai overlooking a manicured landscape.  
 \$1,149,000 | Virginia Amoroso | 403-4527



**COQUINA SANDS** Build your dream home on this lakefront .44 acre lot. Close to the Gulf, beach & Downtown Naples.  
 \$1,100,000 | Richard/Susie Culp | 290-2200



**MOORINGS** Completely renovated 3BR/2BA home with new kitchen & baths. On an oversized lot with pool & privacy landscaping.  
 \$795,000 | Karen Van Arsdale | 860-0894



**PARK SHORE AREA - LUSSO VILLAS #105** - A perfectly-proportioned end villa with quality finishes and almost 3,000 sq. ft. under air. Pool, 2-car garage.  
 \$789,000 | Craig Jones | 403-4510



**MOORINGS** Completely renovated 3BR/2.5BA on .32 acre S. exposure lot includes granite counters, SS appliances & new baths.  
 \$750,000 | Karen Van Arsdale | 860-0894



**PARK SHORE - COLONADE** 239 Colonnade Circle - Gorgeous upper level villa with soft contemporary flair. Ensuite guest room & library/den or 3rd BR. Walk to beach.  
 \$759,000 | Linda Ohler | 649-8026



**COQUINA SANDS** Nicely maintained 3BR/3BA home on oversized .44 acre lot. Quiet neighborhood close to beach. Southern exposure.  
 \$679,000 | Lindsey Smith | 572-2663



**PARK SHORE - COLONADE** Lovely lake views and the colorful sunset skies from the screened lanai of this spacious 1st floor, 2BR+den/3rd BR.  
 \$649,000 | Michael G. Lawler | 571-3939



**MOORINGS** Beautiful home on an oversized lot with updated cabinets, granite countertops, and appliances. Private back yard.  
 \$600,000 | Beth McNichols | 821-3304

**PARK SHORE - BAY SHORE PLACE #1107** - Steps to the beach! Pool, new amenities, 2BR/2BA corner residence, panoramic Gulf, Bay & City views! Pet friendly. \$750,000 | Marion Bethea/Anne Killilea | 261-6200

**PARK SHORE - HORIZON HOUSE #201** - The view is fantastic! Listen to the surf & watch the dolphins from your open balcony directly on the Gulf. \$498,000 | Pat Duggan | 216-1980

**PARK SHORE - PARK SHORE LANDINGS #114** - Private boat dock just steps away. Stunning Bay view, 1st floor 2BR/2BA residence. Walk to resident beach park. \$495,000 | Larry Roorda | 860-2534

**PARK SHORE - BELAIR #7** - Outstanding 3BR/3BA + den villa, 2-car attached garage. Pet friendly, low HOA dues, pool, beach access available. \$479,000 | Richard/Susie Culp | 290-2200

**PARK SHORE - PIEDMONT CLUB #210** - The largest 3BR/3BA floor plan in this complex is now available. Views over pool to bay. Huge lanai. End location. \$425,000 | Keith Alexander | 250-5156

**PARK SHORE AREA - PARK WEST VILLAS** - Expansive end villa with a 2-car garage in an extremely well run complex, only 28 residences. Near shops & beach. \$279,000 | Jeri Richey | 269-2203

**PARK SHORE AREA - LAKEVIEW PINES #C102** - Perfectly located in a small private enclave of coach homes. First floor, light end 2BR/2BA overlooks lake/garden. \$259,000 | Beth McNichols/Mimi Straub | 821-3304

**PARK SHORE AREA - LAKEVIEW PINES** Private park-like setting, walk to shops & restaurants, 2BR/2BA condominium. Wood & tile floors, attached garage. \$254,000 | Mimi Straub | 434-2424

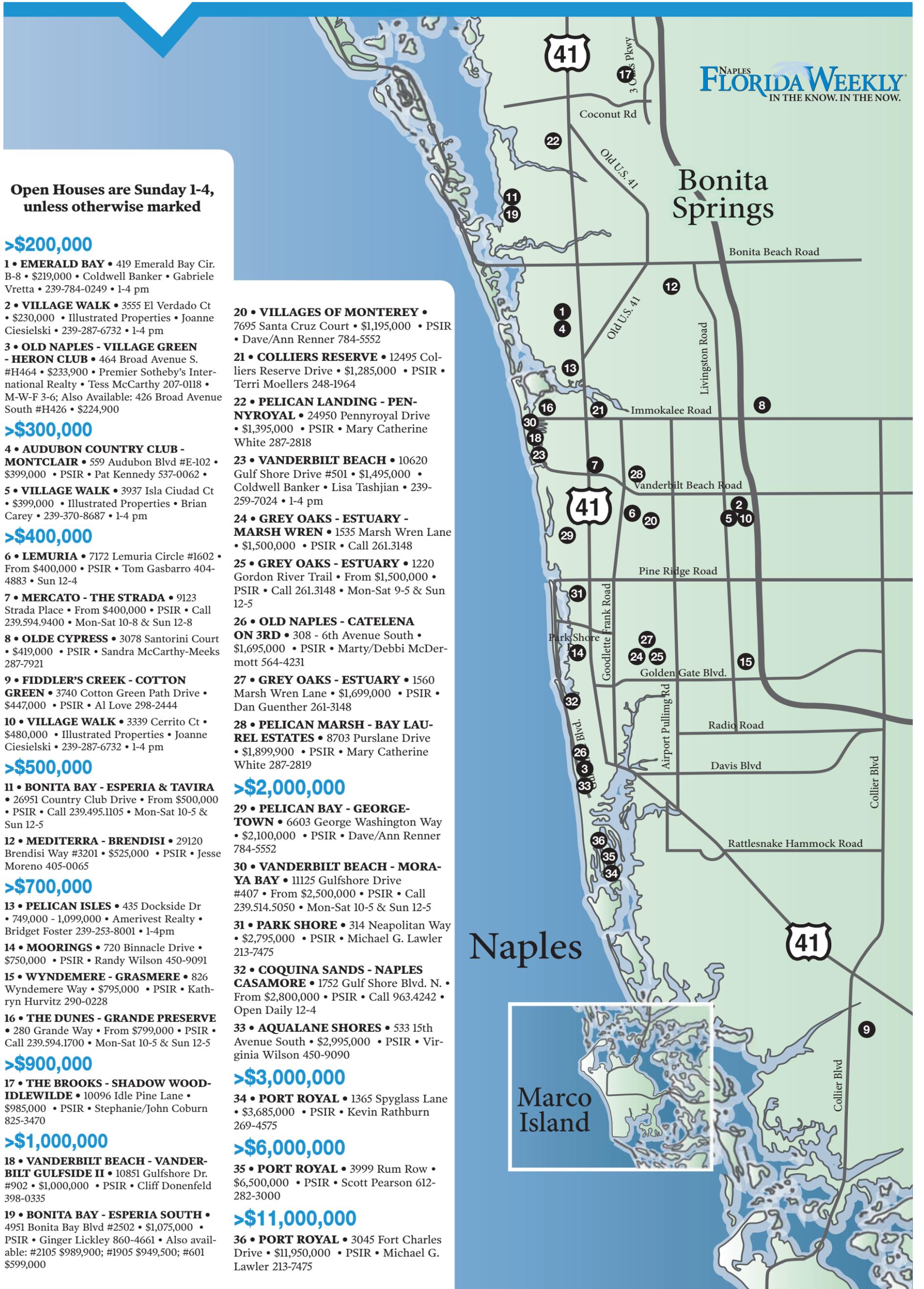
**PARK SHORE - HIDDEN LAKE VILLAS #D-38** - An attractive 2BR/2BA top floor condominium has S. exposure. Renovated kitchen. Pool, tennis, beach access nearby. \$225,000 | Angela R. Allen | 825-8494

**PARK SHORE - BELAIR CLUB** 3930 Belair Lane #104 - Crisp, clean 2BR/2BA cottage near beach. Completely upgraded throughout. Private beach club membership available. \$199,000 | Larry Roorda | 860-2534 **OPEN SUN. 1-4**

**PARK SHORE AREA - WINTERPORT** Lovely 1st floor updated 2BR/2BA condominium, screened patio overlooks pool. Private beach membership is included. \$199,000 | Gail Wynns | 269-0600

**PARK SHORE - JACARANDA #16** - Inviting 2BR, 2BA ready to enjoy. Friendly complex, excellent location. Covered parking, community pool. \$198,000 | Ruth Trettis | 403-4529

# Florida Weekly's Open Houses



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**Open Houses are Sunday 1-4, unless otherwise marked**

**>\$200,000**

- 1 • EMERALD BAY** • 419 Emerald Bay Cir. B-8 • \$219,000 • Coldwell Banker • Gabriele Vretta • 239-784-0249 • 1-4 pm
- 2 • VILLAGE WALK** • 3555 El Verdado Ct • \$230,000 • Illustrated Properties • Joanne Ciesielski • 239-287-6732 • 1-4 pm
- 3 • OLD NAPLES - VILLAGE GREEN - HERON CLUB** • 464 Broad Avenue S. #H464 • \$233,900 • Premier Sotheby's International Realty • Tess McCarthy 207-0118 • M-W-F 3-6; Also Available: 426 Broad Avenue South #H426 • \$224,900

**>\$300,000**

- 4 • AUDUBON COUNTRY CLUB - MONTCLAIR** • 559 Audubon Blvd #E-102 • \$399,000 • PSIR • Pat Kennedy 537-0062 •
- 5 • VILLAGE WALK** • 3937 Isla Ciudad Ct • \$399,000 • Illustrated Properties • Brian Carey • 239-370-8687 • 1-4 pm

**>\$400,000**

- 6 • LEMURIA** • 7172 Lemuria Circle #1602 • From \$400,000 • PSIR • Tom Gasbarro 404-4883 • Sun 12-4
- 7 • MERCATO - THE STRADA** • 9123 Strada Place • From \$400,000 • PSIR • Call 239.594.9400 • Mon-Sat 10-8 & Sun 12-8
- 8 • OLDE CYPRESS** • 3078 Santorini Court • \$419,000 • PSIR • Sandra McCarthy-Meeks 287-7921
- 9 • FIDDLER'S CREEK - COTTON GREEN** • 3740 Cotton Green Path Drive • \$447,000 • PSIR • Al Love 298-2444
- 10 • VILLAGE WALK** • 3339 Cerrito Ct • \$480,000 • Illustrated Properties • Joanne Ciesielski • 239-287-6732 • 1-4 pm

**>\$500,000**

- 11 • BONITA BAY - ESPERIA & TAVIRA** • 26951 Country Club Drive • From \$500,000 • PSIR • Call 239.495.1105 • Mon-Sat 10-5 & Sun 12-5
- 12 • MEDITERRA - BRENDISI** • 29120 Brendisi Way #3201 • \$525,000 • PSIR • Jesse Moreno 405-0065
- 13 • PELICAN ISLES** • 435 Dockside Dr • 749,000 - 1,099,000 • Amerivest Realty • Bridget Foster 239-253-8001 • 1-4pm
- 14 • MOORINGS** • 720 Binnacle Drive • \$750,000 • PSIR • Randy Wilson 450-9091
- 15 • WYNDEMERE - GRASMERE** • 826 Wyndemere Way • \$795,000 • PSIR • Kathryn Hurvitz 290-0228
- 16 • THE DUNES - GRANDE PRESERVE** • 280 Grande Way • From \$799,000 • PSIR • Call 239.594.1700 • Mon-Sat 10-5 & Sun 12-5

**>\$900,000**

- 17 • THE BROOKS - SHADOW WOOD-IDLEWILDE** • 10096 Idle Pine Lane • \$985,000 • PSIR • Stephanie/John Coburn 825-3470

**>\$1,000,000**

- 18 • VANDERBILT BEACH - VANDERBILT GULFSIDE II** • 10851 Gulfshore Dr. #902 • \$1,000,000 • PSIR • Cliff Donenfeld 398-0335

- 19 • BONITA BAY - ESPERIA SOUTH** • 4951 Bonita Bay Blvd #2502 • \$1,075,000 • PSIR • Ginger Lickley 860-4661 • Also available: #2105 \$989,900; #1905 \$949,500; #601 \$599,000

- 20 • VILLAGES OF MONTEREY** • 7695 Santa Cruz Court • \$1,195,000 • PSIR • Dave/Ann Renner 784-5552

- 21 • COLLIERS RESERVE** • 12495 Colliers Reserve Drive • \$1,285,000 • PSIR • Terri Moellers 248-1964

- 22 • PELICAN LANDING - PENNYROYAL** • 24950 Pennyroyal Drive • \$1,395,000 • PSIR • Mary Catherine White 287-2818

- 23 • VANDERBILT BEACH** • 10620 Gulf Shore Drive #501 • \$1,495,000 • Coldwell Banker • Lisa Tashjian • 239-259-7024 • 1-4 pm

- 24 • GREY OAKS - ESTUARY - MARSH WREN** • 1535 Marsh Wren Lane • \$1,500,000 • PSIR • Call 261.3148

- 25 • GREY OAKS - ESTUARY** • 1220 Gordon River Trail • From \$1,500,000 • PSIR • Call 261.3148 • Mon-Sat 9-5 & Sun 12-5

- 26 • OLD NAPLES - CATELENA ON 3RD** • 308 - 6th Avenue South • \$1,695,000 • PSIR • Marty/Debbi McDermott 564-4231

- 27 • GREY OAKS - ESTUARY** • 1560 Marsh Wren Lane • \$1,699,000 • PSIR • Dan Guenther 261-3148

- 28 • PELICAN MARSH - BAY LAUREL ESTATES** • 8703 Purslane Drive • \$1,899,900 • PSIR • Mary Catherine White 287-2819

**>\$2,000,000**

- 29 • PELICAN BAY - GEORGETOWN** • 6603 George Washington Way • \$2,100,000 • PSIR • Dave/Ann Renner 784-5552

- 30 • VANDERBILT BEACH - MORAYA BAY** • 11125 Gulfshore Drive #407 • From \$2,500,000 • PSIR • Call 239.514.5050 • Mon-Sat 10-5 & Sun 12-5

- 31 • PARK SHORE** • 314 Neapolitan Way • \$2,795,000 • PSIR • Michael G. Lawler 213-7475

- 32 • COQUINA SANDS - NAPLES CASAMORE** • 1752 Gulf Shore Blvd. N. • From \$2,800,000 • PSIR • Call 963.4242 • Open Daily 12-4

- 33 • AQUALANE SHORES** • 533 15th Avenue South • \$2,995,000 • PSIR • Virginia Wilson 450-9090

**>\$3,000,000**

- 34 • PORT ROYAL** • 1365 Spyglass Lane • \$3,685,000 • PSIR • Kevin Rathburn 269-4575

**>\$6,000,000**

- 35 • PORT ROYAL** • 3999 Rum Row • \$6,500,000 • PSIR • Scott Pearson 612-282-3000

**>\$11,000,000**

- 36 • PORT ROYAL** • 3045 Fort Charles Drive • \$11,950,000 • PSIR • Michael G. Lawler 213-7475



**RIVERWALK**  
 A seamless transition from indoor to outdoor living with 3BRs, gourmet kitchen, pool, tropical lanai & the river. \$2,475,000  
 Cathy/Jim McCormick | 850-4278



**HORIZONS**  
 #2004 - Luxury is the guiding principal in the design of this 20th floor corner residence. Dramatic Gulf/Bay & golf views. \$2,250,000  
 Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 564-1282



**TAVIRA**  
 #901 - Stunning views of Estero Bay & Gulf from this 9th floor residence. Former model has a transitional design concept. \$2,150,000 | Gary L. Jaarda/Jeff Jaarda/Becky Jaarda | 248-7474



**CREEKSIDE**  
 Lake & golf course views, cabana overlooks a courtyard with pool/spa. Custom quality in this 5BR/4.5BA + den home. \$1,775,000  
 Cathy/Jim McCormick | 850-4278



**SANCTUARY**  
 4248 Sanctuary Way - Two-story completely remodeled 5BR/6BA + den main home plus 3BR/2.5BA cabana. Private courtyard, heated pool/spa. \$1,599,000 | Jack Despart | 273-7931



**AZURE**  
 #603 - Gulf & golf views from multiple terraces. Phenomenal amenities. Private elevator, 3BR/3BA, 4,916 sq. ft. residence.  
 \$1,575,000 | Trudy/Carl Salyers | 398-8901



**CREEKSIDE** 3450 Oak Hammock Ct  
 Private golf course location. Spacious and well-appointed 5BR/5BA + den home with 4-car garage. New A/C in 2011. \$1,350,000  
 Carol Johnson/Ginger Lickley | 948-4000



**WOODLAKE**  
 This expansive pool home offers 6 bedrooms, den, loft, 6 full and one half-bath. Designed for privacy, immaculate. \$1,300,000  
 Roxanne Jeske/Linda Perry | 450-5210



**MIRA LAGO**  
 Premium, private lot, lake & golf course vistas. Unique 3BR/3BA courtyard villa, heated pool, spa & guest cabana. \$1,250,000  
 Sharon Kiptyk | 777-3899



**AZURE**  
 Outstanding Bay & golf views from extended terraces. Roof-top entertaining area, theatre, resort-style pool. Private marina and beach access.  
 FROM \$1,250,000 • 948-4000



**ESTANCIA**  
 #1404 - A one-of-a-kind residence with an airy feel. Exquisite appointments, huge den/family room. Fantastic amenities. \$1,095,000  
 Carol Johnson/Michael Lickley | 948-4000



**ESPERIA SOUTH** 4951 Bonita Bay Blvd  
 #2502 - Beautifully furnished former model. Single-family home feel, sweeping views, 11' high ceilings & amenities galore! \$1,075,000  
 Ginger Lickley/Carol Johnson | 948-4000



**SANCTUARY**  
 Spectacular lake & golf course views. Welcoming 3BR/4BA+study villa home. Spacious pool/spa area, finely maintained. \$999,000 | Gary L. Jaarda/Jeff Jaarda/Becky Jaarda | 248-7474



**ESTANCIA**  
 Captivating Gulf views! Luxurious residential tower, semi-private elevator vestibules. Upscale finishes. Resident manager, fitness center & tropical pool/spa area. FROM \$849,000 • 948-4000



**AZURE**  
 CH#104 - The 12 ft. floor-to-ceiling windows overlook Estero Bay Park! Private entry, open plan, feels like a private villa. \$869,900  
 Ginger Lickley/Carol Johnson | 948-4000



**ESTANCIA**  
 #1601 - Spectacular views over the Bay, Gulf, lakes/fairways. Tasteful decor, upscale full-amenity building, beach access. \$795,000 | Cathy/Jim McCormick/Brian Nelson | 850-4278



**BAYVIEW II** 4801 Island Pond Ct #1004  
 Recently redecorated home, new flooring throughout. Eastern balcony & western lanai for Gulf/Bay view. On-site mgr. \$649,900  
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**VISTAS**  
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**Old Naples**, 230 3rd Ave S, #3 - 2 STORY PRECIOUS COMPLETELY RENOVATED TOWNHOME 1 block to beach & 2 blocks to 5th Av S. w/glorious huge pool! Rarely available condo of only 6 congenial owners. 2/1.5 (C7851) Nan Dietrich, 564-2906 **\$435,000**



**Bonita Bay**, 3331 Glen Cairn Ct, #104 - Beautiful park-like setting; golf course, 2 lakes & waterfall view! Bright SW exposure. Glassed lanai, plantation shutters, granite, 1 car garage. Turnkey. 3/3 (C8094) Pam Doyle, 273-0861, Lynette L. Grou, PA, 405-0541 **\$365,000**



**Moorings**, 3200 Gulf Shore Blvd N, #217 - A beautiful setting, perfectly priced. Enjoy a vacation lifestyle year round from your second story bay front condo on Gulf Shore Blvd across from the beach. 2/2 (C7667) Michele Harrison, 580-9889, Sharon Kennedy, 595-2032 **\$349,900**



**Pelican Sound**, 21739 Sound Way, #101 - Location, location! Gated & West of US 41. 27 holes of Best bundled golf comm. in SW Florida. Fabulous corner carriage home. 2 car garage. Wraparound lanai too! 3/2 (C7698) Sarah Thompson, 398-8333, Mal Griffin, 398-9908 **\$339,900**



**Vanderbilt Beach**, 271 Southbay Dr, #232 - Well-maintained 3rd fl. Unit w/bay view, common elevator & under building assigned parking. Boat dock included. Short walk to beach, restaurants. Great value! 2/2 (C7885) Jim Scartz, 877-9726 **\$339,900**



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**Bonita Bay**, 4190 Lake Forest Dr, #1722 - Captivating southern exposure lake view with rookery. New S/S appliances, new AC, Miele W/D. Largest condo in Sandpiper - the Aruba. Private 2nd floor location. 3/2 (C7867) Lynette L. Grou, PA, 405-0541, Pam Doyle, 273-0861 **\$299,900**



**Bonita Bay**, 26992 Montego Pointe Ct, #101 - You'll love the privacy of this serene preserve location! Lush landscaping, located at Cul-de-sac. Furnished, 2 car attached garage, beach club. 2+Den/2 (C4452) Sharon Grabau, 910-4040 **\$295,000**



**Pelican Sound**, 21491 Pelican Sound Dr, #101 - It's the view! Premium location in premier golfing community in SW Florida. Enjoy golfers swinging & birdies singing over lake and golf course. Mbrshp included! 2+Den/2 (C8095) Sarah Thompson, 398-8333 **\$283,900**



**Pelican Sound**, 21301 Pelican Sound Dr, #202 - Resort living for vacation or a lifetime. Golf, tennis, boating & beach all included & in very reasonable dues. Great Coach home thrown in w/ lake & golf view! 3/2 (C8036) Sarah Thompson, 398-8333, Mal Griffin, 398-9908 **\$279,000**



**Saturnia Lakes**, 1774 Ribbon Fan Ln - MUST SEE wide lake view, tile in living areas, eat-in-kitchen, granite, sun-filled extended lanai. Exceptional resort style community pool & amenities. 2+Den/2 (H6221) Laurie Bellico, PA, 293-9389 **\$275,000**



**Naples Park**, 785 99th Ave N - Nothing to do BUT move in! SF jewel w/newer tin roof, large fenced back yard, fruit trees, granite, tile, SS appliances, upgraded kitchen, baths & more. MUST SEE! 3/2 (H6129) Laurie Bellico, PA, 293-9389 **\$269,900**



**Bay Forest**, 15337 Wimborne Ln - Minutes to beach! SFH 3 BR with 2 car on cul-de-sac of 15 forming a condo assoc. Newer roof, siding, appliances, mechanicals. Community Pool, Privacy plus Naples location. 3/2 (C8021) Nan Dietrich, 564-2906 **\$249,900**



**Carlton Lakes**, 5895 Northridge Dr N - Short Sale. Bank ready to close. Pool, gorgeous preserve view, cul-de-sac, volume ceilings, EIK. West I-75, pet friendly & tennis community. 2+Den/2 (V1570) Laurie Bellico, PA, 293-9389 **\$234,000**



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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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A GUIDE TO THE LOCAL ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT SCENE



**Gulfshore Playhouse gets ready, set for David Mamet's**

# RACE



BY NANCY STETSON  
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WHAT DO WE TALK ABOUT WHEN WE TALK about race?

What assumptions do we make, what biases do we secretly harbor, what anger do we swallow, what miscommunication occurs?

Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright David Mamet tackles this knotty, incendiary topic in "Race."

Accused of raping a young black woman, a wealthy white man hires two attorneys, partners at the same firm, to defend him. One is black, the other Caucasian.

Mr. Mamet calls his play "a tragedy about race" and has also said it's "a play about lies."

Gulfshore Playhouse brings it to The Norris Center in Naples with performances Jan. 27-Feb. 12 (and a preview Jan. 26).

"It's a provocative, timely, interesting play that, on the face of it, lances racism and racial prejudice," says Playhouse Producing Artistic Director Kristen Coury. "In reality, it brings up prejudice of all types of groups within the context of a very interesting story." The play also contains Mr. Mamet's usual, acerbic dialogue.

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— **Kristen Coury**  
Playhouse producing artistic director

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Florida writers attract attention from film producers. **C21** ►

## 15th annual Naples Invitational Art Fest this weekend

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

John Chen and Marcus Thomas, Best of Show winners at the 2011 Naples Invitational Art Fest, return for this year's juried show Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 28-29, at Fleischmann Park. They'll be joined by nearly 150 other artists exhibiting a range of mediums including oil, acrylic and watercolor paintings, blown glass, turned wood pieces, sculptures, ceramics and jewelry. The show benefits Eden Autism Ser-

vices. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

Born in Taipei, Taiwan, Mr. Chen graduated from the National Taiwan Normal University of Fine Arts. He spoke no English when he arrived in the United States, but his discipline and dedication

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# SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

## The Saturday night puppet show



There is nothing sadder than spending Saturday night in a coffee shop, alone. I happened to be that person last Saturday night.

I was dressed up for an evening out with friends, but I had to get work done beforehand. I needed a full hour of writing time, so I stopped in a coffee shop near my friend's apartment, ordered a cup of tea and a slice of baklava and pulled out my notebook. As I set pen to paper, I noticed that the people around me were all couples, paired men and women having get-to-know-you conversations. During the week, the coffee shop is filled with young professionals — writers and graphic designers and freelancers — but on Saturday night, as it turns out, it's full of people on first dates.

Across from me, a young woman in tight dark-washed jeans and a low-cut gray sweater laughed and played with a strand of her hair. Her date, in a pullover v-neck and blue collared shirt, leaned back in his chair and crossed his legs in a cocky way, ankle over knee.

"Want to grab a beer?" he said.

Apparently she had passed the first test but was still in the I'm-not-going-to-splurge-for-dinner stage.

I wrote a couple of paragraphs, took a sip of tea and forked a bite of baklava into my mouth. At the table next to me, a young man and woman worked on the script for a musical together. They didn't strike me as a couple until the next time I paused.

"So, she has this singing vagina, right?" the man was saying, "and Rose — that's the vagina's name, right? — is like this endangered species."

The young woman nodded eagerly, encouragingly, and I thought only a woman in love could praise an idea like that. "That's good, and then she could..."

The young man reached over and put his hands on hers. "No, stop," he said. "This is brilliant. So, she takes Rose on a safari expedition."

I couldn't listen to any more. I



He looked up from the silverware with a hopeful expression. "I can show you the puppets I was talking about."

until my hand cramped, and when I paused to shake out my stiff fingers, I heard the young scriptwriters next to me. The man closed his notebook and stuck his pencil into the wire binding. "Do you have any plans tonight?" he said. "I mean, after this?"

The woman folded her notebook. "No, I don't have any."

The young man fiddled with a fork on the table. "Do you want to walk down to my apartment?" He looked up from the silverware with a hopeful expression. "I can show you the puppets I was talking about."

I almost rolled my eyes for her. Puppets? I hadn't heard a line like that since the sixth grade. But then I thought, who am I to judge? At least she had a date on a Saturday night. And if she played her cards right, she might just get a puppet show. ■

turned back to my notepad, to my lukewarm tea, to the baklava falling to pieces on my plate. I wrote and wrote, as if my sanity depended on it, trying to ignore the couples in the coffee shop, the empty seat across from mine. I wrote

### See Spot.



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# Works on exhibit at The von Liebig reflect a joyful, carefree childhood

## SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Next up in the Naples Art Association's 2012 Lecture Series at The von Liebig Art Center, Tommy Simpson will discuss "Hand, Heart, Home," the show of his works opening Friday, Jan. 27, at the center. Mr. Simpson will discuss his art at 4 p.m., prior to the opening reception for the exhibit.

The Illinois-born artist describes himself as an "imaginist" who works in nearly every medium: woodworking, painting, printmaking, clay, woodcarving, bookmaking, jewelry and even prose. He is most known for his mixed-media sculptures made from carved, laminated or wheel-turned wood combined with found objects and vivid hand-brushed colors. Many of his creations are purely aesthetic in nature, while others serve a dual purpose as both art and functional objects for the home.

In each of his works there is an identifiable style that "puzzles together" his personal and cultural references into a signature blend of joyfulness and subtle commentary. Whimsical yet complex, his work reflects the joys of his carefree childhood during the 1940s and '50s.

"The ultimate goal," he explains, "is to bring the artwork to life, so that the viewer can identify the human spirit behind the work and experience its poetry..."

"What you see in my artwork is a record of my search through life's gifts and how they affect me," he adds. "To my delight, this journey pushes me to acquire new skills, to accept the morphing of ideas and attitudes into new horizons."

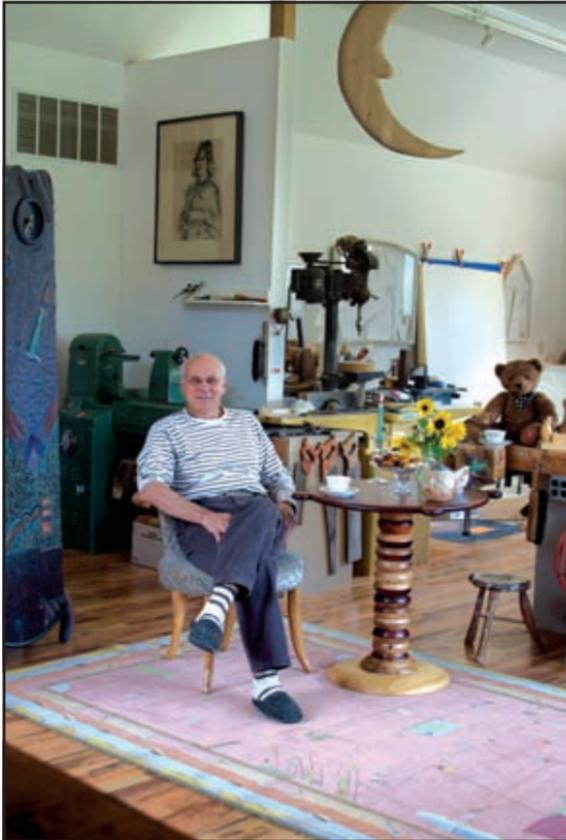
Mr. Simpson's artwork has been exhibited in major museums across the country, including the Renwick Gallery and the American Art Museum at the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D.C.; the Museum of Art and Design, New York; the Cranbrook Art Museum, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.; the Wadsworth Athenaeum, Hartford, Conn.; and the Art Institute of Chicago. His pieces are also in public and private collections worldwide.

The lecture in the Watson Gallery precedes the opening reception for "Hand, Heart, Home," which takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at The von Liebig.

The reception is also for the opening of "Songs We Love," an exhibit in the NAA Members' Gallery.

Tickets to the lecture are \$10 for Naples Art Association members and \$15 for others. Admission to the reception is free for NAA members and for those who attend the lecture. Admission to the opening reception only is \$10 for non-members.

"Hand, Heart and Home" will remain on display through Feb. 27; "Songs We Love" will hang through Feb. 28.



Tommy Simpson in his studio

### More lectures

The NAA 2012 Lecture Series continues as follows:

■ **4 p.m. Friday, March 9:** "History/Mystery," a discussion of the evolution of their imagery and creative process by Jerry Uelsmann and Maggie Taylor.

■ **4 p.m. Wednesday, March 15:** "Appraisals as a Step Toward the Management of Art as an Asset" by David Sleeman, director of the Winston Art Group.

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# RACE

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"It's a well-made play that I think everyone will enjoy," Ms. Coury says, adding one of Gulfshore Playhouse's many missions is to offer audiences what she refers to as "a full meal."

Very often, she explains, "You leave a show and can't remember what you saw. By the time you get to your car, it's already gone. The story wasn't that great or memorable. My goal is never to do that. I want to leave people feeling: That wasn't an appetizer. That was a full meal."

Another mission, she says, "is to give people something to think about and talk about."

And she expects "Race" will stimulate many discussions.

"I love to create provocative theater," she says. "I mean to provoke, so that when people leave, they'll be talking about it, wondering, discussing."

"That's the beauty of theater: It will actually open up a line of communication for people to talk about things that they might not necessarily talk about (otherwise)."

Talk-backs with the cast and director will take place for audiences after the Feb. 2 and 9 evening shows and the Feb. 12 matinee.

## The rehearsal process

The four-person play calls for two black actors and two white actors.

Eric Hissom, fresh off of the national tour of "The 39 Steps," stars as one of the lawyers; Jefferson Russell, who recently portrayed Captain Beatty in "Fahrenheit 451" at the Round House Theatre in Washington, D.C., portrays the other.

Brent Langdon, who's performed in "the Crucible" at Hartford Stage and "Richard II" at the Yale Repertory Theatre, is cast as the accused. And Edena Hines, who recently performed in "Shipwrecked" at the Penguin Repertory Theatre in Stony Point, N.Y., plays the attorneys' legal assistant.

At the beginning of the rehearsal process, the actors and Ms. Coury sat for a day and a half and talked. "It's called table work," Ms. Coury says. "We talk through the script itself, make sense of every single sentence, every single motivation, every reason why."

"David Mamet doesn't give any back story, so you have to create that for the characters," she adds. "We don't know why or how they hired the legal assistant, how long she's been there, how long (the two lawyers have been) partners, what really happened."

The play also highlights how different generations view racial interactions.

"The male black actor is in his 40s, and the actress is in her 20s," she says. "It's interesting to see their perspectives on race from a generational per-



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Jefferson Russell and Eric Hissom star as Henry and Jack in Gulfshore Playhouse's production of "Race" playing Jan. 27 - Feb. 12.

spective.

"The rich white guy who's accused had made a slight against a black male friend of his in college. It was thoughtless, but offensive. Any guy, back in that day, would've known to swallow that and not openly react in any way, shape, or form."

But times have changed, Ms. Coury adds, and if that were to happen today, the friend would most likely speak up and object.

"It's not OK anymore to just swallow it," she says. "It's evolution."

## An incendiary topic

In a *New York Times* opinion piece, Mr. Mamet wrote that his play is intended to be a contribution to the dialogue on race.

"As a Jew," he wrote, "I will relate that there is nothing a non-Jew can say to a Jew on the subject of Jewishness that is not patronizing, upsetting or simply wrong. I assume that the same holds true among African-Americans."

That sentiment is echoed in the play, Ms. Coury says.

"There's a point where the white guy says to the black legal assistant, who's female: 'I know there's nothing a white person can say to a black person about race that is not both incorrect and offensive.'"

The character goes on to say, "Race is the most incendiary topic in our history, and the moment it comes out, you cannot close the lid on that box. That may change, but not for a long, long while."

"That's a white man saying that," Ms. Coury says. "David Mamet also throws that into the mix. He's saying that we're exploring this topic together; I'm not going to purport that I understand everything there is to know about race."

Audiences may have more questions than answers at the close of "Race."

"David Mamet does a great job of really making us realize that prejudice is so much grander than just race," she says. "It's everything: preconceived judgments about men and women; Northerners and Southerners; fat people, skinny people; rich people, poor people; Jews, Christians. The list goes on."

"You can keep naming ways that we decide groups are 'other.' Do they speak with a different accent? Eat different foods? Celebrate holidays differently or celebrate different holidays? It's incredible when you start to really realize the way we pre-judge people we consider different from ourselves."

The play is ambiguous.

"There are a few characters about

which you don't really know for sure if they're guilty or innocent, in a variety of ways," Ms. Coury says, clarifying that she's not just talking about the accused.

During rehearsals, depending upon the day and how an actor plays the role, she changes her mind in thinking, "He did it," "I don't think she did it," she says. "It comes down to the nuance of how it's played. That's what will affect our opinion of the outcome."

"The play is like a mirror, but it's like someone quietly handing you a little hand mirror. It's not preachy."

"It's an incredible play... lush with thoughtful points. It's an interesting story you can get wrapped up in. It's not in your face, it's: Think about this, discuss this."

"It's a great piece of theater." ■

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## "Race"

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>> **Cost:** Tickets start at \$35

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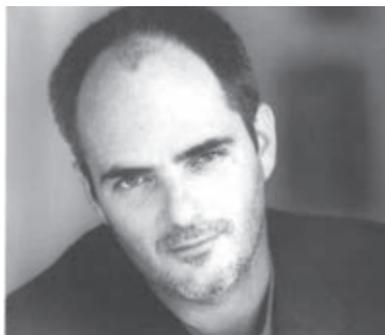
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## ART FEST

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to his art have earned him numerous awards.

"John has taken a traditional technique and developed quite an innovative style," Jill Spanbauer, director of the festival, says.

At the age of 26, Mr. Thomas suffered a skiing accident that broke his neck and left him paralyzed from the shoulders down. With only his imagination and the muscles of his head and neck, he turned to art and began to realize his calling as an artist.

"Marcus' work captures the natural world in color and light," Ms. Spanbauer says. "He pushes beyond the boundaries of what we believe possible, perfecting difficult techniques and capturing elusive moments."

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## WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO



The 25th anniversary production of *Les Misérables* is on stage at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts through Jan. 29. Limited tickets remain available. 597-1900 or [www.ThePhil.org](http://www.ThePhil.org).

## Theater

■ **I'm Herbert ... and Other Strangers** - Presented by The Island Players Community Theater and Centennial Bank at the Marco Island Historical Museum Feb. 3-18. [www.theateronmarco.com](http://www.theateronmarco.com) or 394-0080.

■ **Race** - By Gulfshore Playhouse Jan. 27-Feb. 12 at The Norris Center. 261-7529 or [www.gulfshoreplayhouse.org](http://www.gulfshoreplayhouse.org).

■ **Doubt** - By The Naples Players Feb. 1-25 in the Tobye Studio of Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or [www.naplesplayers.org/tickets](http://www.naplesplayers.org/tickets).

■ **12 Angry Jurors** - By The Marco Players through Jan. 29. 1089 N. Collier Blvd. 642-7270 or [www.themarcoplayerson.com](http://www.themarcoplayerson.com).

■ **Moonlight & Magnolias** - By The Naples Players through Feb. 4 at the Sugden Community Theatre. 263-7990 or [www.naplesplayers.org/tickets](http://www.naplesplayers.org/tickets).

■ **The Year of Magical Thinking** - By Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers, through Feb. 4. 332-4488 or [www.floridarep.org](http://www.floridarep.org).

■ **God of Carnage** - By Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers, through Jan. 31. 332-4488 or [www.floridarep.org](http://www.floridarep.org).

■ **Bedroom Farce** - By Florida Repertory Theatre, Fort Myers, Jan. 31-Feb. 25. 332-4488.

■ **Squabbles** - By the Off Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers, through March 3. 278-4422.

■ **Me and My Girl** - By the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre, Fort Myers, through Feb. 11. 278-4422 or [www.broadwaypalm.com](http://www.broadwaypalm.com).

■ **One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest** - By Laboratory Theater of Florida, Fort Myers, through Jan. ??DATE?? 218-0481 or [www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com](http://www.laboratorytheaterflorida.com).

## Thursday, Jan. 26

■ **Off the Cuff** - Naples City Improv starts ad libbing at 8 p.m. at the English Pub. \$10; two-item minimum from the menu. 682-0638.

■ **Two-Man Show** - "Textures," a two-man show at Gardner Colby Gallery, opens with a reception from 5:30-7:30 p.m. The show runs through Feb. 5. 386 Broad Ave. S. 403-7787 or [art@gardnercolbygallery.com](mailto:art@gardnercolbygallery.com).

■ **Evening on Fifth** - Live music and dance performances takes place along Fifth Avenue South from 6:30-9:30 p.m. [www.FifthAvenueSouth.com](http://www.FifthAvenueSouth.com).

## Friday, Jan. 27

■ **Art Lecture** - The Naples Art Association presents a lecture by artist Tommy Simpson at 4 p.m. at The von Liebig Art Center. \$10 members; \$15 non-members. 585 Park St. 262-6517 or [www.naplesart.org](http://www.naplesart.org). See story on page C3.

■ **Outdoor Film** - Enjoy a screening of the hit film "Bridesmaids" starting at 6 p.m. at the Naples Botanical Garden. Food, raffles and music will be part of the fun. Bring a blanket or lawn chair for seating. 643-7275 or [www.naplesgarden.org](http://www.naplesgarden.org).

■ **Gospel Sounds** - Harbor Ministries presents The Booth Brothers and soloist Lindsey Graham in a benefit concert for St. Matthew's House at 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Naples. \$20. Bring a nonperishable food item for the SMH Food Pantries.

■ **Country Concert** - The Zac Brown Band takes the stage at 7 p.m. at Germain Arena. 334-3309 or [www.germainarena.com](http://www.germainarena.com).

■ **Boo!** - Ghost walks start at 7, 7:15, 7:30 and 7:45 p.m. at Koreshan State Historic Site in Estero. 992-0311.

■ **Live Music** - Nevada Wilkens and Stu Shelton perform jazz and standards from 6-9 p.m. at Absinthe restaurant and lounge in the Galleria at Vanderbilt. 254-0050.

■ **Music Makers** - The Music Makers Show Band performs from 7-8:30 p.m. in the band shell at Cambier Park. 213-3058.

## Saturday, Jan. 28

■ **Sidewalk Art** - Chalk Art 2012 runs from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Fifth Avenue South (rain date is Jan. 29). 692-8436.

■ **Art Fest** - The Bayshore CAPA Festival of the Arts is set for 11 a.m.-6 p.m. today and Sunday at Sugden Regional Park. 775-2800 or [www.bayshorecapa.org](http://www.bayshorecapa.org). See story page C12-13.

■ **Music Memorial** - The Bill "BK" Koetting Memorial Music Festival and Blood Drive runs from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Mark's Church on Marco Island. Enjoy music by Frontline, The Bugtussle Ramblers, Frank Corso's Spoonful, J Robert & Martin, The Bean Pickers and The Wildflowers. Free admission.

■ **Clarinet Recital** - The FGCU Bower School of Music presents "The Art of the Clarinet," featuring clarinetist Vadim Lando and pianist Pippa Borisy, at 3 p.m. \$7. 590-7851, [pharkins@fgcu.edu](mailto:pharkins@fgcu.edu) or [www.fgcu.edu/CAS/BSM/Concerts.html](http://www.fgcu.edu/CAS/BSM/Concerts.html).

■ **Italian Night** - "Everything Italian" runs from 6-9 p.m. at the Guess-Fisher Gallery & Phil Fisher Gallery/Studio, 810 12th Ave. S. Enjoy the tastes, sounds and views of Italy interpreted in watercolors, oils and batiks by Phil Fisher and Natalie Guess, plus music, wine and food. 659-2787 or [guessfisher@comcast.net](mailto:guessfisher@comcast.net).

■ **It Takes Two** - Get in step with Repun Tango Naples during a milonga from 8-11 p.m. \$15. 1673 Pine Ridge Road. 738-4184 or (305) 785-8899.

■ **Happy New Year** - Seminole Casino Immokalee celebrates the Asian New Year at 9 p.m. with live entertainment, Asian-inspired cuisine and more. [www.seminoleimmokaleecasino.com](http://www.seminoleimmokaleecasino.com).

## Sunday, Jan. 29

■ **Art on the Lake** - The fourth annual Art on the Lake runs from noon-3 p.m. at Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club. Trolley and shuttle service are provided from parking locations. 489-2582 or [www.MiromarLakes.com](http://www.MiromarLakes.com).

■ **Big Band** - The Gulf Coast Big Band performs at 2 p.m. in the band shell at Cambier Park. Bring blankets or lawn chairs for seating. 434-4925.

■ **Temple Concert** - Congregation Beth Tikvah presents Take Four, Plus. Enjoy a wine and cheese reception at 4 p.m. followed by the concert. \$20-\$25. 1459 Pine Ridge Rodd. 331-2845.

■ **Sinatra Tribute** - The English Pub presents "Frank & Friends," a tribute to Frank Sinatra. \$10 cover. 5047 Tamiami Trail E. 775-3727 or [www.naplesenglishpub.com](http://www.naplesenglishpub.com).

## Monday, Jan. 30

■ **Bingo!** - Play your bingo cards right beginning at 1 p.m. at the Greater Marco Family YMCA. Doors open at noon and snacks are served. 394-9622, ext. 204, or [dottie@marcoislandymca.org](mailto:dottie@marcoislandymca.org).

## Wednesday, Feb. 1

■ **Music Lecture** - The FGCU Bower School of Music presents "Creating a New Work for Snare Drum," a guest artist lecture by Jason Baker, at 4 p.m. 590-7851 or [pharkins@fgcu.edu](mailto:pharkins@fgcu.edu).

■ **Art on Exhibit** - An opening reception for "Visual Percussion" by painter Dylan Critchfield-Sales and sculptor Dennis Elliot takes place from 6-9 p.m. at Sweet Art Gallery, 2054 Trade Center Way. 597-2110 or [www.TheSweetArtGallery.com](http://www.TheSweetArtGallery.com).

■ **Underground Art** - The North Naples Arts Alliance hosts Underground Art Wednesday from 6-9 p.m. in numerous studios and galleries in the Pine Ridge Industrial Park. 821-1061.

■ **Irish Night** - Andy Cooney's "Forever Irish 2012" starts at 6:30 p.m. at the St. Elizabeth Seton School. \$20. 455-3900, ext. 203, or 774-1880. See story on page C14.

■ **Guest Recital** - The FGCU Bower School of Music presents a solo percussion recital by Jason Baker at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Building. \$7. 590-7851, [pharkins@fgcu.edu](mailto:pharkins@fgcu.edu) or [www.fgcu.edu/CAS/BSM/Concerts.html](http://www.fgcu.edu/CAS/BSM/Concerts.html).



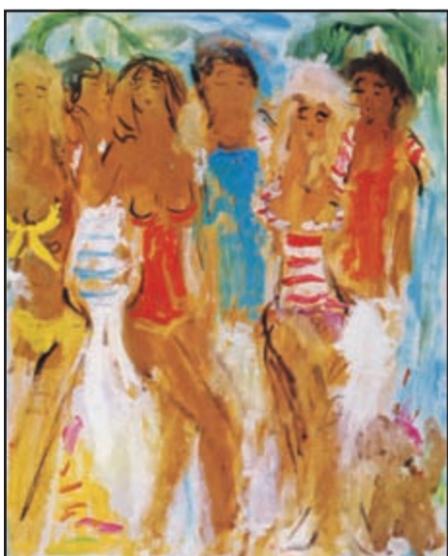
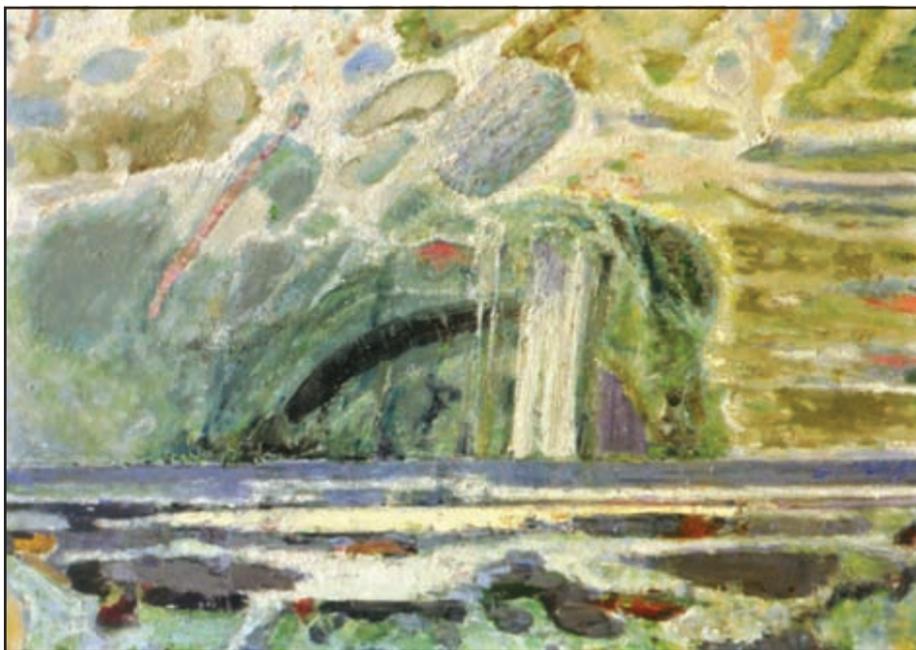
Meet artist Jane Chapin (whose *Angel Watching* is shown above) when The Englishman Fine Art & Antique Gallery celebrates the opening of its newest exhibit, "Of Light and Shadows," from 5:30-8 p.m. Jan. 26. The gallery is at 1190 Third St. S. 649-8088.

## Coming up

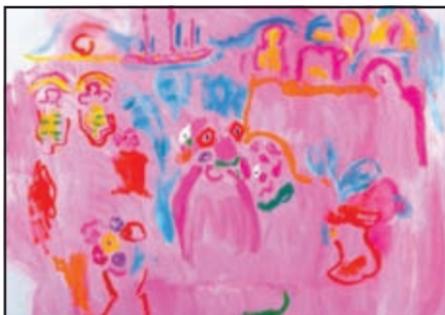
■ **Seven Sisters** - The second annual Artful Reception for the Seven Sisters is set for 5-7 p.m. Feb. 2 at Trudy Labell Fine Art. Alumnae of Barnard, Bryn Mawr, Mount Holyoke, Radcliffe, Smith, Vassar and Wellesley colleges are invited to enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres. 2425 Tamiami Trail N. \$20. 293-0354 or [kkbcoach@comcast.net](mailto:kkbcoach@comcast.net).

■ **Member Art** - The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs hosts the opening reception for its Members Exhibition from 6-8 p.m. Feb. 3. 26100 Old 41 Road. 495-8989 or [www.artcenterbonita.org](http://www.artcenterbonita.org).

# WHAT TO DO



Harmon-Meek Gallery exhibits new works by distinguished American artists Bob Kane (*Amici*, left, and *Terrace Positano*, below) and Bernard Chat (*White Dawn*, above) through Feb. 10. 599 Tamiami Trail N. 261-2637 or [www.harmonmeekgallery.com](http://www.harmonmeekgallery.com).



**Mercato Music** – The Wholetones perform from 6-9 p.m. Feb. 2 at Mercato. [www.facebook.com/mercatonaples](http://www.facebook.com/mercatonaples).

**On Exhibit** – An opening reception for “Transformations in a New Age,” an exhibit of works by Kevin Caffrey, runs from 5:30-8 p.m. Feb. 2 at The Sultan Gallery at KVS Interior Design. The exhibit is on display through March 3. 3820 Via Del Rey, Bonita Springs. 949-6700.

**Worth It** – Worth NY presents its 2012 Spring trunk show from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Feb. 4-12. 380 10th St. S. 860-3100.

**German Fest** – Our Savior Lutheran Church hosts its fifth annual Naples German Fest from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Feb. 4. Proceeds benefit Avow Hospice. \$7 adults; \$3 children; 1955 Curling Ave. 597-4091 or [www.naplesgermanfest.com](http://www.naplesgermanfest.com).

**Acoustic Sounds** – The Acoustic Music Society of Southwest Florida presents “Pick’n in Paradise” from 2-5 p.m. Feb. 5 at the Elks Lodge on Coconut Road in Bonita Springs. Performers include The Spinney Brothers, Skeeterland Band and the Bugtussle Ramblers. 248-8906 or [www.acousticmusicsociety.org](http://www.acousticmusicsociety.org).

**Seafood Fest** – Get hooked at the Everglades City Seafood Festival Feb. 4-5 in McLeod Park. Enjoy tunes by Nashville musicians as well as locals, plus arts and crafts booths, carnival rides and seafood of all kinds. The event opens on Saturday at 10 a.m. and on Sunday at 11 a.m. [www.evergladesseafoodfestival.com](http://www.evergladesseafoodfestival.com) or 695-2277. ■

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## THEATER REVIEW

## 'Moonlight &amp; Magnolias'? Fiddle-dee-dee!

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Comedy takes skill and hard work. The trick is to make it look effortless. Comedy is so much more than parroting a funny line. Actors need the right timing, the right feel, the right delivery. According to director Michael Scanlon's program notes for "Moonlight & Magnolias" (playing at the Sugden Community Theatre through Feb. 4), the play is "a riotous screwball comedy."

But you can't tell that by what's happening on stage. There were few laughs the night I saw the show, and many lines that should have been funny just fell flat. And that's unfortunate, because it really is a funny play.

The premise: Hollywood producer David O. Selznick has stopped production of "Gone With the Wind" after three weeks of shooting. He realizes he needs an entirely new script and calls in expert rewrite man/screenwriter Ben Hecht. He also pulls director Victor Fleming off of "The Wizard of Oz," even though he's only two weeks away from completing shooting.

He locks the three of them in his office for five days, feeding them only bananas and peanuts. No one can leave until they have a sparkling new script for "Gone With the Wind."

One major problem: Mr. Hecht has never read the novel. (He reads the first page in Selznick's office and is underwhelmed. "Moonlight and magnolias," he scoffs. "Give me a break!") There isn't time for him to read the 1,037-page tome, so the other two act out the story for him, scene-by-scene, including the women's parts, while he types out his screenplay.

A running gag is that neither Mr. Hecht nor Mr. Fleming thinks the movie will do well. When Mr. Hecht is told the story, he says, "This is insane. (It has) a plot that makes 'Finnegan's Wake' the model of lucidity."

And when he boils it down to its bare bones, it does sound ludicrous.

He points out that Scarlett O'Hara is a silly, spoiled girl who owns slaves and is racist and adulterous. She also shoots a Union soldier. (Rhett Butler,

on the other hand, a la Jerry Lee Lewis, marries his cousin. "Hey, it's the South," someone explains.)

Adam Shaver plays the role of Mr. Hecht with a cynicism and gruffness befitting a former Chicago newspaperman. He's the voice of conscience in the show, playing devil's advocate.

He's incredulous: Scarlett slaps Prissy, a slave girl, in the face — and she's supposed to be the heroine? he queries.

While Mr. Shaver is understated and nuanced in his role, Randall Jones overplays the role of Mr. Selznick. Overwrought and over-the-top from the start, he turns red in the face and sweats through his role. He mugs shamelessly for the audience throughout.

The director should've reined him in; if you start at full blast and full volume, where is there to go?

Mr. Jones gave such an entertaining performance as Andre in the Naples Players' production of "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels," but his portrayal of Selznick is off-putting and obnoxious. He's so whiney and wheedling it's difficult to believe he runs a studio.

I began cringing every time he addressed his efficient secretary, Miss Poppenghul (Patti Caroli in a thankless role), because whenever he requested something, he'd first ask if she knew what it was: "Do you know what a pencil is?" "Do you know what a typewriter is?" "Do you know what bananas are?" After the first couple of times, it came across as firstbeating rather than a funny verbal tic. I wish the actor had given those lines a different reading and inflection.

Mr. Jones chews the scenery from the very beginning, and what delicious scenery it is, too. Mike Santos has given us a lush office, with Art Deco doors, desk and light sconces. Mr. Selznick's chair behind the desk is almost like a throne.

Especially clever is Mr. Santos's proscenium border, painted with film reels with spools of film ribboning from them. The film looks exactly like the Yellow Brick Road to Oz (the film Mr. Fleming was pulled off of to shoot "Gone With the Wind.")

But the acting in this play is, unfortunately, not as good as the set or the script.

Joel Hawkins isn't convincing as the director Mr. Fleming. Even the scene where he portrays Melanie giving birth (he stuffs a pillow up his shirt and is

spread-eagle on the couch, legs over its back) didn't get that many laughs.

The playwright adds dialogue about anti-Semitism in America, with Mr. Hecht commenting on how Mr. Selznick isn't accepted into the local country clubs and can't live in certain areas. But a farce seems like an odd vehicle for exploring Mr. Selznick's self-hatred and/or desire for assimilation, and "Moonlight & Magnolias" hits a speed bump every time the script veers into this territory.

Perhaps if these men were better actors, this subject could have been accepted as part of their ongoing animosity.

Stage 88, the now-defunct Bonita Springs theater, put on a production of "Moonlight & Magnolias" four years ago; it was a much more spirited and much funnier production.

Mr. Scanlan also made the odd decision to show old black-and-white film reels before the opening of acts one and two. One is a trailer for "A Star is Born," another for "King Kong." Others are quirky newsreels about unusual people.

Unfortunately, the director must not have checked sight lines, because you can only see the entire screen if you're seated in the center; those seated closer to the side aisles will find their view partially blocked. While interesting, the shorts seem gimmicky and don't add to the play.

There are some great lines in "Moonlight & Magnolias," including a tribute to film and how it's "the only time machine ever invented." (And I personally loved a scene where the producer kept offering the writer more and more



Adam Shaver, Randall Jones and Joel Hawkins

COURTESY PHOTOS



Patti Caroli and Randall Jones

money.) But most of the clever lines and wonderful humor were lost in the delivery.

For a multiplicity of reasons — timing, pacing, acting, directing — this production isn't even half as hilarious as it could be. The Naples Players have continually raised the bar for quality community theater over the years; this misses the mark.

A number of people walked out at intermission and didn't return. I watched their departure enviously.

What did I think of "Moonlight & Magnolias"? Frankly, I didn't give a damn. ■

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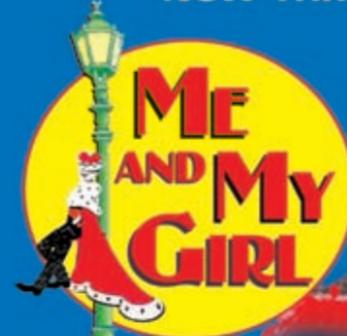
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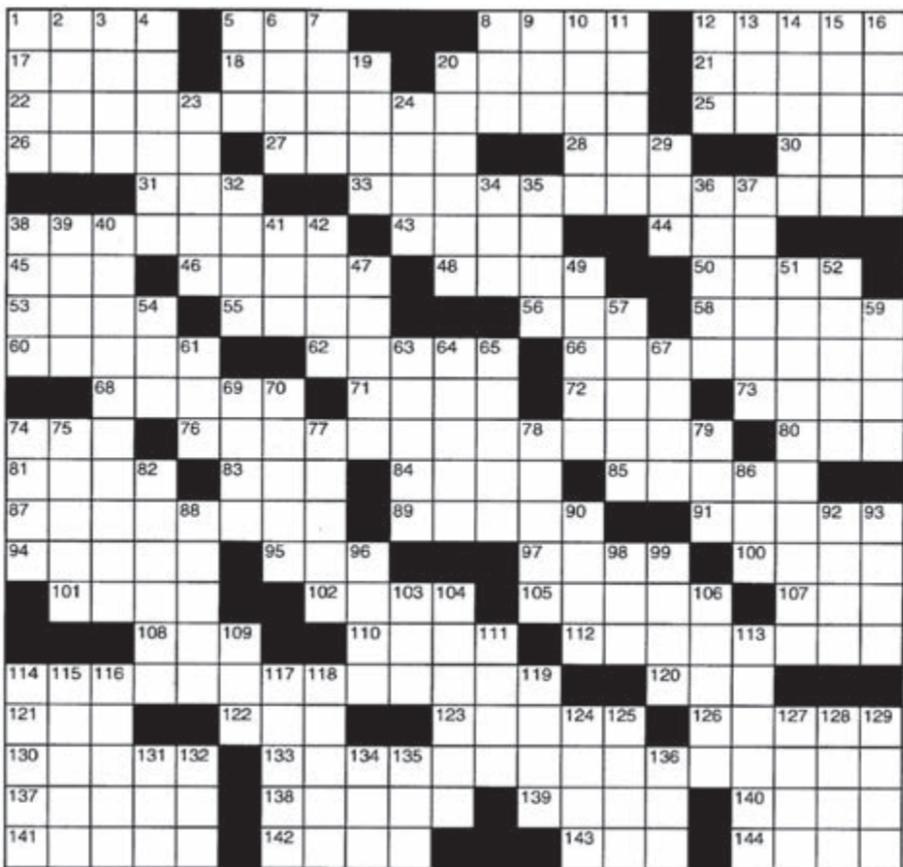
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  - 74 "— Eyes" (79 hit)
  - 76 "New Look" couturier
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  - 110 Football's Aikman
  - 112 Architect, for instance
  - 114 "The Descent of Man" author
  - 120 Fumble
  - 121 Empty (of)
  - 122 Wagner's —
  - 123 Sneaks peeks
  - 126 Carries
  - 130 Removes the cork
  - 133 1974 Tony-winning actress
  - 137 "Killer Tomatoes" sound
  - 138 Fiddled (with)
  - 139 Screenwriter James
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  - 67 Santa's problem
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  - 70 Singer Maresca
  - 74 Fountain order
  - 75 Luncheon-ette lure
  - 77 Gentleman of leisure?
  - 78 "Pagliacci" soprano
  - 79 Pirate's qualf
  - 82 Fiatt or Pearson
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  - 90 Auctioneer's cry
  - 92 43,560 square feet
  - 93 Cassandra, for one
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  - 106 High spirits
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## HOROSCOPES

**AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** Some self-doubt shows up this week, causing you to question your ability to handle a new challenge. But you know you can do it, and this is your chance to prove it.

**PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** A personal matter requires you to be as clear and forthcoming as possible in order to avoid misunderstandings. A career move is eased with the emergence of new facts.

**ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** Lots of mixed signals can create an unreliable situation in which to make decisions. Best advice: Hold off on making any commitments until you're sure you know what's going on.

**TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** An apparently friendly offer comes with some strings attached. Be careful not to get tied into something you don't really want. Thoroughly examine all your options before making a choice.

**GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** If you're not careful, distractions can interrupt your best efforts. Continue to focus on what you need to do. You'll soon have lots of time to enjoy the rewards of your dedication.

**CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Knowledge replaces suspicion as you begin to learn more about that "act of betrayal." On a lighter note, someone close to you might be planning a pleasant surprise.

**LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Control your sometimes-overactive jealousy

gene before you find yourself saying or doing something that you could later regret. Best advice: Stop obsessing and move on.

**VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** It's a good time to loosen up and do something wonderful and exciting before your more reserved nature resurfaces. A message brings news of imminent change.

**LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** Cheer up. Things begin to improve significantly by mid-February. However, you might still need help to get through the rest of this sometimes-difficult period.

**SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Something you learned last week takes on new meaning as you begin to relate it to another situation in your life. It's best to keep this matter to yourself for now.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Your energy level is climbing, and so is your self-confidence. Good for you, because you'll need a good dollop of both to tackle an exciting challenge on the way.

**CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** A family issue might interrupt a career-linked project. Try to give the matter the attention it needs, but be careful not to jeopardize your workplace situation.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a way of reaching people that makes them feel good about themselves. You would be an excellent motivational speaker. ■

By Linda Thistle

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## 'Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close'


  
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### Is it worth \$10? No

"As with anything," Thomas tells his 9-year-old son Oskar, "if you want to believe, you can find reasons to."

So true, and prophetic.

For surely if you want to believe in "Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close," a melodramatic tale about a boy searching New York City for the lock that fits his newfound key, you will find reasons. But when looking at it objectively, director Stephen Daldry's ("The Hours") film is long, manipulative and obvious, a saccharine story that plays off 9/11 emotion and far too often borders on the preposterous.

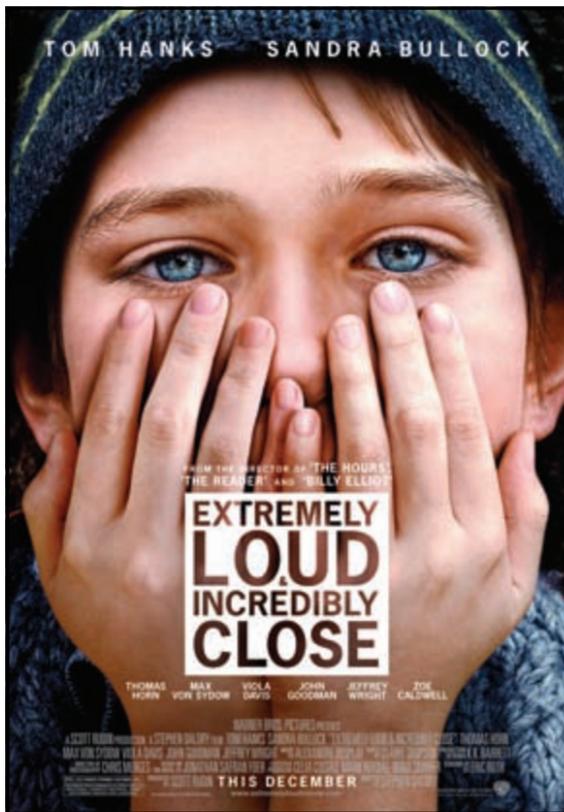
Thomas and Oskar have an interesting relationship that appears to be built entirely on lies. After telling his son New York City has a "sixth borough" and that Central Park was literally dragged into the city by locals years ago, Thomas (Tom Hanks) dies on 9/11. This leaves Oskar (Thomas Horn, making his screen debut) and his mother Linda (Sandra Bullock) understandably distraught.

A year goes by. Still grieving, Oskar searches his father's closet and finds a key in an envelope with the word "Black" written on it. Believing it's another quest his father wants him to go on, Oskar attempts to track down every single home in New York City where someone named "Black" lives. That's 216, by Oskar's count. He's determined and ambitious, but not to the point where he overcomes his fear of public transit. He admits he might have Aspergers, and it's hard to think he doesn't.

That Oskar is unlikeable is a combination of the way he's written and young Mr. Horn's performance. As written by Eric Roth (working from the book by Jonathan Safran Foer), he's an annoying, inconsiderate brat who we're forced to sympathize with because his daddy died on 9/11.

We'd be jerks if we didn't feel for the kid. But this doesn't change the fact that he's odious and obnoxious, the type of precocious little snot that only his mother could love. Mr. Horn, who deserves a break only because it's his first performance, never makes Oskar likeable — and he never had a chance.

It's dicey at best to tell an emotional story tied so close to 9/11, and it's not that Mr. Daldry isn't sensitive about it, it's just hard to see why 9/11 plays in at all. This story easily could've been about a boy who loses his father in any tragic incident and goes about his quest. In other words, there's no good reason to use 9/11 here, and doing so is a cheap gimmick that plays off the still-painful



emotions many Americans continue to feel about the most horrible event of their generation.

Many articles about "Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close" have had fun with its title, so allow me to conclude by doing the same: This movie is extremely long and incredibly annoying. ■

### in the know

>> **Producer Scott Rudin** discovered Thomas Horn when the youngster was appearing on "Jeopardy Kids Week" in August 2010. This led to an audition and Horn winning the role. You can see the "Jeopardy" episode on YouTube.

## CAPSULES

### Haywire ★★

(Gina Carano, Ewan McGregor, Michael Fassbender) An assassin (Ms. Carano) is framed for murder and seeks revenge on those who wronged her. There's some good action, but Steven Soderbergh's directing feels half-assed and uninspired. Rated R.

### Mission: Impossible – Ghost Protocol ★★★★★

(Tom Cruise, Simon Pegg, Paula Patton) Ethan Hunt (Ms. Cruise) and his IMF team must stop a madman (Mikael Nyqvist) from starting nuclear war. The story is

standard, but the action set pieces are out-of-this-world good — so good, in fact, that this is the year's best action movie. See it in IMAX if you can. Rated PG-13.

### The Adventures of Tintin ★★

(Jamie Bell, Daniel Craig, Andy Serkis) An old enemy (Mr. Craig) stands in the way of a young reporter (Mr. Bell) and ship captain (Mr. Serkis) as they search for lost treasure. The motion capture animation is decent and some of the action is exciting, but this plays like a humorless young Indiana Jones on a treasure quest. Rated PG. ■



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Taking the stage on Sunday before the Band of the United States Air Force Reserve grand finale: Zofia Majewski, Opera Naples Young Artist, sings the national anthem; the Naples Klezmer



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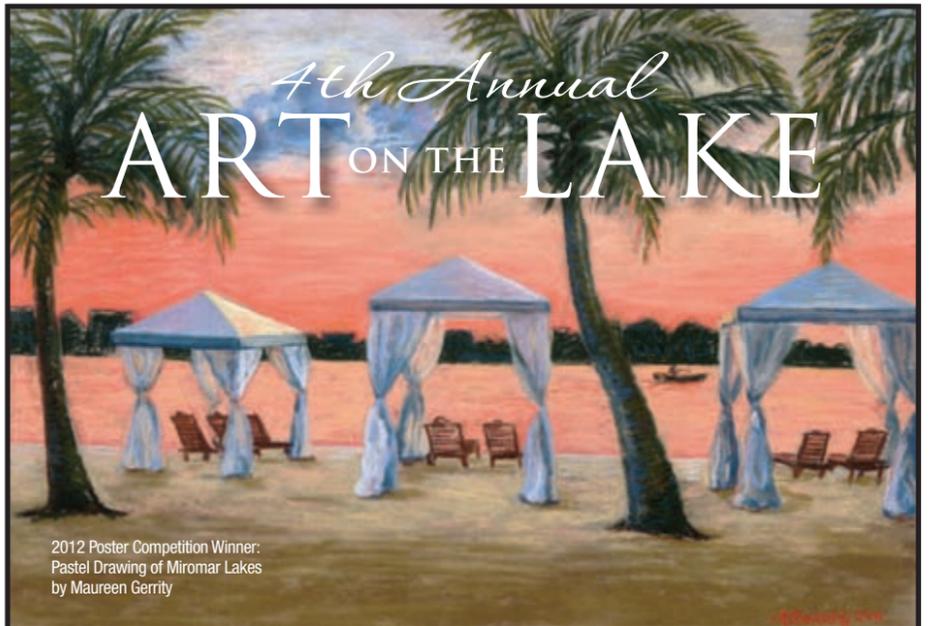
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Songs on the program include "Emigrant Eyes," "Dancing the Dublin Reel," "Galway Shawl" and, of course, "Danny Boy."

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## Naples Players tackle 'Doubt'

There's no lack of questions in "Doubt, a parable," presented by The Naples Players Feb. 1-25 in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre.

Set in 1964 in the Bronx, the drama by Patrick Shanley pits Sister Aloysius Beauvier against Father Flynn as she attempts to protect the students of St. Anthony's Catholic school from happenings that may or may not be what they appear. Or does Sister Aloysius have another agenda?

"Doubt" offers a tough and timely examination of the line between gossip and truth, justice and compassion, certainty and doubt.

John McKerrow directs the cast that stars Dan Lamey as Father Flynn. In real life, Mr. Lamey is the assistant pastor at First Congregational Church in Naples. Megan McCombs appears as Sister Aloysius, and Devan McGaughey is the young Sister James. Sonya McCarter portrays Mrs. Muller, the mother of the boy at the center of Sister Aloysius' concerns.

The director and cast will conduct an informal talk back discussion on the nature



Megan McCombs as Sister Aloysius and Devan McGaughey as Sister James

of doubt following the matinee performance on Sunday, Feb. 5.

Tickets can be purchased at the box office at 701 Fifth Ave. S. or by calling 263-7990 or visiting [www.naplesplayers.org](http://www.naplesplayers.org). ■

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#### "Doubt"

- >> **When:** Feb. 1-25
- >> **Where:** In the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre
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- >> **Extra:** The director and cast will give a talk back after the matinee performance on Sunday, Feb. 5.

## ETC... Readers' Theatre tickets available

"Sex, Lies and Audio Tapes" is the varied theme of four short play readings that will be presented by the Naples Players' ETC... Readers' Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19, in Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre.

Tickets for \$10 are on sale now.

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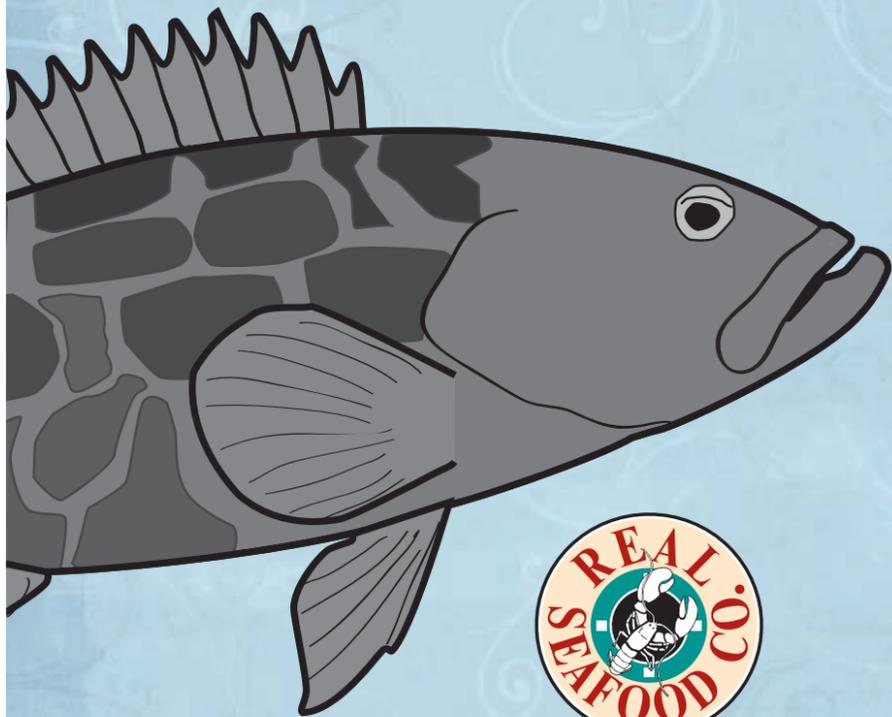
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■ Art educator and lecturer Joan Jacobs presents **"An Artistic Walk around Florence, Italy,"** the third class in the Lifelong Learning Art Talk series, at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14. Ms. Jacobs' presentations reflect her extensive travels throughout the United States and Europe and are complemented by her wealth of museum-quality images that enrich the lectures and enhance students' learning experience.

Tickets are \$40. The Art Talk series continues with "Renoir Part I: Impressionist," Feb. 28; "Renoir Part II: Road to Success," March 6; and "Renoir Part III: Official Recognition." March 20.

■ **The Bronx Wanderers** bring their harmonies and musicianship to the Daniels Pavilion for performances at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1. The ensemble includes Vinny Adinolfi, who worked with Dion, and Jimmy Fracassi, original lead guitarist with the Earls.

Tickets start at \$45.

■ **Miami City Ballet** presents **"Scarlett Premiere"** at 8 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, with the NPO, led by

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Naples audiences will be treated to a historic premiere "Viscera," the new dance by Liam Scarlett, the Royal Ballet's most successful young choreographer. Commissioned by MCB, this work is Mr. Scarlett's first dance created for an American company.

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■ Grab your dark glasses and pork-pie hat for **"Blues Brothers, The Original Tribute,"** which takes the stage at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 3. Jake and Elwood Blues are joined by the sassy Bluettes in this acclaimed concert that pays tribute to the coolest act in the land. Selections include Blues Brothers staples such as "Soul Man," "Everybody," "Green Onions" and "Respect," among many others.

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Tickets start at \$62.

■ **Lynda Carter** will sing standards, jazz, country and rock tunes in the intimate Daniels Pavilion as part of the Cabaret Series at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Feb. 9-10. Perhaps best known as television's Wonder Woman, Ms. Carter has won wide acclaim for her albums "Crazy Little Things" and "At Last," both of which reached the Billboard Top 10.

Tickets start at \$49.

■ **The Hit Men**, five rock veterans

including members of the Four Seasons, Tommy James and the Shondells and band members with Elton John, Cat Stevens and Jim Croce, perform at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 11-12.

The Hit Men are Gerry Polci, Lee Shapiro and Don Ciccone, all of whom were members of Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons, along with Jim Ryan, who played with Carly Simon and Rod Stewart, and Larry Gates, whose credits include Carole King and Bon Jovi.

Tickets start at \$42.

■ **Lee Sandstead**, art historian and host of the Travel Channel's "I'm Having an Art Attack with Lee Sandstead," presents "I'm Having an Art Attack" at 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 13, in the Daniels Pavilion. Perhaps the world's most fired-up art historian, Mr. Sandstead will explain why everyone should be fired up for art. In discussing what he considers the must-see masterpieces from the art world, he'll opine on why the Mona Lisa smiles, who has the sexiest knees in art history, and what portrait of a snob should we all admire.

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The series continues at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 29, with an analysis of several classic tango songs and a demonstration showing how the interpretation of tango music can be related to actually dancing the tango.

Tickets are \$34 to each lecture or \$64 for both.

■ The Philharmonic Jazz Orchestra presents the fourth concert in its All That Jazz series at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16. Guest artists will be alto saxophone player Charles McPherson.

Tickets start at \$39.

■ Cabaret star Tony DeSare, a “Rising Star” Male Vocalist in the 2009 Downbeat poll, performs at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Feb. 17-18.

Tickets start at \$42.

■ Ground-breaking news-woman and interviewer Barbara Walters will discuss her storied career at 8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 20. Ms. Walters joined ABC News in 1976 as the first woman



Barbara Walters

to co-host the evening news. Through the years, she has interviewed the world's major political leaders, including every American president and first lady since Richard Nixon, and most of the legends of show business. Walters was also the long-time co-host of “20/20” and is creator, co-host and executive producer of ABC's award-winning “The View.”

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# Local authors get nibbles and bites from Hollywood



Two local authors have had nibbles (in one case more than a nibble) from Hollywood production companies about turning their recent novels into films. The writers, Suzi Weinert and Howard Giordano, have a few things in common: Both found a publisher through the networking opportunities at the Naples Press Club Authors & Books Festival. In fact, both have the same publisher, Naples-based Barringer Publishing headed by Jeff Schlesinger. Also, both have had the benefit of Naples writer and literary agent Carole Greene as manuscript editor.

Otherwise, their stories are quite different.

A new Los Angeles production company headed by Rob Goodrich found Mr. Giordano's thriller "Tracking Terror" as he was browsing publishers' websites for viable properties. When he found, on the Barringer site, the description of a brand new novel that involves a terrorist plan to bomb New York's Belmont Park racetrack during the running of the prestigious Belmont Stakes, he and his associates had to take a closer look. One never knows what first provokes interest. In this case, says Barringer's Mr. Schlesinger, "it was the book cover that grabbed their attention." They loved the concept and optioned the novel.

An option is a time-defined exclusive rights agreement that keeps a book or manuscript off the market so the option purchaser can move ahead with project development. In this case, Mr. Goodrich's operation is holding "Tracking Terror" for three consecutive six-month options.

For Mr. Schlesinger and the author, it's wait and see what comes of the process. The film rights have not yet actually been purchased; that will involve another kind of contract.

But Mr. Schlesinger is optimistic. "It's a matter of luck," he says. "This is just what they were looking for." Mr. Goodrich and his team, which includes Naples partner Bruce Barone Jr., he adds, were greatly impressed by the depth of the main character in "Tracking Terror."

Mr. Goodrich has been connected with such recent films as "Zookeeper," "Never Say Never" (the Justin Bieber docu-pic) and Adam Sandler's "Grown Ups."

Mr. Giordano is not surprised that filmmakers have an interest in "Tracking Terror."



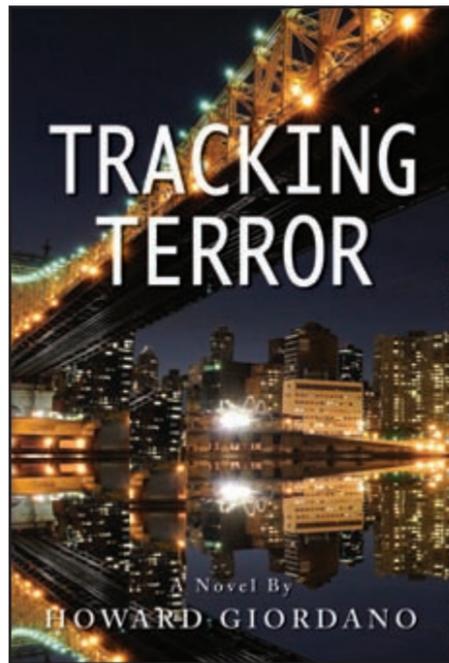
"I always felt the story, the scenes and plot, lent themselves to film," the writer says. "I'm a visual person, and when I write I can see the scenes as I form them on the page. There are some great graphic opportunities in this novel, and I'm certain it would make a riveting movie."

Already at work on his next novel, Mr. Giordano followed a career in advertising with the position of director of marketing for the New York Racing Authority (Aqueduct, Belmont and Saratoga race-

tracks). Later, he became president of the New York City Off-Track Betting Corp.

He retired to Naples to find more time to writing. The move led him to participate in workshops at the NPC Authors & Books Festival.

In the book's acknowledgments, Mr. Giordano thanks not only Ms. Greene, but also James Robison, the novelist and short story writer who has for many years led Renaissance Academy writing workshops at FGCU's Naples Center. He also thanks his critique group that included locals Don Wilson, Linda Bilodeau, and Pina Olson. Coincidentally,



the room where that critique group met is the same room where Howard Giordano met Jeff Schlesinger.

Has Naples become a hotbed of literary activity? Clearly, the dynamic of supportive interaction is alive and well here.

### A Hallmark movie

Suzi Weinert's "Garage Sale Stalker" came out just over a year ago (and was reviewed last winter in Florida Weekly). Now the rights have been sold for

its next life as an Original Hallmark Movie on the Hallmark Channel. Producer Jonathan Axelrod, best known for the "Dave's World" series, and director Michael Scott will bring screenwriter Ron Parker's adaptation to the 87 million households that Hallmark reaches. These gentlemen all have strong track records in the industry. Mr. Parker's credits include the "Joan of Arc" television mini-series.

In this case, Ms. Weinert, who lives part-time in Naples, "knew somebody who knew somebody" at Hallmark. The book worked its way up the decision-making chain, and the resulting TV movie is scheduled to air later this year.

And guess who handled the negotiations for Ms. Weinert with Axelrod ETT Productions, which, in turn, has a contract with Hallmark? None other than Carole Greene, who also made editorial contributions both before and after "Garage Sale Stalker" was slated for publication.

Though it will be clear that the movie is based on Ms. Weinert's book, Mr. Schlesinger understands that there is no telling what the film's title will be. He intends to coordinate with Hallmark for marketing, and he's convinced that the film will add significantly to the sales of the book — especially if he can arrange to use the Hallmark logo on an updated cover.

Naturally, Ms. Weinert is hard at work on a sequel to "Garage Sale Stalker," which Barringer will publish. Is there a Hallmark Original Movie series in the making? It's too soon to tell, but Hallmark has had many successful ones in the past: "Mystery Woman," "McBride" and "Jane Doe" come to mind.

"Hallmark thinks the popularity of garage sales touches a wide audience," Ms. Weinert says, adding, "Anything bought at a garage sale comes with a story, so possibilities for a TV series seem endless."

With all the good news, including Janet Evanovich's Stephanie Plum coming at last to the silver screen this month, there is definitely a Hollywood buzz about Naples writers. ■

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Tracks & Naples Have in Common?" — Ruth Ann Burnett recounts stories of her Great Uncle John (Jack) Hachmeister during the early days in Naples.

■ Friday, March 16: "A Voice for the Everglades" — Actress Janina Birtolo presents her original, one-woman show about Marjory Stoneman Douglas.

Gardenside Chickee Chats are free for NHS members and \$5 for others. Palm Cottage is at 137 12th Ave. S., one block east of the Naples Pier. For more information, call 261-8164 or visit [www.NaplesHistoricalSociety.org](http://www.NaplesHistoricalSociety.org).

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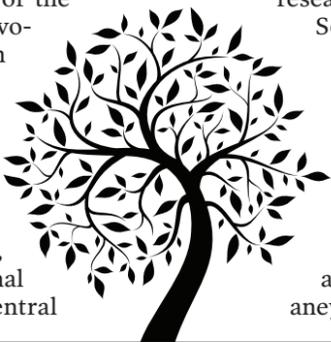
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## BEACH READING

### 'The Unofficial Harry Potter Cookbook' and 'The Unofficial Hunger Games Cookbook'

"The Unofficial Harry Potter Cookbook" by Dinah Bucholz  
 "The Unofficial Hunger Games Cookbook" by Emily Ansara Baines  
 (Both Adams Media, \$19.95 each)

REVIEWED BY EALISH WADDELL

For readers who like to cook, two new recipe compendiums will transport them into the pages of two beloved series.

"The Unofficial Harry Potter Cookbook" pulls delicious-sounding dishes directly from the pages of the novels and spices them up with tidbits about their real-life histories in the Muggle world. With its comprehensive selection of pies, pasties and puddings, the book could be considered a guide to British food in general, from the gloriously named "toad in the hole" to frightening-sounding creations like blood pudding and haggis, a traditional Scottish dish made from sheep innards.

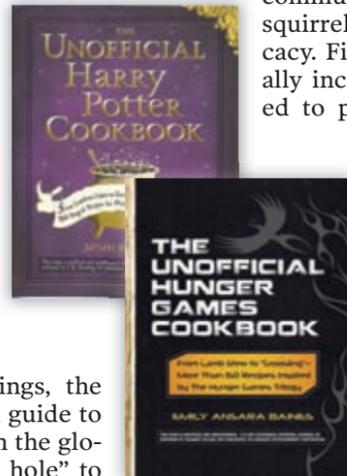
But even less-adventurous readers will delight in being able to make the same sort of delicious meals, snacks, cakes and candies they would find on the tables of Hogwarts Castle, the

shelves of Honeydukes' candy shop and the kitchen counters of both talented cook Mrs. Weasley and not-so-talented cook Hagrid (rock cakes, anyone?).

"The Unofficial Hunger Games Cookbook" seems a harder sell — after all, heroine Katniss Everdeen comes from a starving dystopian community where fresh-shot squirrel is a sought-after delicacy. Fittingly, the book actually includes a section devoted to preparing game meats like rabbit and beaver, which while not entirely practical, does evoke a satisfying devotion to authenticity.

Instructions for simple, hearty stews, soups and salads made from humble ingredients like wild herbs and root veggies follow this same spirit, and of course, no visit to

District 12 would be complete without a few of baker boy Peeta's delicious breads. And when tired of pine needle tea and grilled tree rat, readers can try out the more luxurious fare of the decadent Capitol, recipes which also abound in these pages. ■



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# CONTRACT BRIDGE

BY STEVE BECKER

## A reflex reaction

The impetuous player who plays first and thinks later must occasionally pay for his exuberance. Bridge is not the kind of game you can play impulsively and expect to get the best results. There are simply too many different hands and situations where relying entirely on past experience may not guide you to the right bid or play.

Take this deal where it would be very easy to go wrong. Let's say you're East and that your partner leads the ace and another club to your king.

It is not difficult to recognize that West started with the doubleton ace of clubs and that you can give him a ruff. But if your thinking stops right there and you impulsively return a club, declarer makes the contract, losing only two clubs, a club ruff, a spade and a diamond.

While you cannot know exactly what South's trump holding is, you should conclude that if he has the K-Q of spades, your side will finish with no more than five tricks if you return a club at trick three. However, you should also see that there's a real chance of stopping the contract if you play the ace and another diamond instead of a club at trick three.

If you do this, South can do no better than lead a trump at trick five, which

you take with the ace. Now you give your partner a club ruff, and he reciprocates by giving you a diamond ruff to put the contract down one.

You can then "apologize" to your partner for having failed to give him a club ruff earlier. ■

West dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

<b>NORTH</b>			
♠ J 10 7 2			
♥ A Q			
♦ K Q J 2			
♣ 7 5 3			
<b>WEST</b>		<b>EAST</b>	
♠ 4 3		♠ A 6	
♥ K 9 7 4 2		♥ 10 6 5 3	
♦ 9 8 4 3		♦ A 6	
♣ A 9		♣ K 8 6 4 2	
<b>SOUTH</b>			
♠ K Q 9 8 5			
♥ J 8			
♦ 10 7 5			
♣ Q J 10			

The bidding:

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# KOVELS: ANTIQUES & COLLECTING

## Tea time traditions date back to ancient China

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Tea, it is said, was first drunk by the Chinese Emperor Shen Nung about 2737 B.C. Then someone in China invented a device that shredded tea leaves, making it easier to brew tea. But the idea of making tea in a cup instead of a pot seems to have begun in the 19th century when silver infusers were made to hold tea leaves. Infusers usually were small balls with many holes. The ball could open and close to hold the leaves. It was dipped into a cup of hot water a few times, then removed.

Silver infusers became very popular in the late-19th century and silversmiths were soon making not just balls, but tiny silver teapots, eggs, lanterns, acorns and other shapes, some with elaborate embossed designs. These sterling tea-balls with chains are collected today and cost from \$100 to \$1,000.

The teabag was invented in the United States in 1903. It was a hand-sewn silk bag. Soon a machine was invented to fill and close a teabag made of special paper. Eventually, aluminum foil was also used for disposable bags.

The familiar rectangular teabag was not invented until 1944. Today there are circular and pyramidal teabags, too.

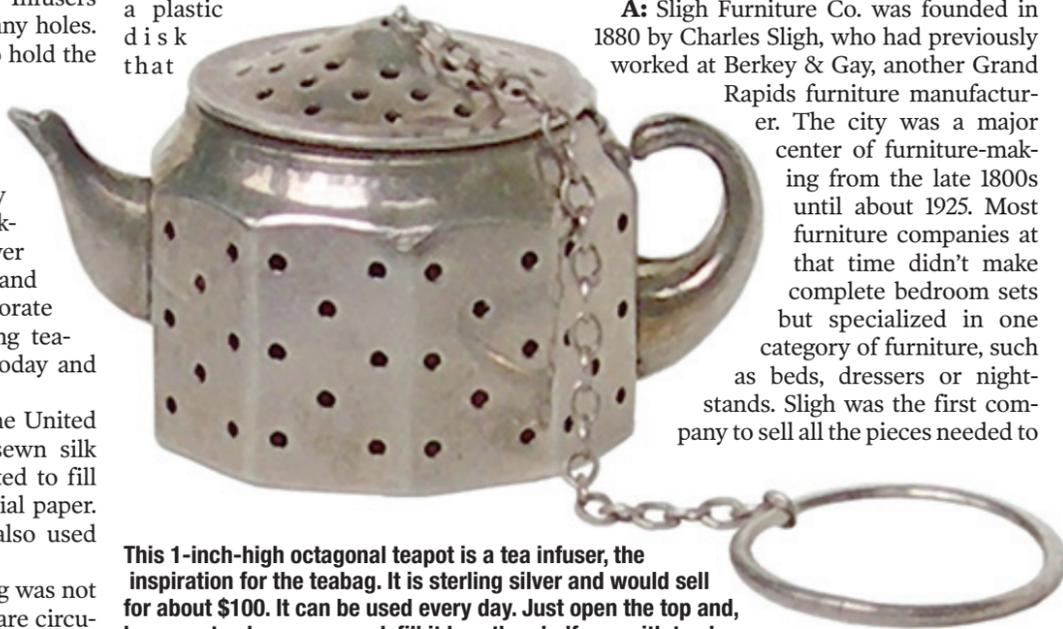
All of this has led to a variety of collecting choices for tea lovers. Some save free teabag tags. Some belong to groups that make folded figures from dried teabag paper. Some collect the many types of tea infusers made today, most of which sell for under \$20.

Another tea-related collectible is the spout strainer, a small hanging strainer kept in a teapot spout with a large hairpin-shaped wire. There are also tea sets, tea cups and saucers, tea caddies, tea strainers, tea-caddy spoons, bag squeezers, "spoon rests" for used teabags, drip bowls and even a plastic disk that

fits into a teapot spout to squeeze a teabag. At a 1970s tea collector's auction, we bought teaballs and strainers, notebooks filled with postcards about tea, books, woodblock prints and advertising. We also have the original patent papers for the "teastir," a perforated aluminum-foil rectangle filled with tea. One side becomes a handle to take it out of a cup. It was invented by Ralph Kovel, a tea drinker and collector.

**Q:** I have a bed made by Sligh Furniture Co. of Grand Rapids, Mich. What can you tell me about the company?

**A:** Sligh Furniture Co. was founded in 1880 by Charles Sligh, who had previously worked at Berkey & Gay, another Grand Rapids furniture manufacturer. The city was a major center of furniture-making from the late 1800s until about 1925. Most furniture companies at that time didn't make complete bedroom sets but specialized in one category of furniture, such as beds, dressers or nightstands. Sligh was the first company to sell all the pieces needed to



This 1-inch-high octagonal teapot is a tea infuser, the inspiration for the teabag. It is sterling silver and would sell for about \$100. It can be used every day. Just open the top and, because tea leaves expand, fill it less than halfway with tea leaves. Then dip it in a cup of hot water.

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**A:** Your bronze was made by German sculptor Karl Mobius (1876-1953). Artists who create bronze sculptures actually work with clay or wax. Then the sculpture is taken to a foundry, where a complicated process begins. A rubber mold of the sculpture is made, then wax is poured into the mold to create a hollow wax model that matches the original sculpture. A ceramic coating is then applied to the wax and the model is fired so the wax melts. The ceramic shell that's left is filled with molten bronze, cooled and removed. The resulting bronze sculpture is then ground and polished. The mold for a small bronze like your horse is usually used about 25 times before it wears out. In general, an original bronze sculpture the size and age of yours sells for about \$500.

**Q:** We own a large wooden picture frame with extensive gold-colored metal

embellishments. We were told the frame was "a Tiffany" and that it hung in the Arkansas Governor's Mansion in Little Rock during the one year (1927-28) John Martineau was governor. What do you think the frame would be worth if the story is true?

**A:** We can find no reference that says Louis Comfort Tiffany ever made wooden frames. And everything he did make was marked in some way to identify it as "Tiffany." It is possible that Tiffany & Co., the famous store, sold a frame like yours, but we think the store would also have marked the frame. The histories of some antiques and collectibles become garbled over the years. Still, a large, well-made and elaborately decorated period frame could sell for thousands of dollars.

**Tip:** Attach hanging wire to a picture two-thirds of the way up the back of the frame. Be sure the wire does not show above the top of the frame when the picture is hung. ■

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**About Trey Radel**

Trey Radel is a husband, father, an entrepreneur, and a champion of conservative causes in Southwest Florida. Now, Trey is running to represent and serve you in Congress.

Trey and his wife, FOX 4 Anchor Amy Wegmann Radel, had their baby boy, Jude, in December.

Most recently, Trey hosted Southwest Florida's premier conservative TV & Radio Talk Show – Daybreak with Trey Radel.

While he has had a successful run in the broadcast industry, Trey says his "true test in life" has always come in deciding to put his life on the line as an entrepreneur to start up new businesses, as well as a nonprofit.

In between working as a Reporter & Anchor on WINK News, Radel bought, expanded and eventually sold the Naples Journal.

Trey and his wife also started US Forces Fund, a nonprofit dedicated to helping physically injured soldiers. They recently completed an addition on the home of a local soldier, who lost his legs in Afghanistan.

Radel is well-traveled and trilingual, fluent in English, Spanish and Italian.

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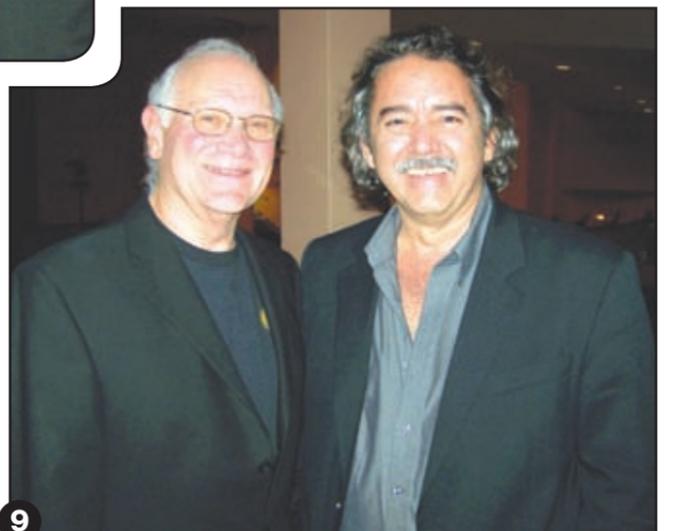
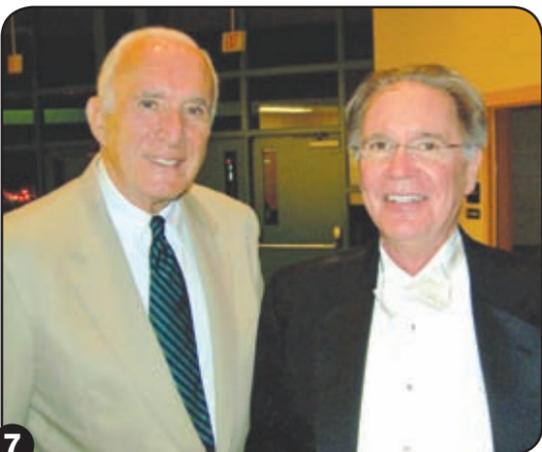
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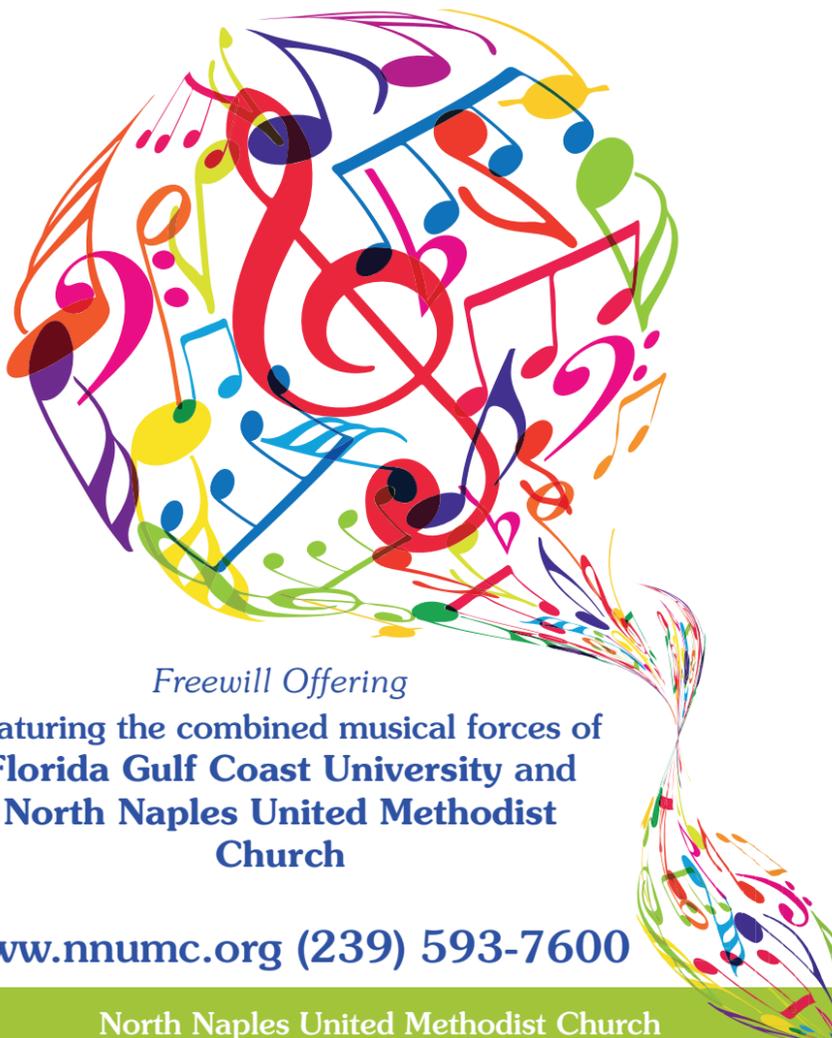
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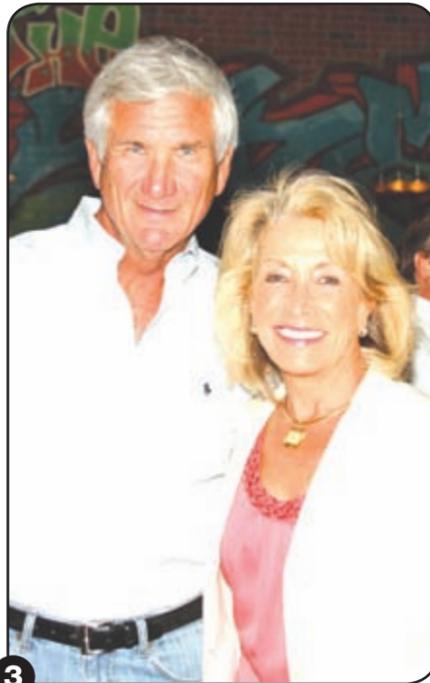
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# PAST REPASTS

Here are some capsule summaries of previous restaurant reviews:

➤ **Agave Southwestern Grill**, 2380 Vanderbilt Beach Road, Naples; 598-3473: A blend of Northern Mexican and American Southwestern cuisines, Executive Chef Thomas Rieman's menu puts a sophisticated spin on humble, homespun food the likes of which hasn't previously been seen in Southwest Florida. Brought to us by the folks behind Angelina's Ristorante in Bonita Springs, Agave is a great concept executed with panache. The restaurant pays tribute to the agave plant with 200 varieties of tequila, which can be ordered in flights so you can compare; for those less inclined to take it straight, there are delicious fruit-and-herb-infused margaritas. Tortillas are pressed in-house, and sumptuous guacamole is turned out tableside with your choice of ingredients such as roasted garlic, queso fresco and bacon. From a quickly marinated seafood ceviche to a slowly simmered poblano mole, dishes highlight flavorful ingredients and skillful cooking while never sacrificing authenticity. We only scratched the surface of the far-reaching menu and eagerly await a chance to return. Reservations are strongly recommended.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★ ½  
Service: ★ ★ ★ ★  
Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★  
*Reviewed October 2011*

➤ **Buffalo Chips**, 26620 Old 41 Road N., Bonita Springs; 947-1000: If you judge a restaurant by its cover, odds are you've never patronized Buffalo Chips.

But what the "upscale dive," as its owner calls it, lacks in visual appeal it makes up for in homey hospitality and solid, well-executed food. The Buffalo wings are authentic (owner Al Greenwood hails from Buffalo) and exceptionally good, as are the fried green tomatoes. The grouper sandwich and buffalo burger were substantive and tasty. We preferred the fresh-tasting straight-cut French fries to the seasoned curly ones. The vast menu also includes pizza, barbecue, nachos, chili and more. Full bar.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★  
Service: ★ ★ ★ ★  
Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★ ½  
*Reviewed August 2011*

➤ **Café Lurcat**, 494 Fifth Ave. S., Naples; 213-3357: Despite its grand scale — vaulted ceilings, oversized pendant lamps, sprawling dining areas spilling into the outdoors — Café Lurcat manages to create a sense of warmth with muted colors, light woods and white linens. It's the kind of place where you want to slow down and savor several courses of food and several glasses of wine — though it will come at a price. (\$14.50 for a single crab cake? Really?) The menu ranges from simple comfort food (pot roast or roasted chicken and grapes) to more complex creations (pork tenderloin with spiced cherries and couscous with toasted pumpkin seeds). Either way you go, you won't be disappointed. Even side dishes — a mélange of English peas, sugar snap peas and fresh fava beans sautéed in butter for us — will delight. But be sure to save room for the signature cinnamon-sugar doughnuts or fried huckle-

berry pie. Dessert is not to be missed.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★  
Service: ★ ★ ★ ½  
Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★  
*Reviewed September 2011*

➤ **Hemingway's Island Grill**, Coconut Point, 8001 Plaza del Lago, Estero; 495-7240: With its lively bar and charming Cuban ambience, Hemingway's Island Grill would likely attract the renowned author for whom it was named were he still alive. The dining room is decked out to give the impression of a courtyard yet has the blessed climate control of an indoor establishment. The aforementioned bar makes a dynamite mojito and the menu includes a mélange of island dishes. I can recommend Papa's black bean chili (available by the cup or bowl), Jack's hurricane shrimp glazed in a spicy-sweet dark rum sauce, and a first-rate rendition of ropa vieja, slowly simmered skirt steak that eventually takes on the look of shredded old clothes (which is what the name means in Spanish). A nightly special of jerk-seasoned swordfish on skewers with vegetables was excellent, especially with coconut-mango sauce. The maduros — fried ripe plantains — were terrific. Service was pleasant and generally good throughout the meal. Full bar.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ½  
Service: ★ ★ ★ ½  
Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★ ½  
*Reviewed September 2010*

➤ **Latitude - Fusion Cuisine & Piano Bar**, Naples Walk, 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road; 596-5600: Stylish and comfortable, Latitude resembles a well-

appointed supper club filled with dark woods, oversized booth and sleek Art Deco touches. The open kitchen adds a touch of theater as well. The menu is a mix of comfort food and fusion fare, the stuff for which Chef Ross Peterson is known. From a selection of flatbreads, I liked the yeasty crust topped with lots of Portobello, goat cheese and caramelized onions. An Old World charcuterie platter had an interesting array of wursts, although I'd have preferred more firm varieties and fewer soft ones. The Better than Nana's Kobe beef Bolognese was terrific, with a soulful sauce, lots of tomatoes, onions, carrots and herbs simmered for a long time with the ground beef and accompanied by garlic bread. Lovely, but not overly loud, live music and a well-chosen wine list enhanced the meal. Full bar.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ½  
Service: ★ ★ ★  
Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★ ½  
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Considering the plethora of restaurants in Naples — not to mention its distinction as the site of one of the world's most profitable charity wine festivals — it's not surprising that a tour company has sprung up to help devotees explore the city's culinary scene.

"Naples is full of people, both tourists and residents, who are interested in food and wine," says Elaine Osbond, owner and founder of Naples Food Tours and the former owner of Brambles Tea Room on Fifth Avenue. "Spending an afternoon visiting local food venues and getting a behind-the-scenes perspective is... an appealing alternative to playing golf or going to the beach."

The three-hour tours are offered three days a week. Groups of up to 14 people board air-conditioned mini buses with a guide and make seven or eight stops, tasting something special, speaking to the proprietor or learning a local custom at each one. A tour might include visits to a French restaurant, a celebrated chocolatier and tastes of Southern barbecue and tropical fruit jams. In all, the tastings are the equivalent of a light lunch, Ms. Osbond says.

The itinerary covers a variety of Naples neighborhoods and can be customized. On Saturday mornings, a shorter two-hour tour visits two local farmers' markets with a tasting worked into the mix.

The three-hour tours cost \$59 per person; the two-hour tours are \$35. Tickets are available through Zerve at (800) 979-3370.



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Mixologist David Ortiz

### Naples' signature cocktail

The lyrically named Coquito Mojito has won the competition for the Naples Original cocktail.

The contest, which took place earlier this month at Stoney's Steakhouse, was open to the public and featured six cock-



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### Barbatella

tails made with artisanal spirits from the American Still Life collection. Mixologist David Ortiz, the company's Florida ambassador, concocted the drinks and consumers voted.

The goal was to create a cocktail that would serve as the city's signature drink.

The Coquito Mojito edged out Basil Lemonade by just two votes out of about 160 ballots cast.

The cocktail is made with Dancing Pine Oak Cask Rum, coconut flavored rum, coconut cream, mint and fresh limejuice.

The contest was sponsored by the Naples Originals, 35 local, independent restaurants. The victorious cocktail will be available at a variety of restaurants and bars in the coming weeks.

Should you feel inclined to make one at home, an instructional video is available on Naples Originals' YouTube channel. Here's the recipe:

### The Coquito Mojito

¾ ounce Dancing Pine Oak Cask rum  
¾ ounce coconut flavored rum  
¾ ounce fresh-squeezed limejuice  
Splash of club soda  
Lime wheel garnish

Coquitos (marble-sized coconuts), optional garnish  
Lightly muddle the mint in the coconut cream. Add limejuice and both rums. Fill with ice to the top and give mixture a long, hard shake. Pour through strainer into a glass over ice. Add splash of club soda. Garnish with mint sprig, lime wheel and coquito.



### Sea Salt's sister restaurant

Sea Salt chef/owner Fabrizio Aielli has opened a second restaurant, Barbatella, just a few doors down from his original spot on Third Street South.

Designed by GrizForm Design Architects of Washington, D.C., the new restaurant joins two buildings and has a sleek cocktail area with a copper bar, 1,400 plaster medallions on the walls and ceiling, long wood communal tables and deep booths, as well as a more rustic dining area with wood tables, brick floors and terrazzo counter, an open kitchen and copper-clad wood-burning pizza oven.

Executive Chef Dario Leo, who also worked with Mr. Aielli at the Washington, D.C., restaurant he owned before moving to Naples, is heading up the kitchen here. The menu features a host of Italian classics.

Barbatella also serves gelato, which can be eaten in the restaurant or can be purchased to go, just right for enjoying while strolling along scenic Third Street South.

It's at 1290 Third St. S. and is open 8-11:30 a.m. for breakfast, 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. for lunch and 5-10 p.m. for dinner every day. Call 263-1955.

### In brief

■ Martini Wednesdays at Waterside: BRIO Tuscan Grille now offers \$5 Martini Night on Wednesdays, featuring select martinis available in the bar area only. Available 3:30-6:30 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 p.m.-close Monday-Thurs-

day in the bar is the Tuscan Tasters menu, featuring small plates for \$2.95. BRIO is at The Waterside Shops, 5505 Tamiami Trail N. For details or reservations, call 593-5319.

■ Gyrene Burger Co. opens: Thomas Monaghan is best known for founding Domino's and Ave Maria University. Now he's venturing into the burger business, with the opening of Gyrene Burger Co. in Naples. (Gyrene is a slang term for Marine.) It serves two kinds of burgers — no substitutions, drinks or sides. Both start out with two Angus beef patties, American cheese and bacon. The Deluxe comes with lettuce, mayonnaise and tomato; the Classic boasts ketchup, mustard and pickles. Either sells for \$5.99. The flagship Gyrene Burger Co. is at 51 Ninth St. S. and is open 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Saturday. A North Naples location is in the works as well. Call 263-4110 for details or visit [www.gyreneburger.com](http://www.gyreneburger.com).



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### Norman Love Premium sweets

■ Premium sweets for Valentine's Day: Norman Love Confections offers limited-edition heart-shaped chocolates for Valentine's Day. This year's flavors include: Blushing Kiss (white chocolate with cherry, almond and white chocolate ganache); Bubbly Kiss (white chocolate filled with strawberries and champagne); Caramel Charm (milk chocolate filled with caramel and roasted nuts); Coffee Caress (milk chocolate with sweet coffee, kahlua and white chocolate ganache); Dreamy Love (milk chocolate with peanut butter, marshmallow and milk chocolate); Fiery Love (dark chocolate with chipotle and dark chocolate ganache); Five Spice Smitten (white chocolate with vanilla and five spices); and Red Berry Romance (white chocolate with fresh red berries and white chocolate ganache). The Naples chocolate salon is at 3747 Tamiami Trail N. Call 687-7215 or visit [www.normanloveconfections.com](http://www.normanloveconfections.com).

■ Restaurant closes: Pizzaiolis in the Collection at Vanderbilt has closed. ■

## food & wine CALENDAR

➤ **Wednesday, Jan. 25**, 6-8 p.m., The Good Life of Naples: Shelly Connors shares the secrets of making Vietnamese beef pho, a main course soup; chicken, lemongrass and mint salad; and coconut custard; \$50, 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road; 514-4663.

➤ **Saturday, Jan. 28**, 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Ave Maria Town Center: The second annual Sunshine State Steak Cook-off features teams competing for a top prize of \$1,000; \$100 entry per team, with free general admission and \$15 steak dinners with proceeds benefitting the Donahue Academy in Ave Maria; Town Center, Ave Maria.

➤ **Saturday, Jan. 28**, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.,

Whole Foods: Brandon and Andi Moss, the creators of Muse Gelato, will meet customers and serve their gelato and sorbet for 29 cents per ounce; from noon to 1:30 p.m., Whole Foods will hold its monthly block party, serving dishes in each department and letting customers vote for their favorites; Mercato, 9101 Strada Place.

➤ **Monday, Jan. 30**, Ristorante Farfalle: Chef/owner Mike Fattah shares the techniques of classical and regional Italian cuisine during a three-course meal paired with wines; 21301 S. Tamiami Trail, Estero; 495-9912. Reservations required.

➤ **Saturday, Feb. 11**, 2:30 p.m.,

Naples Tomato: Learn how to make mozzarella and burrata while enjoying wine and light refreshments and take home a pound of mozzarella; \$35, 14700 Tamiami Trail N; 598-9800.

### Farmers markets

➤ **Wednesday**, 1:30-5:30 p.m., St. Monica's Episcopal Church, 7070 Immokalee Road; 591-4550.

➤ **Wednesday**, 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., the Marco Island Farmers Market, Veterans Community Park, Marco Island.

➤ **Friday**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., the Government Complex farmers market, 3335 U.S. 41 E.

➤ **Saturday**, 7:30-11:30 a.m., Third

Street South, behind Tommy Bahama's between Third Street and Gordon Drive.

➤ **Saturday**, 7 a.m.-noon, Bonita Springs Lions Club farm market, The Promenade, 26851 South Bay Drive, Bonita Springs.

➤ **Saturday**, 8 a.m.-noon, St. Paul's Episcopal Church farm market, 3901 Davis Blvd., Naples.

➤ **Saturday**, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., North Naples Green Market at the Galleria Shoppes at Vanderbilt, off Airport Pulling and Vanderbilt Beach roads.

➤ **Sunday**, 8 a.m.-noon, Freedom Park farmers market, 151 Golden Gate Parkway. ■

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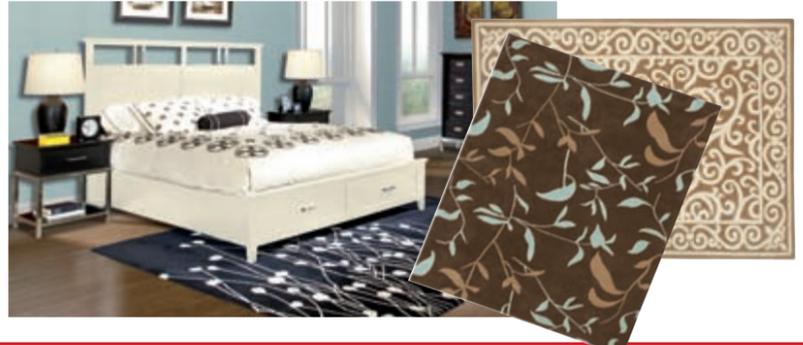
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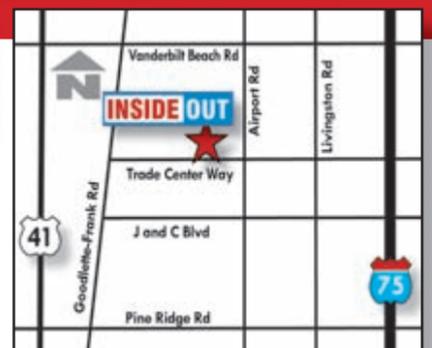
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