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Fire-damaged YMCA soldiers on in multifaceted recovery

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Heavy rains late last week flooded parts of the burned-out Naples YMCA building, just one of the many challenges in an ongoing recovery effort. The facility off Pine Ridge Road was partially destroyed in a Labor Day fire believed to have been started by lightning.

It will cost roughly $3 million above what insurance will cover to rebuild, officials have estimated. Meanwhile, scores of Y employees and volunteers have scrambled to maintain services that members of all ages count on, working long hours and beyond normal duties in makeshift offices.

“Just a massive effort of coordination of the staff,” said Tim Bauer, director of tennis. “I think our request is really still to keep everyone positive and keep the support going, because generally when these things happen you’re on the front page of the news and next week something else is on the front page of the news, and that’s when the real challenges begin.”

It’s easy to donate funds for the recovery at any First National Bank of the Gulf Coast location or to the Community Foundation of Collier County. Two fundraisers coming up Saturday, Sept. 14, promise a good time for all. See details on page A12 about the morning 5K run/walk.

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Cow manure is one of several pollutants sickening the South Florida water system.

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Federal, state and local politicians are promising money.

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Voting water

Sure they will. These people are not generally bad willed, they're just self-interested. And cleaner water, in appropriate quantities, is now in the self-interests of all of them.

Even the helmsmen at U.S. Sugar, the owners of 188,000 acres of sugar land around Lake Okeechobee, and 4400 miles to go to pass, are willing to take reductions in water delivery and to lose property values, to avoid a higher bill for something that's likely to happen again, and to avoid the nutrient-laden discharges from the Everglades Agricultural Area to the state of Florida, probably for more than it was worth, in a deal former Gov. Charlie Crist almost managed to put together starting in 2008.

The EAA on the south side of Lake O was created and protected for their use, with its vast system of canals and water pumps and state employees who keep them going, courtesy of the United States government, which also protects their major crop, sugar cane, with price supports. In the EAA, they “grow their crops on what amounts to a twenty-mile-thick dam, a barrier that separates the former Everglades river from its headwaters, and these farmers have continually opposed any attempt to reestablish anything resembling the pristine environment of region...,” writes historian David McCally in his seminal book, “The Everglades, an Environmental History.”

All of them, therefore — each Fanjul and all the owners of U.S. Sugar — are the biggest welfare recipients since FDR invented soup lines. And Gov. Crist pulled the deal off, he likely would have saved the Florida Everglades, cleaned up and restored Florida Bay, and stopped the Army Corps of Engineers from stopping the Army Corps of Engineers from ruining Florida's economy... to accomplish the dual goals of a vibrant economy and a clean environment.

And nowhere in the current crisis has Sen. Marco Rubio appeared. If the EPA is allowed to move forward with this guidance, streams, lakes and wetlands in nearly all of our states are going to be overburdened with both federal and state bureaucracies designed to support sugar and development interests.

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To fix this, somebody is going to have to suffer.

Or maybe everybody is going to have to suffer. In spite of the compelling evidence of history that rich people generally escape that pedestrian experience, even if their water goes bad, too.

But their water is never bad. People with the liquidity of Palm Beach's Fanjul brothers’ sugar producers Alliantco, Jose, Alejandro and Andres, owners of the Fanjul Corp. and Florida Crystals — probably won't have to suffer.

But they might have to sacrifice something, at least. Especially since they number among the greatest obstacles to clean Florida water and everything that flows from clean Florida water in sufficient quantities, for the rest of us.

If that sounds preposterous, it isn't. Forget the Army Corps of Engineers. Forget the South Florida Water Management District. Forget the vegetable and citrus growers, the ranchers, and the sub-suburbanites using septic tanks up and down the lengths of the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee rivers east and west of Lake Okeechobee. All that's easy, because they aren't really the problem.

Give them a chance, show them a way, ask them (or maybe tell them) to share with each other a higher bill for something that's likely to solve the huge problem of filthy, misdirected water we now swallow as part of our daily Florida living, and they will.

The Fanjul brothers, however, helped kill the Crist deal, as public records show.

They did that, just as they continue to influence public policy — the policy of requiring clean water by enforcing more stringent standards for its use, for example — by giving huge amounts of money and support to politicians of both parties who support their aims.

Their aims are to make more money with less oversight, for the rest of us.

So here's the problem and the solution: Politicians control the flow of money, and voters control the politicians. If we want to clean our water and carry on living like the blessed, we can't support politicians who don't show an aggressive willingness to weaken themselves from the twin teats of Big Sugar and “the economy” — aka the financial interests of people who make more money if they don't have to meet clean water standards.

The politicians in question, led by Gov. Rick Scott, who received a $500,000 campaign contribution from sugar interests in June, recently promised our money to help fix the problem.

Gov. Scott offered $180 million at press conferences last month for reservoirs and road raisings.

But these are bandages, not fixes, from a leader who previously relaxed clean water standards in Florida and slashed both the state Department of Environmental Protection and the South Florida Water Management District, which protect water.

And nowhere in the current crisis has Sen. Marco Rubio appeared. This is, after all, his home state, and the single biggest domestic issue facing a generation. So where is he? I don't know. But I do know that the senator is close enough to the Fanjuls to spend the night partying on their luxury boat in the Hamptons, on Long Island, with the likes of Rudolph Giuliani — as Sen. Rubio reported himself in his 2012 autobiography, An American Son. — and the senator has never looked at a stream, a lake or a wetland here.

Otherwise, he might notice that they are already overburdened with both federal and state bureaucracies designed to support sugar and development interests.

So what do we do? We start voting for somebody else. And what do the Fanjuls end up sacrificing? Well, not their 12,000 and 13,000 square-foot homes on Palm Beach, or their boats in the Hamptons, or their 300 nights in London's swank Claridge's Hotel, at $7,000 per night or so (Jose Fanjul, according to a BBC documentary). No. But they might have to sacrifice their sense of themselves as more important than everybody else.
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BY RAY JUDAH
Special to Florida Weekly

Restoring natural water flow would reduce pollution throughout southern Florida.

The recent press conference held in Fort Myers by Gov. Rick Scott to announce a joint agreement between the state and the U.S. Department of Interior to fund the construction of 2.5 miles of bridging along the Tamiami Trail, to enhance water flow to the Everglades, was a wonderful example of the state and federal government continuing to work together on behalf of Everglades restoration.

The bridging is a component of the Central Everglades Planning Project (CEPP), a state and federal initiative to use land already in public ownership to allow more water to be directed south to the central Everglades, Everglades National Park and Florida Bay. When completed, CEPP is expected to provide for the conveyance of approximately 220,000 acre feet of water south to the Everglades. An acre foot is essentially one foot of water covering an acre.

Gov. Scott and the State Legislature now have a tremendous opportunity to finalize the most critical piece of the Everglades restoration puzzle by moving forward with exercising the state’s option, created several years ago, to purchase U.S. Sugar land holdings. The three-year option on 153,209 acres at $7,400 per acre expires in October. The state would still have an opportunity to acquire U.S. Sugar lands after October but, at a much higher price and having to compete with other potential buyers.

To place things in perspective, CEPP is expected to cost approximately $2.6 billion and the entire comprehensive Everglades restoration efforts is expected to cost approximately $86 billion over 30 years.

It is interesting to note that in 2005, the east and west releases from Lake Okeechobee amounted to 2.6 million acre feet. This totaled 855 billion gallons of turbid fresh water containing excess nutrients and other contaminants. The coastal estuaries on the west and east coast of South Florida sustained unprecedented damages to sea grass and fisheries and the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie were covered with toxic blue-green algae. Health department officials warned citizens not to touch the water. Threats of serious health problems were cited.

River and estuary damages are certain to occur repeatedly under current drainage structures and practices. Restoration of the historic southern flow-way from Lake Okeechobee to the Everglades is the most cost effective and efficient solution to alleviating the destruction of the rivers and east-west estuaries that were once acclaimed as the most bountiful in the nation.

The purchase of U.S. Sugar lands is absolutely critical to re-create a flow way through the Everglades Agricultural Area south of Lake Okeechobee to redirect the massive release of lake water that continues to cause adverse harm to coastal estuaries.

Our extremely wet summer rainy season of 2013 is shaping up like 2005 and with CEPP, including the bridging, conveying only approximately 10 percent of lake water to the south, it is imperative that the state acquire additional lands for the necessary storage, treatment and conveyance of water from Lake Okeechobee to the Everglades.

Gov. Scott should declare a state of emergency given the devastating economic and environmental impacts to the west and east coast communities of south Florida and schedule a special session with the legislature to investigate options to acquire the U.S. Sugar lands. Such action would help bring to an end decades of degradation to our rivers, coastal estuaries and Florida Everglades.

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With 200-mph winds, this hurricane was the first Category 5 storm to make landfall in the continental U.S. It literally tore children from their mothers’ arms and left more than 400 people dead in its wake. It also eluded the U.S. Weather Bureau’s detection systems.

Once it was determined that the storm was heading toward the Florida Keys on that fateful Sept. 2, 1935, a call was made to send a train to Homestead from Miami so it could then travel south as Cape Sable and Flamingo on the southwest tip of the Florida mainland. Rescue workers, including members of the Florida Civilian Conservation Corps, reported within days that corpses were swelling due to the intense heat. Public health officials ordered plain wooden coffins to hold the dead — coffins that could be burned quickly to prevent any additional health hazards.

Marco Island resident and author Elizabeth Pedlichizzi shared with me a story told to her by the locals that she included in her book, “A Girl Called Tommie,” which goes like this:

Sometime during the late 1930s, Marco Island pioneer and entrepreneur Tommie Barfield ran across an abandoned houseboat in the Florida Keys that had become partially grounded. Not wanting to see the boat deteriorate further, she believed that she could tow it back to her property on Goodland Point and make good use of it. Assisting her in this undertaking were J.H. Doxsee and eight other local pioneers. This houseboat has a delightful story behind it. Ms. Pedlichizzi shared with me that the boat was commissioned in either 1901 or 1902 by the Danish government for use in the Caribbean. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers took it over after the territory was acquired. Then, at some point along the way, a flat barge also had a bar that became a popular place for locals and for the many construction workers brought over from Miami by the Mackle Brothers in the 1960s and 1970s to build seawalls, canals, houses and condos.

Sadly, the bar is no longer there. The spot today is marked by docks with accompanying boats — another sad chapter of our lost local history.

Correction: Let the record show that it was the Marco Lodge, once the home to Marco Island founder W.T. Collier, that was spared from the wrecking ball and moved to Goodland in 1954. The Marco Hotel, which is today’s Bistro Soleil at the Olde Marco Inn, remains standing on Marco Island. My Aug. 29 column had incorrect information.

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POLLED ESTUARIES, TREACHEROUS RAINFALL, AN AGING DIKE AND POLITICAL POSTURING — OUR STATE IS IN NEED OF A ... WATER RESCUE

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IT WAS THE SAME OLD SUMMER THING, UNTIL SUDDENLY IT WAS AS NEW AS A SHINY COIN.

The rain began to fall, and it kept falling. Then it rained some more (same old thing).

Lake Okeechobee filled. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers erected a breached dike and a lot of dead people, opened the floodgates and released the polluted freshwater east and west down dredged and straightened rivers, to the Atlantic and the Gulf of Mexico — 4/7, for a solid month into late August (same old thing).

Placed at risk: marine life forms, Realtors struggling to sell waterfront properties, and every man, woman, and child serving tourists for a living (again, same old thing).


They showed an unprecedented interest in events north, east and west of Lake Okeechobee, including along the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee rivers.

As September approached, they met with anxiety-ridden residents. And they promised money.

That promise was the new silver dollar in the old quarter roll of troubled waters that wash the southern half of the Florida peninsula.

The pols didn’t just promise money, either. They also demanded it, in the case of Gov. Scott, who repeatedly pointed to the federal government as the laggard in Everglades cleanup efforts.

“Right now, the federal government needs to stand up and do their job,” he told reporters at a St. Lucie press conference, using a line of argument he repeated on the Indian River Lagoon and in Fort Myers.

“What they need to do is fund the project, fund the Corps, (and) the Corps will do their job if they have the money.” So far, federal officials have failed to pay $30 billion promised to help Florida clean up the Everglades, he said.

With that novel Scott administration position, water politics, suddenly, had become front-page news, along with the most diverse chorus of voices to weigh in on the subject in years.

Politicians did not fare well in the eyes of many.

From east to west, increasingly vocal critics of the status quo pointed fingers at elected leaders who ultimately convinced federal and state agencies to fund the problems of environment and water.

Those officials, they insisted — Republican and Demo- cratic alike — have underestimated the sea of trouble now facing the Sunshine State’s greatly altered water system, a jimmied patch-up of flood-dodging, purity-compromising realities.

That has to change, they said.

“You have to keep talking. You HAVE to keep talking. Politicians will say how happy they are to (hear) you — they’re not,” announced Maggie Huchthaus, a former Martin County politician and the sister of one-time U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno. She addressed a crowd of water and business advocates gathered in Clewiston on the first day of September.

“Politicians will blame God, then they’ll blame the Army Corps, and then they’ll blame Washington. Look over there at that dike. There is not one single drop in it from Washington. We done did it to ourselves.”

What we done did

In Florida now, there’s either too much water in the summer, or too little of it during disabling winter droughts. It’s either polluted when it flows into and out of Lake Okeechobee, or it’s flowing the wrong direction out of the lake. Or both.

“The key thing to understand is that the Kissimmees influence Lake O, which influences the estuaries and the southern part of the system,” says Lt. Col. Thomas Green, Jacksonville district deputy commander for the Army Corps of Engineers.

“Then this will require tremendous resources. There are no short-term solutions to the problems. It’s tough for me to talk about getting things done in decades, but that’s the reality.”

The uses and obligations of water — who gets how much, and how much users ought to pay to clean it up when they use it — can create significant conflicts among special interest groups that might be better served by working together, many acknowledge.

Barbara Mediema, vice president of the Florida Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of about 50 farms, put it this way: “We have a saying: Water is for fighting, whiskey is for drinking.” The difficulty comes in turning that truth upside down.

The heavy imprint of cows

Since a 2006 Lloyd’s of London report citing Lake Okeechobee as the nation’s second most vulnerable site for hurricanes, the Herbert Hoover dike has been butressed by 21 miles of Army Corps engineering between Belle Glade and Pahokee. In addition, 32 of its dangerously aging culverts are now being replaced, notes Lt. Col. Greco.

“It’s stronger than it was a year or two years ago, (with measures) actively protecting communities around the dike,” he says.

But for many, that’s too little cause for celebration in a tributary river and lake system where nearly a century of runoff nutrients from farming, mining and urban living have been poured, and southward flows altered significa- ntly.

Lake Okeechobee’s bottom, which was once commonplace at any depth, isn’t now.

“There’s a century worth of phosphorous banked in the sediment of the lake — that’s not going away anytime soon,” explains John Cassani, a biologist and resource manager at Lee County Hysacinth Control on the west coast.

“A lot of that is urban contribution from Disney World South world, but a lot of it is also agriculture.”

No matter what their viewpoint, most agree that the Kissimme River basin’s cattle industry is one of the major problems in cleaning the Everglades for hundreds of miles to the south.

“That’s where a lot of the nutrient pollution comes from, right up there,” says Clewiston Mayor Phillip Rol- lard.

As a boy, he could see the bottom of the lake in 15 or 20 feet of water wherever he was, he recalls. Now, at 74, he can’t see it anywhere he is.

About 550,000 beef and dairy cattle live along the Kis- simmee River and Fishheating Creek at any one time, the state Department of Agriculture estimates. Each cow can produce roughly 65 pounds of manure per day. Unfortu- nately, acknowledge the experts, much of that waste will reach the lake as nutrient pollution.

Following overwhelming rains of about 100 inches in the wet season of 1947, and after years of planning, the Army Corps straightened the meandering Kissimme over a 800-mile stretch in the 1960s.

Engineers reduced the river to a canal that worked like a big hose, stretching about 50 miles long, 200 feet wide and 30 feet deep. Water that once required six months to filter through natural wetlands from Orlando’s south- side lake system to Lake Okeechobee now takes about two days, says Mark Perry, executive director of the Flor- ida Oceanographic Society.

Unfiltered, that water injects huge amounts of nitrogen and phosphorous into Lake Okeechobee.

Every drop of it, eventually, becomes part of an all-points waterscape stirred daily into the Florida cocktail of geography, culture and economics.

John Pogue, president of West Palm Beach-based Eco- Advisors, characterized the problem this way: “The northern Everglades from Orlando down to Lake O has been a forgotten child. It’s a major source of this phos- phorous and nitrogen pollution that help cause the algae blooms. It’s regional and development runoff, and it in- cludes agricultural runoff.

“The lake is like a big bowl. On the bottom of that lake it’s probably six to eight inches thick over 730 square miles. That’s called legacy phosphorous.”

Holding catastrophe at bay

Wherever it comes from, much of the nutrient pollu- tion eventually flows down the rivers east and west. Resi- dents near the rivers contribute to the problem, too, by using lawn fertilizer and aging septic systems — 30,000 on the St. Lucie side in Martin County, and more than 100,000 on the Caloosahatchee side through Glades, Hendry and Lee Counties, records show (www.septic- search.com is one source).

Seepage from those tanks gets into the river or ground- water systems that reach the river, is back-pumped into the Lake, or ultimately flows into the bays.

In addition, there are too few high-tech sewage treat- ment plants, the kind that filter out not just floating things, but many chemical pollutants, too, experts say.

The entire effort to hold catastrophe at bay or improve a fresh-to-saline-water system that once was as pure as any- thing in the world is so complicated it almost defies a single description. A map of ongoing or planned projects from Polk and St. Lucie counties south through Palm Beach, Collier, Broward, and into the Keys shows more than 60.

But the basic principles of restoration in the Everglades remain consistently simple.

The water-quality problems of pollution and its algae offspring, and the water-quality problems — supplying clean freshwater at the right times to support estuaries...
Southward, or not?

Sending more water southward, and less east and west during the typical summer season of 55- to 65-inch rainfalls, may be the key not only to the future of this water world itself, but to the culture and economies built on it, many insist.

Once upon a time, the southern Everglades and ultimately Lake Okeechobee, which historian and former governor Fred Zehringer called the “last great lake in the United States”, consumed almost all the water from the northern Everglades in a nearly imperceptible flow of a few per month.

Now says Mr. Perry, the Everglades gets only 13 percent of the water — not enough to maintain the proper levels of salinity in Florida Bay.

He is part of a growing sugar-producing companies that use 480,000 of the 700,000 acres in the government-protected Everglades Agricultural Area mostly south of the lake, gets away with it, he says, because the St. Lucie and Caloosa River systems get the rest, but in amounts that are too often, or too little — 20 percent in the case of the St. Lucie, and mostly less than that much, 44 percent, in the case of the Caloosa River.

But southward storage or filtering does not appeal to those who control much of the land below the lake. Sugar growers, with their heavy fertilizer regimen and license to back-pump dirty water, maintain that they have been able to reduce the amount of phosphorus they create by 50 percent in recent years.

“Back pumping into the lake — we get criticized for it, but it only occurs under extreme flooding conditions,” says Ms. Miedema of the Sugar Growers Exchange.

“The South Florida Water Management District can’t move polluted water out to tide, so they have to put it back into the lake to prevent contaminants from flooding. And they haven’t done that for months.”

As for storage, she argues, that should be done either on the north of lake, or in the lake itself, with a better design — but not on sugar lands.

“Rather than using (our) farmland, storage north of the lake gives you a bigger bang for your buck.” And for the time being, she adds, “Fix the levee around the lake. That’s the best place to store water.”

Where the pollution comes from

Debates about water use and storage aside, no one disputes this fact. The users, all of them together, create immense amounts of pollution.

In the Caloosaheatchee system, for example, 18 to 27 percent of nutrients come from Lake Okeechobee. Roughly the same amounts enter the system from “submarine groundwater inputs,” according to a study produced by marine biologist Professor Ai Ning Loh and other researchers at Florida Gulf Coast University.

The remaining nutrients come from the local watershed, especially east of the Franklin Locks. At the Caloosaheatchee, the researchers concluded, “the best approach to reduce nutrient inputs would be... fertilizer ordinances, stormwater treatment areas, required septic system inspections, and...”

Some have taken action. Residents of Sanibel Island added up a huge sum to keep their oceanfront and bay waters attractive to visitors, who will provide even greater streams of revenue, they hope.

“There’s a reason Sanibel spent $71 million on sewage treatment — it was not to have sewage coming into the water,” explains Sanibel Mayor Kevin Ruane.

Unfortunately, however, the charming and upscale barrier island lies at the mouth of the Caloosaheatchee River, which is not charming and upscale.

During the month-long flood of dirty-coffee water released downstream to protect Lake Okeechobee’s dike, salinity levels dropped to zero at various points in the naturally brackish estuary.

The average flow through the Franklin Locks in Lee County for 30 days, from July 21 to Aug. 19, was 92 percent above normal — 3 to 5 times higher than the “normal threshold,” according to the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation.

That will have long-term effects, but it also had a short-term effect: “The release caused 100 percent mortality of intertidal juvenile oysters at two sites,” reported Rae Ann Wessel, the foundation’s policy director.

“So far this year alone, about a million pounds of nitrogen and 600,000 pounds of phosphorous have been washed out down the St. Lucie River — and probably more than twice that down the Caloosaheatchee,” Mr. Perry said.

Cleaning this water and directing it in appropriate quantities to the right environments, is now the challenge.

Inter-connected-ness

Ultimately, the system works like this:

When somebody flushes a toilet in the clubhouse of Disney’s Lake Buena Vista Golf Course, 10 minutes from the main gate at Disney World near the headwaters of the Kissimmee River and the 28-year-old Chemline water-treatment plant there, it is treated by a special treatment plant designed to take out some but not all of the pollutants in the effluent.

When freshwater that once flowed southward reaches Stuart, on the east, an ocean-front town bricked into the Atlantic mouth of the St. Lucie, or Sanibel Island on the west, wedged into Charlotte Harbor on the Gulf of Mexico, it can’t refresh the southern Everglades and Florida Bay.

“Every minute that 90 percent of the wild fowl populating this world water in 1900 is now gone; Florida Bay has grown too salty without its traditional injections of naturally filtered freshwater that its marine populations might be unacceptable to their own species,” says Professor Aswani Volety, a marine biologist and chair of the Department of Arts & Sciences at Florida Gulf Coast University — shortly before adding the “but.”

“But there’s no silver bullet. The problem is not a localized one.

Four things become apparent to nearly every opinionator weighing in on the water issue. One, the problem is likely to be solved only incrementally by a confluence of small fixes, unless lake water can be released in large measure to the south.

Two, it will not cost as little as many politicians estimate.

Three, elected officials are the ones who determine whether that money will be spent, or not, repairing the Everglades systems enough that tourism, real estate and agriculture all can live comfortably in the region.

And four, everybody is going to have to sacrifice something from environmentalists to farmers.

As Wayne Daltry, a retired planner and now president of the Florida Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative. Rather than using farmland to south or north of the lake for major water retention, storage north of lake gives you a bigger bang for your buck.

“Consensus in terms of what needs to get done is... that’s difficult,” he says, “We’ve been trying to do this for a long time.”

Several members of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan I walked the halls of Congress with members of Audubon to retrofit the Comprehensive Everglades Policy project control center.

“What I think can be done now is to fix the levee around the lake. That’s the best place to conserve water — in the lake.”

>> Wayne Daltry, president of Caloosaheatchee River Citizens Association/Riverwatch

>> Barbara Miedema, executive director of the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation

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And the C-43 and C-44 reservoirs should go forward immediately.

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Residential non-point sources: Watch your fertilizer.

“Are you’re applying fertilizer. Get off your septics and get on your tires.”

Wastewater treatment plants: put them all online, and upgrade them.

And the C-43 and C-44 reservoirs should go forward immediately.

>> Barbara Miedema, executive director of the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation

“Consensus in terms of what needs to get done is... that’s difficult,” he says, “We’ve been trying to do this for a long time.”

Several members of the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan I walked the halls of Congress with members of Audubon to retrofit the Comprehensive Everglades Policy project control center.

“What I think can be done now is to fix the levee around the lake. That’s the best place to conserve water — in the lake.”

>> Wayne Daltry, president of Caloosaheatchee River Citizens Association/Riverwatch

Look at the Tamiami Trail in Miami, look at Lake Okeechobee, look in between. The trail raiding doesn’t help us until everything in between is connected, and MOBE is added.

The additional water going under the bridge has to be clean, the water in the lake isn’t clean, the works in between are already full, but the MOBE is added.

Clean water for water for us to be helped.

And all this is designed for years that are less wet than this year. Once the systems overload, they collapse (they flood).

Here’s what can be done now: Ask for more flexibility in managing the lake. If they are not able to come to the river in the dry season even when the lake threatens to go below 12.5 feet, Achieving an additional six inches of discharge is not enough, and the federal or economic purposes provides room for an additional storage in the wet season of over 200,000 acre feet — more than the entire Everglades restoration plan, which is 170,000 acre feet.
To clean up and better manage water coming into and flowing out of Lake Okeechobee, a great deal more will have to be stored outside the lake, experts say — both in reservoirs, and on southern lands where it once flowed naturally.

A significant portion of those lands, 700,000 acres called the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA), is now owned by farm corporations. Together, they grow 480,000 acres of sugarcane there.

The EAA, a government gift to agri-
culture that includes 15 major canals and 25 water control structures managed by the South Florida Water Management District.

The sugar companies use water chan-
elled their way efficiently, they say — back from the lake when necessary and cleaning the rest according to EPA standards before re-
leasing it into canals flowing southwest. 

But sugar companies have resisted stor-
ing additional water on their lands for many years, while insisting on significant amounts of water for irrigation in season.

U.S. Sugar, alone, with 1,700 employees, takes in an average of $604 million in rev-

According to the University of Florida’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, its strategy for maintaining this status quo, says critics, includes significant campaign contributions to the state’s current political leaders in both parties.

The relationship between so-called “Big Sugar” — the Fanjul Corp. and the U.S. Sugar Corp., in particular — and very powerful politicians appears to be intimate.

Sen. Marco Rubio, writing in his autobiography, “An American Son,” recalled the following meeting with the Fanjuls, in their home in Miami: “Dominio Sugar and others. The passage was later quoted in The Wall Street Journal.

“Mr. Fanjul suggested I spend Labor Day weekend in the Hamptons, where many of their friends and major Republican donors would spend the holiday. Jeanette and I stayed in Mark Gerson’s guesthouse. On Sunday night, Pepe and Emilia Fanjul hosted a dinner for us on their boat, and they invited former New York Mayor Rudy Gi-

The Water Management District budget alone, about $1.5 billion in 2010, came in at $562 million in the current fiscal year, profoundly inhibiting the ability of officials to monitor compli-

And in the last six weeks, from the Indian River La-

gaan to the Stuart and the St. Lucie Lock, to Fort Myers and the Franklin Lock, elected leaders, including Gov. Scott, have made appearances before disgruntled or anxious crowds, announcing money injections into a system de-
digned to control water.

That comes on the heels of still struggling efforts by ofﬁcials to advance the Comprehensive Everglades Res-

For example, the governor has now promised a $40 million state boost to help build a reservoir on the St. Lu-

What they’re saying

>> John Cassani, Lee County Hycotrol Control Manager: Sugar is backing up existing water into the lake at the same time (the Army Corps) is sending floodwaters east and west. It’s not a lot, but it’s enough to send a message. And they have been doing that for a lot of years in the name of flood control for farmlands.

So that’s adding to both excess volume and excess pollution.

The fundamental process of how our government works is a weak spot. Lobby-

>> John Peggi, president of the SWFM District: “Laziness is not going to fix this whole damn system. The Kissimmee river, Lake Okeechobee and Florida Bay are all intimately connected. We need to do it all down into Florida Bay. The salinity levels in Florida Bay are unbelievably high because no fresh water gets dumped in there. Of course, once we have an alternative route for water to be discharged from the lake, cleaned up and sent south, we’ll continue to have issues with the estuaries.

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>> State Sen. Lizbeth Benacquisto: “Yes, it’s the same sentiment. They’re saying, ‘Let’s do something about the water quality in our area.’ And if they had to come to an agreement where they would all pitch in some funds, it would probably be a solution.

>> Phillip Rosado, head of the SWFM District: “I went up to Miami and spoke with the governor. I said, ‘Look, we’re going to put the additional $40 million in to the rest of the system.’ I said, ‘We’re going to do it.’ And he’s looking at me and saying, ‘Well, that’s not a very good solution.’ We’re going to have to fix the system. Until they fix the drainage system — the flow from the top — until they can throttle that water down and make it take longer to get into the Lake, they’re not going to fix this whole damn system. The Kissimmee river, Lake Okeechobee and Florida Bay are all intimately connected. We need to do it all down into Florida Bay. The salinity levels in Florida Bay are unbelievably high because no fresh water gets dumped in there. Of course, once we have an alternative route for water to be discharged from the lake, cleaned up and sent south, we’ll continue to have issues with the estuaries.

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>> Kevin Rouze, mayor of Sanibel: “We have to hold more water in the lake. I understand the priority of public safety, in life we manage risks. The Army Corps needs to manage the risk of the dike. We need to be able to send water in the canals and give them the discharge from the lake, and then down to the south. If you increase a little more water in the lake, and send more water down the canals, you have a short-term solution.

The most encouraging thing is that everybody is on this issue, now.
THE MOST DANGEROUS TIME: FLOOD RISK HIGH FOR LAKE OKEECHOBEE

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Philip Rolan slept little on the last night of August at his home in Clewiston, a town humbled beneath Lake Okeechobee’s Herbert Hoover dike. Instead, he lay awake sweating it. That’s typical now as this month’s 85th anniversary of the second most deadly hurricane ever to hit American shores comes and goes. “I just want to get to Thanksgiving so I won’t have to worry about this every night,” he said.

As he enters the most dangerous season on the calendar, Mr. Rolan, who serves as mayor here where he was born and raised, worries about two problems.

First, he mistrusts the 30-foot-high dike, stretching 143 miles and spiked intermittently with many culverts. The dike holds back 730 square miles of water just outside his door, but that’s not the problem. The problem is more vivid.

The Herbert Hoover dike has a 40 percent chance of structural failure if the lake level reaches 17 feet, engineers have told him.

In August, after a month of the heaviest rains in recent years, the lake reached 16.3 feet. Water kept rising at more than twice the rate engineers could discharge it into the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee rivers.

The other worry the mayor has is even worse, he says; a hurricane coming out of the east with its counterclockwise spin could have deadly consequences.

“Look, this is a once-in-50-year event, this rainfall we’ve had this summer,” he said. “But if a hurricane comes out of the Atlantic and across the lake — and about 90 percent of the worst storms we’ve ever had come in September or October — this could become a once-in-a-hundred-year event. And I’d have to order a mandatory evacuation.”

Consequently, he just hopes to reach Thanksgiving without having to discover that we’re living in an answer year, rather than a question year.

“There are years that ask questions and years that answer,” wrote Zora Neale Hurston in her celebrated novel, “Their Eyes Were Watching God.”

The book configures race, love and life during the Okeechobee hurricane that killed thousands living in the shadow of the “Big Water,” as the Seminole Indians called the lake, tagging it forever with their word, Okeechobee.

Lloyd’s of London, which had to pay out $3.4 billion after Hurricane Katrina, looked at that Okeechobee “answer year” in a more practical way. Its 22-page study, from 2006, pointed out that Okeechobee “is ranked second by the International Hurricane Research Center in a list of the most vulnerable U.S. mainland areas to hurricanes.”

It concluded that if the dike collapses, 40,000 residents living near the lake will be in “serious danger,” and five million residents living in three counties to the southeast of the lake would be deeply affected, “with economic losses likely to run in the tens of billions of dollars.”

The furious storm that altered everything Floridians knew about water began on Sunday evening, Sept. 16, 1928, just after 6 p.m.

It came off the Atlantic and slammed into Palm Beach County between Jupiter and Boca Raton, bringing a storm surge of 10 feet and waves likely as high as 20 feet before reaching the lake and overwhelming it, observers reported.

In such lakeside towns as Belle Glade, Clewiston and South Bay, water reached heights of seven to 11 feet — a roiling, killer torrent that swept out of the darkness into a region inhabited by about 500,000 residents, many of them living without electricity or radios.

By dawn thousands were dead. The bodies of many were lost forever.

“The exact number who perished in the Okeechobee storm can never be ascertained,” wrote Lawrence Will, a witness to the storm, in his book “Okeechobee Hurricane.”

“Probably three-fourths or more of the casualties were Ne-groes who had come from the Bahama Islands... many were carried by the flood far into the sawgrass wastes.”

After that storm, everything about water changed in the southern half of the peninsula, including the construction of the Herbert Hoover dike, which took more than 30 years to complete.

Now, insists Mayor Rolan, the fix needs to come in before, not after the next hurricane strikes.

“Because this thing is sure,” he says. “It’s going to happen again, sometime.”

THE SOLUTIONS

This map shows more than 60 pieces of the ambitious Everglades Restoration Plan adopted by Congress in 2000, along with other government efforts to restore natural waterflow. Most phases are not currently funded. Completely implementing the plan will help restore natural water flows and increase water quality throughout southern Florida.

C-44 Reservoir and Stormwater Treatment Area will help prevent releases from Lake Okeechobee into the St. Lucie River system. Gov. Scott recently pledged $40 million to the project.

C-43 Reservoir will help divert freshwater releases from Lake Okeechobee into the Caloosahatchee River. Funding remains stalled in Congress.

Damage from the 1928 hurricane aftermath that caused Lake Okeechobee to overflow, killing thousands. A similar flood could happen again.

SOLUTIONS
and an evening blues bash and barbecue. “We’re hoping people will go to both and make a day of it,” says Vicky Tracy, organizer of the Naples Bay Blues Bash, which benefits a different nonprofit each year. She had decided long before Labor Day to dedicate the third annual bash to the Y. Who knew how fortuitous that would be?

“It’s the one thing in our community that has services for everyone,” Ms. Tracy says about the Y, adding that before the fire, “We took the Y for granted.”

The Sept. 2 fire destroyed the gymnasium, exercise room and adjoining rooms including lockers and offices, but spared the western part of the building at 5450 YMCA Road. The Gaynor Child Care Center and tennis complex on the same site were not affected and remain open for members’ use. Alternate locations have been secured for fitness, swimming and group exercise programs at the Greater Family Marco YMCA, Bonita Springs YMCA, NCH Wellness Centers, North Collier Regional Park, Golden Gate Aquatic and Fitness Complex, and Norris Aquatics Center. All swim lessons are being held at Sun-N-Fun Lagoon.

For the latest news about recovery efforts, services available and ways to help out, visit www.greaternaplesymca.org and www.facebook.com/GreaterNaplesYMCA. Additional information can be found by texting @yinfo to (786) 766-7440.

YMCA

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Paul Thein, YMCA president; Eileen Connelly-Kesler, CEO of the Community Foundation of Collier County; and Guy Blanchette, chair of the Y board of directors, stand amid the ruins of the main YMCA building off Pine Ridge Road.

>> “Respond, Rebuild, Rejoice” 5K walk and run: Sign-in begins at 7 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, and the walk/run goes on from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Naples YMCA, 5450 YMCA Road. Every participant must register by e-mailing naplesrebuilder@gmail.com (if there are five people in a family, for example, send five e-mails). For more information, call 450-0467.


>> First National Bank of the Gulf Coast Relief Fund: Donations can be made at any First National Bank of the Gulf Coast location in Naples and on Marco Island. For information, call 348-8000 or 649-6000.

>> The Community Foundation of Collier County Relief Fund: Current fund holders can download a donor form and mail with a check to the foundation at 2400 Tamiami Trail, Suite 300, Naples, FL 34103. Donations are also being accepted and through PayPal. The website is www.cfcollier.org. For more information, visit the website or call 649-5000.

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Keep Collier Beautiful invites local residents to take part in the 27th annual International Coastal Cleanup on Saturday, Sept. 21. As individuals and in organized teams, volunteers in countries around the world will pitch in that day to remove trash and debris from waterways that lead to the world’s oceans. In 2012, more than 500,000 people helped make a clean sweep along nearly 20,000 miles of coastlines and waterways.

The Collier County cleanup sites are: Barefoot Beach Preserve, Clam Pass, Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, Gulf Shores Marina (Haldeman Creek), Lowdermilk Park, Naples Bay, the Naples Pier, Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Tigertail Beach on Marco Island, Golden Gate canals and Isle of Capri.

Groups with 10 or more members are asked to preregister with KCB by calling 580-8389 or e-mailing litternot@earthlink.net.

For more information about Keep Collier Beautiful, visit www.keepcollierbeautiful.com.

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Fund A Dream gives Immokalee kids life-changing summer experiences

The Immokalee Foundation created a special summer for local students who learned, grew and advanced by visiting college campuses, participating in team-building activities, attending camps in New England and taking part in workshops, learning academies and even summer internships, many of which were made possible thanks to proceeds from TIF’s Fund A Dream auction held last November at the 2012 Charity Classic Celebration.

As a nonprofit organization that provides educational opportunities for Immokalee’s children, the foundation placed learning firmly at the center of its summer activities, which included a medical program at Florida State University in Tallahassee, the Leadership Academy at Florida Gulf Coast University, a Youth Leadership Collier program in Naples and the Students of Promise camp hosted by Edison State College. By providing glimpses of life beyond Immokalee, the experiences were life changing for many participants.

Joel Garcia, one of 23 incoming college freshmen who attended Students of Promise, said the six-week camp went by quickly and one workshop made him realize “that it’s not where you go to school but how much you put into your education. That is what will really pay off.”

Through a partnership with TIF, ESC funded the students’ camp tuition. The students lived onsite on the weekends and were responsible for attending classes daily and completing courses on topics such as transition to college, personal growth, team-building and leadership.

Nickson Vilsant, for one, appreciated the time he spent at the school. “It provided a great opportunity to live on campus and give an overall feeling of college life,” he says.

Another camper, Chedeline Frederic, adds, “This experience taught us to grow as individuals, understand college life and become independent.”

Guadalupe Hernandez appreciated the financial advice provided to campers. “This taught me not to waste money on unneeded things because you have to manage your entire budget for the whole year,” she says.

Summer opportunities weren’t limited to only older students in TIF programs. The Rising 8th Grade Academy was held four hours each day, for six weeks, at the TIF building in Immokalee. The academy helped students with math and reading and provided training in Franklin Covey’s “The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens.” The Rising Freshmen Academy provided the same, plus a transition camp for high school students.

Overall, 98 sophomores, juniors and seniors enrolled in the ACT Summer Prep Academy at Immokalee’s I-TECH Center and 22 students attended a one-week College Success Boot Camp at Ave Maria University.

Personal growth, team-building and leadership skills were the focus of three summer camps in New England that hosted TIF students. Two students attended Camp Deerwood in New Hampshire; six were invited to Kingsley Pines in Maine; and one went to Camp Joslin, an all-male camp for children who have diabetes, in Massachusetts for the third year.

“We are so grateful to the individuals, businesses, colleges and universities that made this a summer to remember for our students,” says Liz Allbritten, TIF executive director. “These opportunities and experiences provide invaluable information and will leave a lasting impact on all of our students.”

The Immokalee Foundation has a range of programs that focus on building pathways to success through college and post-secondary training, mentoring and tutoring, and opportunities for broadening experiences, life skills development and economic independence. To learn more about the foundation or about volunteering to mentor an Immokalee student, call 430-9122 or visit www.immokaleefoundation.org.
NONPROFIT NEWS

Foster children tuck in to new mattresses

Some local foster children are having sweet dreams on new mattresses thanks to the combined efforts of the Friends of Foster Children and Tempur-Pedic North America, LLC.

Just before the start of the new school year, 140 twin-sized Tempur-Pedic mattresses were delivered to the William C. Huff Companies warehouse in Naples. It was the second year the mattress manufacturer has given mattresses to the local nonprofit. Jim Henderson, FFC board member and owner/president of William C. Huff Companies, donated warehouse space and staff labor again this year.

Foster parents picked up the new bedding on Aug. 24.

"Tempur-Pedic believes everybody, especially children, deserves a good night’s rest. We are pleased to be able to offer a quality mattress for the children of Friends of Foster Children and help them achieve a better night’s sleep," said Rick Anderson, president of Tempur-Pedic North America.

Statistics show that children with a better night’s sleep tend to do much better in school. This is even more important for abused and neglected children who, through no fault of their own, are removed from their homes and in many cases moved from home to home.

The mission of Friends of Foster Children is to provide abused, neglected and abandoned children in Southwest Florida with the social, educational and financial support the state does not.

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Tuesdays for charities

Jason's Deli is celebrating a decade in Naples with a thank-you to the community for 10 years of support. The restaurant has designated a different charitable organization to be the beneficiary of 10 percent of its Naples sales every Tuesday between Sept. 17 and Nov. 19. Here are the organizations by date:

- NAMI of Collier County: Sept. 17
- Meals of Hope: Sept. 24
- PACE Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee: Oct. 1
- Champions For Learning: Oct. 8
- Laces of Love: Oct. 15
- The Shelter for Abused Women & Children: Oct. 22
- Able Academy: Oct. 29
- Angels Undercover: Nov. 5
- The Salvation Army: Nov. 12
- Children’s Advocacy Center of Collier County: Nov. 19

Donation totals will be based on sales (dine in, carry out and delivery) at the Naples Jason’s Deli from 4-9 p.m. Customers who also give back by making a $1 donation to the charity of the week will be entered in a drawing for a catered event for 10 people.

A celebratory breakfast and check presentations to all 10 charities will take place at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 3. Jason’s Deli of Naples is at 2700 Immokalee Road at Airport Pulling Road.

Goodwill seeks items for Camp

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida needs supplies for Trailways Camp, a five-day residential camp for adults with disabilities. Now through Saturday, Sept. 14, donations are welcome at the Goodwill Retail & Donation Center on Pine Ridge Road in Naples.

Needed items include arts and crafts supplies, travel-sized toiletries, sporting equipment, fishing poles and fishing gear. View a full wish list at www.goodwillswfl.org/trailwayscamp. Gift cards to stores that sell needed items are also welcome.

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Superintendent sets dates for town hall meetings at schools

Collier County Public Schools’ Superintendent Kamela Patton has set the dates for her third year of Superintendent’s Town Hall Meetings designed to allow her to meet with staff, parents and community members.

Topics of discussion will include BYOD (Bring Your Own Device), STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math), workforce education and the B-fit wellness campaign. She will also share information about the district’s 2014-2016 strategic plan and steps the district is taking to promote safety and mental health awareness.

With networked laptops available at each meeting, parents will be able to receive technical assistance in setting up parent portal access and authorizing their children to participate in BYOD.

Questions will be accepted from the floor the evening of each meeting and can also be submitted in advance by e-mailing question@collierschools.com or by visiting www.collierschools.com (click on the “Ask the Superintendent” link under Community Input Requested).

Each hour-long meeting will begin at 6 p.m. Here’s the schedule:
- Monday, Sept. 16: Everglades City School
- Thursday, Sept. 26: Immokalee Technical Center
- Tuesday, Oct. 1: Tommie Barfield Elementary School, Marco Island
- Thursday, Oct. 10: Golden Gate High School
- Monday, Oct. 14: Barron Collier High School
- Monday, Oct. 28: Gulf Coast High School

For more information, call 377-0180 or e-mail info@collierschools.com.

Campaign set for student voter registration

The Collier County Supervisor of Elections Office is challenging local high schools to get students registered for the 2014 and 2016 election cycle. The high school with the most students to register or pre-register to vote in Collier County during the Sept. 17-27 registration drive will receive a plaque from Jennifer Edwards, supervisor of elections.

In order to register to vote, residents must be legal U.S. citizens at least 18 years old. Pre-registration can be done at age 16.

The Collier County Supervisor of Elections Office continues to strengthen its partnerships with Collier County schools and engage students in the democratic process by providing educational programs, conducting voter registration drives and participating in events that familiarize students with the electoral process.

For more information, call Cyndi Young, education coordinator, at 252-8450 or e-mail cyndiyoung@collier.gov.net.

College Night set for students, parents

Approximately 100 colleges and universities from Florida and around the United States will send representatives to Collier County Public Schools’ annual College Night coming up from 4:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, in the gymnasium at Golden Gate High School.

Throughout the evening, students and parents will be able to talk with school representatives about programs offered, entrance requirements, expenses, financial aid, campus life, etc.

For additional college resources, including questions to ask on College Night and things to research beforehand in order to help the decision-making process, go to www.collierschools.com/student_services/college.asp.

For more information, call Christopher Smith, counselor on special assignment/secondary school counseling, at 377-0659 or e-mail smithch@collierschools.com.
Majority of teens think prescription stimulant use is a problem among peers

Two-thirds of young people surveyed in a recent University of Florida study said the use of prescription stimulants is a moderate-to-large problem among youth. Nearly 15 percent said they had used a prescription stimulant, the study shows, and almost 12 percent reported diverting medications by giving their stimulants to a peer or taking someone else's pills.

The National Monitoring of Adolescent Prescription Stimulants Study involved surveys of more than 11,000 youth ages 10 to 18 from urban, rural and suburban areas in and around 10 U.S. cities. It is the first national study to monitor prescription stimulant use in both preteens and teens, including non-medical use, with significant details for each topic. The study findings appear in the September issue of the journal Current Opinion in Psychiatry.

Other studies have documented teens and college students using prescription stimulants non-medically as “study drugs” to enhance concentration. Stimulants such as Ritalin, Adderall and Concerta are typically prescribed to help patients with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder stay focused and to control behavior problems. But when the drugs are taken incorrectly or without a prescription, they can increase blood pressure, heart rate and body temperature and decrease sleep and appetite, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse. At high doses, they can lead to cardiovascular problems.

For the UF study, led by Linda A. Cottler, chair of the department of epidemiology in the College of Public Health and Health Professions and the College of Medicine, researchers surveyed 11,048 preteens and teens in Boston, Cincinnati, Denver, Houston, Los Angeles, New York City, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Seattle and Tampa, Fla. Interviewers recruited participants at venues where young people congregate, such as shopping malls, movie theaters, sports and recreation centers, arcades and skate parks. The study was carried out during four time periods, starting in 2008 and ending in 2011.

Participants completed written questionnaires and were shown photos of brand name prescription stimulants to help them identify which medications they have used. Non-medical use was assessed by asking participants if they have ever taken more stimulants than the doctor had prescribed, used someone else’s stimulants, or taken stimulants “to get high,” “out of curiosity” or “just because.”

Nearly 15 percent of participants said they had used a prescription stimulant in the past 30 days with more participants believing that prescription stimulant use is a moderate-to-large problem among youth.

One way to address the problem of prescription stimulant misuse is to control access, Ms. Cottler said.

“Health-care providers should be cautious about prescribing stimulant medications to young people for non-significant issues,” she said. “Parents should to talk to their kids and let them know that medications should not be shared for any reason.”

National Science Foundation summer high school student working for the famous Dr. Levine. Years after his important discovery of the link between smoking and cancer, his team was still looking for other causes for and ways to fight cancer, as we are now encouraging our own community to do.

While treatment has improved for various forms of cancer — leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin’s disease and testicular cancer, among them — we still have miles to go. Sadly, lung cancer, the most common cancer in our country, kills more than 150,000 people per year.

The age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer is essentially unchanged over the past half-century, at about 200 deaths per 100,000 people. Worst of all, the incidence of cancer is on the rise, which is exactly why the ACS’s above-mentioned Cancer Prevention Study-3 taking place at NCH is so critical.

What can each of us do to prevent this potential killer from invading our lives?

We can start by enrolling in the study. The initial intake includes a confidential questionnaire and a small blood sample, which will be frozen for further use if needed. The study is expected to last 20 years, and periodically you will be asked to fill out a questionnaire.

The deadline for signing up is Sept. 18. I urge you to call (888) 604-3888 or visit www.cancer.org/csp/florida to find out more.

The goal is to better understand the factors (lifestyle, environmental, genetic) that cause or prevent cancer, and ultimately, to help eliminate cancer as a major health concern for future generations.

Prevention is always better than treatment, of course. One of our primary goals at NCH is to enhance the health of our community. Collaborating with organizations such as ACS to study, assess and make progress is an ideal way for us to pursue that goal.

— Dr. Allen Weiss is president and CEO of the NCH Healthcare System.
HEALTHY LIVING

Focusing on health care

Local health-care industry experts who are graduates of Leadership Collier will present “Advances and Trends in Health Care” from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at the Naples Children and Education Foundation Pediatric Dental Center at Edison State College-Collier Campus. The program is presented by the Leadership Collier Foundation Alumni Association and ESC.

Presenters are: Dr. Allen Weiss, CEO and president of NCH Healthcare System; Nancy Lascheid, RN, co-founder of the Neighborhood Health Clinic; Dan Lavender, CEO, Mooring’s Park; Vicki Tracy, director, The Arlington of Naples; Dr. Paul Mitchell, Chief Medical Officer, Avow; Robert Jones, Ed.D., president, ESC-Collier Campus; and Dr. Rolando Rivera, president of the Foundation of Collier County Medical Society. Their topics will include recent developments and trends in health care locally and nationally, Collier County population trends, the emergence of Assisted Living Facilities in the community and how to get involved in health-wise community groups and outreach programs.

The day will wrap up with a tour of the pediatric dental center. Registration is $25 and includes lunch. For more information, visit www.napleschamber.org.

Calling for donors to give blood

Donations of blood slow to a trickle during the summer months in Southwest Florida, but the need for blood of all types does not. Donors are urged to take the time to donate at the Community Blood Center or its bloodmobile.

The center is on the first floor of the NCH Medical Plaza Building at 311 Ninth St. N., next to the NCH parking garage. Complimentary valet parking is offered for all blood donors. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday.

In Bonita Springs, the CBC bloodmobile makes a one-day visit to the parking lot at Sunshine Plaza on the second Monday of the month, Look for it next from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 14.

Here are some additional stops for the bloodmobile coming up:

- **Tuesday, Sept. 17:** 8-10 a.m. at Wynn’s Market, 141 Ninth St. N.
- **Saturday, Sept. 14:** Noon to 3 p.m. at Avow, 8-11 a.m. at Bar-ron Collier High School for “Canes vs. Cancer.”
- **Saturday, Sept. 14:** 1-6 p.m. at Holy-wood Theatre Coconut Point (free movie ticket to successful donors).
- **Sunday, Sept. 15:** Noon to 3 p.m. at Outback Steakhouse, 4910 Tamiami Trail N. (free Bloomin’ Onion to donors).
- **Tuesday, Sept. 17:** 8-10 a.m. at Northern Trust, 4001 Tamiami Trail N.
- **Tuesday, Sept. 17:** Noon to 3:30 p.m. at Edison State College-Collier Campus.

Donors can safely give blood every 56 days. The minimum age to give blood is 16 (17 if parental consent required). Donors must weigh at least 110 pounds, should eat and be well hydrated prior to giving blood and must present photo ID.

For the complete bloodmobile schedule, call 624-4120 or visit www.give-blood.com.org.

Basics for parents-to-be

Physicians Regional-Collier Boulevard invites expectant parents to attend one-time classes to help them prepare for the birth and care of their pending bundle of joy. Several sessions of each class are scheduled:

- **The ABC’s of Infant Care:** 6:30-8:30 p.m., with sessions offered on Tuesdays, Oct. 15, Nov. 26 and Dec. 10; $65 per family.
- **Breastfeeding:** 6:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 8, Nov. 19 and Dec. 17; $35 per couple.
- **Express Childbirth Class:** 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Saturdays, Sept. 14 and Dec. 14; $70 per couple – This one-day class covers the basics of pregnancy and various labor techniques and medical interventions.

For more information or to sign up for any of the above session, call 354-6142.

Women’s Group Screenings

Screening for prostate problems

Men can receive free prostate cancer screens and PSA blood tests at specialists in Urology locations in Collier and Lee counties Saturday, Sept. 21. This is the 10th year that SIU physicians, physician assistants and nurses have volunteered their services for the day of free testing.

SIU is a division of 21st Century Oncology. The free prostate screenings are offered at three SIU offices in Naples and at its locations in Marco Island, Bonita Springs, Fort Myers and Cape Coral. Appointments are required and can be made by calling 434-6300.

Lending hands to fight arthritis

Massage Envy Spa and the Arthritis Foundation have joined forces to host the third annual Healing Hands for Arthritis, a one-day nationwide event to build awareness and raise funds to fight arthritis. Massage Envy Spas across the country will donate $10 from every one-hour massage or facial on Wednesday, Sept. 18, to the Arthritis Foundation. The goal is to raise $1 million.

Appointments are required. Call 252-3680 in Naples or 947-3689 in Estero.

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Walk the walks, run the runs, hit the links or bait a hook in the name of a non-profit organization. Here are some opportunities for getting out for a good cause.

Oakridge Middle School holds the fifth annual Bulldog Dash 5K Race and Fun Run on Saturday, Sept. 14. Proceed benefits the American Cancer Society Relay For Life. The 1-mile fun run starts at 7:15 a.m. and takes place on the school’s track and field area. Beginning at 7:30 a.m., the 5K will follow a course through Indigo Lakes before returning to the school.

Race-day registration is $25 for adults and $20 for ages 18 and younger. For more information, call teacher Katie Sullivan at 377-4800.

Physicians Regional Healthcare System presents the 10th annual golf tournament to benefit the Marco Island Police Foundation on Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Island Country Club on Marco. Continental breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m. and the shotgun start is set for 8:30 a.m. Registration for $100 per person includes an awards luncheon after the game. For more information, call Dick Shanahan at 860-4354 or e-mail rsshan@aol.com.

The United Way of Collier County hosts its eighth annual Walk for the Way beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at North Collier Regional Park. This family-friendly event is open to the public free of charge and boasts live entertainment, local celebrities and mascots, and representation from each of the United Way’s 31 partner agencies. Individual walkers and teams are encouraged to participate. For more information or to register as a team, individual or sponsor, call Jennifer Fey at 264-712, ext. 203.

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A golf tournament to benefit the Marco Island Center for the Arts opens the 10th annual golf tournament to benefit the Marco Island Police Foundation on Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Island Country Club. Lunch will be served at noon, followed by a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Registration is $85; prizes include a two-year lease on a 2014 Mercedes Benz C250, provided by Mercedes-Benz of Naples. To sign up or for more information, call the Marco Island Center for the Arts at 394-4221.

The American Cancer Society’s Making Strides Against Breast Cancer sets out: Saturday morning, Oct. 12, at Cambier Park. To register a team or to sign up to join an existing team, visit www.makingstrideswalk.org.

The Freedom Waters Foundation’s “Heels & Heels” girls fishing tournament to benefit the PACE Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee takes place from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Naples Boat Club. Registration is $35 per person. If you sign up by Oct. 15, you’ll get a $100 gift certificate to Best Buy. For registration or more information, call 254-7710 or 348-5125 or e-mail Danny Rosenfeld at dbrosenfeld08@gmail.com.

Conservancy of Southwest Florida invites amateur anglers to sign up for the fourth annual RedSnook Catch and Release Charity Tournament. Proceeds support the Conservancy’s efforts to protect area waters and fund junior marine game fish research. The one-day, open to public and auction take place Friday, Nov. 1, at the Naples Yacht Club. Anglers will launch from locations in Goodland and Everglades City the mornings of Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 2-3. The tournament concludes with the annual awards’ ceremony at 6 p.m. Nov. 3, at the Conservancy’s Nature Center.

Registration is limited to the first 60 teams that sign up by Oct. 25. Forms for anglers are available at www.conservancy.org/redsnook. For information about sponsorships, call Nikki Dvorachek at 438-4219 or e-mail nikki@dvorachek.org.

The fourth annual Southwest Florida Epilepsy Walkathon takes place from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 2, at North Collier Regional Park. Sign up as an individual or form a team and step out to raise funds for Epilepsy Prevention and Education of Florida. All walkers who raise $50 will receive a T-shirt. Raise $200 and get a $50 gift certificate to Best Buy. For registration or more information, call 254-7710 or 348-5125 or e-mail Danny Rosenfeld at dbrosenfeld08@gmail.com.

The fifth annual All Species Fishing Tournament to benefit Miracle Limbs-Courage in Motion is set for Saturday, Nov. 16, at Hamilton Harbor Yacht Club. Anglers in the catch-and-release competition will earn points for 19 different species and a mystery fish. Participation is limited to the first 30 boats that sign up. For more information, call Bob Ayers at 594-830 or Diana Ayers at 300-8156, e-mail Robert@miraclelimbs.org or visit www.miraclelimbs.org.

The Immokalee Foundation’s 2013 Charity Classic Pro-Am golf tournament pairs two dozen of the world’s greatest golfers with Naples’ most philanthropic players on Monday, Nov. 18, at Bay Colony Golf Club. This year’s chair is Kevin Johnson of Morgan Stanley Private Wealth Management. Entry fees begin at $5,000. All pro-am golfers will receive tickets to the 2013 Charity Classic Celebration dinner and auction Saturday, Nov. 16, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. To sign up or for more information, contact The Immokalee Foundation by calling 475-7962 or e-mailing info@immokaleefoundation.org or visiting www.immokaleefoundation.org.

The ninth annual Iron Joe Turkey Ride to benefit the Naples Pathways Coalition takes place Sunday, Dec. 1. The race sets out from North Collier Regional Park and gives bicyclists the chance to pedal 15, 30 or 62 miles, or to take the 15-mile Crossfit Box Challenge, with the box challenge taking place midday. The day begins with sunrise yoga from 6:30-7:15 a.m. and includes lunch. Registration is $30 for each of the above $20 in advance, $35 on the day of. To sign up or for more information, call 435-7962 or e-mail info@naplespathways.org or e-mail info@naplespathways.org. Corporate, small business and in-kind sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, e-mail rufpathways@gmail.com.

Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce by calling 435-2902 or e-mailing Brenda@napleschamber.org.

Award recipients will be honored at the annual Naples Pathways Public Service Awards breakfast and ceremony Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Hilton Naples.
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Happiness is a clean toilet

Beginning in 2011, about three dozen people in Tokyo have been meeting every Sunday at 6 a.m. on a mission to scrub down, one by one, the city’s grungiest public restrooms. “By 7:30,” according to an Associated Press report, “the team had left behind a ‘gleaming public toilet, looking as good as the day it was built.’” Explained the hygiene-intense Satoshi Oda (during the week, a computer programmer), the mission is “for our own good” — work that leader Masayuki Magome compares to the training that Buddhist monks receive to find peace. (In fact, to fulfill the group’s motto, “Clean thyself by clean- ing cubicles,” the scouring must be done with bare hands.) A squad supporter spoke of a sad, growing apprehension that the younger generation no longer shares the Japanese cultural conviction that restrooms should always be clean and safe.

Medical marvels

Colleagues were stunned in May when ABC News editor Don Ennis suddenly appeared wearing a little black dress and a red wig and declaring that he had begun hormone therapy and wanted to be called Dawn Ennis. As co-workers accommodated his wishes (which did not seem so unusual in contemporary professional society), Mr. Ennis began to have second thoughts, and by July had blamed his conversion on “transient global amnesia,” brought on by marital difficulties, and had returned to work as Don. Apparently the primary lingering effect is that he must still deal with Dawn’s hormone-induced breasts.

The entrepreneurial spirit

Researchers at the University of Tokyo have developed a mirror that makes a person appear happy even when not. A built-in camera tracks facial features in real time, then tweaks the image to turn up the corners of the mouth and to create the beginnings of a smile in the eyes. Of what practical use would such a mirror be? Other Japanese researchers, according to a Slate.com report in August, believe that happy-face mirrors in retail stores would improve shoppers’ dispositions and lead to more sales.

Animals gone wild

SyFy Channel’s recent original movie “Sharknado” briefly became a media sen-

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ing large schools of oversized sharks wreaking havoc. But as the website Mother

warned, “Sharknado” was just a media sensation in July with a storyline involving large schools of oversized sharks wreaking havoc.

The Costa Rican government announced recently that it would close all its zoos, effective March 2014, and free animals either to the wild or to safe “rehabilitation” schemes. Since the country is known for its expansive biodiver-
sity (500,000 unique organisms, despite occupying barely more than 1/100th of 1 percent of Earth’s area), it is time, the environment minister said, to allow the organisms to interact instead of impris-oning them. Costa Rica is also the only four countries to ban the exploita-

Leading economic indicators

First-World Problems: Self-indul-
gen New York City parents have been hiring “party-date” coaches for their pre-
school youngsters, apparently out of fear that the kids’ skill set for just having fun might not impress admissions offi-
cers at the city’s elite private schools. The GEO of one consulting outfit told the New York Post in July that $400 an hour gets expert monitoring of a 4-year-old in small groups, evaluating, for example, how the child colors in a book, shares the crayons, holds a pencil and follows the rules of Simon Says.

An unidentified school in the West Coast Conference recently self-reported a violation of controversial NCAA rules that restrict privileges for student-athletes, ordering a member of its women’s golf team to pay back $20 after she washed her car using a hose and water) belonging to the school but which were not available to other students. A University of Portland coach said he heard about the violation at a conference meeting, and Yahoo Sports, seeking confirmation, reported that an NCAA spokesman soft-pedaled the illegality, calling the school’s action a “miscommunication.”

Perspective

As you prepare for the hurricane season, it’s important to have the right tools and supplies on hand. STIHL makes post-storm cleanup quick, easy and safe with great tools like the STIHL handheld blower, perfect for cleaning leaves and other yard waste after a storm.

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PET TALES

Rules for the road

The welcome mat stays out for clean, quiet canine travelers

BY DR. MARTY BECKER AND GINA SPADAFORI
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Summer is prime time for vacationing with children, but if your family’s “little ones” have four legs and bark, the better time to hit the road is now.

The weather’s cooler and the hot travel spots are too. And that means you’ll find favorite destinations a little less crowded and possibly a lot more friendly to people traveling with their canine companions. Maria Goodavage, an author who’s an expert in traveling with pets, offered her rules for traveling with a dog in our book “The Ultimate Dog Lover.” They include:

■ Bring only a well-behaved, friendly, clean, flea-free, healthy, house-trained dog on your travels. Dogs who are dirty and ill-mannered can close doors for future canine travel companions.

■ Beware of leaving your dog in the car. Even if it seems cool out, the sun’s heat passing through your windows can kill a dog in a matter of minutes.

■ Make sure your dog always has access to cool, clean water. Dogs on the road may drink even more than they do at home.

■ Take regular breaks. There’s nothing more miserable than being stuck in a car when you can’t find a rest stop and really need one. Imagine how a dog feels when the urge strikes and he can’t tell you the problem. How frequently you stop depends on your dog’s bladder and disposition.

■ Play it safe by making sure your dog is wearing his license, ID and rabies tags. Make sure your dog’s ID tag shows your cell phone number, since that’s how you’re reachable while on the road.

The biggest mistake people traveling with dogs make is not following proper “petiquette.” This means:

■ Don’t let your dog bark when you’re at a lodging or a restaurant.

■ Always scoop the poop on your walks. You know it’s there. Don’t ignore it.

■ Don’t use your room’s ice bucket as a food or water bowl. Gross!

■ Yes, your dog needs to be clean. No, don’t bathe him in your hotel’s tub.

Pack a “doggy bag” that includes your dog’s food, bowls (including a non-spill bowl for car rides), bedding, a brush, leash, towels if you’ll be in mud or water, a first-aid kit, poop bags, prescription drugs, proof of vaccination, treats, toys and your favorite dog travel guide. (Water you can get on the road.) For dogs who insist on sleeping on the bed with you, bring a sheet to protect the hotel bedding.

Bookmark websites that help you find pet-friendly lodgings or veterinarian practices, or download apps that find hotels and emergency care for you. Plan ahead, stay safe and be considerate, and you and your dog will always be welcomed back.

To adopt 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 or visit www.BrookesLegacyAnimalRescue.org.

>> Bronson is a neutered, 4-year-old American Staffordshire terrier/bulldog mix who is a beautiful blue brindle color. He weighs about 60 pounds and has a sweet temperament.

>> Demetrius is a neutered, 2-year-old Akita/Labrador retriever/Gray Dane mix who weighs about 70 pounds and has gorgeous blue eyes. He has started learning his basic obedience commands.

>> Flame Noir is a spayed, 3-year-old papillon mix who weighs about 15 pounds and has a wonderful disposition.

>> Faux Pas is a neutered, 2-month-old long-haired dachshund mix who is as sweet as he looks.

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THE DIVA DIARIES

Lamenting the decline of the goods in goody bags

A few days ago I needed to clean my favorite bracelet, so I went to the bathroom closet and picked one of the 20 or so unopened jars of jewelry cleaner off of my jewelry cleaner shelf. Looking at all that jewelry cleaner, one would think I had a vault full of bling the size of Snoopy Dogg’s, Atlas, that is not the case; for someone like moi, having an entire jewelry cleaner shelf is laughable — however, when you attend as many social events as I do, I must create room for all the things I bring home in goody bags.

Jewelry cleaner is a very popular goody-bag stuffer. And whereas once upon a time only a few select events had goody-bag stuffer, the more goody bags there were, the more goody bags there were. But I began to realize that fundraising event organizers are doing their best to fatten up the goody bags, paper menus for restaurants are not goodies. If you’re a restaurant owner being asked to donate, how about a certificate for a free cocktail, rather than just handing over a stack of menus, when you have so many menus, when the more goody bags there were, not only did they contain less swag, the swag quality had gone awry.

Back in the day, there were some pretty nice stuff — such as actual jewelry jar openers, right?). The same does not apply to the gills with merchandise — in fact, I wonder how a store that sells perfume samples and sewing kits. I mean, it’s fine to get a certificate of Snoop Dogg’s, Alas, that is not the case, for someone like moi, having an entire jewelry cleaner shelf is laughable — however, when you attend as many social events as I do, I must create room for all the things I bring home in goody bags.

What’s not to love about all that? Fun giveaways are also guaranteed. hors d’oeuvres, live entertainment and sips of bubbly in between bites. Savory can cleanse their palates with delightful incredible creations as part of the event itself, not just as a treat to keep fingers crossed for in the swag bag on the way home in the car. And not only that, they can cleanse their palates with delightful sips of bubbly in between bites. Savory hors d’oeuvres, live entertainment and fun giveaways are also guaranteed. What’s not to love about all that?

Looking ahead at my social calendar for season and all the goody bags in my future, we just might find out …

Champagne & Chocolates

One can always hope to find one or two of Norman Love’s decadent confections in the goody bag proffered at the door as one heads home from a fundraising event. What’s even better, though, is attending a charitable evening for which the world-renowned chocolatier’s sweets are part of the main attraction.

That’s what makes the Champagne & Chocolate Tasting to kick off The United Way of Collier County’s annual campaign so sweet:

Guests are guaranteed to enjoy their fill of Mr. Love’s incredible creations as part of the event itself, not just as a treat to keep fingers crossed for in the swag bag on the way home in the car. And not only that, they can cleanse their palates with delightful sips of bubbly in between bites. Savory hors d’oeuvres, live entertainment and fun giveaways are also guaranteed. What’s not to love about all that?

The third annual Champagne & Chocolate Tasting takes place from 6-8 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 18, in the lobby bar at Shula’s at the Hilton Naples. Stop by Shula’s or call 659-3176 to purchase tickets for $55 in advance, or pay $65 at the door.

Chocolate, champagne and The United Way — talk about goodness! ❗

— Ciao for now, my lovelies! Stay tuned for another divalicious diary entry next week …
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MICHAEL POLLY HAS NOTICED THE RESURGENCE OF A REAL ESTATE TREND THAT HE HAS NOT SEEN IN YEARS: PEOPLE ARE ABLE TO SELL THE HOUSE THEY LIVE IN TO BUY A NEW ONE. THE VICE PRESIDENT OF REAL ESTATE OPERATIONS FOR ROYAL SHELL REAL ESTATE, MR. POLLY DID SO HIMSELF.

His children are grown. He and his wife wanted to downsize. They sold their house for cash. They paid cash for their new home, a smaller property on the Fort Myers waterfront.

"Before this year, we would not have been able to get the price we needed to get out of our house to make this happen," says Mr. Polly, who took out a small equity line, rather than a traditional mortgage, to cover some upgrades and remodel work on his new space.

State real estate sales seem to be running on cash. A recent report shows Florida led the nation in all-cash home sales in July. Cash sales made up 64 percent of home sales in June and grew to 66 percent of July sales, according to the report compiled by the real estate research company RealtyTrac Inc. Royal Shell Real Estate sales reflect these state figures. Mr. Polly says cash deals make up more than 60 percent of the company’s business in Lee County. Its Collier numbers are about the same.

“A lot of it has to do with the types of properties here,” Mr. Polly says. “We have both ends of the spectrum. We have the million-dollar on up to the multi-million-dollar properties that are moving. And we have the low end of the spectrum, all the foreclosures, which have been listed at such a discount that people could afford to pay cash.”

Local real estate experts say cash buyers are not just affluent buyers moving money over from their portfolios...
Fundamental analysis cannot help bond investors

Bonds and the direction of interest rates are excellent examples of how the investment future is not fundamentally knowable and, further, that fundamental analysis, at a minimum, should be accompanied by technical analysis and technical trading rules.

Most “retail investors” or individual investors think that an investment position should be taken by them or by their advisor only based, or largely based, on sound fundamental reasoning as the premise is that the future is knowable, predictable or can be closely approximated.

Such fundamental divination is the basic tenant of investment research and the value proposition offered by investment and advisory firms that “sell” their fundamental prowess. The idea that the future can be fundamentally discerned is also embraced by the many investment newsletters. Unfortunately, many newsletters adopt an investment position (bear or bull) and then, use economic and macro data to support their predisposition. The investment newsletters might be disregarded by the more “sophisticated” money manager, but they are embraced by retail investors.

Not surprisingly, traditional investment portfolio allocations are made to exactly these (and often only these) asset classes, e.g., bonds and equities. Retail investors have unfortunately been trained that a bond/equity mix is a fully diversified portfolio and that allocations to bonds are a “must”... leaving only the degree of allocation to be decided. (And rarely does the “degree of allocation” mean a zero allocation to bonds.)

Why is there such a proclivity toward a fundamental view of an (at best) crazy, mixed up investment world? Most retail investors or advisors take comfort, both intellectually and emotionally, that they have some understanding of the world or some sense of the direction of interest rates or better understanding of a company’s prospects beyond a company’s annual report and other disclosures; they want to know this in their own due diligence process before they take an investment position. Then they can feel good about what they are doing, whether there are small or gargantuan sums of money at play.

Investors do not want to enter the world of “no one knows” or “it is really risky to be a long-only investor right now.” They prefer to stay in the world of logic and somehow appease their gut or intellect.

Some of the very best fundamental macro investors in the 2008 debacle turned out to be very wrong macro investors post-2008. Often mentioned within this group is Henry Paulsen who made billions in the mortgage crisis, (definitely a stunning macro call) yet his macro calls since then have been left wanting. In subsequent years, he carried a huge portfolio allocation to gold, which collapsed.

Interest rates and bond prices have clearly displayed over the past several months the high degree of unpredictability and fundamental unknowing that truly exists in investing.

Fundamentalists might think there are reasons to suggest that a U.S. recovery has made a foothold. But with GDP growth under 2.5 percent, where is the rip roaring growth that would warrant higher rates? There is none. Surely, all were promised that the Fed would exit its QEs with grace, but we have come to find out that a hint of their trimming QE caused a mass exit from a theater that was on fire. Surely, Syria, Egypt, Cyprus, etc. would remain on the back burners, until they exploded. And the drama of these worldwide, cataclysmic events seemingly shields from public view that a further U.S. budget induced sequestration is on the immediate horizon — another form of the unknowable.

Which brings us to the U.S. 30 Year Treasury. For two years, the U.S. 30 year has traded mostly under 3.25 percent. Beginning the end of April 2013, interest rates began a rapid rise from 2.8 percent to a recent 3.8 percent, having recently retreated from over 3.9 percent as of mid-August.

To say that such a rise in rates was knowable is somewhat ridiculous as not only did an imponderable happen, but several imponderables happened! The newsletters that boast “I told you so” can always be right 50 percent of the time. They just take one of two sides of an investment bet and, over time, they could well be right 50 percent of the time.

And that is why technical trading, trading according to a technical set of rules, according to an algorithm set, is so very important for investors. It doesn’t suppose that it knows anything; it takes out the entrenched position; and hopefully, it quickly admits when it is wrong and exits a trade and has the tenacity to stay in a trade and not prematurely take profits and prematurely exit a position. Once an investor accepts the usefulness and validity behind technical trading and using rule sets, then the investor has the emotional and intellectual freedom to venture beyond just equities and bonds and enter the world of many other investment asset classes, including commodities and managed futures.

Investors might think about how technical aspects of investing can be incorporated into their portfolio. It’s not just that technical systems have their own investment merits, but they also can hedge or safeguard against meaningful changes in interest rates and bond prices.

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or other equities, but many cash buyers are second-home buyers who have done well for themselves, built up their sav- ings and can now finally afford to buy the home they have always wanted.

Experts agree all-cash deals are a result of the tightening of mortgage requirements following the easy-lend- ing, “no-doc” era that ended with the housing crisis and recession in 2008. While cash may be good for the market, some brokers worry these restrictions are so tight, they are squeezing out the buyers who do not have cash set aside.

Tiffany McQuaid, broker and owner of McQuaid & Company Real Estate Services in Naples, recalls a recent cli- ent approved for an FHA loan who put in an offer on three different properties. Her client was outbid by cash buyers on two of these deals and could not come to terms with the seller on the third. But Ms. McQuaid does not want people to think if they want to buy a house, they have to have cash. She does not want potential buyers to be afraid of FHA loans.

“There’s money out there to be lent. Every mortgage broker I talk to sounds busy; business is steady,” she says. “It would be misleading to tell people, ‘If you don’t come to the closing table with cash, forget it.’ I don’t see that at all.”

To put cash sales in context, Ms. McQuaid says just because statistics tally these deals as cash, this does not mean all buyers are coming to the clos- ing table with personal checks. Some may be pre-approved for a mortgage or able to take out an equity line, so they feel confident submitting a cash offer, making themselves look more attractive to the seller and positioning themselves more strongly for negotiations.

Looking over her numbers for last year, Ms. McQuaid says cash sales made up 40 percent of her business. She does not find this surprising, as she feels Southwest Florida has a healthy second- home market. She does like to point out that 75 percent of those cash sales were “end-users,” buyers genuinely looking for a second home or primary residence as somewhere to live, not some prop- erty to flip. Cash sales are slightly higher at Satya Realty. Broker Terry Yonker figures cash deals add up to 75 percent of the company’s business. The majority of Satya sales are in Port Charlotte and Punta Gorda. Mr. Yonker sees small-scale investors buying homes under $800,000 and sometimes up to $200,000 for the rental return on investment. Above the $200,000 mark, he sees sec-

Mr. Yonker says cash deals are much better than financed or government-backed deals for the simple fact that the investor’s own money is at risk. Everyone watches and is more cautious with their own money than someone else’s.” Mr. Yonk- er writes in an e-mail. “Cash deals are bad for, surprise, those who don’t have the cash, which is the pro- verbal 99 percent or the family that lives paycheck to paycheck.”

Continuing his thought, Mr. Yonker writes cash deals might help the market, “since this group is the first to lose their home when that paycheck flow is interrupted. Own- ing a home is not for everyone. As we have seen, even when you lower lend- ing requirements to try and artificially achieve that goal, it’s just a matter of time before the invisible hand of the free market fixes it through foreclo- sure and subsequently puts the former homeowner in a renting situation again.”

Tiffany McQuaid (below) recently sold this Butterfly Orchid Lane property in Naples for $1,575,000 in cash. It is the owner’s second home.

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COURTESY PHOTOS

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ON THE MOVE

Board Appointments

Thomas Moser of Naples has been elected to the board of directors of Save the Children, a global humanitarian and relief organization. He currently serves as a member of the board of directors of New York Life Insurance Company and has worked closely with audit committees and boards of many Fortune 500 companies. He also serves on the boards of Mary’s Meals USA and the Naples-based Hope for Haiti.

Newly elected officers on the board of directors for Friends of Rookery Bay are: Craig Selbert, a science consultant and former science coordinator for Collier County Public Schools, president; Julie Edmister, former campus dean at Edison State College, vice president; Gina Lostracco, Fifth Third Bank, treasurer; and Steve Mutart, a retired real estate attorney, secretary.

New board members are: Lisa Koehler, the South Florida Water Management District; Shelby Evans, a former resource management specialist at Rookery Bay National Estuarine Reserve; Robert Kus, program manager for Parker Aerospace; and Curt Wightoff, science and education coordinator with Collier County Public Schools.

Law

Gerd Franke, CPA, has been named a principal at Hill, Barth & King. Mr. Franke joined the firm in January 1999 and was promoted to manager in 2005. His specialty areas include private and business clients with international tax issues, non-resident alien matters and foreign-owned real estate interests. He holds a bachelor’s degree in accounting from Florida Gulf Coast University.

Insurance

Lou Falconi has joined the staff at Galt Insurance Group. A native of western Pennsylvania, he graduated with honors from Grove City College with a bachelor’s degree in financial management and spent six years working as a mortgage loan officer in Pennsylvania. For the past three years he coached collegiate football at Slippery Rock University and taught public school in Grove City, Pa.

Financial Planning

Jay Spiller has been named market executive and senior vice president for the Naples office of Cypress Trust Company. He has more than 20 years of leadership experience in investment management, personal trust and financial services with regional and national wealth management firms based in Naples and Vero Beach. He earned a bachelor’s degree in business management from Northern Kentucky University. Mr. Spiller volunteers with Habitat for Humanity of Collier County and is a former volunteer and board member of the YMCA of Collier County.
The stock market posted a string of losing days in mid-August, leading some to conclude that the bull market was over and we should all be bearish. What we should all expect, however, is that bear markets are return-friendly. They are necessary to the health of the market and the economy, and we should view them as investments in our economic future. The Beauty of Bear Markets

Move over, paper checks and bank wires. A new way to send money from the world. Industry rivals capitalized on that disruptive technology is nothing new. It’s a dividend, they might deliver relatively rapid stock price appreciation, dividends aren’t guaranteed, either, but we should all expect occasional bear markets. That’s premature, but we should all expect occasional bear markets. Indeed some charlatans out there, such as Bernie Madoff, who also sent his clients falsified reports. One red flag to help you spot such fraudsters is consistent high returns. You can earn high returns in the stock market, but not consistently. There will be good years and bad ones, with the good typically outnumbering the bad.

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BUSINESS MEETINGS

A Job Search Support Group meets from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Mondays at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. Contact Karen Khlikiewicz at 267-7716 or via email at kkhlikiewicz@concast.net or visit www.napleschamber.org.

Consultants from the Small Business Development Center at Florida Gulf Coast University are available at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce from 8-10 a.m. every Thursday. To make an appointment for a free session, call Suzanne Specht at 265-7704.

The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce hosts its next Business After Hours for members and guests from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, at the Colony Golf & Country Club, 4100 Pelican Colony Blvd. $10 in advance, $15 at the door for members, $30 for others. 922-2943 or www.bonitaspringschamber.com.

The Leadership Collier Foundation kicks off its 25th anniversary season and the Class of 2014 at a reception on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. The Motley Fool’s executive vice president and CEO John C. Bogle will be the speaker. The annual meeting of the Naples Chamber of Commerce, $25. Reserve online at napleschamber.org.

The Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. $25. For more information, call 530-9480 or 530-3600 or visit www.eastnaplesmerchantassoc.com.

Business After Five for members and guests of the Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at Marco Island Florist & Gifts 178 S. Barfield Drive, $5 for members, $10 for others.

The Council of Hispanic Business Professionals holds its next networking event from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at River Park Community Center, 451 Lilth St. N. For more information, call 449-8668 or e-mail webmaster@chpbonlines.com.

Business After Five for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30- 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at the Naples Municipal Airport, $8 for chamber members, $25 for others. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events.

The annual meeting of the Collier County Lodging and Tourism Alliance begins at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 27, at the Westin Marco Island Resort, $25 per person, will be Bruce Register, economic development director for Collier County, and Jack Wert, director of the Naples, Marco Island, Bonita Springs Visitors Bureau. Members are welcome with advance registration. Cost is $20 per person, payable at the door by cash or check (no credit cards). RSVP by e-mailing lisa.cuchha@gmail.com no later than Monday, Sept. 22.
The Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce invites sponsors and exhibitors to sign up for the second annual Marco Island Area Home Show set for Thursday, Nov. 14, in the Capri Ballroom at the Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort & Spa. Business-to-business networking will take place from 3:30-4 p.m.; the expo will be in the Capri Ballroom from 4-7 p.m.

The show is designed to showcase businesses that provide goods and services related to the home, from floor to ceiling, inside and out.

Cost for exhibitors starts at $300 for chamber members and $500 for non-members. Deadline for vendors to sign up is Nov. 1. Sponsorships are also available and must be secured by Oct. 1.

For more information, call Katie O’Hara at 394-7549 or e-mail katie@marcoislandchamber.org.

Score Naples and the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce offer a workshop titled “Health-Care Reform for the Small Business Owner” from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 14, at chamber headquarters, 2390 Tamiami Trail N. The session will help owners of small businesses develop a plan for implementing the Obamacare legislation. Topics include:

- Strategies to consider before your next renewal.
- Public versus private exchange options.
- How modified community ratings will impact premiums in January 2014.

Presenters are employee benefits advisors Timothy McGee and Trudy Stemen.

Cost is $35. To sign up or for more information, visit www.napleschamber.org/events or e-mail info@napleschamber.org.

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Several levels of membership are available at Tiburon Golf Resort, which has the Rick Smith Golf Academy and two Greg Norman courses featuring 36 championship holes, a 27,000-square-foot clubhouse with three dining rooms, private member locker rooms, fitness center and spa services, a heated pool, four lighted tennis courts and luxury beach transport.

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NEW LISTING

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VILLAGE WALK

NEW LISTING

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Robb & Stucky International has been awarded a contract to provide total furnishings and interior details for a Mediterranean-style village of coach homes within Fiddler's Creek. The design firm’s Joanne Wilseck and Tricia Lynch have been named lead designers for the Verona model in Sonoma.

The Verona is the upstairs unit and is the largest residence available in Sonoma, encompassing 2,141 air-conditioned square feet. The home features two bedrooms, a den and two baths situated around a central living room, kitchen, breakfast area and dining room. With completion expected this summer, the model will have a starting price of $300,090.

Construction on Minto Communities’ Island Club at Bonita Isles is ahead of schedule and nearing completion. Opening is slated for December.

Situated on an island in the center of Bonita Isles’ expansive lake, the club will include a fitness center, two tennis courts, resort-style swimming pool surrounded by two stunning waterfall and lanais, bringing the total square footage to approximately 4,400 square feet.

As the exclusive builder in Wicklow, Stock Signature Homes will build four Mediterranean-style model homes to open this winter. The Scottsdale II is a three-bedroom, three-bath home with 2,719 square feet; the Greenbriar II offers three bedrooms and four baths in 2,949 square feet. Both floor plans include a three-car garage and lanai. The Muirfield IV has four-bedroom, 4½-bath residence with 3,333 square feet of living areaplus another covered lanai and threecar garage. The Ponte Vedra Grande, the largest floor plan, has 3,525 square feet under air.

In addition to the design ideas showcased in the model homes, Stock’s design center just a few miles away from TwinEagles offers homebuyers numerous options in flooring, finishes, lighting, bath, cabinetry and more.

The TwinEagles sales center is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday–Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 589-422-7165 or visit www.twineagles.com.

Lennar Homes has released the newest phase of estate homes in the Bella Firenze community at Treviso Bay. With three and four bedrooms, plans range in size from 2,394 square feet to 2,926 square feet and are priced from the high $500,000s to the mid $700,000s.

Also under construction at Treviso Bay is the Villa Rilissare clubhouse, with a full-service chickee bar restaurant, fitness facility, eight tennis courts and pool with a sandy beach. The anticipated completion date for the clubhouse is late 2013.

The entrance to Treviso Bay is five minutes south of downtown Naples off U.S. 41. For more information, visit www.lennar.com.

Oakbrook Properties Inc. has closed on the sale of 34.25 acres in the Coconut Point development within south Lee County to Hertz Corp. for the rental car company’s new world-wide headquarters. The Fortune 300 company has committed to create 700 full-time jobs by the end of 2015 and invest about $68 million in capital, generating an economic impact of approximately $300 million per year.

With its Florida development offices in Bonita Springs, Oakbrook Properties has been active in real estate locally for nearly 35 years. The company’s properties range in size and uses, including single-family and multi-family residential, waterfront high-rises, golf course communities, large mixed-use developments, office complexes and commercial and industrial centers.

One of the company’s earliest ventures in the region was Spanish Wells Golf & Country Club, the first planned residential community in Bonita Springs, in 1979. Also in the late 1970s, the company purchased the land that would become The Brooks and Coconut Point. At the time of acquisition of this 3,000-acre cattle ranch on a two-lane U.S. 41 midway between Naples and Fort Myers, neither Interstate 75 nor the Southwest Florida International Airport existed.

The three key components to the Coconut Point development are the Hertz headquarters within the North Village, the Coconut Point Town Center and a site purchased by Lee Memorial Hospital within the South Village, which is now being permitted for a regional hospital.

“The sale of land to Hertz is the fruition of nearly 30 years of work,” says Ned Dewhirst, senior vice president of Florida operations for Oakbrook Properties. For more information, call 992-5529 or visit www.oakbrookco.com.
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Know about your real estate agent before house hunting

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So far in 2013, the BBB received nearly 400 complaints nationally regarding real estate agents. Some complaints allege their agent was not properly organized or was not able to sell their home in the timeframe discussed. Other complaints allege their agent was rude or uncooperative.

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- **Get referrals.** Ask friends and family for recommendations of real estate agents or companies they’ve worked with in the past. Ask if they were satisfied with their experiences and if they would use the Realtor in the future.
- **Choose the right provider.** Check with bbb.org to see the company’s BBB Business Review for history of complaints, details about those complaints and any advertising issues or government actions. Use bbb.org to find a BBB Accredited Business.
- **Interview candidates.** Make a list of at least three professionals and schedule times to meet with each of them. If you are selling your home, ask each professional to give a specific marketing plan for your home, a market analysis with an overview of similar houses in your area that have recently sold and samples of their current listings. Find out if you’ll be dealing directly with the agent or if he/she has a team.
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Coming soon:
Film critic Dan Hudak looks ahead

BY DAN HUDAK
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After a so-so summer of mostly unremarkable releases, Oscar season is upon us — and it looks promising. Rather than offer a laundry list of upcoming new releases, here are the six movies I’m looking forward to the most over the next four months.

■ “Insidious: Chapter 2” (opening Sept. 13) — No filmmakers working today do horror better than director James Wan and his longtime collaborator, actor/writer Leigh Whannell. Together they’ve found a way to genuinely scare and disturb, as true horror should do, without relying on obscene slaughter or torture porn conventions. This might not mean much to those who don’t like getting the bejeezus scared out of them, but after the first “Saw” in 2004, “Insidious” in 2010 and this year’s “The Conjuring,” excitement and expectations are high for where they’ll take “Insidious” next. (Full review coming next week.)

■ “Gravity” (Oct. 4) — I think this one has Oscar vibes all over it. George Clooney and Sandra Bullock play astronauts for director Alfonso Cuaron (“Children of Men”) in this sci-fi drama. While floating in outer space Ms. Bullock’s character, who is mourning the loss of her child, loses sight of her ship and co-pilot (Mr. Clooney) and is set adrift. Check out the YouTube clip to see how tense and well made it promises to be.

■ “The Counselor” (Oct. 25) — Working from an original script by acclaimed novelist Cormac McCarthy (“No Country For Old Men”), director Ridley Scott assembled an all-star cast for this story of drugs and corruption. Michael Fassbender plays the title role, a lawyer who’s lured into a drug-running operation and gets in over his head. Javier Bardem, Brad Pitt

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SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

Clean living lacks a certain something

One afternoon last week I stood at the gas pump filling up my car when a man who looked like trouble pulled into the pump next to me. He had brightly colored tattoos running down his arms and a smooth shaved head. He wore a tight T-shirt and big sunglasses, and his car had a gaudy, tricked-out look.

I sighed inwardly. Here we go, I thought.

He was exactly the type of man I have always attracted.

But as I leaned against my car and waited for the tank to fill, I noticed him not noticing me. He never once looked in my direction; I had become invisible.

I scowled, trying to figure out what was missing from this once-predictable equation. Then I caught the reflection of my image in the car window: a woman dressed in a modest blouse and dark jeans, her hair pulled back in a conservative braid — no crop top, no mini-skirt, no bling. For a moment I didn’t recognize myself. Who is that woman? I thought. Then I laughed. Of course, it was me.

You might not believe this, but I’ve cleaned up my act in the last few years. I’ve throttled back on my proclivity for bad behavior. Maybe I’ve matured, or maybe the opportunities for mischief have just diminished with age. Either way, I’m all demure respectability now. Which is sometimes disappointing.

Thankfully, there are people who still remember my former self — that other woman who in some ways embarrasses me and in other ways makes me proud. I’ve done a good job of erasing her over the last few years (it helps that I often travel to places where no one knows me).

But my oldest friends — the ones I grew up with, whose friendship I treasure with a fierce intensity — they have not forgotten her. They remember every scandalous outfit, every night of dancing on tables, every silly man that woman ever let kiss her. No matter how many times I reinvent myself elsewhere, I am that same naughty girl the minute I come home.

“I’m telling you,” I told a table full of friends at a Labor Day cookout. “I’m all about clean living now.”

They were kind enough not to roll their eyes.

But recently a package arrived in my mail:

*Hot Flash Sonnets,* the new poetry collection from Moira Egan that tackles many of the issues women face as we age. In “And Into Ashes All My Lust?,” Mrs. Egan writes:

“My new friend asks me if I think we lose/our younger selves completely, shed our lust/like sexy petticoats or snakeskins strewn along life’s path.”

The first time I read the poem, I had to stop reading for a moment because the words had struck me so deeply. I thought about the ways we surrender our sexuality — not just to age, but to our own respectability. In our rush to tidy up our characters, to make ourselves more presentable, we sacrifice something elemental and true.

When I think back to my mischievous former self, I’m surprisingly fond of her, and I would miss her if she disappeared completely.
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comedy Tuesday-Friday and live music every Saturday. There’s a separate room for people who come only to dine. Comedy notables such as Tommie Chong, Carlos Mencia (his Sept. 24 show is sold out), Gallagher, Ralphie May and Billy Gardell have entertained from The Comedy Zone’s stage.

The clubs throughout Southwest Florida can differ in the type of audiences they draw.

Mr. Asciutto says his clientele tends to be older than the typical comedy club because retirees are a significant demographic in Charlotte and Sarasota counties, where most of his customers hail from. With that demographic and his own sensitivities in mind, The Comedy Zone tends to shy away from humor that patrons might find overly risqué or raunchy.

“Most of our shows are adult clean,” Mr. Asciutto says. “We keep use of the F-word down.” In the case of acts whose “blue” routines are a calling card — Mr. Mencia and Mr. May, for example — The Comedy Zone includes warnings in its advertisements.

Ticket prices usually range from $8 for Wednesday-Thursday shows, to $12 for Friday-Saturday performances. Big names command $25 for late show and $55 for the early show, which includes dinner.

What the patrons want

Laugh-In Comedy Café was founded in 2007, and the restaurant primarily books “road comics” who travel from venue to venue.

The term “road comics” is not a reflection on their talent, Mr. Galanis says, adding, “If there were somebody in the audience that had some influence, a lot of these people could really take a step up in their career and they’d be the next situation comedy movie.”

Like Visani Restaurant & The Comedy Zone, Laugh-In offers patrons a full menu. Mr. Galanis says the age range of patrons runs from 21-year-olds to people in their 90s.

Laugh-In has comedy on Friday and Saturday, with shows at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Tickets are usually $12, with a drink minimum. If we break even, we’re happy. If you take care of the community, the community will take care of you — and they have.”

Mr. Serrago uses St. Petersburg-based Coconut Comedy Clubs as his booking agency for headliners, but frequently uses local comedians as well. And much like Mr. Asciutto in Port Charlotte, he tries to ensure the sensibilities of his customers, who ranged from 30 to 70 years old, aren’t offended by comedy they could find unfatable. “We do shows that are R rated, but the vulgarity is kept to a minimum just because of the community that this is.”

Off the Hook on the move

The Off the Hook Comedy Club has been drawing stand-up comedy fans to slightly off-the-beaten-path Marco Island since owner Brien Spina opened it in 2005. The club shares space with the 200-seat Capt. Brien’s Seafood and Raw Bar, which Mr. Spina opened in 2001, in the Marco Walk Plaza.

Over the years, Off the Hook has become known for attracting top talent such as Drew Carey, Kevin Hart, John Pinette and the aforementioned Mr. Chong, along with well-regarded up-and-comers. Audiences come from Collier and Lee counties and beyond.

Mr. Spina casts a wide net where booking talent is concerned. “What we try to do is spread it around all genres of comedy,” he says. “We don’t focus on one specific niche because that would be limiting for us.”

A major change is in the offering for Off the Hook in the coming season. Mr. Spina is in the process of building a new facility — the SWFL Performing Arts Center — in Bonita Springs. When it opens, Off the Hook will move there.

Highlights of the 27,000-square-foot entertainment complex, slated to open in February at the corner of Imperial Parkway and Bonita Beach Road, include seating for 600 for comedy shows, live music and musical theater, two signature restaurants and a Spanish-style sangria bar with a sangria waterfall cascading from the 40-foot ceiling. There will also be what Mr. Spina has described as the world’s first podcast cafe and lounge, where guests can enjoy light snacks and coffee drinks while producing their own podcast, at no charge.

Plans call for the venue to employ 200 and for it to also be available for rental to host banquets, weddings, corporate and group events.

Capt. Brien’s is sold to J.J. and Stacey Mrozinski of Estero in June. Off the Hook will continue to operate there until the move occurs.

Mr. Spina attributes the move to outgrowing the Marco Island space and his desire to find a new space that was easily accessible and more centrally located for his customer base.

“We didn’t get too far from Naples, and we’re still centrally located from Naples to Fort Myers,” he says. Admission to shows at Off the Hook usually ranges from $20-$35. Performances are “Thursday-Friday-Saturday nights. Mr. Spina says he believes that the various venues offering stand-up all have their own customer bases, in part, because of the distance between them. “I think it’s more of a localized demographic.”

Mr. Galanis, however, believes Off the Hook’s move to Bonita could potentially affect his Laugh-In Comedy Café.

“That’ll end up being some competition probably,” he says. “I don’t know. We’ll have to see how that works out.”
Published authors will explain why writing for children is no kids’ stuff

The fifth annual “Writing for Children: Inspiration to Publication” workshop takes place from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 26, at Edison State College Fort Myers. Presenters are Lee Bennett Hopkins, Patricia MacLachlan and Stephen Alcorn.

Mr. Bennett Hopkins is the namesake and founder of the Lee Bennett Hopkins / Penn State University Award for Children’s Poetry and the Lee Bennett Hopkins / International Reading Association Promising New Poet Award. His recent works include “I Am the Book,” “Sharing the Seasons,” “Amazing Faces,” “City I Love,” and “Incredible Inventions.”

Ms. MacLachlan is the author of many well-loved novels and picture books, including “Sarah, Plain and Tall,” winner of the Newbery Medal, and its sequels, “Skytalk” and “Caleb’s Story.” Her recent titles include “Word After Word After Word” and “Snowflakes Fall.”

Mr. Alcorn is the illustrator of numerous children’s books, including “America At War: A Poetry Anthology,” “My America” and “Days To Celebrate: An Almanac of People, Events, and Poetry.”

For registration or more information, call Elaine Schaeffer at 489-9265, e-mail eschaeffer@edison.edu or visit www.fgcu.edu/writersinstitute.

Get a fresh start on writing this fall

The Renaissance Academy of FGCU offers writing classes this fall at the university’s Naples Center, 1010 Fifth Ave. S. Registration is open now for:

- Writers Collaborative Workshop – Share your writing with like-minded aspiring authors in an atmosphere of acceptance and encouragement. Class meets from 10 a.m. to noon Fridays, Oct. 11-Nov. 15.
- Writing Your Life Story and Memoirs – A published author will help you order the chapters of your life. Class meets from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesdays, Oct. 15-Nov. 19.
- A Novel Experience: Start Writing Your Book – Learn the stages of the writing process as you plan and organize the book you’ve always wanted to write. All writing levels welcome. Class meets from 10 a.m. to noon Thursdays, Oct. 17-Nov. 21.
- Self-publishing with eBooks and POD – This overview course will compare services for self-publishing and outline the steps involved. Guest speakers will share their own experiences. Class meets from 10 a.m. to noon Mondays, Nov. 4, 18 and 25 and Dec. 2. For registration details and the complete fall schedule of Renaissance Academy classes, call 425-3272, e-mail renaissance@fgcu.edu or visit www.fgcu.edu/academy.

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WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

**Theater**


**Thursday, Sept. 12**

- **Book Talk** – Headquarters Regional Library hosts a discussion about Zora Neale Hurston’s “Their Eyes Were Watching God” at 2 p.m. 2385 Orange Blossom Drive. Registration required. 593-0177 or www.colliergov.net/library.
- **Argo** – Naples Regional Library hosts a free screening of “Argo” (USA 2012) at 2 p.m. 265 Central Ave. Registration required. 263-7768 or www.collier.gov/library.
- **Free Chamber Music** – Artis—Naples presents a free chamber ensemble concert at 6 p.m. at Headquarters Library. Highlights include works by Boccherini and Shostakovich for string quartet. 2385 Orange Blossom Drive. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.
- **More Chamber Music** – The Philharmonic Brass Quintet presents a free chamber music concert at 7:30 p.m. at Saint William Catholic Church. 601 Seagate Dr. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.
- **A Stand-Up Guy** – Mike Young takes the stage tonight through Sept. 15 at the Off the Hook Comedy Club, Marco Island. 389-6901 or www.offthenaples.com.

**Friday, Sept. 13**

- **Piano Music** – Lynn Carol tickles the ivories from 6-9 p.m. in the lounge at Capers Kitchen & Bar, 2460 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 431-7438.
- **Wild Things** – Catch a free screening of the wildly “Where the Wild Things Are” at 8:30 p.m. under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com.
- **Here’s to Beer** – Tour Naples Beach Brewery from 4-8 p.m. SI5 gets the guided tour and samples of six craft beers. 4110 Enterprise Ave. 304-8795 or www.naplesbeachbrewery.com.

**Saturday, Sept. 14**

- **It’s Your Move** – Players of all levels are invited to join the Naples Chess Club from 9 a.m. to noon in the clubhouse at Moorings Park off Goodlette-Frank Rd. 389-2525 or wk@kellerpublishing.com.
- **Curious Kids** – The Golisano Children's Museum of Naples hosts a live concert and premiere of “Curious Kids” from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 5080 Livingston Road. 544-0684 or www.cmnon.org.

**Sunday, Sept. 15**

- **Blues Bash** – Jack’s River Bar hosts the third concert Naples Bay Blues Bash from 6-11 p.m. with live entertainment by four local blues bands, a live auction and half-priced drinks and barbeque. $10, with all proceeds benefiting the Greater Naples YMCA. 213-1441 or www.jackriverban Naples.com.
- **Dog Days** – Naples Botanical Garden welcomes canines and their owners from 9-11 a.m. Regular admission applies. 4820 Bayshore Drive. 325-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org. The garden classes for its annual fall maintenance Sept. 16-27.
- **Quintet at C'mon** – Artis—Naples presents the Naples Philharmonic woodwind quintet in concert at 130 p.m. at the Golisano Children’s Museum of Naples. Free. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.
- **Brass Quintet** – Enjoy the sounds of the Naples Philharmonic brass quintet in C'mon from 10 a.m. in the Hayes Hall lobby at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.
- **String Quartet** – Music by Mozart and Onslow for string quartet makes up a free chamber music program at 2 p.m. at Naples United Church of Christ. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.
- **Live Reggae** – SowFlo hosts reggae tunes beginning 9:30 p.m. at South Street City Oven Bar & Grill. 140 Pine Ridge Road. 435-9333 or www.southstreetnaples.com.

**Monday, Sept. 16**

- **Live Jam** – Devon Meyers takes the stage at 11:30 p.m. at Vandy's & S' Brothers. 1089 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 394-8767.

**Tuesday, Sept. 17**

- **Outdoor Movie** – Catch a free screening of “Jack the Giant Slayer” (PG-13) starting at 7:45 p.m. on the lawn at Mercato. www.mercatos.com.
- **Tuesday Tunes** – Kirk Mcfe hosts the third annual Naples Bay Blues Bash from 6-11 p.m. under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. Free. 267-0783 or www.gulfcoast-towncenter.com.
WHAT TO DO

Wednesday, Sept. 18

• Chocolate & Bubbly – Enjoy champagne and sweet treats from Norman Love Confections to benefit The United Way from 6-8 p.m. in the lobby bar at Shula’s at the Hilton Naples. $65 at the door, $55 in advance. 609-1816.

• Live Music – Bill Colletti and Sharon Vath perform from 6-9 p.m. at Capers Kitchen & Bar. 2460 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 435-7438.

Coming up

• Third Thursday – Third Street South comes alive with the music of Felix James from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Sept. 19.

• Rockin’ Country – The Grayson Rogers Band plays from 8-11 p.m. Sept. 19 at Fred’s Food, Fun & Spirits. 2700 Immokalee Road. 431-7928 or www.fredsnaples.com.


• Full Moon Friday – Get down for “A Night at the Roxbury,” a ’90s-style dance party beginning at 8 p.m. Sept. 20 at Tavern on the Bay. 530-2223.

• Movie Under the Stars – Catch a free screening of the family-friendly "Hotel Transylvania" at 8:30 p.m. Sept. 20 at Gulf Coast Town Center. www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com.

• Tigertail Cleanup – Join the Ocean Conservancy’s International Coastal Cleanup effort at Tigertail Beach on Marco Island from 8 a.m. to noon Sept. 21. 389-5003.

• Fun for Kids – The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County hosts a “Day for Kids” from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 21 featuring face painting, a dunk tank, bounce house and obstacle course. Free. 7500 Davis Blvd. 325-1700 or www.bgccc.com.

• Birthday Bash – CJ’s on the Bay celebrates its fifth birthday with live music, happy hour, food specials, dunk tank and more from noon to 6 p.m. Sept. 22. 740 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 389-4511 or www.cjsonthebay.com.

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CALLS TO ARTISTS

The Naples Invitational Art Fest is accepting applications from artists working in all media to exhibit at the 17th annual festival that takes place Jan. 25-26 at Fleischmann Park. Awards totalting $5,000 will be presented.

Artist applications are due by Tues-
day, Oct. 15, and can be completed by visiting www.fl.easterseals.com/artfest. Event sponsorships are also available. The festival was ranked 31st in the Unit-
ed States in the September 2013 edition of Sunshine Artist magazine.

For more information, call Taire Mal-
lo at 992-4680 or e-mail TMalloy@ fl.easterseals.com.

The "Inspired Artworks" exhibi-
tion will hang in the lobby at Covenant Presbyterian Church of Naples-PCA as part of the fourth annual Storytell-
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Artists can submit photos of their work for the juring process at www.storytellercreativesarts.com. The entry deadline is Sept. 29; the $25 fee cov-
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**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) That new workplace problem should be dealt with as soon as possible. Leaving it unresolved for too long could lead to an even more unsettling and time-consuming situation.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You might have to do some fancy juggling to keep both your work responsibilities and personal obligations on track. But ultimately, you’ll work it all out, as you always do.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You might hear some upsetting things about a situation in your life. But don’t be swayed by talk. Demand proof before making any decisions on the matter.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Don’t risk depleting those precious energy levels by taking on more tasks than you can realistically handle. Also, remember to ask for help when you need it.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) It might be difficult for the Aquarian who is used to giving advice to take counsel when offered. But it’s a good idea to listen to what trusted friends feel you should know.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Things might be a little unsettled as you move through a period of reassessment. But once you get your priorities sorted out, you should be ready to tackle an important decision.

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) The changing season brings new experiences and as well as challenges for the ever-adventurous Aries. Your social life expands, as do the opportunities at your workplace.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) That recent period of uncertainty has passed. You can now feel more confident about making decisions, especially those that relate to an important personal relationship.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Although you might be faced with a number of tasks on your to-do list, try to take time out to enjoy the arts. Music, especially, can be soothing to the sensitive soul of a Gemini.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) That Leonine pride might be ruffled by a colleague’s challenge to one of your pet ideas. But stop growling and listen. You could learn something that will work to your advantage.

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COMING UP

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and Cameron Diaz play baddies, and Penelope Cruz also stars. Movies from A-list directors about characters in over their heads — Martin Scorsese’s “The Departed” comes to mind — can be phenom-enal when handled well, so here’s hoping director Mr. Scott is at the top of his game and doesn’t give us another dud like “Prometheus.”

■ “The Wolf of Wall Street” (Nov. 13) — Speaking of Mr. Scorsese, his latest stars Leonardo DiCaprio as a hot-shot stockbroker who makes millions through illegal activities fraud. It’s set in the early 90’s, so we can expect plenty of hedonism in the form of women and cocaine. And I expect Jonah Hill and Matthew McConaughey’s characters will be somewhat eccentric in a ‘90s kind of way.

Aside from the fact that a new movie by Mr. Scorsese always cause for excitement (and that Mr. DiCaprio looks to be at his dapper, charming best prior to his char-acter inevitably getting caught), I think it will be interesting to see what parallels the acclaimed director draws between financial crimes of 20 years ago and those of today. I’m betting they’ll be shockingly similar.

■ “Anchorman 2” (Dec. 20) — The world has waited nine long years for the return of Ron Burgundy, and if he treats the 80’s the same way he handled the 70’s, all we win. Along with director Adam McKay, Will Ferrell, Chris-tina Applegate, Paul Rudd, Steve Carell and David Koechner return for a sequel in which Ron has lost everything, only to have a chance for redemption at the advent of 24-hour cable news. With Ron staying classy on the national stage and cameos from Kristen Wiig, Harrison Ford, Tina Fey, Kanye West and more, this could be the funniest movie of 2013.

■ “August: Osage County” (Dec. 25) — I’ve already pegged this one for a surefire Best Picture contender. Family drama is one thing, but family drama that prompts Julia Roberts to unexpectedly take a liking to Aimee (Ms. Woodley), who doesn’t have many friends. A symbiotic relationship ensues because he needs her essence to turn his character into George Clooney also on board, how could anything go wrong?

The Spectacular Now

(Shailene Woodley, Miles Teller, Kyle Chandler) Sutter (Mr. Teller) is the popular kid in high school, and he unexpectedly takes a liking to Aimee (Ms. Woodley), who doesn’t have many friends. A symbiotic relationship ensues — and a beautiful one at that. Touching, heartwarming and surprisingly real, this is a teen drama from America’s heart. Rated R.

Blue Jasmine


We’re The Millers

(Jason Sudeikis, Jennifer Aniston, Will Poulter) A small-time drug dealer (Mr. Sudeikis) creates the façade of a perfect family to smuggle dope across the Mexico border. When a movie is this laugh-out-loud funny from start to finish, it’s easy to forgive the predictable story. Rated R.

The Smurfs 2

(Hank Azaria, Neil Patrick Harris, voice of Katy Perry) Gargamel (Mr. Azaria) kidnaps Smurfette (Ms. Perry) because he needs her essence to turn his two pseudo-Smurf “Naughties” into real Smurfs. It’s enjoyable for kids, but there’s enough adult humor for it to be fun for the whole family. Rated PG.

The Way Way Back

(Liam James, Toni Collette, Steve Carell) While working at a water park the young, introverted Duncan (Mr. James) comes into his own over the summer in spite of his mother’s (Ms. Collette) grating boyfriend (Mr. Carell). Moving, funny and inspiring, it has just the right painful warmth to remind you — in a good way — of your own teenage awkwardness. Rated PG-13.

Pacific Rim

(Charlie Hunnam, Idris Elba, Rinko Kikuchi) After giant monsters destroy the world, mankind’s last hope rests in those who operate the large robots capable of fighting back. It’s big, loud and entertaining, but a legit feast for the eyes and ears. Rated PG-13.

FILM CAPSULES
This gorgeous, exotic romance takes readers through almost half a century beginning in 1953, but its main focus is the 20 years of 1959-1979. These years focus on three generations of Indian and Anglo-Indian women — Prava, Ramona and Samira — ending soon after the birth of Samira’s daughter.

Written in an elegant, vivid prose style, the novel explores the relationships between adventurous men from England and Northern Ireland who leave their lower middle-class situations for opportunities on tea plantations in India and the women they meet there.

"Sahib" is a respectful title for white Europeans of social status living in colonial India, roughly equivalent to sir or lord in Europe. The novel embraces 1947, when India becomes an independent nation and yet maintains patterns of its colonial heritage, including social and economic hierarchies based on class and race. How these play out in the lives of the principal characters is among the book’s most fascinating elements.

Who is an appropriate mate for an Indian woman? Is marriage to a white planter a desired goal or a pairing doomed to grief? What is the status of racially blended individuals? How is it different in India from the UK? What are the chances for a comfortable entry or re-entry into English or Irish lifestyles for the family created in India? Where is home?

The answers vary with the outlook and circumstances of the people themselves. In the end, they are individuals just as much as they are representative figures.

The most complex set of circumstances has to do with Samira, who is courted by two men. First comes Ravi, the exceedingly handsome and dash- ing Indian man for whom she feels enormous passion. But Ravi’s attentions to her are inconsistent, and his periods of inattention are not sufficiently explained. We eventually find out that his parents are not at all pleased with mixed-race Samira as a proper wife for their son, and they are putting enormous pressures on him to accept an arranged marriage.

Next comes widower Justin, a tea planter whose first wife, the Irishwoman Lorraine, died in an accident. Despondent Justin is roused from his numbed life by the much younger Samira, who likes him in most ways, but without deep passion. Tired of waiting for Ravi, and eventually hearing him admit that he is binding to his parents’ will, Samira accepts Justin’s proposal on the rebound. When he takes her to meet his family and plan a wedding in Northern Ireland, matters become extremely complicated, especially as Samira seems helpless in a world without servants. In addition, she is surprised to discover that she is pregnant.

The author’s handling of setting is one of this novel’s great strengths. Whether describing the home of a plan- tation manager, the social club that is at the center of community life, the modest clusters of commercial enterprises, the larger towns and cities or the back-home Irish neighborhoods, Ms. Harkness is a marvelous stage-setter. All the notes a film director would need for location shooting, set design and even costume design are lavishly available in “A Sahib’s Daughter.”

As the main characters move back and forth between England or Northern Ireland and India, we see the degrees of dislocation that the shifting environments and cultures bring to each of them. Identity is often compromised and confused.

Step into this colorful novel and enjoy the sights, tastes and smells of the Dooars region, Assam, Darjeeling and Dehli; savor the delicious romances; feel the tensions of cultural conflict and change.

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Round two of our Writing Challenge continues this week with “The Eliminator” by Larry Wolf, a story that takes our golf course image in a completely unexpected direction.

We want you to share your story with us as well. Using the photo from the golf course seen here as a starting point, we will win a ticket each to the eighth annual Sanibel Island Writers Conference in November. Thanks for writing.

We’ll continue with various heats of the competition in the coming months. Two winners selected by our editorial staff will win a ticket each to the eighth annual Sanibel Island Writers Conference in November. Thanks for writing and good luck.

The Eliminator

BY LARRY WOLF

Joe lined up his putt as he always had, imagining the crosshairs of a scope over his eyes and zoning in on his target. He was playing with his regular Thurs-day foursome: Dr. Randy Wissinger, a chiropractor who insisted on being called “Doctor” because ever since he first hung his shingle and treated his first patient he heard how chiropractors weren’t “real doctors”; Gene Gaffney, a former Florida State baseball player who never made the big leagues but was a successful medical equipment sales rep; Dan Flack who owned several strip plazas in the area; and of course, there was Joe Irwin, or at least that was the name he was known as. Everyone knew Joe as an independent safety con-sultant specializing in nuclear power plants. Not even close.

As Joe bent over the ball, he remem-bered what Andrew Guolfo, the assist-tant pro at the club had instructed him to do: Determine your distance and stroke then focus on the ball and do not take your eye off the ball until after your putter has made contact. Andrew’s practice sessions are what allowed Joe to become one of the top three putting members at the club. Focusing was not difficult for Joe; he had plenty of opportunities to focus during his for-mer career as a Marine sniper. Joe sank the 18-foot putt and made it look easy.

After his round Joe returned to his villa on the 13th green. It was a classy unit with interior furnishings worth twice the value of the villa itself. Not uncommon for individuals in Joe’s real line of work. Joe checked his e-mail and found an assignment waiting. He would not know the actual details of the job until tomorrow when he arrived at the usual place, but there was a first class e-ticket, a car and hotel reservations booked in his name. He would arrive at LaGuardia at 11 p.m. tonight and...
would have to be at the Bronx Deli at 7:30 sharp tomorrow morning. Standard operating procedure.

Joe arrived at the deli and picked up a pre-ordered 2-inch thick T-bone steak wrapped in brown butcher’s wax paper tied with twine. He returned to his hotel room with anticipation and untied the string and opened the package. Inside the wrapper in lieu of the T-bone was a hardback novel with the name, location and a brief description of the target Joe had to “eliminate.” Also included was a single key on a key ring with a metal-edged round paper tag. Typed on the ring was an address and unit number.

No questions asked, just complete assignments.

Born Michael Anthony Rivello, Joe Irwin spent his childhood and teen years in the Bronx on East 153rd and Melrose. A very proud Italian, he, his older brother and sister were home every night at 6 p.m. for dinner and they ate as a family. One better have a good excuse not to be at the dinner table on time. Being familiar with the unwritten laws of the Bronx helped mold young Michael into the man he became. He knew that the best way to protect his family was to prevent tracts of information from falling into the wrong hands.

Joe wondered if he could ever escape the life he had chosen but was pain-fully aware that ending his employment would likely mean the end of his life. With the amount of information and the years of trust behind him, his employer set him up with the new identity — Joe Irwin — and guaranteed him at least 15 assignments a year, and each paid a minimum of $30,000. This was his 14th year doing the work, and Joe couldn’t remember the last year he had less than 30 assignments.

Very good money for part-time work, he rationalized, especially during those gut-wrenching moments when reality struck him that he was a contract killer, a pre-ordered 2-inch thick T -bone steak on the 11th floor, he realized his target’s apartment windows were not only larger but in the right distance and glass thickness and want-ed to be sure the equipment waiting for him was of adequate caliber. He opened the waiting suitcase to see that whoever packed the equipment was knowledgeable enough — an .50 caliber military rifle complete with scope, tripod and silencer. Joe had used this before.

After Joe set up, he turned off the lights, drew the shades and began to wait. During the wait, Joe dreamed of how much happier his life would be if he could just retire. He thought of scheduling a sit-down with his employ-er and negotiating a release, or just flee-ning, never to be found. Each and every scientist he considered led him to the same awful conclusion.

As his target turned on the lights to his apartment Joe realized he had set up near perfectly. The target’s apart-ment windows were not only larger than most but without sheets to cloud the view. Joe stared in shock as a sec-ond person entered the apartment; his body began to twitch uncontrollably, a woman accompanied the target. This was just not any woman.

As a standard practice, if the target isn’t alone, a second target was created and the unfortunate collateral damage was justified by claiming the innocent friend’s life would be ruined by what they were about to witness. Therefore their death was simply considered a mercy killing.

As Joe gathered himself and looked through his scope, he realized the woman was in fact his high school sweetheart and his first real love. Michael Rivello and Jenni Weeks dated and were in love from the ages of 15 until 18. It was a month after their breakup that Michael enlisted in the Marines. Joe couldn’t complete this assignment. He still had a spot in his heart for Jenni and hopes that someday they would be together again. His life for someone else’s — a decision he had feared for years.

Joe left the equipment in place and drove to the airport.

Ironically, Freddy Filo Jr. — the son of Joe’s mentor and an idol of sorts, arrived at the Fort Myers airport at 11 p.m. the following Wednesday, drove his rental car to the hotel and got a good night’s sleep in preparation for an early morning at the country club. Golf was not on his agenda but the instructions from his employer were clear.

On Thursday morning after his nor-mal breakfast of cereal with vanilla almond milk and a banana, Joe met Dr. Wissinger, Gene and Dan at the first tee. Just another round with his friends until they reached the Ns. 3 green. Joe lined up his putts as he always had, imagining the crosshairs of a scope over his eyes and zoning in on his tar-get, it was then the “pfooot!” sound of the silencer from Freddie Filo’s Jr’s rifle was faintly heard through the palms.

Joe did not make that putt.
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KOVEL: ANTIQUES
Versatile barrel-shaped seats back in vogue

BY TERRY AND KIM KOVEL

Garden seats shaped like a barrel are being made today from porcelain, pottery, plastic, rattan and even plastic. They are used in a living room as a coffee table, in a powder room as a pedestal to hold towels, or inside or outside as a seat. The original antique “zuo-dun,” a Chinese barrel seat, was a drum made with stretched skin tops held by nails and trimmed with nail heads. Many modern barrel seats have a row of round bumps that imitate old nail heads. Most common are white porcelain “barrels” decorated with blue designs, often hand-painted. A 19-inch-high porcelain garden stool made in about 1900 sold for $1,210 at a Leland Little auction last December. The porcelain is blue with white flowers and birds. The stool has pierced decorations and bumps that resemble nail heads.

Q: When I lived in the north woods, I came across a pile of half-buried old bottles along a loggers’ road. One of them was a Dr Pepper bottle. There is no label on it, only raised letters and numbers. It reads “Dr Pepper, Good for Life.” On the back is a circle with the numbers 10, 2 and 4. The bottom reads “Fairmont, Minn.” Can you tell me something about it and if it’s worth anything?

A: The Dr Pepper soft drink was first served in Waco, Texas, in 1885 and marketed nationally in 1904. The period after “Dr” was used on and off in logos, then removed entirely in the 1950s. Your Dr Pepper bottle dates from between 1927 and 1934. During this time period, embossed or “raised” logos and letters were used on the brand’s bottles, along with the bottling city’s name on the bottom. The 10-2-4 marketing idea for Dr Pepper was introduced in 1926 and stands for “Drink a Bite to Eat at 10, 2 and 4 o’Clock.” The circle represents a clock dial. Dr Pepper bottles with raised letters like

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Q: I would like help in placing a value on a tea set marked “Phoenix Ware, Made in England, T.F. & S. Ltd.” I have the tray, six dessert plates, six cups and saucers, the cream pitcher and the sugar bowl. Two cups are broken, but I have the pieces.

A: The mark on your tea set was used by Thomas Forester & Sons Ltd. at the Phoenix Works in Longton, Staffordshire, England. Thomas Forester opened a pottery in Longton in 1877 and built the Phoenix Works in 1879. The name of the company became Thomas Forester & Sons after his sons joined the business in 1883. The pottery closed in 1959. Even if the set were perfect, the 21 pieces would sell for less than $100.

Q: I have a set of 14-inch-square cardboard cards titled “Your Planned Conditioning Program.” They’re at least 60 years old. Each card pictures an athlete or sports star explaining how to do a conditioning exercise. Mickey Mantle, Yogi Berra and Whitey Lockman are among the baseball players. What is the set worth?

A: A complete set of the cards, including its accompanying brochure, was up for auction a few years ago with a minimum bid of $50. It didn’t sell. But don’t throw away your set-someone out there might be interested in buying it. But you won’t get a lot of money for it.

Q: I have had a Hummel wall plaque that I would like help in placing a value on. It is marked “Hummel by Thomas Forester & Sons.” The plaque is 11 x 13 inches and is in good condition. I have had it for at least 30 years. Would you like to see a photograph?

A: Your plaque is thought to be a prototype of a Hummel design called “Angel with Two Children at Feet.” Factory records say it was designed in 1938 by Reinhold Unger, but it may not have been approved for regular production. A similar production model is listed in a 1950 Goebel catalog, but not as a Hummel. Talk to an auction house or shop that specializes in Hummels. Your plaque may be a very exciting find—or it may be a variation, or even a fake. Let us know what happens.

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AUDITION CALLS

■ TheatreZone’s Mark Danni is seeking local children ages 7-13 for a “kids-only” audition to cast 15 roles in the company’s season-opening musical, “Whistle Down the Wind.” Tryouts are by appointment Friday afternoon, Sept. 13, at the G&L Theatre. On the campus of Community School of Naples. Equity and non-equity adult performer auditions (principal/chorus) for TheatreZone’s “Year of the Composers” will be by appointment Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 14-15, also at the G&L Theatre. To schedule an audition, e-mail mark@theatrezone-florida.com.

■ Casting for the first shows of The Naples Players’ new season has already been completed, but area actors still have a chance to tryout for later productions. Auditions take place Saturday, Oct. 26, for “Black Tie,” a comedy by A.R. Gurney. Director John McKerrow is seeking three men, one age 20-30, another age 45-55 and one age 65-80; and two women, one age 20-30 and another age 45-55. Rehearsals begin Nov. 25, and performances will be Jan. 15-Feb. 8 on the main stage in Blackburn Hall at the Sugden Community Theatre. Auditions for “Good People” by David Lindsay-Abaire are set for Saturday, Nov. 16. The script calls for two men, one age 22-25 and one age 45-55; and four women, three ages 45-60 and one age 28-35 who must also be African American. Chris Goutman will direct this show that will be staged in the Sugden’s Toby Studio. Rehearsals begin Dec. 16, and performances will be Feb. 5-March 1. For more information, visit www.naples-players.org/auditions.

■ Singers 18 years and older can try out for the Naples Philharmonic Chorus from 5-7 p.m. Tuesdays, Sept. 17 and 24, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Call 592-5398 to make an appointment. The volunteer chorus rehearses every Tuesday evening and participates in concerts alongside the Naples Philharmonic. Performances for 2013-14 are: Dec. 13, A Choral Christmas; Dec. 19-22, Holiday Pops; April 10-12, Beethoven’s Ninth; April 22-26, A Tribute to Marvin Hamlisch; and May 15-16, Patriotic Pops.
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BY STEVE BECKER

Great bridge champs continue to play winning hands

Bridge is much too difficult a game for anyone to always play perfectly. Mistakes are fairly frequent, even at the highest level. The most that anyone can realistically hope to do is to hold their mistakes to a minimum.

Consider this deal from the 1977 world championship match between the United States and Sweden. When the U.S. held the North-South cards, the bidding went as shown. North’s two-club bid over one notrump was “Landy,” showing length in both major suits.

West led a diamond against four hearts doubled, and the American declarer took East’s king with the ace. A trump to dummy’s queen, West following low, revealed the 3-0 trump division. South then returned to his hand with a diamond and this time led a spade.

West followed low, as most defenders would, and declarer went up with the king, since West was marked by the bidding with the ace of spades. Next came a low spade to West’s ace, after which it didn’t matter what West played next. With proper play, South was bound to make the contract.

However, West could have defeated the contract by going up with the ace of spades at trick four and exiting with a spade, South would then have found it impossible to stop West from scoring two trump tricks with the A-J no matter how he continued.

It is not difficult to prove that the correct play at trick four was for West to go up with the ace of spades and return the suit. But in the heat of battle — when a defender does not have the time to analyze a situation completely and instead reacts instinctively — it is easy to make a mistake. West was only doing what came naturally.
CLUB NOTES

- Members of the Naples IOWA Club invite University of Iowa Hawkeyes fans and alumni to watch the football game against Iowa State at 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 14, at Weekend Willie’s, 5310 Shirley St.

  For more information, call Michael Evino at (319) 431-8845, e-mail naplesiowac@gmail.com or follow the club on Facebook at www.facebook.com/naplesiowac.

- Toastmaster Academy welcomes members and guests to “What Did You Say?”, an interactive articulation workshop from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 18, at the Bonita Fire Station, 27701 Bonita Grande Drive in Bonita Springs (new location). Anne Chidsey, a speech-language pathologist with Physicians Regional Healthcare System, will offer tips for improving your speech delivery and protecting your voice at the same time.

  Attendance is free for Toastmaster Academy members, $10 for other. For more information or to reserve a place, call Marianne Oehser at 216-3030 or e-mail info@toastmasteracademy.org.

- The Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance invites orchid aficionados to its Third Thursday program from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Tom Uhler, president of the Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society, will discuss controlling pests and diseases to ensure healthy orchid plants. Mr. Uhler began growing orchids 10 years ago and especially enjoys growing cattleyas and hard-to-grow species.

  Attendance is free. Alliance members are encouraged to bring in their blooming plants for entry into the monthly exhibition judging. Annual membership is $25 for individuals, $45 for joint memberships, free for ages 18 and younger.

  For more information, call 498-9741.

- The Ohio State Alumni Club of Naples invites Buckeyes, friends and fans to happy hour in the Parrot Room at Harold’s Place from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19. Burgers will be served in the chickie hut after happy hour.

  RSVP by e-mailing Sara Ann Mousa at 593-9196 or e-mailing brusara@aol.com.

- The Naples chapter of PFLAG, Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, a support, education and advocacy group for families with gay or transgender members, meets at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 19, at Bonita Springs United Methodist Church, 513-4568 for location.

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- The Naples chapter of 1ST Convoy invites orchid aficionados to its Third Thursday program from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19. Burgers will be served in the chickie hut after happy hour.

  RSVP by e-mailing genresearch13@gmail.com or follow the club on Facebook at www.facebook.com/1STConvoy.

- Advanced Toastmasters of Naples meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting is Sept. 19. Call 593-9196 or e-mail Barbara Traci at summerbird@comcast.net.

- The Southwest Florida Chapter of the American Airlines Kiwi Club holds its next luncheon and meeting starting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, at D’Amico’s Restaurant. The club is a social and charitable organization of present and former flight attendants of American Airlines, TWA and other airlines acquired by or merged with American Airlines. The chapter supports Pace Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee and the Collier County Hunger & Homeless Coalition. New members are always welcome.

  For reservations or more information, call Eileen Pearson at 395-1761 or e-mail Barbara Traci at summerbird@comcast.net.

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- The Jewish Genealogy Shared Interest Group meets at 10 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 3, at the Jewish Federation of Collier County, 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. All who are interested in getting starting and/or continuing to explore the world of Jewish genealogy are welcome. No experience is necessary. RSVP by e-mailing genresearch3@yahoo.com.

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Q: I think I’ve read this question in your column before, but I can’t remember your answer. Will “China Beach” ever be released on DVD? I loved that series and I wish I could watch it again.

— Beverly W., via e-mail

A: I’ve gotten scores of letters asking that same question, and I finally have a definitive answer for you: On Oct. 1, fans can at last own the critically acclaimed, Dana Delany-starring hit series. For the show’s 25th anniversary, the complete series will be available in a 21-disc collector’s set in stores and online.

Q: With Halloween approaching, it got me to wondering if Catherine Bell will be in another “Good Witch” movie on the Hallmark Channel? Those are my favorite.

— Betty S., Tulsa, Okla.

A: Catherine and company will return to the Hallmark Channel on Oct. 26 with “The Good Witch’s Destiny.” In this sixth installment of the series, all Cassie Nightingale (Catherine) wants for her birthday is for her family and friends to be together. As her special day is approaches, Lori discovers signs of a curse looming over Cassie. Check back soon for my exclusive interview with Catherine.

Q: You mentioned a show set in the 1940s about the Mafia that was supposed to air on TNT called “Lost Angels,” but I can’t find mention of it anywhere. Can you help?

— Douglas B. in Ohio

A: The latest TNT drama has been renamed “Mob City” and is set to premiere Dec. 4. The show centers on the epic battle between a determined police chief and a dangerous mobster that inflames 1940s Los Angeles, and stars Jon Bernthal, Neal McDonough and Ed Burns.

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- **Baby Basics of Collier County** hosts its sixth annual Champagne Brunch & Fashion Show at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, at Dillard’s in Coastland Center. Baby Basics provides free diapers and supportive information to more than 25 infants and toddlers from low-income, working families in Collier County and Bonita Springs. Program participants and their parents will be special guests at the event to share how the program has benefited them.

- Tickets are $75, which lets Baby Basics provide 10 weeks of diapers for one baby. For more information or to help a baby, e-mail babybasicsndc@hotmail.com or visit www.babybasicscollier.org.

- **Jewish Family & Community Services** of Southwest Florida presents Planting Seeds for Better Tomorrows from 5:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, at Arts—Naples. Guest speaker Kim Lear will discuss “Four Generations of Family and Philanthropy.” Guests will be able to wander the center’s galleries while enjoying cocktails and hors d’oeuvres before the program.

- The evening’s sponsor is BMO Private Bank. Event co-chairs are Marvin and Carol Lader and Dr. Nat and Susan Ritter. Tickets are $125.

- **JFCS** is a non-sectarian social service agency. For more information or to purchase a ticket, e-mail jflacher@jfcsowell.org.

- **Harmon-Meek Gallery** hosts the inaugural Visionaries of the Visual Arts awards and benefit dinner Tuesday—Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the Naples Yacht Club. Three individuals will be recognized for their contributions to the visual arts in Southwest Florida. Keynote speaker Charles Shepard is director of the Fort Wayne Museum of Art in Indiana.

- **The Immokalee Foundation’s 2013 Charity Classic Celebration, “Evanescing to Success: Voices of the Future,”** includes an evening of fine dining, entertainment and auctions of multi-faceted “ladies day out” marks the hotel’s debut after a summer-long renovation project.

- Events from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. include several breakout educational sessions, a shopping venue, a live auction and survivor stories. Ercole and NBC2 anchor Heather Turbo will introduce keynote speaker Diana Jordan, a comedienne, author and breast cancer survivor whom Oprah Winfrey has called one of the funniest people on the planet.” Tickets for $250 are available at www.komenwfl.org.

- **Fiesta in PAradise**, a dog-friendly fundraiser for the **Avow PAWS Pet Program**, takes place from 5-9 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, at Avow. Guests will enjoy cocktails and heavy hors d’oeuvres, a silent auction, take-home portrait center, doggy fiesta fashion contest and a canine drill team performance. Tickets are $100; well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome to accompany their owners. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 649-3683.

- **The Immokalee Foundation’s** $150 per person, $250 for patrons and $350 for a patron table. For more information, visit the website above. 

- **Humane Society Naples** holds its **Strut Your Mutt** costume parade and contest for best-dressed pets and owners on Saturday, Oct. 19, at Germain BMW. Admission is free; registration for the costume contest (Most Original, Scariest, Celebrity Lookalike, Cutest and Best Group/two or more pets) is $15.

- The society’s 15th annual **Tea & Fashion Show** is set for Thursday, Dec. 5, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. This year’s theme is “Passport to Paris.” Co-chairs are Philip Douglas and Doug Owen.

- Visit www.humanesocietynaples.com for information about tickets and sponsorship opportunities as the date draws closer.

- **The fifth annual Naples International Film Festival** is set for Thurs—Sunday, Nov. 7-10. The red carpet opening night gala and screening take place Nov. 7 at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. Features, documentaries and film shorts of all genres will be screened at Silverspot Cinema at Mercato Nov. 8-10. Check www.naplesfilmfest.com for details as the date draws near, or call 775-4345.
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Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Capers melds the best of diners and full-fledged restaurants, offering a causal atmosphere, a friendly staff, house-made baked goods and jams, house-smoked salmon, live entertainment in the bar on some evenings and menu items such as pork osso buco and wood-grilled fish mignon. Yum yum shrimp was a plateful of sweet and tangy fried shrimp. The house-smoked salmon was somewhat salty and dry, but mustard dill sauce helped on both counts. Crab cakes are a house specialty and were full of lump crabmeat held together by what appeared to be bits of back fin, all lightly breaded and sautéed to a golden brown. Cedar-planked salmon was nicely done, served with pomegranate molasses and rice studded with sliced almonds, dried cranberries and orange zest. For dessert: a slab of warm bread pudding with raisins, caramel sauce and vanilla ice cream. Full bar.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Service: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Reviewed April 2012

■ The Chapel Grill, 811 Seventh Ave. S., Naples; 204-4310
Casual yet stylish, this restaurant in the 65-year-old former First Baptist Church is packing the pews with a wide-ranging menu that puts a new main ingredient. Nowhere was that more evident than in the sampler platter of eight varieties of ceviche (choose from one, two, three or eight types), particularly the Peruvian, which was delicious. For dessert: a grilled red snapper paired well with the young soy white miso sauce and a slightly sweet ponzu sauce, but a spicy tropical salsa was a little overpowering. A lobster pot featured clams, mussels, lobster tail, fingerling potatoes, corn and roasted tomato. We added seafood sauce (choose from one, two, three or eight types), particularly the Peruvian, which was delicious. For dessert: a plateful of sweet and tangy fried shrimp. The house-smoked salmon was somewhat salty and dry, but mustard dill sauce helped on both counts. Crab cakes are a house specialty and were full of lump crabmeat held together by what appeared to be bits of back fin, all lightly breaded and sautéed to a golden brown. Cedar-planked salmon was nicely done, served with pomegranate molasses and rice studded with sliced almonds, dried cranberries and orange zest. For dessert: a slab of warm bread pudding with raisins, caramel sauce and vanilla ice cream. Full bar.

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■ Michelbob’s Champion Ribs, 371 Airport Pulling Road, Naples; 643-7427
Michelbob’s signature spice rub enhances its slow-smoked Danish baby backs, a mustard and paprika blend presented in shakers on every table just in case you want an extra punch of flavor. There are also two bottled sauces to slather on the meaty bones — one tangy with mustard (complex and well balanced) and one smoky-sweet (tasting heavily of Liquid Smoke). All of which is enough to satisfy anyone with a serious hankerking for good ribs. If it’s smoked pork shoulder or chicken you’re after it might be less impressive. When all was said and done, and all saucy fingers were licked clean, the baby backs truly stood out from the rest of the meal. The flesh was tender enough to slip off effortlessly and had those crispy edges that just add a little extra texture to the experience.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Service: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Reviewed July 2012

■ Swann River Seafood Restaurant and Fish Market, 3741 Tamiami Trail N., Naples; 403-7000
North meets South at Swan River, which has been serving the best of New England’s catch beside the treasures of Southwest Florida waters for more than 10 years. It captures the spirit of the Cape, with a nautical blue-and-white interior and menu offerings of whole belly clams, broccoli and lobster rolls. But these are complemented by Florida stone crab claws (in season), Gulf grouper and Southern oysters. Appetizers of fried oysters and steamed clams proved that the kitchen has mastered varying cooking methods. And you won’t find food buried under piles of fruity salsas and painted food: ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
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CUISINE

Aptly named Mereday’s Fine Dining delivers exceptional food, service

Karen Feldman / Florida Weekly

Just slightly off the beaten path, east of Tin City, culinary magic is brewing.

Chef/owner Charles Mereday has created a restaurant that in a mere six weeks has developed an enthusiastic following — and for very good reason.

Mr. Mereday describes his cuisine as American and, given that the country is a melting pot, I find that an appropriate description. There are elements of low country cuisine, no doubt a result of his training at Johnson & Wales University in Charleston, S.C. Time spent in Roanne, France, at the three-star Michelin La Maison Troisgros, has influenced his diet feel for creamy sauces, velvety purées and, of course, a fondness for foie gras.

There’s a bit of island flavor that likely seeped into his repertoire while he owned and operated the Old Stone Farmhouse in St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands, and a sous-chef more surely made its way into the lineup along with some African flair during his time as executive chef at Philadelphia’s landmark Zanibar Blue Restaurant and jazz club.

In short, the man possesses some serious culinary chops — and he wastes no time in demonstrating them during a meal at his new Naples establishment situated along the upscale marina at the Naples Bay Resort in the space previously occupied by Olio and L’Orient.

With all that high-end experience, you might expect fussy, over-produced food, but Mr. Mereday keeps true to the style he describes on his website: “Cooking with integrity and love. (I’m a believer and follower of fundament al cooking techniques (and) make no exceptions for superior quality ingredients. Keep it simple.”

Mereday’s offers diners a prix fixe menu, with three courses at lunch and three, four or five courses, with or without wine, at dinner. A charming and efficient hostess explains this to new arrivals before seating them. Those who want to try the food without committing to multiple courses can sit at the bar and enjoy a la carte selections, which might include cucumber gazpacho with poached Florida pink shrimp or tarte flambe with creme fraiche, belle chevre, petite herbs and white balsamic.

But one look at the menu and we happily allowed ourselves to be led to a roomy table for two in sight of the open kitchen where Mr. Mereday, Executive Chef Joe Pittman and three other staff members were fluidly crafting plate after plate.

The front-of-the-house team handled its job with equal aplomb. When our vigilant server realized my companion ate no meat yet had been served an amuse-bouche that contained bacon, he took it away and returned with a meatless version. The tidbit was a perfectly ripe fig with a dollop of blue cheese, two bits of Nueske’s bacon and a whisper of bacon vinaigrette. (My companion’s version replaced bacon with jamon and the manager was ever vigilant. Our wine and water glasses never approached empty. Our silverware was replaced for each course. My companion’s napkin was artfully refolded when he made a brief trip to the restroom. Someone checked after each course was served to make sure everything was fine, and the manager made a point of inquiring about the duck and whether it had been satisfactorily crisp. Now that’s attention to detail!

Mr. Mereday’s is a restaurant you have to make a bit of an effort to get to, and the prix fixe concept is one to which those who do will be well rewarded.

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OULD THERE BE ANYTHING MORE FRUSTRATING in a beautiful home than a messy closet? Cluttered, too-small closets are a stressful eyesore.

No one knows this better than California Closets Director of Business Development Scott Scheffer, who has to hear customers lodge closet complaints on a daily basis. The company has renovated every type of closet, but in the case of these reach-in and walk-in closets, the makeover is nothing short of magical.

“In the case of a reach-in closet, this is a typical closet with a single row of hanging and one shelf above,” Mr. Scheffer says, adding such a scenario is most often found in a home’s secondary closets — the guest bedrooms.

The reach-in closet was renovated for

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organizational reasons. There was insufficient hanging space and the shelf was overloaded with an array of folded clothing. The floor was strewn with miscellaneous items. The reorganized closet offers much more storage space and simple peace of mind.

“The aesthetics of the new closet allow it to become a part of the home’s décor, and now it’s a beautiful new area of living that adds real value for the homeowner and a pleasant experience for guests,” Mr. Scheffer says.

In the case of the master bedroom walk-in closet, it lacked any type of usable hanging space, had a mix of furniture and needed shoe space and a hamper.

“This was essentially a room with miscellaneous, uncoordinated elements and the closet was completely redesigned around the existing space’s features to neatly hold all of the existing inventory,” Mr. Scheffer says. “The end result was a clean white space with an abundance of easily accessible space.”

California Closets builds custom closets based on what’s going into the closets and how those items will fit into a homeowner’s day-to-day life. Each California Closets system is custom-designed around each specific space. Any obstacles or challenges that could arise are handled at the design stage, Mr. Scheffer explains. Outside contractors were not a concern for either of these makeovers — California Closets systems are installed by the company’s in-house teams.

“Because we design our closets based on the inventory that the homeowners will be putting in it, the placement of items is decided and spelled out at the design stage,” Mr. Scheffer says.

Here are his tried-and-true tips for any homeowner who is revamping a closet:

1) Consider what you really need in your closets: Space is valuable and organization starts with deciding on the items that you really need or really love.

2) Think about functionality: where and how you dress each day, how you could make your mornings easier (using accessories such as valet rods to lay your clothes out the night before, etc.).

3) Be creative: California Closets has an extensive line of finishes and accessories and the designers can walk homeowners through the process of choosing what best suits a home and lifestyle.

For more information or to schedule your own California Closets makeover, call 694-8100 or visit www.CaliforniaClosets.com.

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Collins & DuPont Interior Design Wins Five Aurora Awards

Collins & DuPont Interior Design in Bonita Springs has been honored with five Aurora Awards, which honor the outstanding interior designers, builders, planners, architects, developers, merchandisers and other housing-related professionals within a 12-state region in the Southeast U.S. and eastern Caribbean.

These latest honors are among more than 60 awards given to Collins & DuPont through the years. This round of awards was for a private residence in Naples: Best Interior Merchandising, Best Interior Detailing, Best Master Bath, and Interior Design by Lana Knapp, Senior Designer, ASID. Other awards were for a model home at Barefoot Beach in Bonita Springs for Detached Family Home (over $3 million), Interior Merchandising (over $3 million) and Interior Design by Kim Collins, ASID; and Alina Olinger, Allied ASID. For more information, visit www.collins-dupont.com or call 948-2400.

CATHLEEN SWIFT NAMED MIROMAR DESIGN CENTER DESIGNER OF DISTINCTION

Cathleen Swift has been recognized as Miromar Design Center’s September 2013 Designer of Distinction. She is owner of Naples-based Cathleen B. Swift Design, LLC and has more than 25 years in the interior design business focused on the luxury residential market in Southwest Florida. Ms. Swift is also a member of the Designer on Call service at Miromar Design Center. “Miromar Design Center serves as my library in the interior design field,” Ms. Swift said. “It features the largest selection of fabrics, furnishings, finishes, casework, all of my tools and it is a pleasure bringing clients into this beautifully appointed building to make their selections.”

For more information on Ms. Swift’s appointment as designer of the month or Miromar Design Center, go to www.MiromarDesignCenter.com.

MICHAEL MILLSPAUGH AND WATERSIDE BUILDERS TO COMPLETE ‘FIREFLY’ MODEL

Clive Daniel Home designer Michael Millspaugh’s latest model, “Firefly” for Waterside Builders on 4th Avenue South, was done in partnership with Kelly Bridwell and debuts at the end of September. For more information, contact Mr. Millspaugh at 231-7873 or go to www.clivedaniel.com.
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LIVE LIFE...Beautifully
“Nothing beats kicking back in such comfort to enjoy a great film the way it was meant to be seen.”
—Tom Stoup, Silverspot’s resident film guru, understands why people are gravitating toward movie-going in their own homes.
in his home with a touch of decorative reverence for old Hollywood.”

Michael Novak, the owner of Epic Audio Video, says a homeowner can have an amazing theater room for as little as $10,000 by converting a spare room, or can spend millions creating an oversized, extravagant space with all the bells and whistles.

Mr. Novak’s pride and joy is a multi-million-dollar system he designed for a Naples home. It has nine 7-foot-tall racks of equipment. “A 3400 DVD Kaleidescape movie server sends different video to 19 Runco televisions simultaneously,” he says. “The 103-inch Runco plasma television is lifted flush into the wall on a custom aluminum winch and bracket system we fabricated from scratch,” he adds. “There’s pretty much nothing this system can’t control.

For a client in a Pelican Bay penthouse, Epic Audio Video installed a commercial wireless network so strong that the owner “can watch a video on his laptop all the way into the elevator, down to the ground floor and then sit on the beach and never lose signal.”

And for another Pelican Bay client, Mr. Novak’s company converted a guest room into a home theater with soundproofing, custom wall panels and drapery and installed Crestron controls, a Stewart screen and a high-power DLP Projector.

From the electronics to the furnishings, Mr. Novak says, his company can convert a guest room, office or library from nothing into a beautiful home theater in about a week.

Many homeowners who don’t have an extra room to dedicate to watching
movies simply want systems that pro-
vidate great sound and picture quality. Either way, Mr. Novak cautions that
most houses are not properly wired for
a media room. A homeowner won’t even
be able to get video on a television if the
correct infrastructure is not in place.

"If you’re complaining about your
Apple TV picture stalling, that’s because
the backbone isn’t done right," he says.
"Having a commercial-grade network in
your home is absolutely crucial because
the amount of traffic and video stream-
ing on today’s systems is far too much for
the $100 router you picked up at a
big-box store for total wireless coverage
to all points of your home."

The latest toy for grown-ups who love
technology is the 4K Ultra HD televis-
ion. The picture quality is four times
clearer than regular HD — it’s like the
television difference between an early
Kindle and the latest iPad. The planet’s
first 4K Ultra HD media player is also a
must-have.

For the home theater, however, a
screen and projector are imperative.
The biggest television is 90 inches, too
small for a theater room. Mr. Novak is
in the process of building a new home
theater in his store in Tanglewood Plaza
that will feature the new Sony 4K pro-
jector, the same projector used at area
theaters.

"Listening to a good pair of speak-
ers requires significant clean
room. Your designer can arrange the bar
and stools behind the seats with the bar flush to
the back of the chairs.

>> Don’t buy a weak projector. A home-theater
projector must be strong enough to throw
enough light on a big screen.

>> Don’t skimp on speakers or power. Speak-
ers don’t sound their best unless you give them
more power. It’s about current, not volume.

>> Don’t convert that little-used guest bedroom.
In a small room you can still do a 110-inch
screen, but there is no limit to how big you can
go.

>> Don’t put a traditional popcorn machine in
your theater. They’re fun, but they have a very
specific scent that can grow old quickly. You’re
better off making popcorn in the kitchen.

"In existing homes, we have seen a
desire for homeowners to convert for-
mall dining rooms into media rooms," Mr. Jaron says. "Soundproofing is very
important, and the proximity to living
areas is opposed to sleeping areas. And
because the technology is constantly changing, stick with brands and suppli-
 ers with a lengthy record in the business,
being aware of trendy items that may
become obsolete."

Other notable products for the home
theater include the JBL Synthesis sound
system on which most movies, including
Lucas Films, are mastered. Homeown-
ers who have this system hear films how
they were intended to sound. It begins at
$35,000 and goes up to $450,000 for resi-
dential systems, and only covers speak-
ers and electronics.

The sound of music
For music lovers, lyrics and melo-
dies are like oxygen — essential to life
itself — and a sound system is vital to
any media room or whole-house enter-
tainment infrastructure. Though Epic
is cost-competitive, big-box stores are
child’s play compared to what’s available
to people who crave high-end music
experiences. Take, for example, speak-
ers impregnated with diamond dust that
cost $15,000 to $25,000 per pair.

In the music room at Mr. Novak’s store,
customers sit, sometimes for hours, in
comfy chairs to listen to their favorite
songs. They’ve been known to sway back
and forth, hum and even burst into song,
hypnotized by the music that has defined
their lives and made milestones out of
ordinary experiences.

“When you sit in this room and close
your eyes to listen, you can hear the
subtle drum brushes and guitar frets,
breathing and things you just ignore in
the regular day," Mr. Novak says. “Clients
listen to several pairs of speakers over
and over until they find the sound they
seek.”

But homeowners can also spend a few
hundred dollars and get perfectly good
speakers, Mr. Novak says, adding the big-
gest mistake some people make is equat-
ing volume with power.

“The speaker purchase is the most
important part of a sound system, but
this is where most people get it wrong.
The speakers make the sound, so if you
skimp here, then no matter how fancy
the electronics you buy are, you’ll never
hear much improvement.”

Speakers require significant clean
cost power to sound good at low volume.
Owning a nice pair of tower speakers
but running them on a discount receiver
from a big-box store versus a high-
end amplifier means the quality will
suffer. “Listening to a good pair of speak-
ers on a quality 200-watt amplifier will
sound completely different than using a
100-watt receiver at the exact same vol-
ume level,” Mr. Novak says of the high-
end equipment he demonstrates in the
store. “Education is the key, and that’s
what we try to provide.”

Speaker designs include custom wood
finishes and lacquers and the currently
popular white speakers, among others.
Respected brands to consider include
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Paradigm and Revel, which is made in
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Receiver
- All stereo components connect to a receiver that connects to the speakers, and in return it amplifies the signal of all of the components. McIntosh, an iconic brand that has been around since 1949, is such a major label, they licensed the name to Apple. Their receivers, for sale at Epic Audio Video, are some of the best ever made with every nut and bolt completely built in the USA.

Popcorn maker
- Cuisinart has the cutest popcorn maker—the EasyPop® Popcorn Maker—and it comes in eye-popping red in a nod to traditional popcorn machines. It makes 16 cups of fluffy popcorn in a matter of minutes and allows for adjusting oil, salt and flavorings. The best part? When it’s ready, you can serve it right from the popping bowl. We discovered this at Sur La Table in the Mercato in Naples, across from our offices here at Florida Weekly.
Paradigm Soundcast Soundbar
Digital review heralded this sound bar as “meticulous in its speaker design” for “striking a succinct design” and was “designed to be perfectly tuned.” It’s manufactured by a family-owned company known for exceptional materials and copious research and development. At Epic Audio Video in Naples.

Paradigm’s headphones
These headphones were made by the No. 1 speaker company in the world, which also makes the aforementioned sound bar. Priced at $299, they are not cheap – but you get what you pay for in music quality. These are noise-canceling and regular headphones, built with high-end materials in Canada. We listened to these at Epic Audio Video.

illy stylish coffee
If you want to impress your home theater or sound system listeners, also at Sur la Table is Master Barista champion Giorgio Milos’ favorite coffee machine – the Francis Francis X7. He loves it because it makes a quick and easy espresso, but it’s also extremely stylish, much like the Italian champion himself (no wonder, it was designed by Italian architect Luca Trazzi.) It uses an iper capsule and internal thermoblock – the panarello steam wand froths milk for cappuccinos and lattes. Available in red or black, also at Sur la Table.

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In these homes, each room featured is a private oasis showcasing everything from upgraded entertainment rooms to magnificent home theaters. It also includes references for installing bars of all kinds from a simple counter to a sports complex with multiple screens and gaming tables. The wine cellars and tasting rooms section of the book are simply delicious — as are the indoor pool features. There are 200 full-color photographs to salivate over in Skinner’s book.

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MICHAEL MILLSPAUGH

Michael Millspaugh of Clive Daniel Home was part of the opening team for the brand in 2011. He had a working relationship with the owners for the prior seven years and continues to relish the honor of joining them in the quest to reinvent the company’s residential interior design store format.

Mr. Millspaugh takes delight in the fun his clients have when they realize how much fun they can have in the design process to achieve their ideal environment. Michael’s latest model, “Firefly” for Waterside Builders on 4th Avenue South, was done in partnership with Kelly Bridwell and debuts at the end of September. LUXE sat down with him to get the scoop on a few design-build basics, what he’s glad to see go away and the scorching-hot celebrity designer he’d most like to decorate his dream home.

Florida Weekly: What’s the difference in working directly with an architect and a builder?

Michael Millspaugh: Architects have their own set of concerns based on history and their aesthetic, while builders are all about implementing the architect’s plan.

FW: What’s your favorite design trend right now?

MM: The movement away from the color brown.

FW: What design trends are you glad to see gone?

MM: Over ornamentation and excessive detail. Heavy, “goopy” furniture that screams nouveau riche is gone.

FW: If you could have a celebrity (or local) designer come decorate your house, who would it be?

MM: Nate Berkus

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BY APPOINTMENT
FW: What decor would you most want in your home?
MM: A mix of classic modern, 18th century and sentimental pieces.
FW: What one design element in particular do you find challenging?
MM: Curved windows can be unruly.
FW: If a homeowner wants to go it alone, please share any advice you have for decorating resources.
MM: Download shelter magazines and organize pictures of the pages you like in your tablet, or obtain hard copies of those magazines, tear out the pages and put post-it notes on the pages denoting likes and dislikes. This will help you establish a visual vocabulary that will keep you on track. Start with an area rug or art to anchor the room, establish a color palette and learn how to work in two dimensions on a floor plan to establish placement and size constraints.
FW: What do you recall as an over-the-top, luxury outdoor space?
MM: It was a single-family home in Bonita Springs with 18 seats at an outdoor tiki bar that was built under the screen enclosure with four separate lounging areas around the pool. This outdoor area was more than 2,500 square feet.

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