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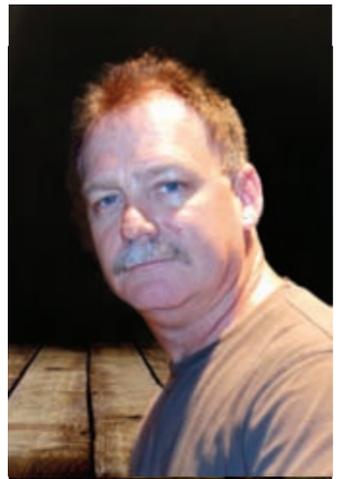


Michael Simonik, executive director Humane Society Naples, holds Anamarie, a schnauzer whose four pups have recently been adopted.

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## FEMA coincidentally redraws flood maps as Lake O. teeters on edge of disaster

BY ROGER WILLIAMS  
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At the watery end of the rainiest summer in years, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA, has come calling on South Florida with plans for new flood-risk maps.

Property owners who find themselves in the red zones of the new maps are likely to have to pay more for flood insurance in the future. Conversely, some property may be drawn out of high-risk zones, and thus have

the chance to pay less, officials say.

FEMA will reveal the new map proposals at public meetings this week in Martin, Okeechobee, Glades and Hendry counties in the central and eastern peninsula near Lake Okeechobee; Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties on the southwest coast, meanwhile, have more contemporary maps that were redrawn in recent years — with some troubling and unanticipated effects.

Is bad water management the reason for the new maps, and thus a chance for federally mandated insurance companies to make

a lot more money?

“No,” says Sarah Heard, a Martin County commissioner and clean-water advocate.

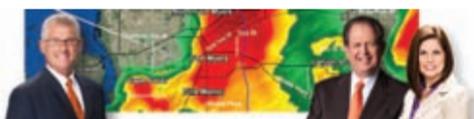
“We’ve been begging for revised FEMA maps for a decade. This is just the federal government moving slowly. We knew the old maps were obsolete — these new maps are way more accurate, and we can provide protection for people who need it most.”

The coincidence of excess water and FEMA, however, is startling. Flood risk,

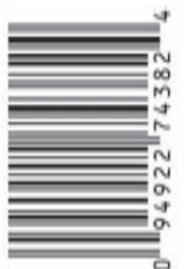
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## COMMENTARY

## Bombing Syria



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During the long ambivalent afternoon of President Barack Obama's fickle foreign policy, Americans in general and people who inhabit the states of Colorado and Florida in particular have come to a clear but cloudy revelation: It's raining. Too much.

No matter what's happening in the world — no matter who is gassing whom, bayonetting whom, machine-gunning whom, or bombing whom, and no matter that the president is uncertain what he should do about it all — the water keeps rising.

Since I happen to inhabit both the states of Colorado and Florida, mentally speaking, and since you can often find me wandering around in either a high state or a low state, I am particularly aware of this fact, along with its consequences.

When the water rises, people get flooded — people like my mother, who lives in Boulder, Colo.

When she awoke last week and went to find the bathroom at 4 a.m., she found herself wading through an ice-cold mountain stream.

Unbeknownst to her and under cover of darkness, the stream decided to divert from its traditional course, which should have been dug out and deepened years

earlier, and then it decided to wander through her bedroom.

That's when I realized we have to bomb Syria.

Although the water was only a couple inches deep in her house, it proved a point: Water is not ambivalent, like the president is. It invades when it damn well pleases, especially if all of us in Colorado and Florida have underestimated or ignored it for years.

As it turns out, my mother and my sister are not ambivalent, either. They attacked the problem with all the imaginative determination that the women in my family have exhibited forever (my brother-in-law had a lot to do with this, too).

Before long, mini-dozers were dozing, mini-ditches were dug, and no less than 10 volunteers with shovels had helped her clean up and redirect the water so she could reclaim her sodden house.

In effect, my mother and company had bombed the problem without hesitation.

Of course, ignoring a problem can be a delicious experience, for a while, and it might have been for them if they'd just turned over and gone back to sleep. You buzz along like a guy on pain pills, feeling an optimistic glow that suggests energy, health and opportunity. You tell yourself that if you don't see it, it isn't real.

The Syrian problem is like that, too — their heinous cruelty (whoever they are), their willingness to murder innocents with gas, right here on our home planet.

That kind of behavior is like bad water. It suggests that you should have been

dealing with it a long time ago, and if you don't want to have to radically change how or even where you live, you better deal with it now, aggressively.

So I was disappointed to hear many of my friends and neighbors, not to mention my readers, suggest otherwise. Syria and the Syrians are not our business, they argued. So we should ignore them.

But I don't want ignorance, when the water starts rising. I don't want ambivalence, when the gas starts killing. I want action. I want eloquence and courage. I want reciprocity and ferocity now, not later.

I want my president, my neighbors and my readers all to insist: We must not ignore them. Their business becomes our business. Their humanity is our humanity. They aren't strangers; they're brothers and sisters.

This is true of the Syrian president and his regime, of the Russian premier and his history, of the Asians, the Africans or any other: If they threaten with a flood of savagery or even if they don't, we have to behave fiercely, unhesitatingly, as we would to defend any family.

Thus, we should launch the might of a nation and a culture and a history! We should attack!

Because those Syrians are also our parents and our children, also our poor misguided brothers and our sisters. They are also ourselves, not just some other.

And we alone can defend them, the tyrants and murderers, the victims and innocents. We are their wards, their protectors. We alone can love them.

Ignore them? We may as soon ignore our children, or ourselves. No, we must bomb them without ambivalence.

Bomb them from the north to the south, bomb their joyless, barren hatreds, bomb their fears and complacencies, bomb the wisdom of their elders and their animosities, bomb their vain self-righteousness.

Bomb them with cotton candy and Woody Guthrie, bomb them with soda pop and hot dogs and fried catfish and Taj Mahal, bomb them with late-night talk shows and bikinis and health food and the smiley face — especially the smiley face, dropped by the millions from the bellies of B-1s and B-2s and ABCs and XYZs. Bomb them with Facebook chatter and locally brewed beer and cheese grits and biscuits with gravy. And the birds and the bees.

Bomb them with Jerry Lee Lewis and George Gershwin and Elvis and Beethoven and Miles Davis and Muddy Waters and Bach and the Rolling Stones and Red Hot Chili Peppers and Joni Mitchell and Aaron Copeland and Sheryl Crow and Wynton Marsalis and Led Zeppelin and Modest Mouse and especially the Rev. Al Green and Aretha Franklin, singing R-E-S-P-E-C-T. Bomb them with Jack Kerouac and Mark Twain and Seamus Heaney and Bruce Springsteen and Bono and the novels and plays of Robert Hilliard.

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## OPINION

# Unbelievably small and unpersuasive

**richLOWRY**

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Now that John Kerry is the secretary of state, his gaffes can launch major diplomatic initiatives.

A reporter in London asked what Syrian President Bashar al-Assad could do to avoid war. Kerry responded: "He could turn over every single bit of his chemical weapons to the international community in the next week — turn it over, all of it without delay and allow the full and total accounting. But he isn't about to do it, and it can't be done."

The State Department quickly noted that the secretary was merely making a rhetorical point. But the Russians immediately embraced the Kerry flourish as a serious proposal. It was "welcomed" by Damascus and spoken of warmly by the U.N. secretary-general and the British and French governments.

Never mind that Kerry punctuated the launch of his unintended Syria peace plan with the words "it can't be done." In a storm, any port will do, and

during a catastrophic meltdown of an administration's case for war, so will any diplomatic fig leaf.

Not all of Kerry's gaffes in London rose to the level of game-changing diplomacy. He said the strike on Syria would be "unbelievably small." Surely, Kerry was making another one of his rhetorical points, that compared with, say, Dresden or "Shock and Awe," the strike on Syria would be a much more circumscribed affair. But "unbelievably small" is not a rallying cry.

An anonymous administration official resorted to an analogy to children's cereal. As *USA Today* paraphrased his explanation: "If Assad is eating Cheerios, we're going to take away his spoon and give him a fork. Will that degrade his ability to eat Cheerios? Yes. Will it deter him? Maybe. But he'll still be able to eat Cheerios."

A military strike to change Assad's options in breakfast flatware is even less stirring than Kerry's assurance of unbelievable smallness. At the beginning of what is supposed to be the administration's full-court press for a strike, it has done more to open itself to mockery than to persuade, more to set back its case than to advance it.

Part of the problem, besides simple incompetence, is that the administration has dual, and conflicting, audiences. The president's political base wants a strike to be as symbolic as possible, while the rapidly diminishing number of Republican supporters want it to be as robust as possible. Please one side and you alienate the other.

The case for a strike comes down to a matter of national credibility that is more likely to move Henry Kissinger. Voters are not in the mood for any more Middle Eastern entanglements, so the administration is performing before a hostile crowd. It's always easier to look at the top of your game when you are not up against a howling head wind of public opposition.

If he's not already, the president may soon wonder why, with the Syria vote, he built a pyre, threw his presidency on it and asked Congress to decide whether to light a match. Considering the gravity of the possible defeat before him, any escape hatch can look attractive, even one provided by his secretary of state's careless words. ■

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## Kerry, Kissinger and the other Sept. 11

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Special to Florida Weekly



As President Barack Obama's attack on Syria appears to have been delayed for the moment, it is remarkable that Secretary of State John Kerry was meeting, on Sept. 11, with one of his predecessors, Henry Kissinger, reportedly to discuss strategy on forthcoming negotiations on Syria with Russian officials. The Kerry-Kissinger meeting, and the public outcry against the proposed attack on Syria to which both men are publicly committed, should be viewed through the lens of another Sept. 11 ... 1973.

On that day, 40 years ago, the democratically elected president of Chile, Salvador Allende, was violently overthrown in a U.S.-backed coup. Gen. Augusto Pinochet took control and began a 17-year dictatorial reign of terror, during which more than 3,000 Chileans were murdered and disappeared — about the same number killed on that later, fateful 9/11, 2001. Allende, a socialist, was immensely popular with his people. But his policies were anathema to the elites of Chile and the U.S., so President Richard Nixon and his secretary of state and national-security adviser, Henry Kissinger, supported efforts to overthrow him.

Kissinger's role in plotting and supporting the 1973 coup in Chile becomes clearer as the years pass and the documents emerge, documents that Kissinger has personally fought hard to keep secret. Peter Kornbluh of the non-profit National Security Archive has been uncovering the evidence for years, and has recently updated his book, "The Pinochet File: A Declassified Dossier on Atrocity and Accountability." Kornbluh told me that Kissinger was "the singular most important figure in engineering a policy to overthrow Allende and then, even more, to embrace Pinochet and the human-rights violations that followed."

He said that Kissinger "pushed Nixon forward to as aggressive but covert a policy as possible to make Allende fail, to destabilize Allende's ability to govern, to create what Kissinger called a coup climate."

The Pinochet regime was violent, repressive and a close ally of the United States. Pinochet formed alliances with other military regimes in South America, and they created "Operation Condor," a campaign of coordinated terror and assassinations throughout Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay, Bolivia and Brazil. Operation Condor even reached onto the streets of Washington, D.C., when, on Sep. 21, 1976, a former Chilean ambassador to the U.S. during the Allende government, Orlando Letelier, along with his assistant, a U.S. citizen named Ronni Moffitt, were killed by a car bomb planted by Pinochet's secret police on Embassy Row, just blocks from the White House.

Eventually, under increasing global condemnation and growing internal, nonviolent resistance, the Pinochet regime was forced to hold a plebiscite, a national vote, on whether Pinochet would continue as Chile's dictator. With a resounding "No!" the public rejected him, ushering in the modern, democratic era in Chile.

At least two U.S. citizens were murdered during the 1973 coup. Charles Horman and Frank Teruggi were in Chile to observe the democratic experience there, working as writers and journalists. Their abduction and murder by Pinochet's forces, with the likely collaboration by the U.S. government, is depicted movingly in the 1982 Oscar-winning film "Missing," directed by Costa Gavras, starring Jack Lemmon and Sissy Spacek. On the week of the coup's 40th anniversary, Charles Horman's widow, Joyce Horman, held a commemoration. The event, hosted in New York City by the Charles Horman Truth Foundation, attracted hundreds, many who were personally involved with the Allende government or who

were forced into exile from Chile during those terrible years.

Among those in attendance was Juan Garces, a Spanish citizen who was President Allende's closest adviser. Garces was with Allende in the presidential palace on Sept. 11, 1973. Just before the palace was bombed by the air force, Allende led Garces to the door of the palace and told him to go out and tell the world what had happened that day.

Allende died during the coup. Garces narrowly escaped Chile with his life. He led the global legal pursuit of Pinochet, finally securing his arrest in Britain in 1998, where Pinochet was held for 504 days. While Pinochet was eventually allowed to return to Chile, he was later indicted there and, facing trial and prison, died under house arrest in 2006, at the age of 91.

Today, Garces sees alarming similarities between the repression in Chile and U.S. policies today: "You have extraordinary renditions. You have extrajudicial killings. You have secret centers of detentions. I am very concerned that those methods ... were applied in Chile with the knowledge and the backing of the Nixon-Kissinger administration in this period. The same methods are being applied now in many countries with the backing of the United States. That is very dangerous for everyone."

Rather than meeting with Kissinger for advice, John Kerry would better serve the cause of peace by consulting with those like Garces who have spent their lives pursuing peace. The only reason Henry Kissinger should be pursued is to be held accountable, like Pinochet, in a court of law. ■

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For years, Fun Time functioned in a dilapidated double-wide trailer. In October 2005, however, Hurricane Wilma blew through Naples and left the already-shabby trailer without a roof and completely flooded. Blue tarpaulins were secured and a new roof eventually followed, but the trailer's days were limited.

Franny Kain was hired as executive director a year later, as bankruptcy threatened the beloved preschool. The Community Foundation and United Way of Collier County came through with emergency funding to pay immediate bills; patching and repairing became daily necessities as Franny and the board of directors searched in every direction for additional financial assistance.

The Naples Children & Education Foundation, founders of the Naples Winter Wine Festival, believed in the cause and awarded Fun Time a significant matching grant to initiate the campaign for a new building. Others in the com-

munity responded generously, and the new school on 12th Street North opened in January 2009.

Now nationally accredited and Florida Gold Seal certified, the preschool has a contract with Collier County Public Schools as a Head Start provider and is an approved Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten provider. Teachers with early childhood degrees and credentials educate 84 children year-round, full-time, Monday through Friday. Families pay based on their ability.

A passionate advocate and leader, Franny grew up in Shaker Heights, Ohio, with her parents, two sisters and extended family nearby. Her favorite memories of childhood involve family gatherings, "always with lots of children around," she says.

As a teenager, she enjoyed volunteering at United Cerebral Palsy with her mother. Her favorite activity there was reading to the little children. She left the Midwest for college, earning a bachelor's degree in elementary education/special education from Syracuse University and a master's in family counseling from Framingham State University. After college, she settled in New England to start a family of her own. Today, she has two grown sons, two daughters-in-law, three granddaughters and one grandson, all back in New England.

Dogs have always been an important part of Franny's life. "Every dog I've had has taught me important life lessons about loyalty, love, forgiveness, patience, bravery and tenacity. Also about living life in the moment — as young children do," she says.

## Talking points with Franny Kain

**Mentor(s):** My parents, teachers, grandparents, partners, friends and my children have all contributed to my growth.

**As a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up?** Even as a young girl, I would gather up little children and be the "teacher."

**First job:** Right out of college I took a job in Boston as a special education teacher of 15 children, ages 5-16 years old, all in one classroom with varying degrees of cognitive, emotional and physical challenges ... Good thing I was only 21 years old and believed I could do anything!

**Favorite vacation destination:** Any place where nature is in charge and I'm not!

**One thing on your bucket list:** Visiting the national parks and taking a grandchild along with me for the memories and so he/she will take the photos.

**Skill or talent you wish you had:** I'd like to speak another language so well that I would dream in it.

**Advice for your kids or grandkids:** Do random acts of kindness regularly and do them anonymously. Also, use all the colors in the Crayola box of life!

**What makes you laugh:** Little children and dogs — especially when they're together!

**Something you'll never understand:**

If we can agree that the future is in the hands of the children, why do we not consistently make their future our present and biggest priority?



**Something people might be surprised to find out about you:** I wanted so much to fly that I took hang-gliding lessons. The classroom lessons were fine ... and then we went to the mountain. After three false starts I finally leapt off the edge ... I broke my ankle, my leg and my nose. Now I only fly in my dreams!

**What the Paradise Coast really needs:** Slow-moving cars to please move over from the left lane for passing vehicles.

**Favorite thing about the Paradise Coast:** The spirit of generosity in and the desire to help others who are less fortunate are extraordinary in Naples.

**What I miss about the Paradise Coast when I'm away:** The children at Fun Time.

"Even when I was young, I felt childhood was very special and that children would shape our world," she adds. "Fun Time is a tribute to what our community has accomplished for the good of others, the youngest and most vulnerable among us.

"Thank you, Naples, for showing you care deeply about the children." ■

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Humane Society — introduced herself to the board. The commissioners and Lee County Manager Roger Desjarlais delighted at the sight of Cleo who was brought by to provide the decision-makers a living example of the homeless pet population. County leaders are considering an ordinance that would require most pet owners to spay or neuter their animals.

The Lee County leaders bent down in their suits to pet and chat with the dog adorned with a tie-dyed bandana. The cool marble floors and kind voices were a significant change from her recent surroundings.

It was just a month ago when the 1-year-old dog was found at a Fort Myers residence tethered outside, laying in long grass without cover, food or water. According to neighbors, her cries sounded like a human as she suffered in the yard, said Jennifer Galloway, executive director of the Gulf Coast Humane Society.

Lee County Domestic Animal Services rescued Cleo after being contacted by a concerned neighbor. GCHS, which partners with Lee County Animal Services, took Cleo and the staff there is getting her medical attention for a spinal injury that leaves her back legs weak.

## Pets by numbers

Cleo is just one of many cases of neglected, abused or simply unwanted pets that are homeless in Southwest Florida.

Pet homelessness is a problem that continues to exist and persist in Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties.

County officials, nonprofit humane shelter staff and rescues scramble to find space for dogs and cats that no one wants. And the job is daunting and often heartbreaking.

At Lee County Domestic Animal Services, taxpayers spend around \$2.5 million a year to house and care for homeless pets, said Ria Brown, the public information officer for LCDAS.

The county shelter takes in about 10,000 animals a year. Many come to the shelter very sick or aggressive and must be euthanized. In 2012, about 60 percent of the cats that came through LCDAS's doors were sick, feral or aggressive and unadoptable and had to be euthanized. During that same year, about 37 percent of the dogs were euthanized for being too sick to recover or too aggressive to go back into the community.

In Collier County, 6,109 animals were taken into Collier County Domestic Animal Services in 2012. More than half of the animals taken in, 3,116 dogs and cats, were put to sleep. The statistics are actually an improvement, reflecting a downward trend compared to previous years, said Amanda Townsend, the executive director of CDAS. Taxpayers paid slightly more than \$2 million for the

expense of housing and caring for homeless pets in Collier County this past year.

The Charlotte County the Animal Welfare League took in 4,616 pets in 2012. Between 65 to 70 percent of its pet population gets adopted to the community or goes to rescues. The nonprofit humane society euthanizes sick or aggressive pets; animals are not subject to euthanasia due to space issues, said Sharon Thomas, the executive director. Up the road in Englewood, the Suncoast Humane Society takes in about 3,000 animals a year. Out of these, around 1,400 are sick, injured or have aggressive dispositions, making them unadoptable.

## Why so many?

There are nearly 25,000 animals taken in or brought to shelters in Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties annually. These are homeless pets. Out of these, a fair share are euthanized because they are too sick or too aggressive to find a new home.

But what about all of the healthy, happy pets that find themselves with no place to go?

"We only have so many people available to give homes," said Phil Snyder, the executive director of Suncoast Humane Society in Englewood.

Numbers are more than numbers to the directors and staff of Southwest Florida shelters tasked with finding homes for a seemingly revolving door of pets as well as the grim job of putting down the sick and dangerous ones. Former game show host Bob Barker's plea at the end of each program: "Don't forget to spay and neuter your pets," is at the heart of the issue.

Collier and Charlotte shelter staff concede that all their good intentions and pet-saving programs will never be enough to keep pets from being homeless as long as people pet owners don't have their pets sterilized.

"As long as you are euthanizing one animal, that's a pet overpopulation problem," Mr. Snyder of the Suncoast Humane Society said.

Michael Simonik, executive director of the Humane

## Courtney Piggott and Cleo.



Society of Naples, said they have adopted out 3,000 pets this year.

"People are still adopting at a good rate," he said.

But still not enough.

"There's always way too many," he said. "We still have a long list of adult cats trying to get in."

Though county facilities such as LCDAS and CDAS must accept

all strays and homeless pets, private nonprofit humane societies can accept pets that are adoptable only. This means shelters like Gulf Coast Humane Society in Fort Myers and Humane Society of Naples often have long lists of people waiting to surrender their pets.

At GCHS, adoption numbers are up, but there's a long list of people waiting to bring their pets in. The pets on the waiting lists are often found dumped or abandoned.

"Every day an animal is dumped here," said Ms. Galloway at GCHS.

A youth recently left a pet on the shelter grounds — along with his book bag, Ms. Galloway said, shaking her head.

## Faces behind the numbers

Each animal has its own story of how it arrived at the shelter. Allergies, dissolved relationships, moving, loss of home and/or job, death of an owner who did not have a care plan in place, and the list continues.

In some cases, neglect and abuse forced authorities to rescue and remove pets for their own safety and protection. Aside from Cleo, Ms. Brown said animal control officers rescued a sweet-tempered dog named Rue who was found with third-degree burns all over his body. The 2-year-old Catahoula is being fostered and available for adoption, Ms. Brown said.

And Suncoast Humane Society longtime resident Rose is still waiting on a family to take her home. The sweet and friendly American bulldog is full of energy, a people-lover who graduated from a six-week obedience program at the Charlotte County Sheriff's Office. It's hard not to notice Emma, at Suncoast Humane Society. She's a black and white domestic shorthair mix with a funny little nose. She and her best friend Cookie lost their home where they had children to play with. Cookie has since been adopted, leaving Emma alone.

Ms. Galloway sighs as she walks down the corridor near the dog enclosures at Gulf Coast Humane Society. At each turn, a paw flops out

Sharon Thomas, executive director of The Animal Welfare League of Charlotte County, with Wrangler, a 1-year-old male cat who is ready for adoption.



The Gulf Coast Humane Society offers pets for adoption. Its executive director, Jennifer Galloway, holds Cookie, a white female poodle available for adoption.

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## Humane Society Naples

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## Lee County Domestic Animals Services

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## Gulf Coast Humane Society

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between the bars in a sign of greeting. The perky and petite shelter director flashes a big grin and reaches her hand over to pet and comfort each dog — especially the scared and sad ones. Bryce lays curled up waiting for someone to give him a corner of the couch again. There's C-MO, who never has had the chance to even have a meet-and-greet with a potential adopter — he's out of luck because he's a simple plain, brown dog.

"They look past," she said.

Then of course there's Mara, a life of the party free spirit who has never known life outside of the Gulf Coast Humane Society. The 4-year-old pit bull terrier awaits someone to give her a chance to love them.

## What's being done?

Tales after tale, the stories are similar — pets — with no home and in many cases, little hope for one.

Most Southwest Florida shelters have programs in place to help give pets the chance to get a home and stay there.

At LCDAS, there is a food pantry and reduced-price clinic for needy pet owners. There's also free spaying and neutering for all pit bull terriers and mixes. Trap, neuter and release programs are in place to help with feral cat colonies. Collier County Domestic Animal Services also has programs in place to curb the amount of homeless pets on the streets and in the shelters. The Board of Collier County Commissioners passed an ordinance that makes it against the law to tether an animal outside without food, shelter and provisions. LCDAS is waiting for its proposed ordinance to be looked at by county officials and passed by the Lee County Board of Commissioners.

The ordinance would make it against the law to tether an animal outside without food, shelter or supervision. The ordinance would also make it mandatory to spay and neuter all pets except for AKC registered breeders and exemptions for dog breeds that do not contribute to pet overpopulation in Lee County.

If the ordinance is passed, LCDAS officials expect over time to see a substantial drop in homeless pet numbers, euthanasia and tax dollars being used to house and care for pets, Ms. Brown said.

A sizable drop could be seen within two to four years, with as much as a two-thirds reduction in the homeless pet population. LCDAS officials say that a 50 percent reduction would mean 5,000 fewer animals to care for and a savings of more than \$1.2 million to taxpayers.

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"Its really important that we get it brought forth and approved," said Commissioner Cecil Pendergrass, who supports the measure. "We need to reduce our homeless population."

The ordinance could be brought to the board within 60 days after county staff reviews it.

Other Southwest Florida shelters are working every way they can to help the homeless pets.

The Animal Welfare League partners with Community Cats, a rescue that takes feral cats as well as creating education programs for the schools. Ms. Thomas, who recently struggled

with a yearlong \$100,000 shortfall after the Charlotte County Animal Control stopped picking up stray cats, is hoping to work with the county on devising a sterilization plan in the future.

In Collier County, CDAS depends on the help of the TNR Naples Cat Alliance (TNR stands for trap, neuter, release) to help them keep down stray and feral cat numbers.

"We couldn't do without our partners," Ms. Townsend said.

The three Southwest Florida counties also employ the use of enrichment training programs to help dogs maintain good canine manners and not become

homeless.

The Humane Society of Naples uses an RV-style bus to take adoptable pets to remote sites and is working on using wireless laptops to further promote off-site adoptions. The agency recently received a million-dollar donation to help with its operations and service.

Mr. Simonik of the Humane Society of Naples said a sort of adoption peer pressure going on in the community encourages him. He noticed that people are giving their friends a hard time if they buy at a pet store rather than adopting.

Still, a solution to the problem remains elusive.

"You cannot adopt your way out of euthanasia," Mr. Snyder said. "Spay, neuter, good legislation and education. That is the combination to producing fewer animals and less statistics."

Accountability and responsibility remain key for keeping down homeless pet numbers.

Shelter administrators said pets need to be figured into a pet owner's life on a permanent basis regardless of any life changes such as divorce, moving or children might bring.

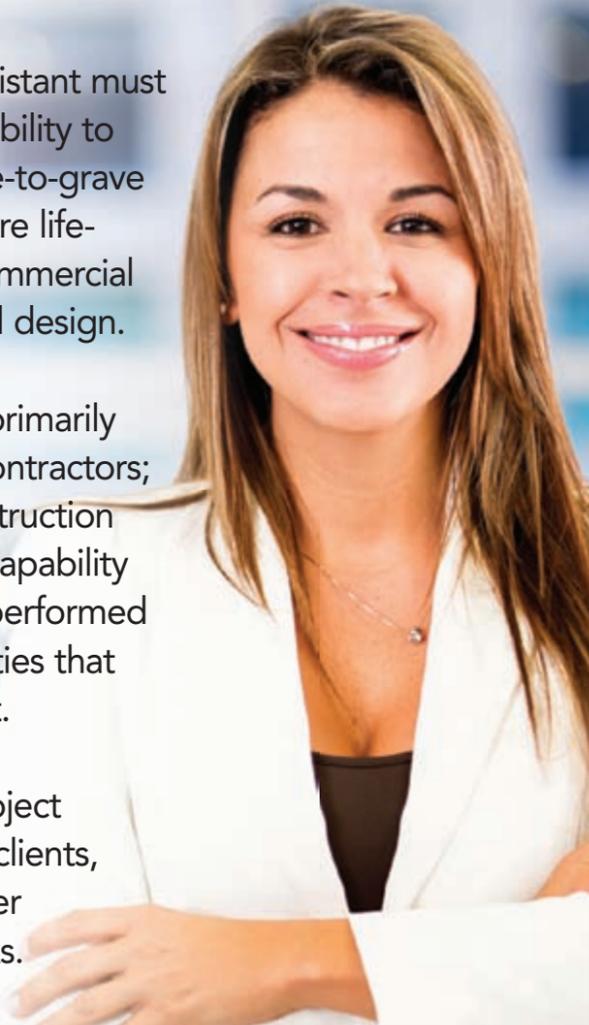
"I wish people would try a little harder," Mr. Simonik said. ■

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■ Sally likes 225 but not 224; she likes 900 but not 800; she likes 144 but not 145. Which does she like: 1600 or 1700?

■ Two men, starting at the same point, walk in opposite directions for 4 meters, turn left and walk another 3 meters. What is the distance between them? 2m, 6m, 10m, 12.5m or 14m

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## Men invited to Mensa discussion group

Sam Sewell of the Naples chapter of Mensa International hosts the next "Sam's Fourth Saturday Stag" at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28. Members and non-members of Mensa are welcome to join the men's group for a discussion led by attorney David Shestokas about the dynamics behind the building and destruction of civilizations, and how natural law interfaces with the U.S. Constitution.

Mr. Shestokas will invite conversation about the role of natural law — a law greater than law written by men — in the founding of the United States and how it

has since been lost as a governing principle. Background reading can be found at [www.shestokas.com](http://www.shestokas.com).

"Sam's Fourth Saturday Stag" takes place every fourth Saturday at 10202 Vanderbilt Drive. Attendance is free, but contributions to the Southwest Florida MENSA scholarship fund for gifted youth are encouraged. Seating is limited, and reservations are required. Attendees are also encouraged to bring a snack to share.

For reservations or more information, call Dr. Sewell at 591-4565 or e-mail [sams@bestselfusa.com](mailto:sams@bestselfusa.com). ■

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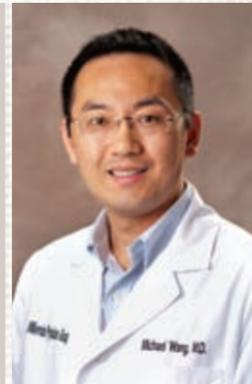
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2. Students made thank-you cards for their guests.
3. Members of the CCSO SWAT Team and Florida D.A.R.E. officers were among the special guests at Royal Palm Academy.
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## First Amendment Blues

In the public libraries of Seattle (as in most public libraries), patrons are not allowed to eat or sleep (or even appear to be sleeping) or be shirtless or barefoot or have bad body odor or talk too loudly — because other patrons might be disturbed. However, in Seattle, as the *Post-Intelligencer* reported in September, librarians do permit patrons to watch hard-core pornography on public

computers, without apparent restriction, no matter who (adult or child) is walking by or sitting inches away at the next screen (although librarians politely ask porn-watchers to consider their neighbors). Said a library spokesperson: “(P)atrons have a right to view constitutionally protected material no matter where they are in the building, and the library does not censor.” ■

## Cultural diversity

■ Japan and Korea seem to be the birthplaces in the quest for youthful and beautiful skin, with the latest “elixir” (as usual, based on traditional, centuries-old beliefs) being snail mucus — applied by specially bred live snails that slither across customers’ faces. The Clinical Salon in central Tokyo sells the 60-minute Celebrity Escargot Course session for the equivalent of about \$250 and even convinced a London *Daily Telegraph* reporter to try one in July. (Previously, News of the Weird has informed readers of Asian nightingale-feces facials and live-fish pedicures.)

■ Among people earnestly devoted to

palmistry (the foretelling of the future by “expert” examination of the inner surface of the hand), a few in Japan have resorted to what seems like cheating: altering their palm lines with cosmetic surgery. According to a July Daily Beast dispatch from Tokyo, Dr. Takaaki Matsuoka is a leading practitioner, preferring an electric scalpel over laser surgery in that the latter more often eventually heals over, obviously defeating the purpose. He must be careful to add or move only the lines requested by the patient (e.g., “marriage” line, “romance” line, “money-luck” line, “financial” success line). ■

## Latest religious messages

■ Iran’s INSA news service reported in January that officials in Shiraz had acquired a finger-amputation machine to perhaps streamline the gruesome punishment often meted out to convicted thieves. (A masked enforcer turns a guillotine-like wheel to slice off the finger in the manner of a rotary saw.) Iran is already known for its reliance on extreme Islamic Sharia, which prescribes amputations, public lashings and death by stoning, and Middle East commentators believe the government will now step up its amputating of fingers, even for the crime of adultery.

■ Measles, despite being highly contagious, was virtually eradicated in America until a small number of skeptics, using now-discredited “research,” tied childhood vaccinations with the rise of autism, and now the disease is returning. About half the members of the Eagle Mountain International Church near Dallas have declined to vaccinate their children, and as of late August, at least 20 church members have experienced the disease.

The head pastor denied that he preaches against the immunizations (although he did tell NPR, cryptically, “(T)he (medical) facts are facts, but then we know the truth. That always overcomes facts.”)

■ Outraged Jewish leaders complain periodically about Mormons who, in the name of their church, posthumously baptize deceased Jews (even Holocaust victims) — beneficently, of course, to help them qualify for heaven. Church officials promised to stop, but in 2012 reports still surfaced that not all Mormons got the memo. Thus inspired, a “religious” order called the Satanic Temple conducted a July “pink mass” over the Meridian, Miss., grave of the mother of the founder of the Westboro Baptist Church, Rev. Fred Phelps Jr. — posthumously “turning” her gay. (Westboro infamously stages small, hate-saturated demonstrations denouncing homosexuals and American tolerance.) Ten days later, Meridian prosecutors charged a Satanic Temple official with misdemeanor desecration of a grave. ■

## Questionable judgments

■ Australia’s chief diplomat in Taipei, Taiwan, said in August that he was suing local veterinarian Yang Dong-sheng for fraud because Dr. Yang backed out of euthanizing the diplomat Kevin Magee’s sick, 10-year-old dog. Instead, Dr. Yang “rescued” the dog, who is now thriving after he patiently treated her. Magee’s lawsuit claims, in essence, that his family vet recommended euthanization, that he had paid for euthanization, and that “Benji” should have been put down. Dr. Yang said the fee Magee paid was for “medical care”

and not necessarily euthanization. (Benji, frolicking outside when a reporter visited, was not available for comment.)

■ In August, a prosecutor in Houston filed aggravated rape charges against a 10-year-old girl (“Ashley”) who had been arrested in June and held for four days in a juvenile detention center. A neighbor had seen Ashley touching a 4-year-old boy “in his private area,” according to a KRIV-TV report — in other words, apparently playing the time-honored, rite-of-passage game of “doctor.” ■

## Squirrels gone wild

Smithsonian magazine detailed in August the exhaustive measures that military officials have taken to finally block relentless Richardson’s ground squirrels from tunneling underneath Malmstrom Air Force Base in Montana and interfering with the Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missiles on 24/7 standby. For example, officials had to use trial-and-error to plant underground screens deeper into the ground than the squirrels

cared to dig. A day after that report was published, a bus driver in Gothenburg, Sweden, crashed into a tree (with six passengers requiring hospital treatment) after swerving to avoid a squirrel in the road. On the same day, a *New York Times* reporter disclosed that his own news monitoring for 2013 revealed that squirrels have caused 50 power outages in 24 states in the U.S. since Memorial Day after invading electric company substations. ■

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## Watch out for traffic deputies

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■ **Monday, Sept. 23**

- Vanderbilt Beach Road and Vanderbilt Drive: Aggressive driving
- Radio and Livingston roads: Red-light running
- Pine Ridge Road and Whippoorwill Lane: Red-light running

■ **Tuesday, Sept. 24**

- Collier and Golden Gate boulevards: Speeding
- Magnolia Pond Drive at Mike Davis Elementary: Speeding

Vanderbilt Beach Road and Island Walk Boulevard: Aggressive driving

■ **Wednesday, Sept. 25**

- Immokalee Road and Oakes Boulevard: Aggressive driving
- Pine Ridge and Livingston roads: Red-light running
- Green Boulevard: Speeding

■ **Thursday, Sept. 26**

- Airport-Pulling and Radio roads: Red-light running
- Manatee Road at Manatee Middle School: Speeding
- Golden Gate and Wilson boulevards: Speeding



■ **Friday, Sept. 27**

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## 'Real Florida' columnist to speak at press club scholarship luncheon

The Naples Press Club hosts award-winning "Real Florida" columnist Jeff Klinkenberg at its celebrity author luncheon to benefit the club's scholarship program at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15, at the Hilton Naples.

Mr. Klinkenberg grew up in Miami and began exploring the Florida Keys and the Everglades as a boy. He started working at *The Miami News* when he was 16, earned a degree in journalism from the University of Florida and has worked at the *Tampa Bay Times* (formerly the *St. Petersburg Times*) since 1977.

In 2010, Mr. Klinkenberg and photographer-videographer Maurice Rivenbark won the national Sigma Delta Chi Award for the online presentation of "Real Florida." In 2007 and 2009, the American Association of Sunday Features Editors selected a body of his work as the best in the nation. He is a two-time winner of the Paul Hansell Distinguished Journalism Award presented annually by the

Florida Society of Newspaper Editors to the writer with the best body of work.

The latest anthology of his columns, "Alligators in B-Flat," was recently published by University Press of Florida. Previous collections include "Pilgrim in the Land of Alligators," "Seasons of Real Florida" and "Dispatches from the Land of Flowers."



Tickets to the luncheon are \$47.50 for NPC members, \$50 for the general public and \$25 for students/educators. All proceeds benefit the club's scholarships program. Awards are made to graduat-

ing Collier County high school seniors who want to pursue a degree in journalism field. The club also awards the NPC Endowed Journalism Scholarship to a student at Florida Gulf Coast University student every year.

Tickets are be ordered online at [www.eventbrite.com](http://www.eventbrite.com) (type in Naples Press). For more information, e-mail Connie Kindsvater at [conskind@aol.com](mailto:conskind@aol.com). ■

## Avow plans blessing of animals

Pets of all kinds — and their owners — are invited to Avow's Blessing of the Animals, a service inspired by patron saint of animals Francis of Assisi, at 9 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 5. At 10 a.m., anyone who has experienced the loss of a pet is welcome to attend a Rainbow Day pet memorial service. Both services will take place on the Avow campus at 1095 Whippoorwill Lane.

The Rainbow Day service will feature inspirational readings by Avow staff members and an opportunity for pet owners to share special remembrances. Those honoring a pet are encouraged to bring a photograph or collage. RSVP is requested for the memorial services. Call Deb Jonsson at 649-3689.

Avow also offers a pet grief and loss support group from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on the third Monday of each month.

Attendance at the Blessing of the Animals, the Rainbow Day service and the support group session is free. To learn more about Avow's pet loss support services or to speak to a grief counselor, call 261-4404.

Avow was founded in 1983 as Collier County's original, nonprofit hospice. Today, Avow's companies care not only for those who are terminally ill, but also for those who have serious and chronic illnesses or who have suffered great loss. To learn more about the scope of services provided by Avow, call 261-4404 or visit [www.avowcares.org](http://www.avowcares.org). ■

## Build a better bucket list

Avow invites the public to a thought-provoking session about living a meaningful life and building a legacy from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Sept. 26, at the Ispiri community center at Avow's main campus, 1095 Whippoorwill Lane.

Session presenters will discuss practical ways to enhance your person-

al bucket list. Refreshments will be served, and all attendees will receive a "bucket" full of life planning resources.

Attendance is free (donations welcome). Reservations are requested and can be made by calling 649-3689. For more information, visit [www.avowcares.org](http://www.avowcares.org). ■



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## Three Collier high schools offer program for special-needs students

High School High Tech, a mentoring and job-shadowing program for high school students with disabilities and other special needs, is expanding to Collier County. Administered locally by Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida, the program is offered at Golden Gate, Gulf Coast and Naples high schools.

An initiative of the U.S. Department of Labor Office of Disability Employment Policy, HSHT is designed to provide high school students with all types of disabilities the opportunity to explore jobs or secondary education



**Lozano**

leading to technology-related careers. In Florida, HSHT is a program of The Able Trust, also known as the Florida Governor's Alliance for the Florida Endowment Foundation for Vocational Rehabilitation.

Claudia Lozano has joined Goodwill as the Collier County HSHT program coordinator. A resident of Naples for 20 years, Ms. Lozano previously served as the enrollment coordinator at the Hodges University-Immokalee learning site.

For more information, visit [www.goodwillswfl.org](http://www.goodwillswfl.org). ■

## Superintendent sets town hall meetings

Collier County Public Schools' Superintendent Kamela Patton has set the following town hall meeting dates:

- **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

Each hour-long meeting begins at 6 p.m. Topics of discussion will include

BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) and the B-fit wellness campaign.

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

Questions will be accepted from the floor and can also be submitted in advance by e-mailing [question@collierschools.com](mailto:question@collierschools.com) or by visiting [www.collierschools.com](http://www.collierschools.com) (click on the "Ask the Superintendent" link under Community Input Requested).

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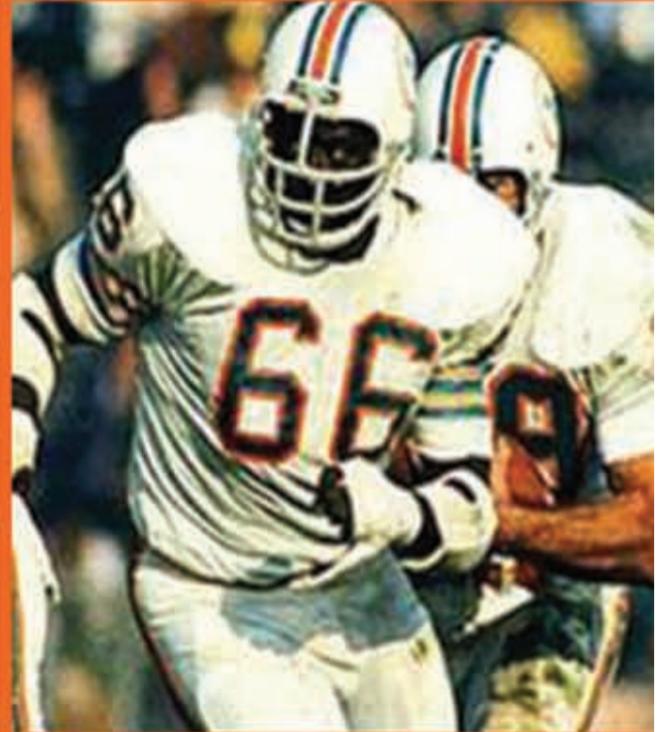
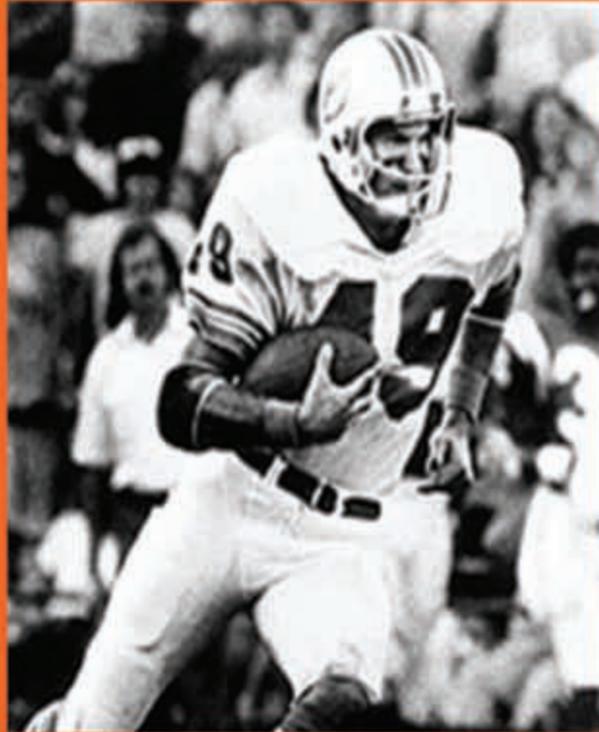


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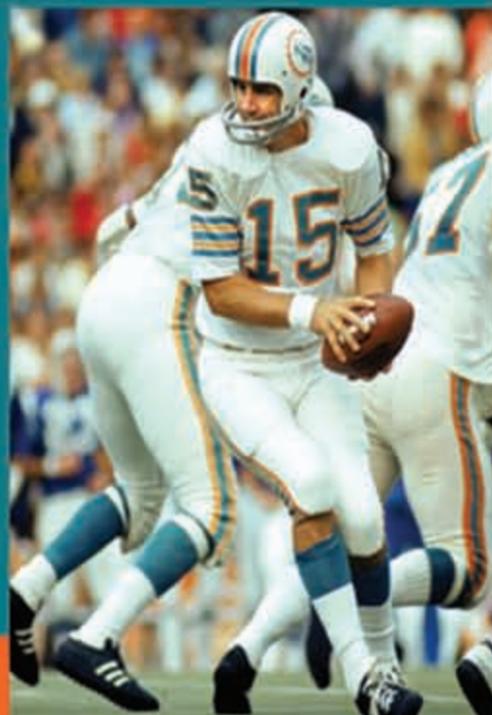
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## Nominations sought for awards

The Community Foundation of Collier County is accepting nominations for the 2014 Women of Initiative honorees. The foundation's Women's Initiative Network annually honors 10 local women who through their leadership styles are an inspiration to all women seeking to make a difference through philanthropy and civic engagement.

Nominations are due by Friday, Oct. 18. The awards luncheon will take place Monday, March 31, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club.

To make a nomination or for more information, call the Community Foundation at 649-5000 or visit [www.cfcollier.org](http://www.cfcollier.org).

Nominations are due by Tuesday, Oct. 1, for the 2013 Distinguished Public Service Awards in local law enforcement and

emergency medical, fire and support services.

Nominees can be suggested for a single action or for career performance. They must be actively performing duties as a sworn law enforcement or certified jail or communications member, certified emergency medical or fire service member or a civilian of any of the three disciplines.

For an application or more information, contact Brenda O'Connor at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce by calling 403-2902 or e-mailing [Brenda@napleschamber.org](mailto:Brenda@napleschamber.org).

Award recipients will be honored at the annual Distinguished Public Service Awards breakfast and ceremony Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Hilton Naples. ■

## LAKE O

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along with polluted estuaries and the potential for choking algae blooms, is now significantly more visible on both the east and west coasts of Florida from Orlando southward, in part because of huge volumes of water that came into and were released out of Lake Okeechobee during the summer.

On the west side of the lake, in Lee County, Commissioner Frank Mann says new maps may help better define areas at risk to floods, but they can create some terrible legal payback from property owners dissatisfied with the FEMA analysis.

His experience might serve as a caveat for those in other counties.

"Almost three years ago, we adopted the latest FEMA maps, with flood zones for Lee County. When we did that, it affected our comprehensive plan, and made some areas undevelopable.

"Those landowners sued us for millions of dollars and won, as if we had stolen their properties. Now we're appealing it. But if we lose..."

Both Commissioner Heard on the east and Commissioner Mann on the west agree that the fixes to Florida's water system remain years — decades or a century, they say — in the future.

Which echoes the judgment of Clewiston Mayor Phillip Roland, who has spent almost 40 years in public service in the middle of the state and at the base of Lake Okeechobee, watching his lake and his town become increasingly inundated by troubled waters.

As for the insurance issue, he says, "the new flood maps may be needed because the Corps of Engineers won't certify the dike — so yes, property owners are going to have to pay more money. If the Corps

keeps the level of the lake at the level that they set (no higher than 15.5 feet, a level exceeded by almost a foot this summer), then they should be able to certify the dike."

The problem, in his eyes, is the Kissimmee River basin to the north, where water that once took five or six months to reach the lake now takes two days. The water from there also comes in much greater volume, filling the lake much faster than engineers can release water east and west.

"It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out when the Kissimmee is going to start to flow," says Mayor Roland. "If they start releasing in front of that flow, they wouldn't have to blow these estuaries like they do."

And, he concludes, it would help if the cow country to the north of the lake was used to hold water, instead of feeding more than half-a-million cows.

For Commissioner Heard, Commissioner Mann and many others like them, only two things are required for a big fix: time and money.

"In Martin County we are on the brink of collapse," explains Commissioner Heard. "We first passed a resolution here telling the then-regulators stop these discharges — they were killing our economy, our shrimp, our oysters, our fish — in 1930. There are comprehensive solutions and they will take many years and billions of dollars to restore the eco-system."

It started, says Commissioner Mann, a century ago.

"It took us 100 years for the federal and state police to severely damage the water's natural systems," he notes. "And it's going to take us most of the next hundred years to restore it — and it will never be restored completely."

"Having played this game since 1974 (when Commissioner Mann became a state legislator), I've heard all the quick solutions, and I've heard them all restated in the last two months. It all gets down to money." ■

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# HEALTHY LIVING

## Morning devoted to preventing falls

The Collier County Injury Prevention Coalition invites the public to Fall Prevention Day from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Sept. 21, at Physicians Regional-Pine Ridge. Attendees will be able to undergo balance screenings and have their vital signs and blood sugar levels checked. Information will be available about improving balance with tai chi exercises.

Attendance is free. RSVP by e-mailing Susan Hunt at [susan.hunt@hma.com](mailto:susan.hunt@hma.com).

## Why you shouldn't try too hard to fit in

The Mental Health Association of Southwest Florida invites the public to "What Will People Think?", a seminar by psychologist Donna Daisy at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 13, at MHASWFL headquarters at 2335 Tamiami Trail N.



Donna Daisy

Too many of us spend too much time trying to fit in and/or worrying about what others will think. Because the fear of rejection is so great, the results can run the gamut from behavioral issues to acting out, depression, self-injury, eating disorders, addiction, violence and suicide.

Ms. Daisy will offer strategies for protection from shame, judgment, criticism and blame, and for empowerment to live a full and authentic life.

Attendance is free. Mental health professionals can receive one CEU. Registration is required and can be done by calling Brian Follweiler at MHASWFL, 261-5405, or e-mailing [bfollweiler@ahaswfl.org](mailto:bfollweiler@ahaswfl.org).

## Calling for all types to donate 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

SEE BLOOD, A19 ►

# American Cancer Society seeks volunteers for 20-year study

BY LISA HONIG

Special to Florida Weekly

As the American Cancer Society marks its 100th birthday this year, we are asking Southwest Florida residents to celebrate with us and help finish the fight against cancer by participating in a historic cancer research study. Cancer Prevention Study-3 will give scientists a better understanding of cancer causes and prevention.

Anyone who joins this study will help save lives and give future generations more time with family and friends, more memories, more celebrations and more birthdays.

If you're between the ages of 30 and 65 with no personal history of cancer, you can enroll in the study. All you have to do is sign a consent form, complete a brief survey, have your waist measured and give a small blood sample. Then you'll be sent follow-up surveys from time to time throughout the next 20 years so researchers can learn more about your lifestyle and look for clues about what causes cancer.

"The question is not 'Why am I participating?' The question is 'How could I not?'" says CPS-3 participant Albert Arguelles. "Cancer affects so many lives, and this is my chance to be part of the study that finds a cure."

The ACS's goal is to enroll 300,000 participants across the country. There are two enrollment events coming up in the Naples area:

■ Wednesday, Oct. 2: 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at NCH in downtown Naples, 350 Seventh St. N.

■ Thursday, Oct. 3: 4-7:30 p.m. at NCH in North Naples, 11190 Healthpark Blvd.

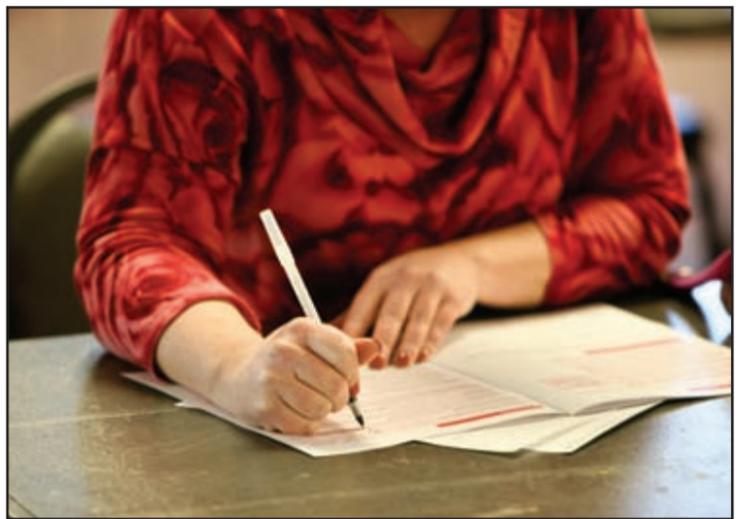
Appointments are required and can be made by calling the American Cancer Society at 642-8800 or by going to [www.cancer.org/cps3florida](http://www.cancer.org/cps3florida) (click on the "South Florida locations" tab).

"Many individuals diagnosed with cancer struggle to answer the question, 'What caused my cancer?' In many cases, we don't know the answer," says Alpa Patel, Ph.D., principal investigator of CPS-3. "This study will help us better understand what factors cause cancer, and once we know that, we can be better equipped to prevent cancer."

Researchers say CPS-3 holds the best hope of identifying new and emerging cancer risks. But it can only be successful if members of the Southwest Florida community get involved.

"Of all the world's enemies, few compare to cancer. No natural disaster, common trauma, crime or war claims anywhere near the number of lives that cancer does every year," says Dr. Ryan Warhurst of Trinity Chiropractic in Naples. "Our country spends billions of dollars on cancer but rarely looks at the cause of the disease. Finding the cause would enable us to prevent it, because the cause is the cure." ■

— Lisa Honig is a unit executive director with the American Cancer Society, Florida Division.



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## Nurses strive to achieve the impossible



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Chief Nursing Officer Michele Thoman describes NCH nurses by quoting St. Francis of Assisi: "Start by doing what's necessary, then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible."

I think that pretty well says it all. Nursing at NCH has undergone a transformation over the past four years as we have embraced a "shared governance" approach that empowers the

front-line nurse. Historically, the medical field has been a top-down, military-style organization with "command-and-control" leadership. Now, however, as a matrix organization we are able to take everyone's ideas of how best to care for patients and share these good thoughts across our system.

In today's challenging health-care environment, we really cannot afford the "good old days," where we spent twice as much per person on health care as other developed nations but have similar outcomes. The old attitude of entitlement and self-centeredness has no place at NCH — or at any hospital that plans to survive, much less thrive. Inclusiveness must be our watchword.

Ms. Thoman reminds us that when she became our CNO in January 2010, she first conducted a "listening campaign" to find out what was necessary.

She asked four key questions of her colleagues:

- Who are we as nurses?
- What are we most proud of and don't want to change?
- What do we see as our biggest opportunity for change?
- What do we want for nursing in the future?

Part of the answer was summarized in strategies to give front-line nurses a louder voice, among them empowerment, creating opportunities for professional development, recognizing successes, investing in nurse leaders and developing the structure that allows nursing to be fiscally responsible while meeting the demands of patient care.

Just as St. Francis of Assisi foresaw, after determining necessity and declaring possibilities, we have achieved the "impossible." NCH's shared governance best practice is being presented

at national and international meetings; we have developed quality outcomes better than some of the best academic institutions; we have eliminated our use of traveling agency nurses (first-time ever without nurses who would work only during peak months); we have increased specialty-trained nurses from 10 percent to 40 percent and bachelor-degreed nurses from 19 percent to 30 percent; and we have established a vibrant Aspire program for continuing education. All this has been achieved in a culture where we have had the lowest turnover and vacancy rate ever in nursing. In fact, we have a waiting list of nurses desiring to be employed.

There is no question now but that NCH truly means "Nurses Care Here." ■

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

## BLOOD

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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 regular 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:

- Thursday, Sept. 19: 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Lowe's, 12730 Tamiami Trail E.
- Friday, Sept. 20: 7:30-10 a.m. at Palmetto Elementary School, 3000 10th Ave. S.E.
- Sunday, Sept. 22: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at St. Agnes Catholic Church, 7775 Vanderbilt Beach Road.
- Wednesday, Sept. 25: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Ave Maria University, Immokalee.
- Thursday, Sept. 26: 6:30-9:30 a.m. at Country Club of Naples, 185 Burning Tree Drive.
- Friday, Sept. 27: 9 a.m. to noon at Avow, 1095 Whippoorwill Lane.
- Sunday, Sept. 29: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. near Panera Bread and Naples Flatbread

at Sembler Plaza, corner of Airport Road and Naples Boulevard (free movie ticket to donors).

Donors can safely give blood every 56 days. The minimum age to give blood is 16 (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.givebloodcbc.org](http://www.givebloodcbc.org).

### Covering the 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 couple.

n 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 3:30 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. ■





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# GET OUT FOR A GOOD CAUSE

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

■ **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 at 8:30 a.m. Registration for \$110 per person includes an awards luncheon after the game. For more information, call Dick Shanahan at 860-4354 or e-mail rsshana@aol.com.

■ The **United Way of Collier County** hosts its eighth annual Walk for the Way on Saturday, Sept. 28, at North Collier Regional Park. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the walk sets out at 9 a.m.

This family-friendly event is open to the public free of charge and includes live entertainment, local celebrities and mascots, and representation from each of the United Way's 31 partner agencies. The first 2,500 walkers will receive a free same-day pass to Sun-n-Fun Lagoon.

For more information or to register as a team, individual or sponsor, call Jennifer Fey at 261-7112, ext. 203, or visit [www.uwcollier.org](http://www.uwcollier.org).

■ **Specialists in Urology**, 21st Century Oncology and Gulf Coast Runners invite adults and children to participate in the third annual Prostate Cancer



ABOVE: Attorneys, staff, family and friends of Quarles & Brady participated recently in the third annual Challenge Ridge for Camp Boggy Creek in Eustis and raised \$6,000 for the cause. The law firm's team of 13 riders and four volunteers was made up of local attorneys, legal assistants, family and students from Florida Gulf Coast University. The youngest rider was 12 years old and completed 40 miles. A year-round camp for seriously ill children and their families, Camp Boggy Creek relies entirely on the generous support of individuals, corporations, foundations and health-care partners and never charges fees for participation.

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RIGHT: Emma Faith Hall

Awareness 5K race on Saturday morning, Sept. 28, at Physicians Regional-Pine Ridge. The first 250 to sign up receive a race T-shirt.

To register or for more information, visit [www.gcrunner.org](http://www.gcrunner.org).

■ The fifth annual **redfish tourna-**

**ment** to benefit **Emma Faith Hall** takes place Saturday, Oct. 12, at Mullock Creek Marina in Fort Myers. Naples-based GreenCare is helping sponsor the event.

Emma was diagnosed with a brain tumor at 3 months of age. Doctors didn't give her much of a chance for

survival past the age of 1, but now she is 8 years old and learning to walk, speak and read Braille.

Registration is \$75 per angler and includes lunch and a shirt. There will be a payout for the biggest fish in several categories. To sign up or for information about sponsorship opportunities, call Michele Hall at 634-6514 or e-mail [michelerhall@embarqmail.com](mailto:michelerhall@embarqmail.com).

■ The **Marco Island Kiwanis** holds the inaugural Kiwanis Family 5K Fun Run/Walk, "Stride Away through Hideaway," on Saturday morning, Oct. 12. The course begins and ends at Tigertail Beach Park and goes along the scenic streets of Hideaway Beach. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. and runners/walkers set out at 8 a.m.

Registration in advance is \$20 for adults, \$15 for ages 5-12; add \$5 on race day. Sign up online at [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com) (search for Marco Island Kiwanis 5K).

All proceeds will benefit Project Eliminate to end maternal/neonatal tetanus. For more information, call George Sarantos at 919-4407 or e-mail [info@marcoislandkiwanis5K.com](mailto:info@marcoislandkiwanis5K.com).

■ A golf tournament to benefit the **Marco Island Center** for the Arts tees off at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Island Country Club. Registration is \$125 and includes lunch before the tournament. 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. ■



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# Auctioneer has tips for nonprofits, and more fundraising notes

Auctioneer Scott Robertson presents "Emerging Trends and Best Practices of Fundraising Auctions" from 8 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Sept. 24, at the Hilton Naples. Attendance is free for representatives of area nonprofit organizations.

"Nonprofits are faced with an increasingly competitive fundraising climate," Mr. Robertson says. "But benefit auctions are booming and raised more than \$110 billion worldwide for charitable causes last year," he adds. His seminar will give nonprofits some strategies to help them realize the full potential of their next benefit auction.

Mr. Robertson annually conducts 60-70 fundraising auctions, raising more than \$20 million dollars this past year. He is one of an estimated 30 auctioneers in the country that make fundraising auctions their fulltime profession. He is among the less than 1 percent of auctioneers in the country to have earned the Benefit Auctioneer Specialist designation from the National Auctioneers Association.

Although the seminar is free, seating is limited and reservations are required. Call 246-2139 or visit [www.thevoe.com](http://www.thevoe.com).

## More fundraising news

■ **Shannon Green Collection** is seeking nonprofits to benefit from its Celebration Helping Hand program. The artisanal jewelry boutique will donate 15 percent of sales on select Thursdays in October and November to designated charitable organizations.

Organizations to be considered must be dedicated to improving the lives of people, pets or wildlife or protecting the local environment. For more information, call 919-8091 or e-mail [shannon@shannongreen.com](mailto:shannon@shannongreen.com).



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**Scott Robertson encourages bidders to up the ante at last season's Boots & Boogie Bash to benefit Friends of Foster Children.**

■ Danny Govberg and Yamron Jewelers have named 18 local charitable organizations as recipients of the business's charitable giving program for 2013-14. The jeweler will donate a signature ring by designer Marina B to each organization for use in its fundraising efforts.

The recipients are: the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, Avow, Bosom Buddies, Boys and Girls Club of Collier County, the Community Foundation of Collier County, Community School of Naples, Conservancy of Southwest Florida, David Lawrence Center and Foundation, the Goli-sano Children's Museum of Naples, Guadalupe Center, Humane Society Naples, the Naples Philharmonic League, NCH Hospital, Royal Palm Academy, The Salvation Army, Sunshine Kids Foundation and the YMCA of Collier County.

■ **Jason's Deli** has designated a different charitable organization to be the beneficiary of 10 percent of its Naples sales every

Tuesday between Sept. 24 and Nov. 19. Here are the organizations by date: **Meals of Hope**, Sept. 24; **PACE Center for Girls**, 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; and the **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.

Jason's Deli of Naples is at 2700 Immokalee Road at Airport Pulling Road.

■ **Orange Jeep Tours** has partnered with **Laces of Love** as a distribution point for donations of new athletic sneakers for children in Collier and Lee county schools. The company will give 50 percent off the price of an eco-adventure tour (regular cost: \$35 for adults, \$20 for children) to those who donate shoes at their Ave Maria location. Thick-tread shoes in children's size 12 up to adult size 14 are welcome. Velcro shoes are recommended for smaller sizes.

To reserve an Orange Jeep Tour, call 434-5337. For more information about the tours, visit [www.orangejeeptours.com](http://www.orangejeeptours.com).

■ **Aston Gardens at Pelican Marsh** residents and guests recently raised \$2,500 for the **Alzheimer's Support Network of Naples** at Aston ArtFest: A Celebration of Creativity. The event featured Angel Duncan, a registered art therapist who has developed a regimen of therapies through art to

help those who suffer memory loss due to Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. The evening also included a silent auction and entertainment by pianist/vocalist Dot-tie Jackson and harpist Kim Adamson.

For more information about the Alzheimer's Support Network, visit [www.alzsupport.net](http://www.alzsupport.net).

■ **Friends of Foster Children** has received \$10,000 from the Trinity-by-the-Cove Episcopal Church Archangel Fund. The funds will be used for the expanded stipend program that helps with households costs when foster children reunite with their birth families.

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■ **Wells Fargo** has contributed \$25,000 to help rebuild the **Greater Naples YMCA** facility that was partially destroyed in a Labor Day fire. The center's infant and toddler areas sustained major damage, and programs have been temporarily relocated to Emmanuel Lutheran Church.

"We're very proud to make this donation and hope it can help the Y quickly return the children back to the YMCA's rebuilt campus," said Derek Jones of Wells Fargo.

Donations to the rebuilding effort can be made online at [www.greaternaplesymca.org](http://www.greaternaplesymca.org) or in person at these First National Bank of the Gulf Coast locations: 3580 Pine Ridge Road, 811 Anchor Rode Drive and 1280 Creekside St. in Naples; and 690 Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island.

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# PET TALES

## Bred for back trouble

### Long backs, short legs and slipped disks: Is your dog at risk?

BY DR. PATTI KHULY  
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I'm not sure exactly how it happens, but veterinarians tend to take on "special needs" pets. Of course, I'm no exception.

My French bulldog's chronic spinal problems and ensuing disability make him a perfect poster child for veterinarian-owned pets everywhere. It also makes him the ideal subject of a discussion on intervertebral disk disease, arguably the most common spinal malady among dogs.

Intervertebral disk disease, like my dog Vincent's, is referred to as "IVDD" by veterinarians, but is better known to the general public as "slipped disk." It's a condition caused by the untimely degeneration of one or more of the disk-shaped structures that serve as cushions between the bony vertebrae of the spine. When these disks go bad, the material contained within them is extruded, thereby compressing the most sensitive nearby structure: the spinal cord.

Like my temperamental Vincent (his spine isn't the only source of his "specialness"), the spinal cord doesn't take insults lying down. It lets everyone know when it's unhappy. In most cases, pain is the body's most obvious response to an affronted spinal cord. Afflicted dogs may stand in a hunched position, cry out when picked up, refuse to jump or decline to eat, among other possible symptoms.

But some dogs aren't especially demonstrative when it comes to let-

ting you know they're hurting. In fact, plenty will never whine, cry or otherwise display their discomfort — ever. For some, that's because their disease is mild. For others, it's because it's simply their nature to conceal any pain.

In more advanced cases, however, the evidence of IVDD may ultimately appear in how they move. An odd hitch in her stride, a peculiar dragging of a hind foot, a funny crossing-over of his hind limbs — they're all possibilities. In these patients, what you're observing is the end result of a serious spinal offense: evidence of nerve damage.

When the spinal cord is damaged — whether permanently or temporarily — the communication between the brain and the body is disrupted. And for most IVDD patients, the hind limbs are the first to go. That's why the unluckiest patients will forever walk oddly, if they walk at all.

In Vincent's case, it has taken three surgeries to get him back on all four paws. Nonetheless, these separate IVDD events have claimed most of his hind limb function. The next time, his neurosurgeons tell me, he won't be so lucky. Which is why he's already being trained to use his K-9 cart, aka a "doggie wheelchair."

To be sure, it's a depressing disease. More so for dogs who don't have the luxury of a veterinarian owner and a bunch of board-certified neurosurgeons to lavish them with their professional services.

But fortunately, few dogs are as seriously diseased as Vincent. Trouble is, for every wheelchair-bound patient, hundreds more suffer painful IVDD symptoms that aren't detected or treated.

It makes sense, then, that research dollars might be dedicated to exploring the basis for this disease. Because it's especially common in dachshunds, among other short-legged long-backed breeds (bassets, shih tzus, Welsh corgis, etc.), a recent veterinary study at The Royal Veterinary College in the United Kingdom undertook to understand this connection, ultimately establishing a relationship between long backs, short legs and IVDD.

Although all dog owners should be on the lookout for pain and dysfunction, those who count stubby-legged, long-backed dogs among their family are effectively put on notice: Spinal troubles may be headed your way. So at your next veterinary visit, why not ask your pet's doctor to check for telltale signs you might be missing? The earlier the diagnosis, the more treatment options there are, and the better chance your dog has of living without the chronic pain IVDD can cause. ■

— Guest columnist Dr. Patty Khuly (drpattykhuly.com) is a Miami-based veterinarian and popular author, as well as a top veterinary blogger and the creator of "The Fat Dog Diet," a smartphone app designed to help pet owners reduce their dogs' weight.

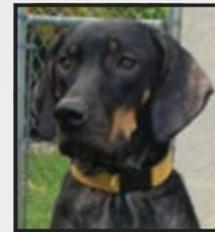
### Pets of the Week



>> **Ceviche** is a neutered and declawed, 4-year-old Siamese mix with beautiful blue eyes. He's a sweet guy.



>> **Chipmunk** is a 5-month-old beagle/rat terrier mix. They just don't come much cuter than him.



>> **Marlee** is a spayed, 18-month-old coonhound who loves to be around children and other pets.



>> **Montreal** is a neutered, 3-year-old Brussels griffon/shih tzu mix who would do best in a forever home with adults.

### 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.com.



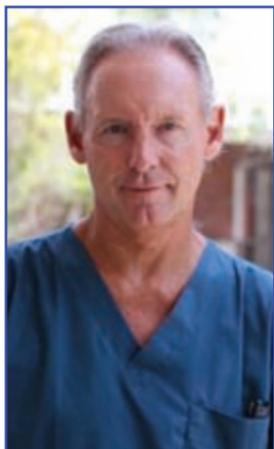
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# THE DIVA DIARIES

## Captiva triathlon is a must-do for this faithful spectator



Your diva was thrilled this past weekend to have gotten a reprieve from keeping up with my husband (and several hundred other athletic people) when it comes to the third annual Galloway Triathlon at South Seas Resort on Captiva Island. Loyal readers may or may not remember that a few weeks ago, I wrote about how my dear Todd was training up a storm for the event — waking up before dawn and doing push-ups and bicycling and swimming and running — and inadvertently making me feel like the laziest woman on the planet. Him gasping for breath while doing crunches on the bedroom floor in the mornings was quite loud and interrupted my beauty sleep on a number of occasions. So, I finally went with the old adage, “If you can’t beat ‘em, join ‘em” and started working on my fitness as well — because the wife of a triathlete should, at the very least, own a pair of sneakers.

Fast forward to a couple of weeks ago when Todd was diagnosed with a torn shoulder muscle that would require surgery and suddenly the workouts and the triathlon were put on the back burner. As sad as I was for Todd, I really needed the rest from all that exercise of



Todd Blanton running in the Galloway Triathlon.

his. Still, we had booked a room out on Captiva for the triathlon and decided to go and treat the weekend as a mini-vacation, since the triathlon was officially off the table. We had a delightful and relaxing time — eating, drinking,

sleeping in, sunning by the pool, walking the beach — until it was registration time for the triathlon and Todd decided that he at least wanted the T-shirt that came with his registration fee. Standing in line at South Seas with all the other racers, he became heady with triathlon fever. It didn’t help that so many of the other men there encouraged him, “Dude, you can swim with one arm. You’ll be FINE.” My weekend of margaritas and laying by the pool reading People magazine suddenly came to an end as my husband’s testosterone kicked in to high gear and he hopped in the car and drove all the way home for his bike, goggles and running shoes. We switched from tequila to ice water and set

the alarm for 5 a.m. Sunday. I know I’m kvetching, but the truth is, even though I’ve never competed, I wouldn’t miss the morning of the tri for anything. I love running into so many friends that I normally see sparkling in

eveningwear at fancy events out there at the crack of dawn sweating, smiling and cheering each other on. Lots of funds were raised for the CCMi Soup Kitchen as about 700 people of all shapes, sizes, skill sets and ages participated — including one fellow with a bum shoulder whose sleepy but proud wife stood at the finish line happily snapping photos as he crossed.

### Movin’ on Marco

One of the most fabulous things about Southwest Florida is that if you miss a triathlon on one beautiful tropical island, there’s sure to be yet another triathlon on another beautiful island just around the corner.

If you missed out on the Captiva fitness festivities, fret not. The Fitness Challenge Triathlon at the Marriott Marco Island Resort & Golf Club is happening Sunday morning, Sept. 28. There will be a quarter-mile swim in the gulf, a 15-mile bike ride and a 3.1 mile run (the mere effort of typing that made me crave a Gatorade and a nice, long nap). Event organizers are asking that participants and spectators bring canned goods to help Grace Place for Children & Families.

To sign up, go to [www.thefitnesschallenge.com](http://www.thefitnesschallenge.com). ■

— *Ciao for now, my lovelies! Stay tuned for another divalicious diary entry next week ...*

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— **Betty Staugler**, Florida Sea Grant extension agent, University of Florida



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Fishing generates more revenue for Florida than the orange, grapefruit, tomato and sugar cane industries combined.

## Power fishing

*Anglers lure \$5 billion a year to Florida*

BY EVAN WILLIAMS

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STATE OFFICIALS THIS MONTH APPROVED A measure aimed at maintaining the population of tarpon, an inedible sportfish prized in part for the business and fame it has brought the region.

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission effectively banned any fishing methods used just to “snag” the acrobatic silver king on a hook, instead of enticing the fish to strike

with bait or lures. The rule goes into effect Nov. 1.

The measure is a small part of a larger trend toward maintaining all types of Florida gamefish, the backbone of the state’s claim to Fishing Capital of the World, an economic engine generating tourism, retail sales, tax revenue and jobs. Florida’s recreational saltwater and freshwater fishing industry is a roughly \$5 billion per year enterprise, twice that of the state’s orange, grapefruit, tomato and sugar cane crops combined.

Florida is the top fishing state in the country. Annual recreational fishing-related expenditures in the state also

make up more than 10 percent of the nation’s total, \$47.7 billion, according to a 2013 report by the American Sport-fishing Association.

The report, based on 2011 data, showed Florida had 3.1 million anglers, (New York was a distant second with 1.8 million). They helped generate 80,211 jobs here.

### Fishing value added

Southwest Florida bait shops, charter captains and others are looking forward to the boost in seasonal businesses the

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## Gas pipelines at the heart of the Syria problem



What is the real story behind Syria? The different twists to the Syrian crisis are widely known throughout Europe, thanks to the newspaper reporting of Great Britain's *The Mail* and *Globe* and *The Telegraph*. It is similarly reported by Al Jazeera. It is not headlined in major U.S. newspapers.

Such side stepping has been the case — over several decades — when there has been U.S. military involvement in the Middle East. Not that our past involvement was unjustified, it's just that the underlying reasons offered for our involvement most probably related to oil/energy issues and not exclusively humanitarian issues.

The Syrian crisis, the Syrian use of chemical weapons against its own people, the senseless death of thousands, Russia's aggressive, center stage role and Russia's dictation of foreign policy to the U.S. might well relate to an ongoing oil/energy dispute that involves many Middle Eastern countries and whose outcome will greatly impact the economies of Russia and Europe. As reported outside the U.S., there is a colossal abundance of Middle Eastern natural gas looking for new markets and needing a pipeline to be built for transporting the gas from the Persian Gulf into Europe. The proposed alternative pipeline

routes would make some countries winners and others losers. The ancillary problem is that, in the Middle East, losers do not fade gracefully and Syria plays a pivotal role, as all of the pipelines would pass through Syria and require Syrian approval.

The gargantuan natural gas reserves in Persian waters are to be found offshore of two Middle Eastern countries, Qatar and Iran. These two physically close Muslim countries have very different agendas. What is in common is that both countries are each vying for Syria's favor as each pipeline blueprint requires pipeline transit through Syria before reaching Europe. This natural gas pipeline debate is not a new discussion; certainly there were pipeline proposals made to Syria as early as 2009.

Mainland Europe is highly interested in getting an alternative to GAZPROM's natural gas (the Russian national operating company) as GAZPROM delivers one third of Europe's natural gas and virtually all of its pipeline gas. (Other gas comes to Europe by LNG tanker and requires the re-gasification of the liquid form of natural gas that was transported across oceans.) Germany, France, Austria, Switzerland, etc. would all love to have another natural gas pipeline source.

Russia has been highly interested that a competing pipeline NOT be built. Russia's close relationship to Syria no doubt reflects Russia's desire that Syria walk from any pipeline deal or that Syria be too internally and politically confused such that the pipeline gets further delayed. Russia will have a keen interest in supporting

Syria until it can definitively cut a much better energy deal for itself.

Qatar, which is adjacent to Saudi Arabia, is very interested in reaching new markets for its superior gas finds in the North Field of the Persian Gulf. Qatar has proposed many pipeline routes but all go through Syria and most plans go from Qatar to neighboring Saudi Arabia then into Syria (Saudi Arabia's neighbor) and then to Turkey (Syria's neighbor). Clearly Turkey is highly interested in the pipeline being built on its soil.

Iran holds territorial rights to the Persian Gulf's South Pars Field, which is adjacent to Qatar's coastal reserves. Iran is highly interested in economic betterment and thwarting the effect of economic sanctions (plans effected internationally but at the initiatives of the U.S. and Israel, as Iran has been determined to develop a nuclear arsenal largely directed toward the latter.) Obviously, any economic benefit accruing to Iran is not good for the U.S., Israel and the other countries that have supported economic sanctions. The Iran pipeline would travel through Iraq and Syria and would obviate Turkey.

Saudi Arabia has lobbied for the Qatar's proposed pipeline, as it would cross its country. It has also been suggested that the Saudi rulers want an unstable Bashar al-Assad out of power and a Saudi-installed puppet regime in Syria.

Iraq would want the Iran proposed pipeline.

As Syria is at the geographic crossroads for any and all proposed pipelines, Syria has been courted by all interested parties.

Most recently, Syria decided against the Qatar pipeline and for the Iranian route. Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and Turkey did not like that decision. There is suggestion that some of the interested countries have offered sweetheart deals to powerful Russia to use its close connection with Syria to reverse such a pipeline course. There is suggestion that the several billions in rebel arms was financed by Qatar after Syria elected for a joint venture with Iran.

So what does that mean to the U.S.? To our citizenry, it might mean that once again our agenda in the Middle East has been disguised as humanitarian and once again we are playing international foreign policy poker with an unruly group of players with a winner take all, win at any cost, and take no hostages mentality.

With so many dogs in this fight, it might be unrealistic to think that the U.S. can play peacekeeper and that our humanitarian goals can be achieved. ■

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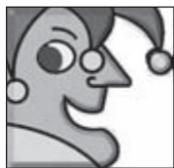
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## My Dumbest Investment

### Swung to a Loss

I tried my best at swing trading. At the very best, I could stay even, but at times it was terrible. I eventually put my funds into corporate bonds and have recovered.

— S.H., online

**The Fool responds:** Swing trading is generally defined as investing in something (such as a stock) for a few days, hoping to profit from a change, or "swing," in the price. It's not as extreme as day-trading, where stocks are often held for just minutes or hours, but it's not a much more sound approach, either.

Like many day traders and others, swing traders tend to employ "technical analysis" of securities. Thus, instead of, say, studying the company behind a stock to evaluate its financial health, competitive position and growth prospects, a swing trader will just observe the stock price's movements, looking for patterns and drawing conclusions from them.

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— K.W., Tulsa, Okla.

**A**When a mutual fund owns shares of a dividend-paying stock, the dividends paid belong to the shareholders, not the fund managers.

Typically, when you first invest some money in a fund, you'll be asked to specify whether you'd like to receive the dividends as cash payments or have them reinvested in additional shares of the fund.

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**Q**Is this a good time to start contributing to a 401(k) account at work?

— S.N., Gainesville, Fla.

**A**It's almost always a good time. When it comes to retirement, most of us should be regularly saving and investing, without much regard for the state of the economy. As we've been digging out of a recession recently, now is far from the worst time to invest.

Many of us should be saving and investing aggressively, too, not just socking away 3 percent of our salaries. Crunch some numbers and see how much you'll need in retirement and how much you'll need to save. You might need to sock away 10 percent or even 20 percent or more of each paycheck. Consider a broad-market index fund for long-term money. ■

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## The Motley Fool Take

### Google's Growing

Recently sporting a price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio near 25, a market value close to \$300 billion and a stock price north of \$800, Google (Nasdaq: GOOG) might seem like a stock too richly valued.

Think again, though, as the company still has much room for growth. For one thing, look at its growth rates, as revenue has averaged 21 percent growth over the past five years, and earnings by about 19 percent. Over the next year, analysts expect Google to grow by nearly 18 percent, and by more than 14 percent over the next five years.

Google is perfectly primed to mint money in our increasingly mobile future as its Android operating system has become the global standard in mobile

computing. Its profit margins are likely to take a hit as it adds more hardware revenue from smartphones, tablets and laptops, in part due to its acquisition of Motorola. But it remains the global king of searches and a leader in online advertising.

The company's innovation holds much promise, too — just think of its Gmail, Google Maps and Chrome browser. It's working on self-driving automobiles now, and launching high-speed Internet and television service in some cities.

Considering how rapidly Google is growing, its stock seems at least fairly valued, if not rather attractively valued. Give it some consideration for your long-term portfolio. ■

# BUSINESS MEETINGS

■ **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](http://www.napleschamber.org/events).

■ **Leadership Bonita** graduates are invited to an alumni social from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19, at Sneaky Pete's, 3465 Bonita Beach Road. Cash bar; appetizers provided. The group will present its annual check to the Bonita Springs Assistance Office. [www.bonitaspringschamber.com](http://www.bonitaspringschamber.com).

■ **Young Professionals of Bonita Springs** meet from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 25, for a country

music concert at the Naples Fort Myers Greyhound Track. Free admission and one free drink for members. [www.bonitaspringschamber.com](http://www.bonitaspringschamber.com).

■ The **Collier County Medical Society** and **CCMS Alliance** invite members and their guests to "Women Networking with Women" from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 26, at First Citizens Bank, 3055 Tamiami Trail N. Guests are asked to bring an item for donation to The Shelter for Abused Women & Children. Whole Foods will have a wine tasting, and hors d'oeuvres will be by St. Matthew's House Catering. RSVP by Sept. 23 by calling 435-7727 or e-mailing [info@ccmsonline.org](mailto:info@ccmsonline.org).

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**County Lodging and Tourism Alliance** begins at 8:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 27, at the Waldorf Astoria Naples. Guest speakers will be Bruce Register, economic development director for Collier County, and Jack Wert, director of the Naples, Marco Island and Everglades Convention and Visitors Bureau. Visitors are welcomed with advance registration. Cost is \$10 per person, payable at the door by cash or check (no credit cards). RSVP by e-mailing [lisa.cclta@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.cclta@gmail.com) no later than Monday, Sept. 23.

■ **Wake Up Naples** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 7:30-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9, at the Hilton Naples. Call 262-6376 or visit [www.napleschamber.org](http://www.napleschamber.org).

■ The **East Naples Merchants Association** meets for Business After Business at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10, at Physicians Regional-Collier Boulevard. For more information, call 435-9410 or 643-3600 or visit [www.east-naplesmerchantsassoc.com](http://www.east-naplesmerchantsassoc.com).

■ The **Above Board Chamber of Florida** welcomes members and guests to its luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14, at the Hilton Naples. Attendees will hear from guest speakers Trisha Borges, Mark Schwartz, Sam Black and Liz Sanders about how to get sales results. \$23 for members, \$28 for guests. Reservations required by Friday, Oct. 11. Call Jeanne Sweeney at 910-7426. ■

# ON THE MOVE

## Health Care

**Dr. Jessica Sullivan** has joined the staff at Florida Cancer Specialists & Research Institute. Dr. Sullivan received her medical degree at NOVA Southeastern College of osteopathic medicine and trained in internal medicine and completed a fellowship in hematology and oncology at the University of Florida in Gainesville. She will work out of Florida Cancer Specialists' new Sierra Meadows office in Naples.

**Dr. David Allan Kubicek**, a doctor of chiropractic, has joined the Alternative Health & Healing Center in North Naples. Dr. Kubicek has more than 20 years of experience in general practice, sports injuries, nutritional and wellness counseling and weight loss management programs. He received his doctor of chiropractic degree from the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic and previously was in private practice in Santa Monica, Calif., before relocating to Naples.

## Arts & Entertainment

**David Filner** has joined the staff at Artis—Naples as vice president of artistic operations. Over the past seven years, Mr. Filner held several positions with the San Antonio Symphony, including director of education and community engagement, general manager and interim CEO. He also served for more than 10 years as



FILNER

director of the Sequoia Chamber Music Workshop in Arcata, Calif. He graduated from Oberlin College and earned a master's in viola performance from Rice University and completed the League of American Orchestras' Orchestra Management Fellowship Program.

**Amy Ginsburg Padilla** has joined the Southwest Florida Symphony as director of strategic marketing and development. She most recently was program director for the Jewish Federation of Lee & Charlotte Counties and before that spent more than five years as marketing and public relations director for the Gulf Coast Symphony.

## Law

Naples trusts and estates attorney **Kimberly Leach Johnson** has been selected chairperson of the national law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP, effective Oct. 1. Ms. Johnson most recently served as chair of the firm's finance committee and managing partner of Quarles & Brady offices in Naples and Tampa. She continues to serve as a member of the firm's elected executive committee and is the first woman to serve as the firm's chair. She will work closely with the leadership teams in each of Quarles & Brady's eight U.S. offices. She was named Woman Lawyer of the Year by the Collier County Women's Bar Association in 2011 and is a Fellow of the American Bar Association. She earned her law degree from the University of Florida Levin College of Law, her LL.M. degree from the University of Miami and her bachelor's degree from Anderson College. ■

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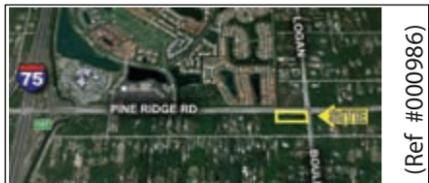
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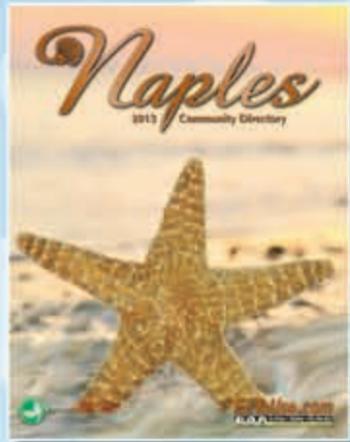
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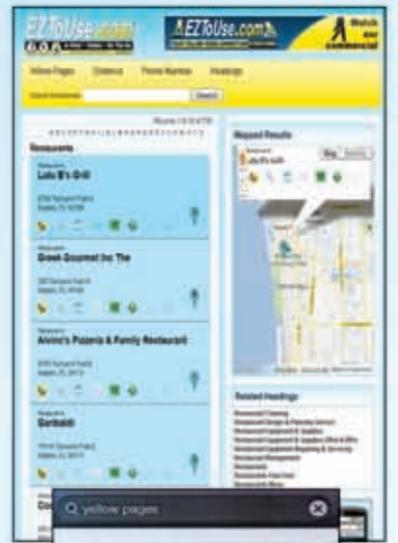
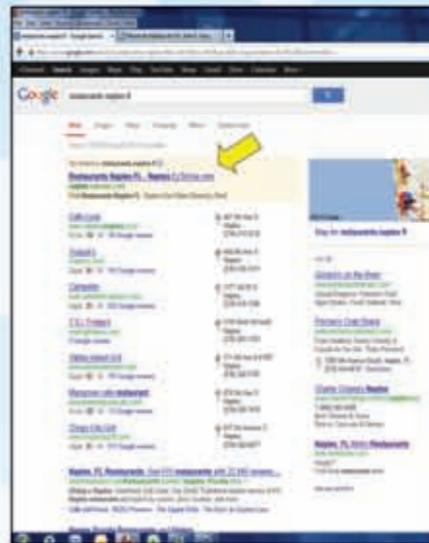


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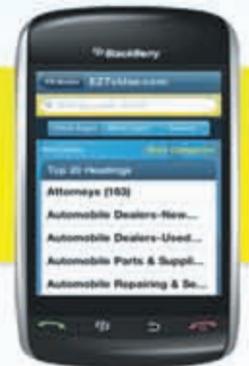
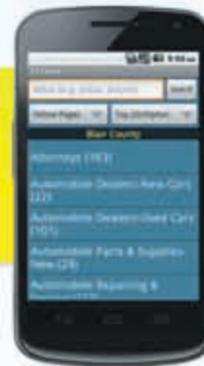
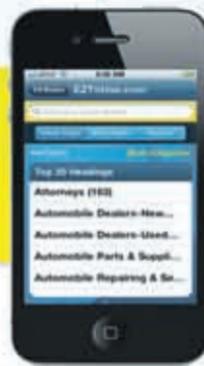
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# FISHING

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winter brings. But year-round residents and events such as tarpon tournaments make the summer nearly as profitable, said Ken Strasen, owner of Master Bait and Tackle on Bonita Beach Road.

“As soon as season’s over, all the guys come out of the woodwork that have been working their butts off and go fishing,” he said.

And beyond the direct sales for fishing-related goods and services industry-wide, the great Florida pastime is estimated to have a total \$8.6 billion economic impact each year when “the multiplier effect” is taken into account, the ASA’s report says. Those are all the unrelated industries fishing affects.

“Fishing’s pretty broad based,” said Dr. Gary Jackson, Ph.D., director of the Regional Economic Research Institute and assistant professor at Florida Gulf Coast University. “Because you have to think if you go fishing what do you need?”

Mr. Strasen suggests, “If they don’t have their equipment, they have to get their rods and reels and hooks and lures and sinkers.”

Then there are sandwiches, beer and whatever else anglers buy on the way to the water.

“You’re bringing people in from other counties spending money in your county,” said Betty Staugler, Florida Sea Grant extension agent with the University of Florida/IFAS extension



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Kevin Vertesch tangles with a tarpon southwest of the Sanibel Lighthouse.

in Charlotte County. “They’re staying in hotels, they’re buying gas at gas stations. They’re buying bait, buying ice, food, eating in restaurants, going to the movies — all those things we don’t necessarily think of as a direct impact.”

### Conservation efforts

All this is good news for the economy, but the enormous interest of anglers in Florida also raises concerns about declining populations among various species.

At the same time the state put new restrictions on fishing for tarpon this month, it also reopened snook fishing, ending a ban that started in January 2010. The ban helped restore the snook population after a devastating freeze. Some say 3½ years wasn’t enough time.

“As a fisherman you have to be conservation minded,” said T.J. Haley, manager of The Bait Box on Sanibel Island. “I for one would like to have the snook season closed for another year to make sure we have a snook population for my kids’ kids to fish, you know?”

JoEllen Morris and her husband Rhett Morris agreed. Owners of Beyond Borders Outfitters in Charlotte County, they offer fishing charters year round. They worry that with Florida’s huge population of anglers, even longer bans on other fish, be it snook, sea trout or redfish, could hurt business in years to come.

“We’re looking five to 10 years down the road and we’re really concerned about our fishery and the impact all these fishermen will have on it,” said Mrs. Morris. “For us, opening snook season, they’re about to take two steps back for the two steps forward they took. It just doesn’t really make sense in our mind.”

But they are also encouraged by general attitudes about fishing. These days, their customers are seeking the thrill of the catch over the tally of fish taken home.

“People want to see their fishing rods bend over, they want to see their drag running off their reel, they want to have fun,” said Mr. Morris, a long-time Charlotte County charter boat captain. “Fifteen years ago they wanted to see fish stacked up dead in a cooler.”

While he has been “preaching conservation” for years, Mr. Morris adds, “The tide has turned. In the last five years, I have seen a 180-degree turn in young and old. People are ready for conservation.”

That conservation has taken different forms. Mr. Haley of The Bait Box on Sanibel notes that fewer people keep fish to mount them on their wall these days.

“Instead of having a fish taxidermed and mounted, companies now can produce a nearly identical fish from a photograph,” he said.

Ms. Staugler, the Florida Sea Grant extension agent, said the last 10 to 15 years have brought more interest in catch-and-release fishing as well. And with that “comes education for handling practices.”

For example, offshore “reef fish,” including snapper and grouper, have swim bladders that expand too fast and rupture when they’re brought to the surface quickly. She worked with anglers to design what is essentially a hollow hypodermic needle used to puncture the fish behind the pectoral fin and relieve the pressure. That doesn’t guarantee survival, she said, but it helps.

Artificial reefs also play a part in con-

### in the know

#### Free fishing days

Gov. Rick Scott and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission are doing their part to encourage even more people to pick up a rod and reel in the Sunshine State by offering free fishing days.

Usually the state waives the requirement to have a recreational fishing license for four days per year. A few weeks ago, officials added four more days. Those additional saltwater license-free fishing days will be Oct. 12 and Nov. 30 and additional freshwater license-free days will be Nov. 29 and Dec. 28.

“Events like these help grow the industry even more,” Gov. Scott said in a press release. “These days are a great way to introduce more Floridians to the lifetime sport of fishing.”

The commission also set dates for 2014 and beyond. All eight days will now fall on the same day of the week from year to year, allowing potential anglers to plan fishing trips in advance.

For 2014 and beyond, the following dates will be license-free fishing days:

#### Saltwater

First Saturday and Sunday in June  
First Saturday in September  
Saturday following Thanksgiving

#### Freshwater

First Saturday and Sunday in April  
Second Saturday and Sunday in June

All other regulations such as seasons, size limits and bag limits still apply on these days. Visit MyFWC.com/Fishing to learn more.

servation by creating larger habitats and food sources for sought after fish, said Mike Campbell, head of the artificial reef program in Lee County.

“The great thing about artificial reefs is they don’t require any maintenance so it’s a one-time spend and nature maintains them from there on out,” Mr. Campbell said. “The return on investment over time gets larger and larger and larger.”

When it comes to the fish themselves, he gives tarpon his vote as MVP. While they are primarily caught from early to mid-summer, people come to Southwest Florida from around the world to take a crack at the silver king. Tarpon anglers alone in Charlotte, Lee, Collier and Sarasota counties have an annual \$108 million economic impact, according to a 2011 study by the Bonefish & Tarpon Trust for the Everglades Foundation.

“You know, some people wait their whole lives, and that’s on their bucket list of things to do,” Mr. Campbell said of catching a tarpon.

“It’s an event that also brings in media buzz about it and all that provides added advertising value for our area. Whereas when people go out fishing for grouper and things like that, it’s just a great day on the water.” ■

### in the know

#### Saltwater fishing licenses sold 2008-2012

##### Charlotte County

Resident Saltwater: 33,117  
Non-resident: 25,523  
Non-resident 3-day: 20,813  
Non-resident 7-day: 9,441

##### Collier County

Resident Saltwater: 27,732  
Non-resident: 27,531  
Non-resident 3-day: 28,162  
Non-resident 7-day: 11,449

##### Lee County

Resident Saltwater: 46,346  
Non-resident: 36,531  
Non-resident 3-day: 42,730  
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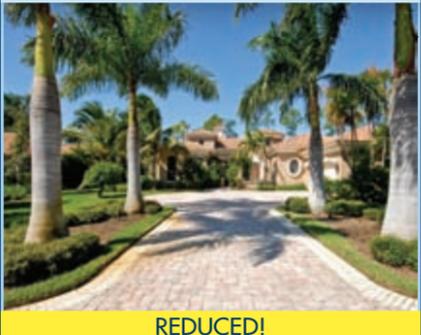




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premiersir.com/id/212034983 \$1,800,000



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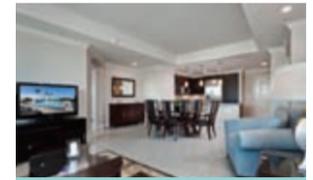
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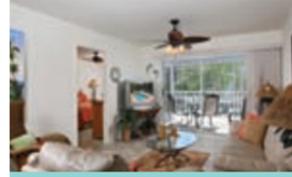
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**QUAIL WEST**



- Quail West Estate Home**
- 6 Private Suites & 7.5 Baths
  - Water & Golf Course Views
  - Full Golf Membership w/2 Carts
  - Outstanding Point Location of Cul-de-sac
  - \$3,400,000 MLS 212031883
  - Mike & Lauren Taranto 239.572.0066

**PARK SHORE**



- Entertainers Delight on the Water**
- 3 Bedrooms, 3.5-Baths
  - 140' on the Water & Wide Bay Views
  - Fabulous Backyard w/Pool and Tiki Bar
  - Boat Dock Accommodates a 30' Boat
  - \$2,800,000 MLS 212021154
  - Steve Suddeth & Jennifer Nicolai 239.784.0693

**BAREFOOT BEACH**



- Barefoot Beach**
- Waterfront Estate Home
  - Boating w/Gulf Access Out Your Back Door
  - 4 Bedrooms + Office + Recreation, 4 Baths
  - HUGE Yard, Pool & Jacuzzi, Boat Slip & Lift
  - \$2,495,000 MLS 213021194
  - Heather Wightman 239.450.1891

**NAPLES CLUB ESTATES**



- Naples Club Estates**
- 4 Bedroom + Den, 4 Full & 3 Half Baths
  - Chef's Kitchen, Butler's Pantry & Wine Room
  - Formal Dining, 2 Masters & 3 Fireplaces
  - 1 Acre+/- Estate Lots Gated w/Preserve Area
  - \$2,295,000 MLS 213003435
  - Roger Stening 239.770.4707

**THE MONACO BEACH CLUB**



- Park Shore Beach**
- Large Open 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath w/Direct Walkout to Beach
  - Rarely Available Beach Front Condo
  - Only One Of Its Type Available
  - Landscaped Privacy Area with Outdoor Lanai & Cabana
  - \$949,000 MLS 213001018
  - Kurt Petersen 239.777.0408

**VANDERBILT BEACH**



- Amazing Water & City Views**
- Completely Updated Throughout
  - Wonderful Bamboo Hardwood Floors
  - Covered Parking Spot
  - Best Unit Available in Vanderbilt Gulfside!
  - \$850,000 MLS 213016531
  - Doug Haughey 239.961.1561

**BONITA BAY**



- Cranbrook At Bonita Bay**
- Well Maintained 2-Story Home, 3BR + Loft, 3.5 Baths
  - Beautiful Pool Area w/Spa & Waterfall
  - 3,187 Sq. Ft. Under Air, Tile Throughout
  - Master Bedroom On First Or Second Floor w/Own Lanai
  - \$695,000 MLS 213023987
  - Linda Ramsey 239.405.3054

**WEST BAY CLUB**



- West Bay Club**
- 3 Bedroom + Den, 2 Full & 1 Half Bath
  - 12 Ft. Coffered & Tray Ceilings
  - Wonderful Amenities
  - Quiet Preserve & Golf Course Views
  - \$604,900 MLS 213022025
  - Pam Olsen 239.464.6873

**SEASCAPE CONDO**



- Bonita Beach**
- Beachfront Residence, Outstanding Gulf Views
  - 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths
  - Offered Turnkey
  - Gated Community, Wonderful Amenities
  - \$459,900 MLS 213004814
  - Denise Stilwell 239.273.0990

**ESTERO BAY SHORES**



- Bonita Springs**
- 2 Story Home on Intersecting Canal
  - Less Than 100 Yards From The Estero Bay
  - 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 2 Car Garage
  - Nicely Updated Kitchen & Baths
  - \$414,900 MLS 213500574
  - Cory Lauer 239.465.9290

**PELICAN BAY**



- Valencia At Pelican Bay**
- 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths
  - Beautifully Appointed Garden Condo
  - Flowing Floor Plan, Neutral Dé cor
  - Views of Water Feature & Pool Area
  - \$405,000 MLS 213014695
  - Martinovich & Nulf 239.564.1266

**COQUINA SANDS**



- Surfside Club**
- 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bath, 880 Sq. Ft.
  - 1st Floor, Steps to The Sand, Gulf Side
  - Furnished, Tile Throughout
  - Upgraded Kitchen, Granite, Tile Backsplash
  - \$399,500 MLS 213021473
  - Ginny Nobbe 239.218.0025

**PELICAN LANDING**

NEW LISTING



- Sandpiper Greens**
- 1,675 s/f Approximate Living Space
  - Steps to The Community Pool
  - Turnkey Furnished
  - Walk to Pelicans Nest Country Club
  - \$300,000 MLS 213501769
  - Corye Reiter, The Lummis Team 239.273.3722

**SHADOW WOOD AT THE BROOKS**



- Morningside**
- Lake & Golf Course Views Facing East
  - 3 Bedrooms & Two Full Bathrooms
  - Warmly Decorated w/ Many New Upgrades
  - Walk or Bike to Coconut Point Mall
  - \$285,000 MLS 213016752
  - Bob Nemeec 239.273.2556

**HIGHLAND WOODS**

NEW LISTING



- St. Andrews Verandas**
- 2 Bedroom + Den, 2 Baths
  - Turnkey Furnished
  - Second Floor End Unit
  - Golf Course to Lake View
  - \$229,900 MLS 213502050
  - Mike Fagan, The Fagan Team 239.340.5455

**GLEN EAGLE**



- Attention Golfers!**
- Outstanding Lake & Golf Course Views w/Sunset Skies
  - 2 Spacious Bedrooms, 2 Baths
  - Screened In Lanai
  - One Car Garage
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**HIGHLAND WOODS**



- St. Andrews Verandas**
- Highland Woods - St. Andrews Veranda
  - Turnkey Furnished 2 BD +Den/ 2 BA/ 1 Car Garage
  - Direct Golf & Water Views
  - Ideal Location Near Clubhouse & Pool
  - \$185,000 MLS 212039488
  - Jamie Lienhardt 239.565.4268

**HARBOR LAKES**



- Naples**
- 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Turnkey w/Lake View
  - Updated w/Granite Counters, New Impact Windows
  - Living/Dining Combo, Large Lanai, 2-Walk-In Closets
  - Shows Very Well, Large Storage Room, 2-Parking Spaces
  - \$179,000 MLS 213024971
  - Ben Maltese & Jennifer Nicolai 239-273-8700

**GOODLAND ISLES**



- Boaters Joy**
- 3 Marinas - Open Launch
  - 2/2 - Carport
  - Community Park
  - Bait/ Tackle/ Food Store
  - \$169,900 MLS 213005941
  - Darlene Rice 239.325.3537

**FALLINGS WATERS**



- Rosewood**
- 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, End Unit
  - Volume Ceilings
  - 2 Screened Lanais
  - Resort Style Community Pool
  - \$164,900 MLS 213024210
  - Annette Villano 239.248.6798



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- Vanderbilt Lagoon Villas #1**
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  - Also Available #5 at \$1,695,000
  - \$1,595,000 MLS 212037480
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- Luxury Tower Home**
- 3 Bedroom + Den, 4 Baths
  - Surrounded By Water, Sunsets & Wildlife
  - 3,496 Sq. Ft., Neutral Finishes
  - Private Outdoor Space for Each Guest Suite
  - \$1,350,000 MLS 213013238
  - Martinovich & Nulf 239.564.1266

## THE COLONY AT PELICAN LANDING



- The Colony At Pelican Landing**
- Sweeping Vistas of Estero Bay and Gulf
  - Terraces On The West & East
  - Open Floor Plan with Great Room
  - Exquisite Appointments
  - \$985,000 MLS 213023424
  - Heather Wightman 239.450.1891

## BONITA BAY



- Vistas at Bonita Bay**
- 2 Bedroom + Den, 3 Baths
  - South Corner Residence, Curved Bay Windows
  - Custom Built-ins
  - Wrap Around Terrace
  - \$949,000 MLS 212005117
  - Martinovich & Nulf 239.564.1266

## OLDE NAPLES



- South Beach Club**
- Top Floor West Facing 2 Bedroom + Den, 2 Bath Condo
  - Totally Renovated & Furnished
  - Walk To 3rd St S & 5th Ave S Shops & Restaurants
  - Three Blocks To The Beach
  - \$550,000 MLS 213020958
  - Liz Appling 239.272.7201

## MEDITERRA



- Mediterra**
- 2 Bedroom + Den, 2.5 Baths
  - 1st Floor Coach Home, Extensive Upgrades
  - Gourmet Kitchen w/Gas Cook Top
  - Southern Exposure, Lake & Golf Course Views
  - \$545,000 MLS 213024637
  - Kristin Cavella-Whorrall 239.821.6330

## MEDITERRA



- Best Lake Views**
- 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths
  - Custom Features Throughout
  - Private Beach Club
  - Neighborhood Pool & Spa
  - \$525,000 MLS 211516383
  - Martinovich & Nulf 239.564.5717

## ROOKERY POINTE



- Estero**
- 3 Bedrooms + Den, 2.5 Baths, 2 Car Garage
  - Arthur Rutenberg Palermo Model
  - Professionally Decorated
  - Gas Available
  - \$475,000 MLS 213016566
  - Beth James 239.287.4663

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- Assessment Fully Paid**
- 2 Bedroom + Den, 2 Bath, Beautiful Built-In Cabinets
  - Extended Lanai w/Complete Privacy
  - Hurricane Shutters
  - 2Yr. A/C & New Hot Water Heater
  - \$398,500 MLS 213009162
  - Barbara Irons 239.821.2510

## COPPERLEAF AT THE BROOKS



- Copperleaf At The Brooks**
- 2 Bedroom + Den, 2 Bath
  - Turnkey Furnished
  - Bundled Golf Community
  - Electric Hurricane Shutters
  - \$389,000 MLS 213020493
  - Bette Pitzer 239.560.2627

## LELY RESORT



- Ascot**
- 3 Bedroom plus Den, 2 Bath
  - Turnkey Furnished
  - Pristine Condition
  - 2nd Floor End Unit w/Volume Ceiling
  - \$319,900 MLS 213500818
  - Annette Villano 239.248.6798

## EDENBRIDGE GARDENS



- Bonita Springs**
- Completely Remodeled 3 Bed/ 3 Bath/ Family Room
  - Beautiful Landscaped & Water View
  - Only 3 Miles to Beaches, Minutes to Shopping
  - Furnishings Negotiable
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- Completely Remodeled, 1st Floor, End Unit
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  - New A/C, Washer/Dryer, Range Refrigerator, Microwave
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- Naples**
- Spacious First Floor Coach Home
  - 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths
  - Attached Garage
  - Wrap Around Lanai
  - \$209,900 MLS 213025036
  - Gary Ryan 239-273-6796

## VINEYARDS



- Golf Views**
- 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths
  - 1st Floor Residence
  - Attached Garage
  - Community Pool
  - \$205,000 MLS 212039045
  - Debbie Dekevich 239.877.4194

## CROWN POINTE



- Resort Living**
- 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Coach Home
  - Lake View
  - Spacious Kitchen, Open Floorplan
  - Screened In Lanai with Tile Flooring
  - \$195,000 MLS 213501791
  - Zach Fischer, 239.777.7500

## ROYAL HARBOR



- Naples**
- 3 Bedrooms + Den, 3.5 Baths
  - Custom Built Pool Home
  - Gulf Access
  - Private Boat Lift on Canal
  - \$8,500 / Month MLS 213023646
  - Debbie Hunt 239.398.5529

## THE DUNES



- The Dunes**
- 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths
  - 2nd Floor End Unit Coach Home
  - Resort Style Amenities
  - Long Lake Views
  - \$3,500 / Month MLS 213018463
  - Jeff Windland 239.285.1198

## PELICAN MARSH



- Seville**
- 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths
  - 2-Car Garage
  - Lake Views
  - Tennis & Fitness
  - \$2,300 / Month MLS
  - Monica Borrok, PA 239.325.3517

## OLDE NAPLES



- Cottage Style**
- 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath
  - Guest House In Olde Naples
  - Fully Furnished
  - 3 Blocks To Beach
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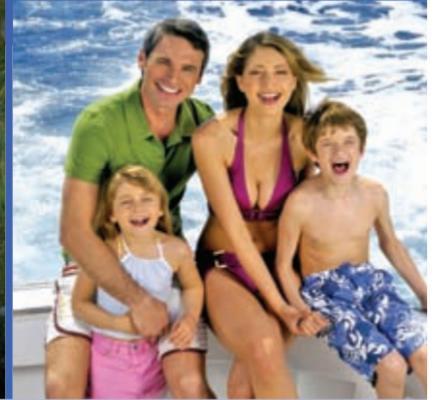


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165	Navona	4384 Steinbeck Way	2,765	4/3.5/2	\$268,470
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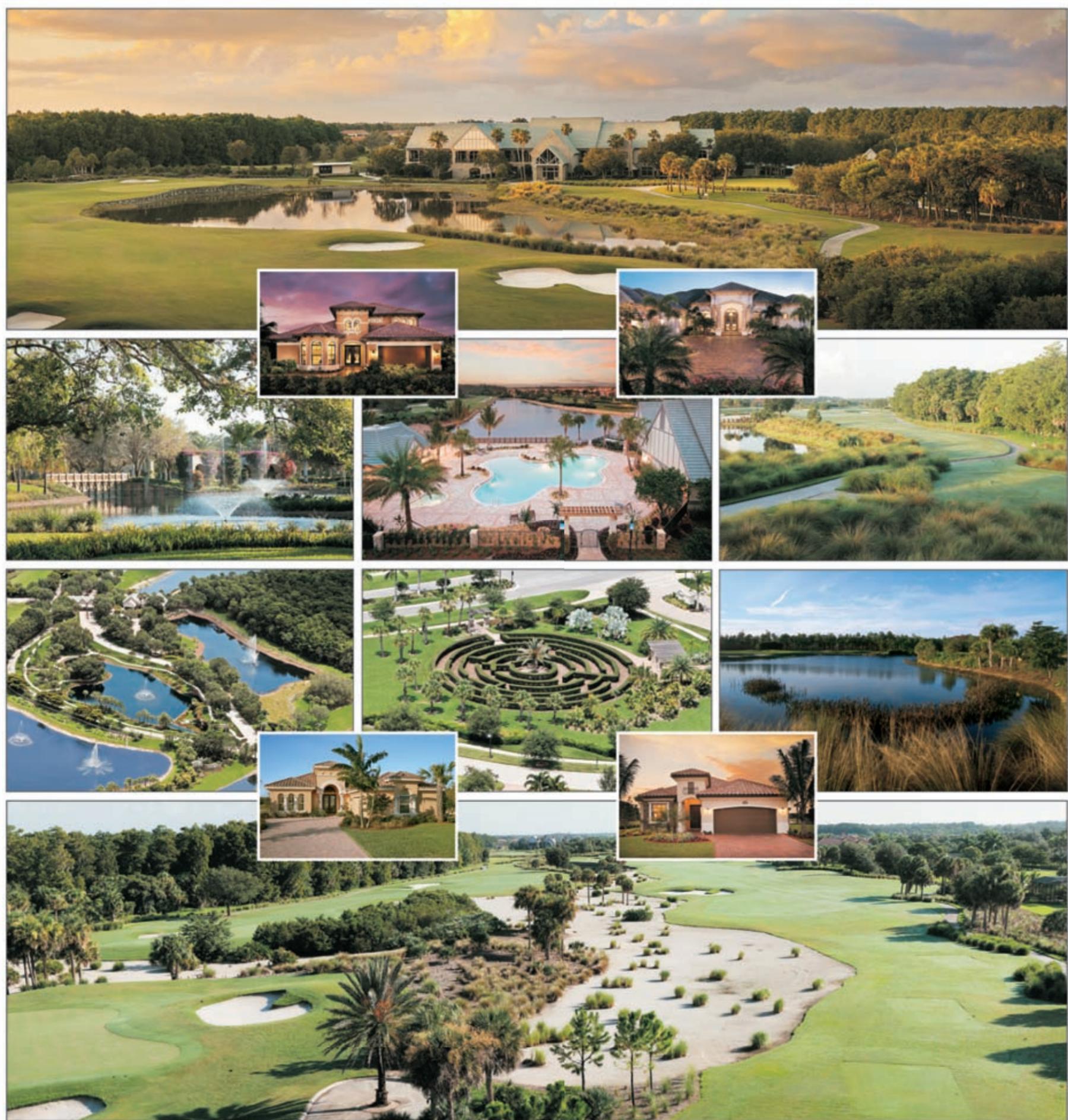
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# REAL ESTATE ROUNDUP

■ **William Poteet Jr.**, immediate past president of the Naples Area Board of Realtors, has been elected District 5 vice president of Florida Realtors, the state's largest professional association. District 5 encompasses Collier and Lee counties. Mr. Poteet is also a key advisory contact to State Rep. Matt Hudson and is active with several local nonprofit and civic groups, including Boy Scouts of America, Collier County Junior Deputies League and the Conservation Collier Land Acquisition Committee.



Poteet

■ Century 21 Sunbelt Fine Homes & Estates has opened an office in Liberty Plaza at 4947 Tamiami Trail N. in Naples. Broker/owner **Barbara Watt-Biggs**; Cape Coral-based firm now has nine offices and more than 400 licensed real estate agents in Collier, Lee and Charlotte counties. It is in the top 15 companies nationally for the Century 21 system. Ms. Watt-Biggs founded the company in 1984. At its height in 2005, Century 21 Sunbelt closed more than 7,000 properties that year. Christian Horkey is senior vice president of sales in the new Naples location.



Watt-Biggs

■ **Emily K. Bua** and **Tade Bua-Bell** have joined John R. Wood Realtors. Their community involvement includes work with The von Liebig Art Center, United Way of Collier County, The Shelter for Abused Women & Children, the Golisano Children's Museum of Naples and Champions For Learning-The Education Foundation of Collier County.

■ **Roland Nairnsey** has been named director of sales for London Bay Homes to oversee new-home sales in the Naples and Sarasota areas. Mr. Nairnsey sold more than \$200 million in new-home sales during a nearly 20-year career in real estate and for the past decade has traveled the world training and coaching other real estate and sales professionals. He is an annual speaker at the International Builders Show in Las Vegas and the Southeast Building Conference in Orlando and contributes to the NAHB's Builder magazine, SellingPower and Builder Radio.



Nairnsey

■ **Marc Semach** was named top sales consultant for August in the South Florida division of PulteGroup. He works out of the community of Village Walk in Bonita Springs.



Semach



A rendering of the Villa Adriana, under construction in Miromar Lakes.

■ Top sales producers for August at South Bay Realty were **Stacie Ricci** and **Joanne Marin**, top listing associates; Lisa Middendorf, top rental listing associate; and Tony Blaskis, top rental booking associate. All four are members of the Naples Area Board of Realtors.

■ Norris Home Furnishings interior designers **Luanza Maitland** and **Sydney Leigh Warren** have been selected by Stock Development to design the interior of the San Remo III model at Stock's Paseo community off Daniels Parkway in South Fort Myers.

The San Remo III has 1,809 square feet under air and a total of 2,626 square feet. The great room design has two bedrooms, two baths, dining room, study and two-car garage. For information, call 425-6777 or visit [www.paseo-ftmyers.com](http://www.paseo-ftmyers.com).

■ **Diamond Custom Homes** has started construction of a model estate home in Quail West, with completion targeted for early 2014. The Capistrano is a four-bedroom, 5½-bath model encompassing 5,401 square feet of living space and home with 5,400 square feet. The split floor plan design has an oversized library/study, a wet bar, an outdoor living area with a summer kitchen, a lanai with retractable screens and a three-car garage with dedicated golf cart storage space. The model will be offered furnished for \$3.195 million.

■ Construction has started on two model homes in the new waterfront single-family neighborhood of **Navona at Miromar Lakes**. On

the exclusive Peninsula at Miromar Lakes, Navona will consist of 18 luxury homes with water views and boat docks on the community's 700-acre freshwater lake. Floor plans range in size from approximately 2,200 air-conditioned square feet to 3,200 air-conditioned square feet. Prices begin in the low \$800,000s.

Construction of Harbourside Custom Homes' **Villa Adriana** model and an additional inventory home is underway. The inventory home is available now for purchase for early 2014 move-in. The Villa Adriana model consists of 2,593 air-conditioned square feet with three bedrooms plus a den, three baths and an additional pool bath off an expansive lanai with a summer kitchen.

A model home and an additional inventory home by Arthur Rutenberg Homes/Lyons Housing are also under construction in Navona and set for completion in early 2014. The fully furnished Montecito model home, a great room plan, features 2,549 square feet of air-conditioned living area and has three bedrooms, three baths, a den, a cabana room and a two-car garage.

Navona is adjacent to Miromar Lakes' new Marina on the Peninsula, which is scheduled to open in November. The marina will include bocce courts, a fitness trail, boat slips, shaded seating and entertainment pavilions for social events. European-style water-taxi service will be available between the Marina at the Peninsula and the Miromar Lakes Beach Club.

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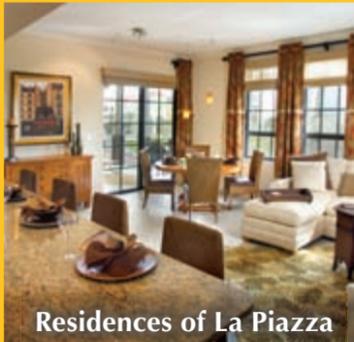
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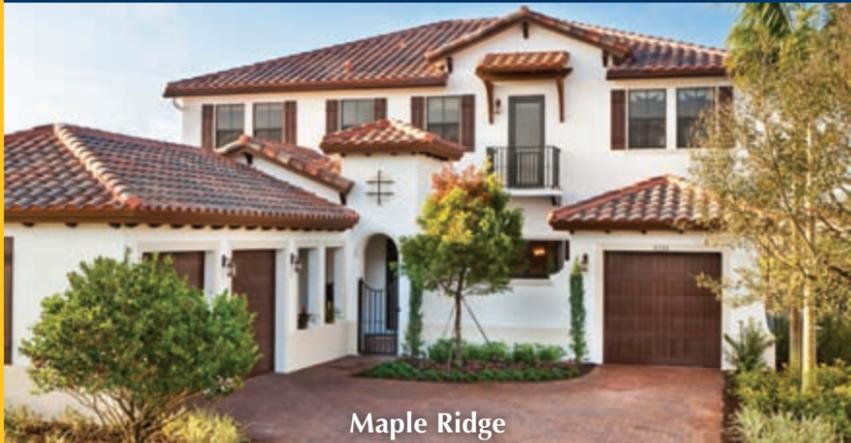


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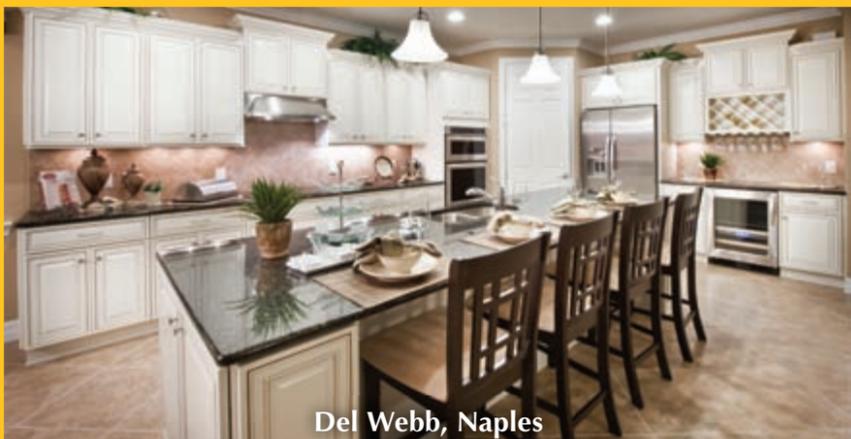
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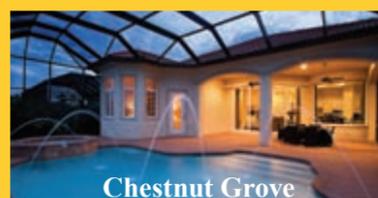
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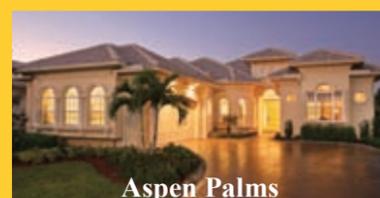
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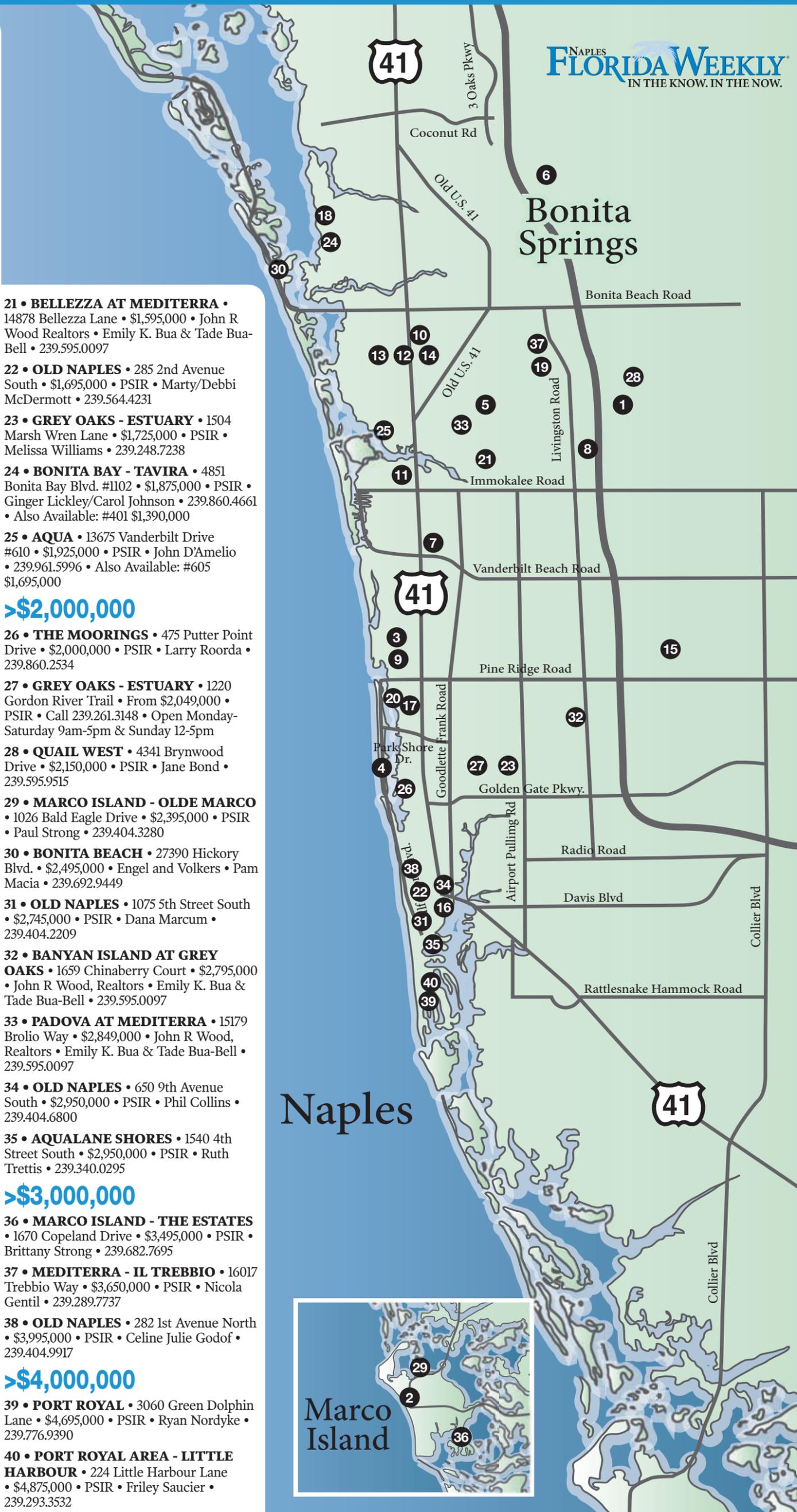
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**Kensington**, 4946 Westchester Ct #3804 - Furnished 2nd floor coach home with private elevator. Very large 3rd BR could be divided to make either 2 BRs or BR & den. Beautiful lake & golf view. 2 car garage. 3+Den/3 (C9522) Team Harris, 403-0001, Rosemary Hammar, 877-1254 **\$465,000**



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**Moorings**, 299 Harbour Dr #111 - Rarely available remodeled 1st fl. Walk to Gulf. Intimate cluster of only 24 units. View Naples Bay from pool with dock. Rentals avail for \$1000/yr. NO LAND LEASE. 2/2 (C9531) Jill Pyszkowski, 659-6333 **\$409,000**



**Victoria Park**, 450 Nottingham Dr - Lovingly maintained home with many upgrades & finishes including NEW bathrooms, updated kitchen with NEW appliances & granite countertops, tile flooring, NEW roof in 2011. 4/2 (H7614) Brooke Connors, 404-4067 **\$365,000**



**Heritage Bay**, 10450 Smokehouse Bay Dr #202 - Bundled golf, like new, large lakefront residence in one of North Naples newest communities. Upgraded kitchen, attached 2 car private garage & entertainers floor plan. 3+Den/2 (C9532) Dennis Brando, P.A., 777-2428, Doug Stewart, 777-8686 **\$349,900**



**The Strand**, 6000 Pinnacle Ln #2504 - Southern Exposure With Lake And Golf Course Views. Light & Bright; High Vaulted Ceilings, Stainless Steel Appliances, Electric Storm Shutters & 2 Car Garage. 3+Den/2 (C9521) Jennifer White-Shoots, 571-4444 **\$309,000**



**Lely Resort**, 8003 Belmont Ct - Recently updated SF home with lake view, new baths, carpet, fresh paint in/out, updated landscaping, new electric roll down shutter on lanai & accordion shutters. 2 car garage. 3/2 (H7597) Robin Hill, 776-0733 **\$288,000**



**Ave Maria**, 4355 Kentucky Way - Large great room, large master bedroom & bathroom and a spacious second floor bonus room! Lovely lake view. Brand new home by Lennar Builders. 4/3.5 (H7593) Karen Sweatlock, 860-5137, Robert Campbell, 281-6571 **\$290,890**



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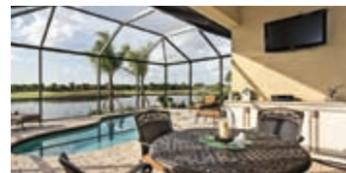
**The Cottages**, 3621 Cottage Club Ln - This cute Olde Florida-style home boasts a great location (Airport Road near Grey Oaks) and features popular open floor plan! Spacious lower level bonus room. 2+Den/2.5 (V1844) Deborah Hylemon, 659-6372, Jill Trapasso, 860-0498 **\$249,000**



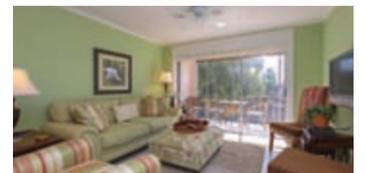
**Hunters Ridge**, 28140 Donnavid Ct #208 - Exceptionally clean upper level unit offers 2058 sq. ft. Western looking lanai looks out over golf course & lake. Community pool directly across the street. 3+Den/3 (C9523) Jim Flack, 877-2334 **\$240,000**



**Carlton Lakes**, 5400 Andover Dr 101 #101 - Very special view from well-maintained condo at end of street with peaceful & private view. Lives like a single family home. Most of kitchen appliances are newer. 3/2 (C9538) Betty Kampter, 272-1469 **\$239,900**



**Ave Maria**, 5719 Declaration Ct - Immaculate "Gray Myst" Model, Garden Series Home, elevation "C". 1392 sq. ft., diagonally laid tile throughout, granite, plantation shutters throughout, Pool, 2 car garage. 3/2 (H7547) Joe B. Rivera, Jr., 658-4748 **\$234,900**



**Moorings**, 3150 Binnacle Dr #2G - Recently renovated 2nd floor condo overlooking Lake Suzanne. Beautiful, light & bright interior with marble & granite counters & new impact windows. 55 community. 2/2 (C9514) Suzanne Klym, 571-1834 **\$225,000**



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## Theatre Conspiracy celebrates

▲ Above: Joanne and Mitch Haley in "Lysistrata"; Lauren Drexler in "Becoming Eleanor"; Clement Valentine, Beth Elledge and Lisa Marie in "Dick Piston, Hotel Detective."  
▶ Right: Bill Taylor

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**BILL TAYLOR'S BEEN DOING SOME reminiscing lately as Theatre Conspiracy, the company he founded and directs, prepares to celebrate its 20th season.**

**Over the years the scrappy theater, which specializes in innovative and offbeat plays, has often seemed to be running on a shoestring budget and existing purely on sheer willpower and, perhaps, some magic theater fairy dust.**

**But now, Mr. Taylor can look**

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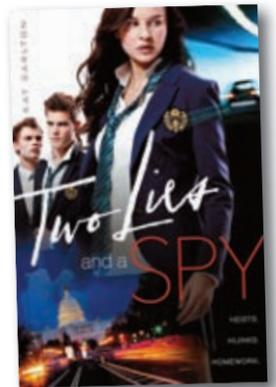
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## There's more than one way to satisfy a film aficionado

BY CINDY PIERCE  
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With screenings taking place in local libraries and classroom spaces, arts venues and actual cinemas, Southwest Florida film buffs have no shortage of opportunities to indulge in their favorite form of entertainment.

Free films in Collier County public libraries are ongoing through the year, as is the Monday-night "Films for Film Lovers" series sponsored by the Center for the Arts Bonita Springs (coming up: "A Heart in Winter," Sept. 23). The Metropol-

itan Opera's "The Met: Live in HD" new season begins Oct. 5 at area cinemas, and the fall series of foreign films and documentaries presented weekly by the Renaissance Academy of FGCU starts Sunday, Sept. 29, at the FGCU Naples Center.

Screenings at the Renaissance Academy begin at 1 p.m. after a brief introduction and are followed by refreshments and a discussion moder-



ated by either Don Pomerantz or John Guerra. Pre-registration is strongly suggested; walk-ins are permitted on a space-available basis. For more information, visit [www.fgcu.edu/racademy](http://www.fgcu.edu/racademy).

The fall series opens with "The Law in These Parts" (Israel, 2011), a documentary chronicling Israel's 43-year military legal system in the Occupied Palestinian Territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

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# SANDY DAYS, SALTY NIGHTS

## Suffering fools less gladly

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I am a tolerant person. I routinely overlook the sort of bad behavior that would be a deal breaker for most people, and there's not much I won't excuse. Stand me up for a date, forget my birthday, throw up in my car: I can get over just about anything.

We are, all of us, deeply flawed human beings. I've certainly committed enough transgressions — standing up people for dates, forgetting birthdays, throwing up in cars — that I find it nigh impossible to stand in judgment of anyone else. But even I cannot forgive everything.

As a hazard of this trade, I receive a lot of smutty mail. That is understandable and also pardonable. If I'm going to dish out naughtiness, I should be prepared to receive a certain amount in return. Still, I'm always shocked by just how much of the smut comes from men I know.

These are men I've met in real life, whom I have a relationship with off these pages, men who have taken me to dinner and listened to my secrets, men who believe our connection might someday extend beyond friendship. These are the men who surprise me with their filthy mes-

sages, as if they learned nothing during our time together. Because if they had, they would know I'm not the kind of woman who enjoys dirty missives.

But as I said, I am a tolerant soul. So when I received an e-mail message this week from a man who I thought

was courting me, I was prepared to overlook every inappropriate remark. I could ignore the use of the words "pubic hair," which are icky and make me shudder. No woman wants to read about that, her own or anyone else's. I could forgive the term "pudendum," which is as perplexing as it is vulgar.

Why a man would select that particular word among the many better options is beyond me. But even with that flagrant transgression of propriety, I retained my vast capacity for forgiveness.

What I could not forgive was this: the line in the message that said I have a good body. For. My. Age.

I gasped as I read it.

Women do not want to be told that we're holding up well. We don't want to hear that you know we've gone soft in the middle or that parts of our body are not as firm as they once were. We want to be told that we're beautiful —without qualifiers.

In a recent Dear Abby column, a woman wrote in to say that an old boyfriend had landed in jail and was contacting her. He asked her for money and letters, and though the woman admitted she had "bitter memories" about their relationship, she asked how she could extricate herself without hurting her former boyfriend's feelings.

As far as I'm concerned, hurting his feelings should have been the last thing on her mind.

As women, we get so wrapped up in being kind and tolerant that we forget to set clear boundaries. So here's mine: If you're going to write me smut, have the good sense to say something nice. And you can leave out the pudendum. ■



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# CONSPIRACY

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back on more than 100 shows.

Theatre Conspiracy was born out of frustration and desire — the desire to act, and the frustration that there weren't any appropriate venues available.

When Mr. Taylor graduated from Edison Community College, where he studied theater, he and fellow student Bill Gilmore were lamenting the fact that there weren't any challenging roles for them in Fort Myers.

"Everybody was doing Neil Simon and musicals," he says. "So we decided to do our own shows."

He and Mr. Gilmore put on Patrick Meyers's "K2," a two-man show about two men stranded on K2, the second-highest mountain in the world. They performed it at the now-defunct Actors Workshop on Kenwood Lane in Fort Myers.

It was a powerful show, with adult language — not exactly the kind of thing local audiences were used to seeing, especially in the '80s.

"We actually did make a profit," Mr. Taylor says, adding that as a nod to the avalanche that took place in their inaugural show, the two Bills named their company Avalanche Productions.

Mr. Gilmore moved away soon after, in search of more opportunities, but Mr. Taylor reinvested his portion of the "K2" profit into a new play, another two-man show, "Greater Tuna," which he performed with Tim Egan. Mr. Taylor and friends continued to put on "some small shows" at the Kenwood



COURTESY PHOTOS  
Clockwise from above: Bill Taylor in "Barrymore"; "K2" with Bill Gilmore and Bill Taylor, 1986; "The Eight Reindeer Monologues" back row: Jaimie Carmichael, Kathy Grey Steve Hooper, Lisa Marie, Lauren Drexler and Mitch Haley; front row: Seth Yates and Bill Taylor.



after the two had first met as students at Edison. They performed together in the Company's production of the madcap comedy, "The Little Hut."

The Company originally performed on Sanibel Island and eventually became the first resident theater troupe at the Alliance for the Arts. When it went out of business, the Alliance asked Mr. Taylor if he would establish a new resident company there. He agreed.

And that's when Theatre Conspiracy was born, 20 years ago.

"Theatre Conspiracy is his vision and his baby," Ms. Drexler says. "When you look back, there was not that much to choose from. At Theatre Conspiracy, you could see these up-and-coming playwrights, shows that weren't done in this area before."

In anticipation of their anniversary

season, Mr. Taylor is looking back over 20 years of press clippings and production photos. He wants to compile a complete list of the shows he has produced.

There are numerous highlights.

He started the New Play Contest 15 years ago, an annual competition that drew more than 400 submissions this year. The contest started in conjunction with the New Arts Festival that used to take place every summer in Fort Myers.

"The Parsons Dance Company would come down. We would have music, classically trained artists," he recalls. "They had the dance, and they had the music, but they didn't have the theater component of it. I asked if we could start doing new works as part of the festival, and they agreed."

Though the New Arts Festival ended, the New Play Contest continued on.

Looking over the past 19 seasons, he lists "Parallel Lives: The Kathy and Mo Show" as one of his favorites.

Then there's "Becoming Eleanor," in which Ms. Drexler portrayed Eleanor of Aquitaine. Written by Marsha Lee Sheiness, it was a New Play Contest winner. Robert Kalvin directed, and the play went on to be published.

Another favorite of Mr. Taylor's was "one of the shows that nobody really saw," he says, "due to the subject matter and the fact that it was three acts."

The show was "Under the Third Reich," for which Mr. Taylor came up with original staging that involved scene changes being done by prisoners in a concentration camp overseen by Nazi guards. When one prisoner made a mistake, the guards shot him.

"It was all part of the show," he says about the innovative staging. "It lent so much more power to it."

"We did pretty well," he says, looking back on it all. "I think there wasn't a huge audience, but an audience that was a little more educated, a little more risk-taking, a little more cosmopolitan, that were looking for shows like that."

"In the beginning, we were taking it one show at a time, and now it's one season at a time. We were never looking that far into the future, and here we are. It's stunning sometimes, to think we've been around that long."

Ms. Drexler says that when she's out shopping at the supermarket, people often come up to her and mention specific shows and how much they appreciate having Theatre Conspiracy in town.

She knows exactly how they feel.

"Even if I wasn't married to Bill," she says, "I'd still be the biggest Theatre Conspiracy fan in the world." ■

## in the know

### Theatre Conspiracy players

#### Bonnie Grossmann

Actor, director, head of Write to Act

I think it's fantastic that Bill has had a vision and a mission that he stayed very true to. I think he's one of those true theater people where it's really about the work and the process; it's not just for great financial awards ...

His wife, Lauren Drexler, is the same way. There's been a total commitment to making it work, through good times and bad ... They really chose to make a commitment to theater, no matter what. Whether he has to build the sets 24/7, act and direct, he seems able to juggle a love for his theater and his family in an admirable way.

#### Maureen Bashaw

Former theater critic, The News-Press

Back then, in Fort Myers, none of the theaters here were cutting edge. That's what Theatre Conspiracy (brought to the community). Bill has had this dream for many years now of having a playhouse for Theatre Conspiracy, a place to call their own. He has some really faithful followers, (but) nobody's come up with a few million, which is what he needs (to build a playhouse).

Bill is a tremendously talented person. He's a wonderful actor. I think he's done a wonderful job of opening people's eyes and ears to what can be done on stage.

He couldn't have done any of this without (his wife), Lauren. She's such a beautiful person inside and out.

#### Karen Goldberg

Actor, director at Theatre Conspiracy

I've been with him since the beginning. I was involved in the original incarnation of Southwest Theatre Conspiracy ... Essentially, we wanted a place to do the plays we wanted to do. None of us were going to move away. We wanted to make this the best theater community we could have for ourselves, to bring in shows that nobody else was doing. "From the classics to the cutting edge," that was our motto ... It's evolved over time. We didn't abandon the classics, but we like to promote the newest works ...

Bill is such a strong talent and inspiration that anyone who ends up working with him steps up their game and rises to his expectations. He doesn't settle for good. He wants great at all times.

Lane venue. When the Royal Palm Players went out of business, their space on Mildred Drive (across from Edison Mall on U.S. 41) became available. Mr. Taylor set up shop there, doing business as Southwest Theater Conspiracy.

"We did OK," he says. But at the end of a year, they owed \$5,000.

The landlord gave him an ultimatum: pay the money, or leave.

"They were fairly religious, and we had put on 'Vampire Lesbians of Sodom,'" he says. "I think they didn't understand what the show was."

He didn't have the \$5,000, so he vacated the building.

Ironically, just a couple weeks later, Southwest Theater Conspiracy received a grant for \$5,000. But it was too late.

"The sad thing was, we had to turn the grant down because we were out of a location," he says.

Mr. Taylor left town and "bounced around," as he says, moving to Boston and then to Los Angeles.

In 1990, he received a call from his former theater teacher, Dick Westlake, who had started an Equity company called The Company. Mr. Taylor agreed to come back to town to act in some shows, and it was there that he reunited with his wife-to-be, Lauren Drexler, a decade

## in the know

### Theatre Conspiracy's 20th season

Theatre Conspiracy's 20th anniversary season begins Friday, Oct. 18. All shows are in the Foulds Theatre at the Alliance for the Arts, 10091 McGregor Blvd., Fort Myers.

In celebration of the milestone season, the company is discounting its regular season subscription price by more than 20 percent. Subscribers can buy five shows for \$72 or four shows for \$60. Individual tickets are \$20.

Call 936-3239 or visit [www.theatreconspiracy.org](http://www.theatreconspiracy.org) to purchase a series or single tickets.

Here's the lineup:

>> **Oct. 18-Nov. 2:** "All My Raisins in the Sun"

>> **Nov. 22-Dec. 15:** "Becky Shaw"

>> **Jan. 3-25:** "Relatively Speaking" (three one-act comedies by Ethan Coen, Elaine May and Woody Allen)

>> **Feb. 7-23:** "The Beauty Queen of Leenane"

>> **March 14-29:** "The Whale"

## Violin Shop of Naples announces concert season

The Violin Shop of Naples presents nine concerts in its third season of intimate events that include a champagne reception with the artists after each performance. Here's the schedule:

- **Saturday, Oct. 19:** Jodie Desalvo, piano solos
- **Sunday, Nov. 17:** Glenn Basham, violin, in jazz quartet
- **Tuesday, Dec. 17:** Kevin Mauldin, bass, with trio
- **Sunday, Jan. 26:** Max Rabinovitsj, violin, with piano trio
- **Wednesday, Feb. 26:** TBA

- **Sunday, March 23:** Daniela Shtereva, violin, with piano trio
- **Sunday, April 20:** Dickie Fleischer, harp, with harp duo
- **Sunday, May 18:** Susie Kelly, cello, with piano accompaniment
- **June:** Reward concert for season ticket holders (date TBA)

Tickets are \$30 each or \$240 for all nine concerts. Seating is limited. The Violin Shop of Naples, one of four affiliates with the Violin Shop of Miami, is at 16355 Vanderbilt Drive in Bonita Springs. For more information, call 947-2925 or visit [www.violinshopmiami.com](http://www.violinshopmiami.com).

## Take your act on the road to Fifth Avenue South events

The Fifth Avenue South Business Improvement District is seeking community organizations to participate in the third annual Halloween Spooktacular on Fifth and the 39th annual Christmas Walk & Tree Lighting Ceremony on Fifth.

Halloween Spooktacular on Fifth takes place Thursday, Oct. 31. Children's activities, including trick-or-treating at Fifth Avenue businesses and the Shamrock Bank kids' costume contest, will be held from 4:30-7 p.m.; adult and pet costume contests, live music, a street dance and a giant movie screen, will commence at 6:30 p.m. and continue

until 9:30 p.m. The BID is seeking non-profit groups and community organizations to provide kid and family-friendly activities from 4:30-9:30 p.m.

The Christmas Walk & Tree Lighting Ceremony on Fifth takes place from 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 5, and includes holiday performances by area schools and local entertainers, the lighting of the Christmas tree by Mayor John Sorey and a visit from Santa. The BID is seeking participation from choral groups, school and church vocal and bell choirs.

For more information, call Elle Young at 692-8436 or e-mail [Elle@FifthAvenueSouth.com](mailto:Elle@FifthAvenueSouth.com).

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# WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

## Theater

■ **You Say Tomato, I Say Shut Up!** – Sept. 19-Nov. 2 at The Off Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or [www.broadwaypalm.com](http://www.broadwaypalm.com).

■ **Burt & Me** – Through Oct. 5 at Broadway Palm Theatre, Fort Myers. 278-4422 or [www.broadwaypalm.com](http://www.broadwaypalm.com). See review on page C8.

## Thursday, Sept. 19

■ **Wine & Dezine** – Create your own masterpiece while sipping on wine at The von Leibig Art Center from 6-9 p.m. Art supplies and refreshments provided. \$50 for local residents, \$75 for others. 262-6517 or [www.naplesart.org](http://www.naplesart.org).

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

■ **Rockin' Country** – The Grayson Rogers Band plays from 8-11 p.m. at Fred's Food, Fun & Spirits. 2700 Immokalee Road. 431-7928 or [www.fredsnaples.com](http://www.fredsnaples.com).

■ **A Stand-Up Guy** – Guy Torry takes the stage tonight through Sept. 22 at the Off the Hook Comedy Club, Marco Island. 389-6901 or [www.offthehookcomedy.com](http://www.offthehookcomedy.com).

## Friday, Sept. 20

■ **Here's to Beer** – Tour Naples Beach Brewery from 4-8 p.m. today and 3-7 p.m. Sept. 21. \$15 gets the guided tour and samples of six craft beers. 4110 Enterprise Ave. 304-8795 or [www.naplesbeachbrewery.com](http://www.naplesbeachbrewery.com).

■ **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.

■ **Full Moon Friday** – Get down for "A Night at the Roxbury," a '90s-style dance party beginning at 8 p.m. at Tavern on the Bay. 530-2225.

■ **Movie Under the Stars** – Catch a free screening of the family-friendly "Hotel Transylvania" beginning at 8:30 p.m. at Gulf Coast Town Center. [www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com](http://www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com).

■ **More Music** – Tantrum performs from 7-10 p.m. at the Old Marco Pub & Restaurant. 1105 Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island. 642-9700 or [www.oldmarcopub.com](http://www.oldmarcopub.com).

■ **Live Jam** – Generation Gap takes the stage from 8-11 p.m. at Weekend Willie's. 5310 Shirley St. 597-3333 or [www.weekendwillies.com](http://www.weekendwillies.com).

## Saturday, Sept. 21

■ **Hit Like A Girl** – Title Boxing Club offers a one-hour family fitness class for a donation of \$10 to Making Strides Against Breast Cancer starting at 11:30 a.m. 2349 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 963-8585.

■ **Tigertail Cleanup** – Join the Ocean Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup effort at Tigertail Beach on Marco Island from 8 a.m. to noon. 389-5003.

■ **Live Tunes** – Event Horizon performs from 3-6 p.m. at Jack's River Bar at Naples Harbour. 213-1441 or [www.jacksriverbarnaples.com](http://www.jacksriverbarnaples.com).



The Betty Fox Band brings blues and funk-infused soul to the beach for the final show in the 28th season of SummerJazz on the Gulf at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. The free concert on the lawn begins at 7 p.m. Sept. 21. Led by fiery songstress Betty Fox, the band was voted Tampa/St. Petersburg's Best Local Blues Act by Creative Loafing. Bring a blanket or lawn chair, but no coolers please. 261-2222 or [www.naplesbeachhotel.com](http://www.naplesbeachhotel.com).

■ **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](mailto:wk@kellerpublishing.com).

■ **Fun for Kids** – The Boys & Girls Club of Collier County hosts a "Day for Kids" from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. with face painting, a dunk tank, bounce house and obstacle course. Free. 7500 Davis Blvd. 325-1700 or [www.bgccc.com](http://www.bgccc.com).

■ **Day of Play** – The Golisano Children's Museum of Naples hosts "Worldwide Day of Play" from 1:30-4:30 p.m. with an assortment of simple inside and outside activities for children of all ages. 15080 Livingston Road. 514-0084 or [www.cmon.org](http://www.cmon.org).

■ **Party in Purple** – The Next Generation Purple Party to benefit The Shelter for Abused Women & Children starts at 7 p.m. at Café Lurcat and includes Motown music by the Greg Miller Band. \$40. 775-3862 or [www.naplesshelter.org](http://www.naplesshelter.org).

■ **It Takes Two** – Alicia Repun leads a tango class from 7-8 p.m. followed by milongo for all levels until 11 p.m. \$15. 1673 Pine Ridge Road. 738-4184 or [www.pabllorepuntango.com](http://www.pabllorepuntango.com).

■ **Summer Jazz** – The Naples Beach Hotel presents the Betty Fox Band as part of its "SummerJazz" concert series from 7-10 p.m. on Watkins Lawn. Free. 851 Gulf Shore Blvd. N. 261-2222 or [www.naplesbeachhotel.com](http://www.naplesbeachhotel.com).

■ **To The Beat** – Artis-Naples presents Percussion Summit 2013 with percussionists from the Naples Philharmonic, Florida Orchestra, Jacksonville Symphony, Orlando Philharmonic and special guests Ruben Alvarez and Danny Raymond at 8 p.m. 597-1900 or [www.artisnaples.org](http://www.artisnaples.org).

■ **Outdoor Entertainment** – LiveWire performs from 8-10 p.m. under the stars at Gulf Coast Town Center. Free. 267-0783 or [www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com](http://www.gulfcoasttowncenter.com).

## Sunday, Sept. 22

■ **Yoga for the Y** – Head to Seagate Beach at 9 a.m. and bend, stretch and breathe all for a donation to benefit the YMCA. (312) 505-9642.

■ **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. 740 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 389-4511 or [www.cjsonthebay.com](http://www.cjsonthebay.com).

■ **Live Reggae** – The Sheffield Crew perform reggae tunes beginning 9:30 p.m. at South Street City Oven Bar & Grill. 1410 Pine Ridge Road. 435-9333 or [www.southstreetnaples.com](http://www.southstreetnaples.com).

■ **Sunday Tunes** – Kirk Mcfee performs at Vandy's & 5 Brothers starting at 11:30 p.m. 1089 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 394-8767.

## Monday, Sept. 23

■ **Dry & Shine** – The public is invited to a wine-and-cheese party to celebrate a new hair-drying system designed by Jeffrey Hall of Cottage 840 Salon from 4-8 p.m. at the Marriot Courtyard. 3250 Tamiami Trail N.

■ **Movie Night** – The Center for the Arts of Bonita Springs presents a screening and discussion of "A Heart in Winter" beginning at 7 p.m. \$9. 26100 Old 41 Road. 495-8989 or [www.artcenterbonita.org](http://www.artcenterbonita.org).

■ **Live Jam** – Devon Meyers takes the stage at 11:30 p.m. at Vandy's & 5 Brothers. 1089 N. Collier Blvd., Marco Island. 394-8767.

## Tuesday, Sept. 24

■ **Live Tunes** – Mudbone performs from 8-11 p.m. at Weekend Willies. 5310 Shirley St. 597-3333 or [www.weekendwillies.com](http://www.weekendwillies.com).

■ **Drab to Fab** – Clive Daniel Interior Designers Myra Cogen and Christina Rosalia discuss tips and designs for refreshing and updating your condo space at 2 p.m. 2777 Tamiami Trail N. Free. Registration required. 213-7844 or [www.clivedaniel.com](http://www.clivedaniel.com).

## Wednesday, Sept. 25

■ **Local History** – Florida Weekly history columnist Maureen Sullivan-Hartung presents "Beer Worms, Square Grouper & Indians, Oh My! The Hidden History of Everglades City" at 2 p.m. at the Collier County Museum. 252-8476 or [www.colliermuseums.com](http://www.colliermuseums.com).

■ **Tequila Dinner** – Agave hosts a four-course tequila dinner featuring Cabo Wabo Tequila at 6 p.m. 598-3473 or [www.agavenaples.com](http://www.agavenaples.com).

## Coming up

■ **Village Nights** – The Village on Venetian Bay hosts live entertainment from 5-8 p.m. Sept. 26. [www.venetianvillage.com](http://www.venetianvillage.com).

■ **Here's to 'Ding'** – The Gallery on Fifth at Mercato hosts a one-night-only exhibit of sketches, cartoons and artwork by J.N. "Ding" Darling from 6-8 p.m. Sept. 26. The evening is a benefit for WGPU Public Media. \$50. 590-2361.

■ **Cook's Corner** – Chef Kristina San Filippo of The Good Life hosts a "Sultry Days of Summer" cooking class from 6-8 p.m. Sept. 26 \$60. 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 514-4663 or [www.goodlifenas.com](http://www.goodlifenas.com).

■ **Fashion for Her** – A fashion show to benefit Making Strides Against Breast Cancer takes place from 6-8 p.m. Sept. 27 at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. \$75 general admission, \$100 VIP. 254-9995, ext. 218, or [events@mediavista.tv](mailto:events@mediavista.tv).

■ **Music in Naples Park** – Naples Park After Dark presents the bands Agent 13 and The Falldowns starting at 9 p.m. Sept. 27 at Grumpy's Ale House. 566-3200.

# WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

■ **Palm Cottage** – Historic Palm Cottage, home of the Naples Historical Society, celebrates National Museum Day with BOGO admission from 1-4 p.m. Sept. 28. \$10 for two includes admission the new archival viewing center where visitors can peruse computer archives of historic photos and documents. 137 12th Ave. S. 261-8164 or www.napleshistoricalsociety.org.

■ **National Museum Day** – Naples Depot Museum celebrates National Museum Day with educational activities, vintage cars, face painting, carriage rides and more from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 28. 262-6525 or www.colliermuseums.com.

■ **Pool Party & Sunset** – VITAS Innovative Hospice Care celebrates its anniversary with a sunset stroll and pool party at Sun-N-Fun Lagoon from 6-9 p.m. Sept. 28. Free. 15000 Livingston Road. 649-2300 or www.vitas.com/florida.

■ **Family Concert** – The Naples Philharmonic Orchestra performs a fast-paced family-friendly concert at 3 p.m. Sept. 29 at Hayes Hall. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

■ **Here's What's Cookin'** – The Good Life of Naples hosts a cooking class featuring seafood dishes with Chef Kristina San Filippo from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 2. \$75. Reservations required. 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 514-4663 or www.goodlifefl.com.

■ **Mercato Nights** – Mercato hosts a free concert featuring the band Pub Mustard from 6-9 p.m. Oct. 3. www.mercatoshops.com.

■ **The Great Race** – Naples Regional Library hosts a free screening of "The Great Race" (USA, 1965) at 2 p.m. Oct. 3. 650 Central Ave. Registration required. 263-7768 or www.colliergov.net/library.

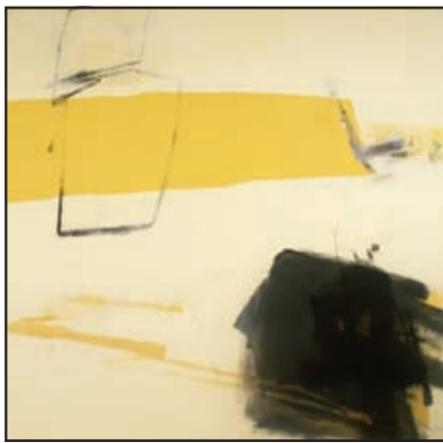
■ **Live & Local** – Artis—Naples presents a concert by the Wholetones as part of its Live & Local series at 7 p.m. Oct. 3 at the Daniels Pavilion. \$10/Person. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

■ **Venus in Fur** – Gulfshore Playhouse opens its ninth season with David Ives' provocative new comedy, "Venus in Fur," at 8 p.m. Oct. 4. The show runs through Oct. 20. (866) 811-4111 or www.gulfshoreplayhouse.org.

■ **Raptor Rapture** – Headquarters Regional Library hosts a presentation on Florida birds of prey at 2 p.m. Oct. 8. 2385 Orange Blossom Drive. Registration required. 593-0177 or www.colliergov.net/library.

■ **Turtle Presentation** – Education specialist and marine biologist David Graff discusses his work with loggerhead turtles at 2 p.m. Oct. 9 at the Marco Island Historical Museum. Free. 180 S. Heathwood Drive, Marco Island. 389-6447 or www.themihs.com.

■ **Trailer Talk** – The Naples Players opens the new season with "The Great American Trailer Park Musical" at 8 p.m. Oct. 9. The show runs through Nov. 2. 263-7990 or www.naples-players.org.



Trudy Labell Fine Art introduces four new artists this season. Clockwise from top left are: "Inland Crossing" by Hyunmee Lee, "Rise" by Stephen Fox, "Johnson" by Sarah Williams and "Apple Blossoms" by Robert Strifolino. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. 2425 Tamiami Trail N. 434-7778 or www.trudylabelfineart.com.

■ **Book Talk** – Headquarters Regional Library hosts a discussion about Morgan Llywelyn's "1921" at 2 p.m. Oct. 10. 2385 Orange Blossom Drive. Registration required. 593-0177 or www.colliergov.net/library.

■ **The Haunting** – Naples Regional Library hosts a free screening of "The Haunting" (UK, 1963) at 2 p.m. Oct. 10. 650 Central Ave. Registration required. 263-7768 or www.colliergov.net/library.

■ **Under Wraps** – Seminole Immokalee Casino welcomes the Nashville-based funk band Here Come the Mum-

mies at 8 p.m. Oct. 12. www.seminoleimmokaleecasino.com.

■ **Brew Ha-Ha** – Mercato hosts the second annual Brew Ha-Ha Craft Beer Festival starting at noon Oct. 19 to benefit Ronald McDonald Charities of Southwest Florida. ■

— Submit calendar listings and high-resolution photos to events@floridaweekly.com. E-mail text, jpegs or Word documents are accepted. No pdfs or photos of fliers. The deadline for calendar submissions is noon Sunday.



Ruben Alvarez, above, and Danny Raymond perform as special guests at Percussion Summit 2013 at 8 p.m. Sept. 21 at Artis—Naples. They will be joined by percussionists from the Naples Philharmonic, Florida Orchestra, Jacksonville Symphony and Orlando Philharmonic. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

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## ARTS COMMENTARY

## In love with Burt and wooing the girl



Who doesn't love the music of Burt Bacharach and Hal David?

For many, the duo provided the soundtrack for their lives.

For a younger generation, Mr. Bacharach is the composer they were introduced to via the Austin Powers movies.

Joe (John Ramsey), the lead character in "Burt and Me," falls into the former category. Growing up in the '60s, he's more passionate about Mr. Bacharach's music than he is about basketball.

Who's Burt Bacharach? he's asked.

"The greatest composer of our time," he declares.

"Burt and Me," playing at the Broadway Palm Theatre through Oct. 5, is a jukebox musical featuring the music of Mr. Bacharach and Mr. David. The book, written by Larry McKenna, is more cute than clever, but he manages to weave the famous songs into the action in a way that doesn't seem overly contrived.

Next to seeing Dionne Warwick in concert — or Mr. Bacharach himself — this is the best way to hear the music, song after glorious song: "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?" "Wishin' and Hopin'," "The Look of Love," "Walk On By," "I Say a Little Prayer for You," "I'll Never Fall in Love Again." The show contains 20 of the duo's hits (I wish Mr. McKenna had somehow found a way to work in "Anyone Who Had a Heart").

The opening number — "Always Something There to Remind Me" — is a little rough. I couldn't tell if it was the arrangement or the blend of these particular voices. But the renditions improve.

Performing such unique songs can be a challenge, not only because of their irregular phrasing and changing meters, but because the originals are so well known to everyone that it's difficult not to compare. Burt Bacharach/Hal David tunes have been performed by a wide range of people, including Isaac Hayes, Love, Jackie DeShannon, BJ Thomas, Tom Jones, Naked Eyes, Dusty Springfield and of course, Dionne Warwick, who had hit after hit after hit with their songs. The actors have to make the songs their own and make us believe that they believe the lyrics.



"Burt and Me" follows the classic plot: Boy meets Girl, Boy gets Girl, Boy loses Girl, Boy and Girl reunite.

Joe is an appropriate name for the lead character, as he's a regular Joe, an Everyman the audience can relate to. Mr. Ramsey has a lovely tenor and carries the show, narrating it and speaking directly to the audience. He's winsome and engaging, a likeable character.

Kate Marshall plays Lacey, Joe's love interest. She's sweet, but unfortunately, because of how the show is written, we don't get to know her as well. We get to know all about Joe, his thoughts and feelings, but not that much about Lacey.

But when given the spotlight, Ms. Marshall shines in numbers such as "One Less Bell to Answer" and "Knowing When to Leave."

Five other actors back the two leads. Rendell DeBose and Sheira Feuerstein seem to be there purely as comedic foils. Two other actors, Sami Doherty and Taylor Murphy Hale, are underutilized and seem to be there just as two more bodies onstage.

Chuck Caruso, the cast's seventh member, plays a variety of roles, including Joe's father, a bartender, a nun and a priest who conducts the high school chorus.

Choreographer/director Amy Marie McCleary has incorporated various dances into the choreography, such as the Jerk, the Hitchhiker, the Twist and the Cha-Cha, but at times I wish the dancers had shown more exuberance.

The dancing and staging is hampered by a lack of space. A five-piece band, led by pianist/music director Loren Strickland, has been placed mid-stage, which doesn't give the actors very much room. (The band sounds great, and includes a trumpet and trombone, which play such a big part in many of the songs.)



This musical is at its best when the songs aren't performed for comedic effect.

The show would've been funnier if the actors had found the humanity in their characters. Perhaps Ms. McCleary directed them to play the humor broadly, but it makes the show weaker. Ms. Feuerstein, as Joe's piano teacher, is more caricature than character. The humor is very broad, almost Catskill shtick. However, the audience seemed to love her, and she even received exit applause on the night I attended. Ms. Feuerstein also sounds as if she's a belter; I wonder if her talents would be better utilized in a different type of musical.

Mr. DeBose's energy onstage is almost off the charts. I wish he, too, had toned it down a bit. It's as if he's had a couple of gallons of Red Bull before going on stage. Energy is great, but not when it's out of proportion with everything else going on.

But Mr. DeBose has a great moment when, role-playing with Joe, who wants to ask Lacey to the prom, he throws a yellow sweater on his head and pre-

tends to be Lacey.

Like the minimalist set (by Tom Prather), the costumes (by Tom Conti) are functional (chinos and button-downs or polo shirts for the men).

Set in the '60s, the show has rotary phones and also references Nehru jackets, "Petticoat Junction" and Elvis.

Though Mr. David the lyricist is mentioned, he's not highlighted (the show, after all, is called "Burt and Me," not "Burt and Hal and Me"). Yes, Mr. Bacharach's music is magical, but Mr. David wrote such clever lyrics. For example, in "I'll Never Fall In Love Again," the singer declares that she's through with love. But then Mr. David slips this phrase in: "So for at least, until tomorrow/I'll never fall in love again," which leads you to believe that this is just a temporary setback and despite all frustrations, hope springs eternal.

Or, the way "Do You Know the Way to San Jose?" describes L.A. as a car-centric culture ("L.A. is a great big freeway/Put a hundred down and buy a car"). It embraces youthful hope ("In a week, maybe two, they'll make you a star") while also acknowledging the hard realities ("And all the stars/Who never were/Are parking cars and pumping gas") while also, once again, talking about cars. Ultimately, it's a song about returning home after failing to find fame.

As jukebox musicals go, "Burt and Me" is a pleasant one. It's not in same stratosphere as "Jersey Boys" or "Million Dollar Quartet," but it's not inane like "Mama Mia."

The second act, when they tone down the shtick, is much stronger than the first. It contains some lovely moments, especially when Joe and Lacey sing together.

If you love the music of Mr. Bacharach and Mr. David, you will most likely enjoy this musical. It's not Ms. Warwick or Dusty Springfield, but it's an opportunity to hear 20 classic Bacharach/David songs, including a good handful from "Promises, Promises." ■

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# Longtime executive director set to retire from The Naples Players

Jim Rideoutte will retire as executive director of The Naples Players effective Dec. 31, and John Sorey has been named his successor. The announcement was made this week by Claire Skinner, president of the Players board of directors.

"After 20 years, 14 as executive director, I will leave with immense pride in our organization, its people and what we have accomplished," Mr. Rideoutte said in his retirement letter to the board.

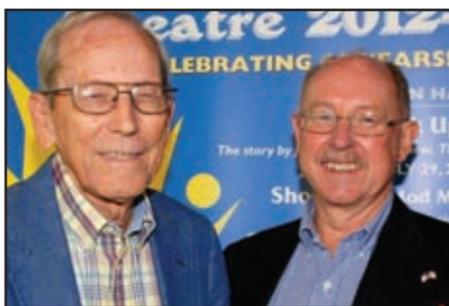
A native of Columbia, S.C., Mr. Rideoutte served as an Internal Revenue Service executive for 32 years before retiring to Naples in 1989. After serving on the Players board for several years, became executive director in 2001.

He is a graduate of the Greater Naples Leadership program and was the GNL 2003 selection for the Parke Wright III Award for Community Service. He was selected as one of the 2001 Men & Women of the Year by Gulfshore Life magazine and in 2007 received a Stars in the Arts award from the United Arts Council. In 2011 he received the Naples City Council's Sam Noe Award for exceptional volunteer service to the city.

Ms. Skinner said Mr. Rideoutte leaves the company in "an excellent position, with a solid financial base, a dedicated staff of employees and more than 400 volunteers."

A resident of Naples since 1998, Mr. Sorey was elected mayor in 2012. He has served on the Players board for 15 years and is a former board president. He has also chaired the theater's endowment committee and the strategic planning committee and has served numerous terms on the nominating committee.

The Naples Players stages more than 220 performances a year in the 326-seat



Jim Rideoutte, left, and John Sorey at the Sugden Community Theatre last season.

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- **IN THE TOBYE STUDIO**  
**Oct. 30-Nov. 23:** "The Mystery of Irma Vep"  
**Feb. 5-March 1:** "Good People"  
**March 26-April 19:** "Distracted"

Subscriptions are \$150 for Blackburn Hall and \$60 for the Tobye Studio. Single tickets are \$35 and \$25, respectively.

For more information, call the box office at 263-7990 or visit [www.naplesplayers.org](http://www.naplesplayers.org).

# PUZZLE ANSWERS



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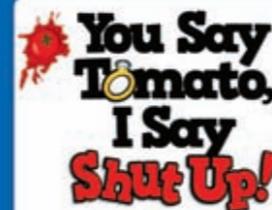


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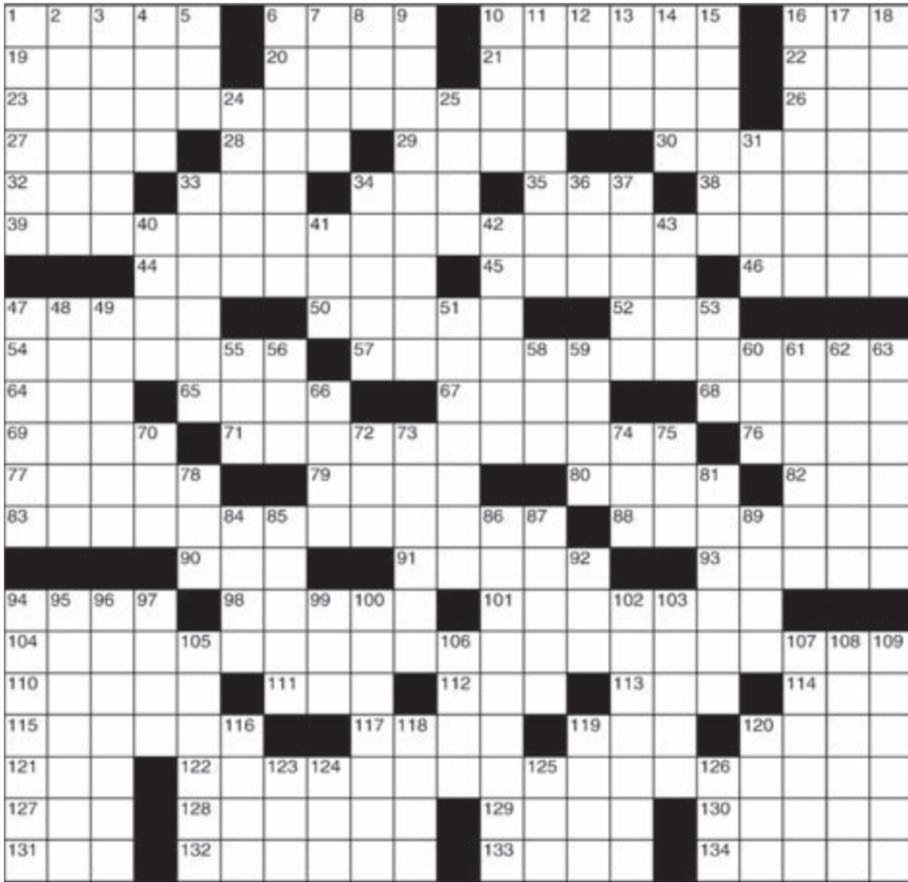
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- 1 Plot anew
  - 6 Huffed and puffed
  - 10 Droid rival
  - 16 Letters after C
  - 19 Puccini work
  - 20 Lady — Chaplin
  - 21 Actor Lon of chillers
  - 22 Yale Bowl yell
  - 23 Start of a riddle
  - 26 Actor Affleck
  - 27 Work units, in 11-Down
  - 28 BlackBerry device, e.g., for short
  - 29 Floppy parts of a beagle
  - 30 Youth's opposite
  - 32 Partner of neither
  - 33 Puccini's "O — babbino caro"
  - 34 Miss the mark
  - 35 Adherent: Suffix
  - 38 I's, in Athens
  - 39 Riddle, part 2
  - 44 Retired female professor
  - 45 Metropolis of Japan
  - 46 Funny Johnson
  - 47 Biblical song
  - 50 One sparring
  - 52 Rio's car maker
  - 54 Actor Tony
  - 57 Riddle, part 3
  - 64 Suffix with pay or play
  - 65 Bread buy
  - 67 Shoulder of a road
  - 68 Hooting baby bird
  - 69 Hollow
  - 71 Riddle, part 4
  - 76 Entwined
  - 77 Behave theatrically
  - 79 Feline cry
  - 80 Kosovo resident
  - 82 Vote "for"
  - 83 Riddle, part 5
  - 88 Revised, as text
  - 90 Dove noise
  - 91 Unbusy bee
  - 93 Sloppy
  - 94 Ladder part
  - 98 Explorer — da Gama
  - 101 Hockey great Mario
  - 104 End of the riddle
  - 110 Trendily dated
  - 111 Woodcutting tool
  - 112 "So nasty!"
  - 113 Pindaric poem
  - 114 A fire sign
  - 115 Melodious
  - 117 Actress Olin
  - 119 Haloed Fr. woman
  - 120 Spurt
  - 121 Abbr. in co. names
  - 122 Riddle's answer
  - 127 Leisure shirt
  - 128 Bee or flea
  - 129 Axel or lutz
  - 130 Word with city or circle
  - 131 Part of OS: Abbr.
  - 132 Capital of Kansas
  - 133 — terrier
  - 134 Feats of skill
- DOWN**
- 1 Ivanhoe's ladylove
  - 2 Screenwriter
  - 3 Scant, to a Brit
  - 4 Part of M.A.
  - 5 "— Man Fever"
  - 6 Woman's bedroom
  - 7 Former Vegas star
  - 8 Terminus
  - 9 Passenger-transporting motorboat
  - 10 Champagne bucket
  - 11 Nobel Prize category
  - 12 — Solo
  - 13 — scale of 1 to 10
  - 14 Sci-fi mariner
  - 15 It has lashes
  - 16 Participant in an arguing contest
  - 17 Posh
  - 18 Savoir-faire
  - 24 Voice a view
  - 25 Rabbit kin
  - 31 TV "explorer"
  - 33 Warm-blooded one
  - 34 Consume, Bible-style
  - 36 "Na Na" lead-in
  - 37 Chicken — masala (Indian dish)
  - 40 Fuse
  - 41 1997 sci-fi spoof, briefly
  - 42 Projecting window
  - 43 Milk, in Metz
  - 47 Innocent until — guilty
  - 48 Deli staple
  - 49 Alternative to digital
  - 51 Person jostling someone in jest
  - 53 — -Z (thorough)
  - 55 Park place?
  - 56 "Well, — -di-dah!"
  - 58 Hear legally
  - 59 Medical ins. plans
  - 60 "So nasty!"
  - 61 Big London insurer
  - 62 Flood zone structures
  - 63 Unwavering
  - 66 U.S. disaster relief org.
  - 70 Ordinal number ending
  - 72 Stitch up
  - 73 Rattled out
  - 74 Doctor's charge
  - 75 It has triceps
  - 78 List finisher: Abbr.
  - 81 Mystify
  - 84 Harbor inlet
  - 85 Lion sounds
  - 86 Attendance-checking routines
  - 87 Skulk around
  - 89 Subsequent
  - 92 They precede ens
  - 94 Narrow ship passages
  - 95 "Laura" star Gene
  - 96 Leads on
  - 97 Firebug
  - 99 Org. issuing nine-digit IDs
  - 100 Unruly patch of hair
  - 102 Related element form
  - 103 Quilt stuffing note
  - 106 "If it — broke ..."
  - 107 Like Swiss peaks
  - 108 Not optional
  - 109 High-rises
  - 116 "How awful!"
  - 118 Jazz singer James
  - 119 Totter
  - 120 Clearheaded
  - 123 Sci-fi talent
  - 124 Director
  - 125 "I see mice!"
  - 126 Prefix with life or size

SEE ANSWERS, C9

## HOROSCOPES

■ **VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)** A health problem should not be ignored. The sooner you check it out, the sooner you can deal with it and then move on. Some job advice comes from an unlikely source.

■ **LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)** A relationship takes an unexpected shift that could leave you puzzled and hurt. Asking for an explanation could help uncover the reason for this sudden turn of events.

■ **SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)** Your busy schedule has drawn down much of your energy levels. Restore them by spending a well-earned time out enjoying the arts -- perhaps with that special someone.

■ **SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)** Make that presentation with confidence. Remember: When you show you believe in yourself, it helps persuade others that you truly know what you're doing.

■ **CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)** Although you usually prefer doing things on your own, a group effort might be advisable at this time. Try to keep an open mind about suggestions from colleagues.

■ **AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)** This could be a good time to reassess some of your recent decisions and see if any adjustments should be made based on facts that you might have just uncovered.

■ **PISCES (February 19 to March 20)** An emotionally charged situation

creates uncertainty about the future of your relationship. Best advice: Talk things out while there's still time to reach a new understanding.

■ **ARIES (March 21 to April 19)** You might need to get more facts to help you work out those problems with your new project. As always, a friendly approach shows the charming Arian at his or her persuasive best.

■ **TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)** Information is what energizes ambition, and this is a good time for the ambitious Bovine to expand his or her range of knowledge and to be ready for the challenges that lie ahead.

■ **GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)** This is a good time to consider making some long-overdue decorating changes at home or in your workplace. A splash of color can help raise spirits, even on the grayest day.

■ **CANCER (June 21 to July 22)** Learn more. Earn more. That's the formula for Moon Children looking to expand their career horizons. Investigate the best places to get those training courses you'll need.

■ **LEO (July 23 to August 22)** Your creative side helps gain attention for many of your ideas. But don't neglect the practical aspects involved in implementing their move from paper to production. Good luck.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You tend to act on matters of principle despite what others might advise. ■

By Linda Thistle

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# LATEST FILMS

## 'Insidious: Chapter 2'

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Quick: Name the last horror movie sequel that was better than its original.

If you're drawing a blank, that's expected. Many sequels falter in trying to recreate the appeal of the original while bringing novelty to a new story. Horror movies especially struggle with this because there are only so many ways a premise can offer scares.

So while "Insidious: Chapter 2" does take the story in a logical direction and evokes some solid grab-the-person-next-to-you jumps, it's not quite up to par with what director James Wan ("The Conjuring") accomplished with "Insidious" in 2010. Still, fans of the original and true horror aficionados will not mind spending money to see it on the big screen.

After a brief prologue shows important events from patriarch Josh's childhood in the '80s, "Insidious: Chapter 2" picks up right where the first chapter left off, with a possessed Josh (Patrick Wilson) having just killed psychic Elise (Lin Shaye), and Josh's wife Renai (Rose Byrne) in shock. Unfortunately, demons have followed Josh and Renai's son Dalton (Ty Simpkins) back from the Further (a purgatory-type setting in which demons reside and attempt to latch onto humans and rejoin the living), and a move to Grandma Lorraine's (Barbara Hershey) house doesn't help.

The middle portion of the story follows Renai as she's driven crazy by a self-playing piano, ghosts in the house and baby Kali (Brynn and Madison Bowie) inexplicably falling out of her crib.

Ranai also suspects Josh is extremely dangerous, but has no idea how to address the issue. Meanwhile, Lorraine enlists the help of Specs (writer Leigh Whannell) and Tucker (Angus Sampson) to figure out who (or what) killed Elise. With the help of Elise's old friend Carl (Steve Coulter), this path takes some interesting directions that add clarity to the events of the first film while nicely lending substance to this story as well.

The clear three-act structure feels a bit regimented, and given that the film gets better toward the end, it's hard to call

the structure a success. To his credit, Mr. Wan does well in creating an ominous atmosphere of gloom; little touches such as red light on the staircase and smash zoom shots (the camera zooms in while it simultaneously moves back, or vice versa) create an unsettling feeling of dread. This is exactly what we should feel, which leaves it up to the story to complete our satisfaction.

There are some good scares and freaky moments, but what I found interesting about "Insidious: Chapter 2" is that it plays like a drama at times, with legitimate family dysfunction and life-or-death



circumstances keeping tension high. This is a good thing, because it means Mr. Wan isn't relying solely on scare tactics for the film to be effective.

That said, the final impact is underwhelming. The slow start does it no favors, and although it makes sense conceptually as a sequel, it still recycles too many bits from the original (psychic table reading, trouble in the Further, etc.) to feel dynamic and new.

"Insidious: Chapter 2" is far from awful, but you need to keep your expectations in check. ■

in the know

>> As in the first "Insidious," watch the opening credits of "Insidious: Chapter 2" closely for the foreshadowing they provide.

# CAPSULES

### 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.

### The World's End ★★☆☆

(Simon Pegg, Nick Frost, Rosamund Pike) Five old friends reunite in a sleepy English town to finish the pub crawl they began 20 years earlier, only to find out alien robots have taken over the bodies of the locals. The comedy doesn't hit the way

it needs to. It's as if the writers (Mr. Pegg and Mr. Frost) know how to write jokes for drunk dudes at a bar, but are notably less comfortable/competent when it comes to alien invasion comedy. Rated R.

### Elysium ★★☆☆

(Matt Damon, Jodie Foster, Diego Luna) In 2154, poor people live in the decrepit wasteland of Earth while the wealthy live on "Elysium," an idyllic spaceship oasis just outside Earth's atmosphere. Earth worker Max (Mr. Damon) needs to get to Elysium — where Earthlings are not allowed — or he'll die of radiation poisoning. The production design and visual effects look great and the story is intense throughout. Rated R. ■

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# AUDITION CALLS

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The season includes three pairs of concerts as well as holy week performances. Rehearsals are Saturday mornings for the orchestra and Monday evenings for the chorus. All concerts and rehearsals take place at Lely High School.

Audition appointments are required and can be made by e-mailing Donna Sharak at [dmsarak@comcast.net](mailto:dmsarak@comcast.net) for the chorus and Marcia Reff at [marciareff@naples.net](mailto:marciareff@naples.net) for the orchestra.

For more information about the organization, visit [www.naplesorchestraandchorus.org](http://www.naplesorchestraandchorus.org).

■ 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 roles later productions.

Auditions will take place Saturday afternoon, Oct. 26, for "Black Tie," the A.R. Gurney comedy that will be on stage Jan. 15-Feb. 8. 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 will 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 afternoon, 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 Tobye Studio. Rehearsals will begin Dec. 16, and performances will be Feb. 5-March 1.

For more information, including audition dates for late-season shows on the main stage and in the Tobye Studio, visit [www.naples-players.org/auditions](http://www.naples-players.org/auditions).

■ Singers 18 years and older are invited to try out for the **Naples Philharmonic Chorus** from 5-7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church. Appointments are required and can be scheduled by calling 592-5398.

The volunteer chorus participates in pops and classical concerts each season alongside the Naples Philharmonic. The group rehearses from 7-9 p.m. every Tuesday. Performances for the 2013-14 season are as follows: 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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## FLORIDA WRITERS

## A spy thriller that rings with important issues for young adults

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■ **“Two Lies and a Spy” by Kat Carlton. Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers. 256 pages. Hardcover \$16.99.**

Karina (“Kari”) Andrews is not your ordinary teenager, though she has the normal teenage angst about boys, her appearance and high school. What makes her unusual and interesting is that Kari, 16, is the daughter of parents who work undercover operations for the CIA. Coincidentally, she goes to a fancy prep school in Washington, D.C., where she has a crush on Luke Carson, whose father just happens to head the agency.

Kari has advanced martial arts skills, knows how to hastily improvise a disguise and is a shrewd problem-solver. She has confidence, energy and a strong sense of loyalty. All of this is tested when she receives a code text-message from her father that sends her into action. The message suggests a threat to the family. Kari has previously received instructions on what to do, where to go and what to bring if she ever receives such word from her dad.

Taking charge of her younger brother Charlie, a computer geek who reads encyclopedia articles for entertain-

ment, Kari is befriended by two men who at first seem to be colleagues of her parents, but turn out to be would-be abductors. She discovers the men are trying to capture her and Charlie as a way of gaining leverage against their parents, now perceived as Russian double-agents working against U.S. interests.

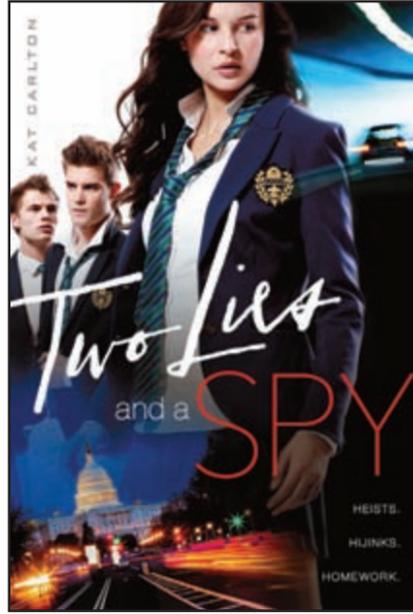
With Kari and Charlie’s mom, Irene, locked up in a CIA secret prison, and their dad, Cal, missing, Kari rallies her forces in an attempt to prove her parents’ innocence and rescue her mother. The interaction of the teenagers is as powerful an ingredient as the thriller premise.

One of Kari’s gang, Rita, is an expert hacker. Kale goes to a public school and is from a working-class background. Kari’s friend from martial arts classes, Kale plays a major role in the rescue effort and also in the adolescent class warfare when he runs into conflict with Luke’s snooty sister, Lacey.

Lacey is a slutty femme fatale addicted to her own appearance and bewildered by Kari’s inability to take fashion

or makeup seriously. She’s not much help in the group’s quest.

Evan, a misplaced Brit, is an outsider who has somehow attached himself to this group. He seems a bit older and a bit wiser, but his way of playing the battle of insults with the others, especially Kari, seems immature enough even while witty. But there’s more to Evan that I can’t reveal. I can tell you, however, that he’s quite attracted to Kari, even though she keeps fawning over gentlemanly Luke — yes, Luke, the All-American boy who is somehow persuaded to lead the gang to his father’s CIA computer so that they can find out what’s going on with



Kari’s parents.

Chases, fights, close calls, witty banter, disguises and lots of brainy insights from young Charlie make for plenty of fun and a lot of scares. Tension builds effectively, and the characters ring true, emotionally, as credible teen types.

However, credibility is not the novel’s strong point. The plot points are

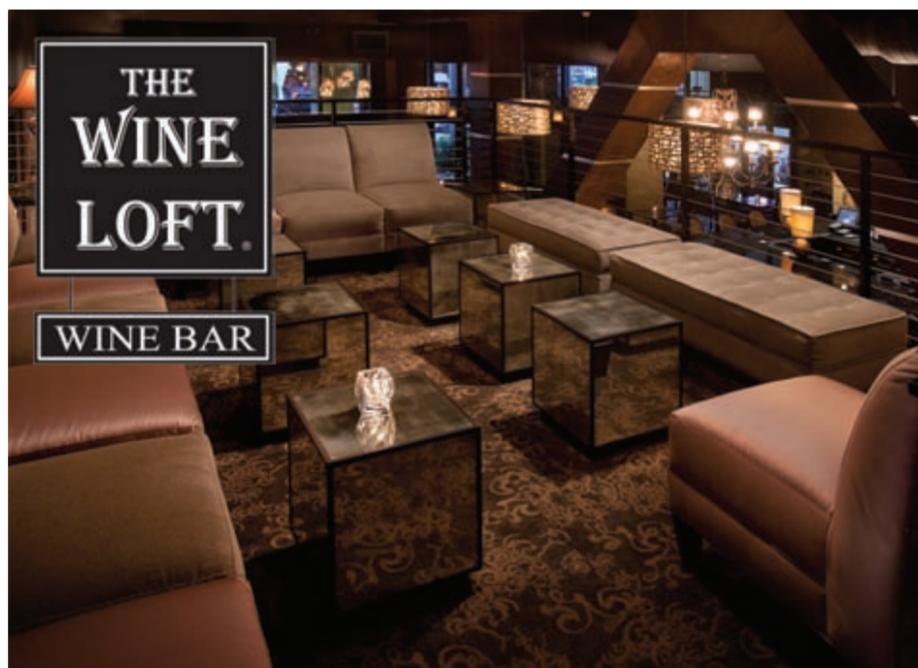
pleasant concoctions, but they are highly implausible. Not to worry. Let’s just call it a kind of super-teen fantasy and enjoy the ride. In fact, that’s just what the author expects her target audience to do.

Your dedicated, loyal reviewer worried briefly about the 14-year-olds to whom “Two Lies and a Spy” will be marketed. Is it too violent, too sexy, too foul-mouthed or too improbable? Then I spent a few hours with my 13-year-old granddaughter and realized, once again, that today’s teenagers are, in some ways, very grown up and enjoy edgy fantasy lives.

The good news is that author Kat Carlton, who resides undercover in the Fort Lauderdale suburb of Weston, has figured them out and has provided today’s young adults with a daring reflection that might get them to put down their smart phones and read a book: a book that focuses on important issues such as loyalty, responsibility and self-confidence without being preachy.

For today’s teen nonreaders, reading this book is much, much better than reading no book. ■

— Phil Jason, Ph.D., United States Naval Academy professor emeritus of English, is a poet, critic and freelance writer with 20 books to his credit, including several studies of war literature and a creative writing text.



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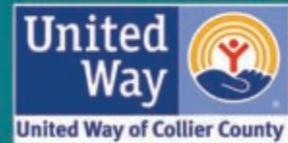


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# WRITING CHALLENGE

## Two golf course stories filled with imaginative strokes

The *Florida Weekly* Writing Challenge continues, where we ask readers to submit stories based on our photo-prompts. This week we're featuring the last two selections based on photo on the facing page.

For the third round of the competition, we're asking you to use the photo of the couple in a sushi restaurant as a starting point for your creative process. We'd like you to come up with a narrative work of fiction of 1,500 words or less. There is no minimum length. No poems, please. Previous entrants are welcome to submit again.

*Florida Weekly* will accept your original stories in Word format or pasted into the body of an e-mail until Saturday, Oct. 5. E-mail them to [writing@floridaweekly.com](mailto:writing@floridaweekly.com) and we will print some of the best submissions. No "snail mail" copies will be accepted. Be sure to include your name, address and contact information with your submission.

We'll continue with various heats of the competition in the coming months.

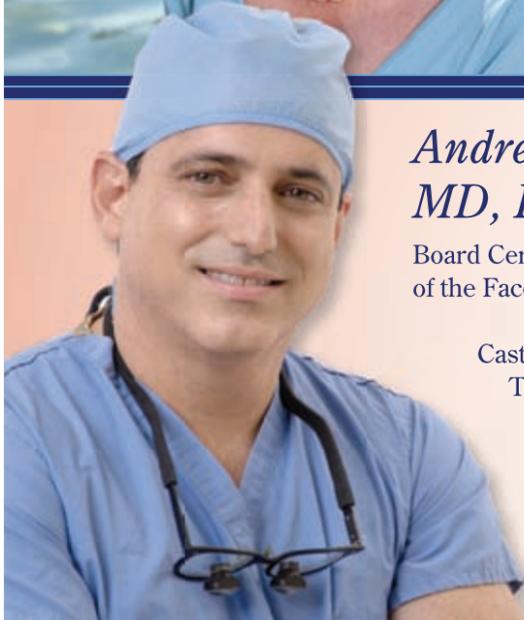
Two winners selected by our editorial staff will win a ticket each to the eighth annual Sanibel Island Writers Conference in November. So far, we've been impressed with every single entry that's come in. Thanks for writing, and good luck. ■



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# WRITING CHALLENGE

## The One Thing

BY DOUG GOLDMAN  
Cape Coral

Crouching down to watch every facet of its journey, he took full measure of his ability to transfer — by one purposeful stroke — his will to that white dimpled orb. Surely, it would employ whatever means necessary to reach its intended destination.

There was no arthritis. No tinge from the shrapnel lodged in his thigh. No congestion from last month's bout with bronchitis. No "Check Engine" light on his Lincoln that would always go off when he brought it in for service. Nor was there a cracked taillight from Bernice carelessly backing out of her parking spot. His daughter was not getting a divorce and moving back in with his two grandchildren and their 80-pound golden retriever. The compressor unit for his central air did not need to be replaced, and was just fine.

No, at this moment there was only one thing. Whether or not this prayer would be answered mattered far less than there being, *just one thing*. Simply, to be able to kneel down in this church — as long as physically possible — was everything. ■

## Round Two

BY NICOLE LOMBARDI  
Fort Myers

Walter Goodman wasn't bad at golf. He wasn't great at it either. With the Florida sun shining, and the smell of fresh cut grass in the air, Walter crouched down to examine his last shot. He held his golf club firmly in both hands. The sun was



shining all right, right into his eyes. He squinted trying with all his might to find the position of the ball. He let out a sigh. Rising to his feet, Walter lined up his shot, and swung. "Ahh, missed again," he said. Walter wasn't a fan of the game. He didn't even want to come here today. It was his wife Molly, who suggested it to him and practically pushed him out the

door this morning exclaiming, "That's what retired people do, they relax and play golf." Walter didn't know how to relax. It wasn't part of his DNA.

Originally from Detroit, Walter and his wife moved to the Sunshine State a year ago, when he decided to retire from his job in the corporate world, trading in his suit and tie for shorts and flip flops.

He glanced down at his watch. "Noon, already," he said to himself. Walter grasped the iron golf club in his hands and raised it behind his back, giving himself a nice stretch. Swaying from side to side, he yawned. He eagerly returned his club to his bag, gathered his balls and quickly made his way to his car. He opened the trunk of his Cadillac, and threw the bag inside, closing it with a loud "thunk!" Once situated in the drivers seat, he fiddled with the radio, switching between stations. He grumbled a little and opened his glove box. Only one person could get him out of the mood he was in. Frank Sinatra. "All right, Frank, take me home."

Walter rolled his window down. He felt the warm breeze rush through him. He couldn't understand how people did this. Every day, people, thousands, millions, of retired people around the world, expected to do nothing. He was passed round one of his life. He had his family, a career. His children were grown and on

their own. It was as if someone had rung an imaginary bell,

"Ding!" time to begin round two. To what, lounge on a beach for the rest of his life? Or spend countless hours playing mind numbing golf? He thought his time could be better spent. Determined to put it to good use, Walter decided right then and there that he was going to do something worthwhile.

A few weeks had passed since Walter had his epiphany in the car. He tried to fill his time with various things; bird watching, building model cars, fishing. But he couldn't find solace in any of them. Fed up with her husband's moping around, and abundant complaining, Molly decided to intervene. "Walter, honey, you have got to get out of this funk, and enjoy your life," she said. "You need to face reality and accept the fact that things have changed." Walter looked at her and rubbed his bald head. "I know you're right Molly," he said. "I just don't know what to do with myself." She sat next to him on the couch. She took his hands in hers and replied "You will find yourself. You did it once you can do it again. Hey, I know what will cheer us up," she said. "Let's go for a drive!"

Walter and Molly piled into the car and drove. Where they were going they didn't know, but that wasn't the point. He took Molly's hand in his and kissed it. "I don't know what I'd do without you, kid." Molly smiled and chuckled, "You've been saying that for ages. We've yet to find out." ■

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# KOVEL: ANTIQUES

## Autumn inspires art throughout the ages



The first day of autumn this year is Sept. 22. It is the day of the autumnal equinox, a term based on the journey of Earth around the sun. On that day, day and night are each almost 12 hours long. It marks the days when air cools in the north and leaves on trees begin to change colors. Artists for centuries have pictured colorful fall landscapes. Cameo glass artists often carved decorations from layers of glass made in the fall seasonal colors of orange and red. A Daum Nancy vase made in France between about 1895 and 1920 pictures a lake scene with birch trees. The rectangular vase auctioned last year for almost \$4,000.

**Q:** Please tell me the value of a Martha Washington sewing cabinet that belonged to my great-grandmother in the 1880s. It has four long legs and three drawers in the front. There is a semicircular wooden storage compartment with a hinged lid on each side. And why is it named after George Washington's wife?

**A:** Martha Washington (1731-1802) enjoyed knitting and used a similar type of sewing table, without drawers, at Mount Vernon. The style you describe, along with its name, was not

introduced until the 1920s. The First Lady's name was used to market the style, which became especially popular during the Depression. In other words, your great-grandmother's table is not as old as you think it is. But depending on its quality and condition, it could sell for about \$200.

**Q:** When cleaning out a cupboard, I found an Old Plantation wooden cigar box about 7½ inches long and 5½ inches wide. The outside and inside labels picture plantation scenes. There's a 1901 IRS stamp on it. Please tell me something about the box.

**A:** The value of old wooden cigar boxes varies considerably depending on condition. The Old Plantation brand name dates from around the turn of the 20th century. Some Old Plantation boxes have impressed labels, while others have paper labels. A box with inside and outside paper labels in excellent condition recently auctioned for nearly \$500.

**Q:** In the summer of 1972, I was traveling in Europe and read that Paul McCartney and Wings were to appear at the Montreux Pavilion in Montreux, Switzerland. So off I went. The streets were lined with posters for the concert, so I pried one loose, and today it's framed and hanging on a wall in my basement. Any idea what it's worth?

**A:** McCartney's stop in Montreux was part of his new group's "Wings over Europe" tour. Your poster, obviously an original, is not as valuable as an original Beatles poster. Still, it could



The colored leaves of autumn have inspired artists for centuries. This Daum Nancy cameo glass vase is decorated with an autumn scene. The 4¾-inch-high vase sold at a DuMouchelles auction in Detroit for \$3,900.

sell for up to \$70.

**Q:** In 1950, on my 5th birthday, I was given an Empire toy stove. It was made by Metal Ware Corp. I still have the little stove and it is still working. 63

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years later. If you could give me any information on it, I would appreciate it.

**A:** Metal Ware Corp. has been operating in Two Rivers, Wis., for more than 90 years. It has made steam engines, driving accessories, popcorn poppers, roasters, hotdog warmers and other electric cooking appliances. In 1921 Metal Ware Corp. bought patent rights to the Empire toy line from Hughes Electric Co. of Chicago and began to make toy stoves. The stoves worked and would probably horrify today's safety-conscious parents. Your 1940s toy stove sells today for \$10 to \$35, depending on condition. Older Empire stoves from the 1920s and 1930s sell for more. The company still makes and imports small electrical appliances.

**Q:** I inherited a 12-inch white pitcher and small covered dish from my grandmother, who was born in 1880. The pieces are white with gold trim and are decorated with blue and yellow flowers. Inside the dish is a disc with a hole. The bottom of each piece is stamped "Wheeling Pottery Co." inside a wreath. Can you tell me their value?

**A:** Wheeling Pottery Co. of Wheeling, W.Va., was in business from 1879 until about 1923. The firm went through a number of mergers and name changes during that time. It made decorative and utilitarian pottery, semi-porcelain, art ware and sanitary ware. Your pitcher, from a toilet set, is worth \$25 to \$50; if you had the matching wash bowl, the set would be worth about \$125. The small dish is a soap dish worth \$15. Wheeling's flow blue pieces sell for more.

**Q:** Fifty years ago, my uncle gave me an old adding machine in a wooden travel chest. It's labeled "Brunsviga, No. 25102, Midget" on the front and "Patented in the U.S.A., 12 June 1906"

on the back. What is it worth today?

**A:** Your machine is a calculator made by Grimme, Natalis & Co. of Braunschweig, Germany. The serial number indicates it was made between 1910 and 1920. A 1913 ad calls it a "multiplying and dividing machine." It also does addition and subtraction, but doesn't print. Calculations are done by drums that revolve in one direction for addition and multiplication and in the opposite direction for subtraction and division. This type of machine is known as a "pinwheel calculator." It was invented in 1874 by Willgodt Odhner, who sold the patent to Grimme, Natalis & Co. in 1892. The company changed its name to Brunsviga in 1927. These calculators are hard to sell because there are so few collectors of old calculators. Value: \$100-\$200.

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# CONTRACT BRIDGE

## Reading between the lines

BY STEVE BECKER

Bridge is not like tick-tack-toe where, if you make the right plays, you can't lose. In bridge, all you can do is to take what looks like your best shot in a particular situation and hope it hits the target. Here is a typical case.

Assume you hold the South hand and open one spade in fourth seat. West doubles, and East responds two clubs. You jump to three spades to tell partner that you are just a hair away from making a game in your own hand, and partner, fully appreciating the value of his ace, carries on to four.

West leads the queen of hearts, and when dummy appears, you're happy with the final contract. Your only losers appear to be a spade, a diamond and a club. You win the heart with the ace and play the king of spades, taken by East with the ace after West contributes the nine.

This surprises you somewhat, but in a sense you're pleased that East has turned up with the ace. Why? Because this leaves West — who could not open the bidding initially — with a collection of mostly queens and jacks for his second-round takeout double.

This in turn strongly suggests that West's double was based on distribution, making him very likely to have started with a singleton spade. Accordingly,

West dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

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♠ 6 3  
♥ 8 5 3 2  
♦ A 7 6 4  
♣ 10 8 5

**WEST**

♠ 9  
♥ Q J 10 7  
♦ Q J 9 2  
♣ K Q 6 3

**EAST**

♠ A 10 7 4  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ 10 5  
♣ J 9 7 2

**SOUTH**

♠ K Q J 8 5 2  
♥ A K  
♦ K 8 3  
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The bidding:

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Dble	Pass	2 ♣	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠		

Opening lead — queen of hearts.

whatever East returns, you should next cross to dummy with a diamond, lead a spade and finesse the eight! When the eight wins, you have a right to congratulate yourself on working out West's most likely distribution and then having the courage of your convictions. ■



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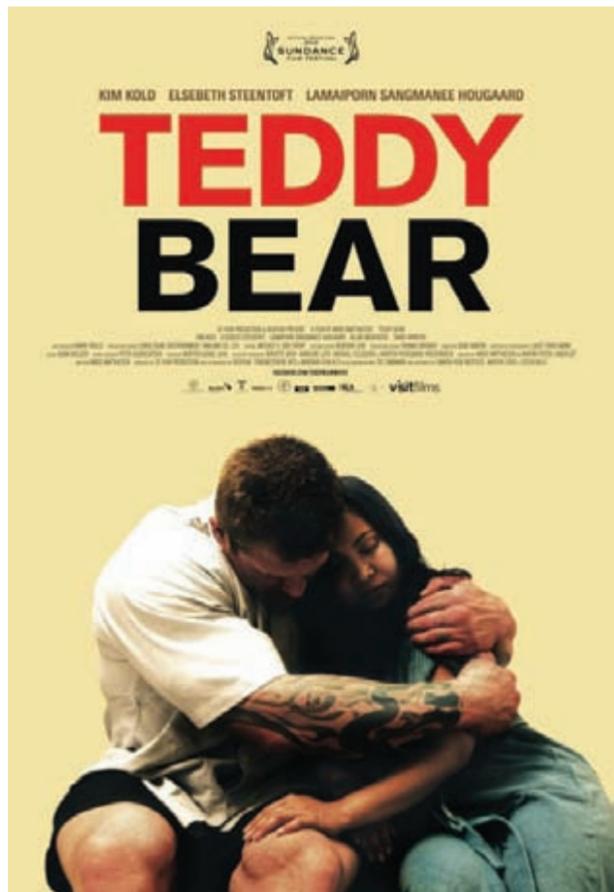
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**Oct. 6:** "Teddy Bear" (Denmark, 2012) - Dennis, a 38-year-old body builder who still lives with his mother, cannot find his true love. His voyage from Copenhagen to Thailand to find a wife leads him into severe culture shock. Not rated.



**Oct. 13:** "The Intouchables" (France, 2012) - After he becomes a quadriplegic from a paragliding accident, an aristocrat hires a young man from the projects to be his caretaker. An irreverent comedy about friendship, trust and human possibility. Rated R.

**Oct. 20:** "The Fog of War" (U.S.A., 2003) - A documentary about Robert McNamara, secretary of defense in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations who subsequently became president of the World Bank. Rated PG-13.

**Oct. 27:** "Bliss" (Turkey/Greece, 2007) - A young woman is raped. Her village custom requires that she be killed in order for the dishonor to be expunged from her family. The son of the village leader is given the task. Not rated.

**Nov. 3:** "Dear Zachary: A Letter to a Son about his Father" (U.S.A., 2008) - Filmmaker Kurt Kuenne set out to make a memorial about his best friend, Dr. Andrew Bagby, with the intention of giv-

ing the tribute to Dr. Bagby's son so the boy, unborn at the time of Dr. Bagby's murder, would know about his father. Not rated.

**Nov. 10:** "Where Do We Go Now?" (Lebanon, 2011) - This comedy/drama takes place a remote village where a church and the mosque stand peacefully side by side, and the women of the town must devise ruses to prevent their macho husbands from starting a religious war. Rated PG-13.

**Nov. 17:** "A Heart in Winter" (France, 1992) - Beautiful violin virtuoso Camille has two obsessions: the music of Ravel and a friend of her husband's who crafts violins. Not rated.

**Nov. 24:** "Dirty Pretty Things" (UK, 2002) - A harrowing tale of struggle and survival for two immigrants who learn that everything is for sale in London's secret underworld. Rated R.

### Film festivals

Also mark your calendar for the **Manhattan Short**, a film festival that screens in more than 300 cities across the country Sept. 27-29 Silverspot Cinema in Mercato hosts the festival locally, with shows at 1 and 6 p.m. all three days.

After viewing the 10 finalists, the audience is asked to vote for the winning film. Votes are tallied by each host venue and sent to the festival's New York City headquarters, where the winner will be announced Oct. 6.

Shorts films are also the stars of the **Black Maria Film Festival** present by the Edison & Ford Winter Estates and Edison State College in Fort Myers Nov. 1-2. For more information, visit [www.edisonfordwinterestates.com](http://www.edisonfordwinterestates.com).

Shorts, documentaries, animated films and full-length features come to Silverspot Cinema town for the fifth annual **Naples International Film Festival** Nov. 7-10. Find out more at [www.naples-filmfest.com](http://www.naples-filmfest.com).

Independent films of all genres, including locally produced works, will be showcased at the fourth annual **Fort Myers Film Festival** set for March 19-23. In the months leading up to the festival, film aficionados can weigh in on works under consideration by attending screenings every Monday night at the Sidney & Berne Davis Art Center in downtown Fort Myers. For more information, visit [www.fortmyersfilmfestival.com](http://www.fortmyersfilmfestival.com). ■

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# CELEBRITY EXTRA

## Connick Jr. added to 'Idol' panel

BY CINDY ELAVSKY

**Q:** I am dying to know what will happen in season two of Syfy's "Defiance."

— Katie H., via e-mail

**A:** I spoke with the lovely and talented actress Julie Benz and she gave me a few hints about what next season holds. The science-fiction near-future drama, which is currently filming its second season in Toronto, will take on a darker tone, as will Julie's character.

"The world of Defiance has changed," she told me, "and with that, so does the look of the show. We see a darker Amanda this season. A much darker Amanda — she's struggling; she's having a very hard time. Her ex-husband was killed during season one; she lost her job, which is truly how she defined herself; and her sister has gone missing. She's really in a bad place when season two opens."

"In the season one finale, we basically hit the reset button, so we start season two in a whole different place. Every character is in a different place than they were during season one. Creatively, it is so much fun to play characters who can grow and change exponentially each season. That is what you are going to see in season two. It's a much darker "Defiance" — especially my character."

**Q:** What's the latest news on the judge situation on "American Idol"? Have they

sorted out who's new and who's coming back?

— Tyler W., Fresno, Calif.

**A:** Finally, "American Idol" has a judge lineup that could make me start watching again. Keith Urban will be returning for his second season, Jennifer Lopez has decided to come back after a season away, and newbie Harry Connick Jr. rounds out the group. Randy Jackson will be back, as a mentor, and Ryan Seacrest returns as the singing-competition show's gregarious host. Here's hoping that this January's 13th season of "AI" is its luckiest one yet.

**Q:** I love PBS's "Foyle's War," but I think I missed some of season seven. How can I catch up?

— Stephanie R., via e-mail

**A:** You can get caught up on the Masterpiece Mystery! series at acorn.tv, which is streaming the series online. Or you can go to acornonline.com on Sept. 24 to buy the series seven DVD set, which includes almost two hours of bonus features.

**Readers:** A few weeks back, I reported on Ovation's acquisition of the first season of the critically acclaimed "A Young Doctor's Notebook," starring Jon Hamm and Daniel Radcliffe. We now have a date for the premiere: 10 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2. Subsequent episodes will air weekly. If you don't have Ovation, ask your local cable or satellite provider to offer it. ■

— Write to Cindy at King Features Weekly Service, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475; or e-mail her at [letters@cindy-elavsky.com](mailto:letters@cindy-elavsky.com).



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**THURSDAY, SEPT. 19, 9 p.m.**  
**Doc Martin**  
**Remember Me P.C.**

Joe struggles with a mixture of distress and elation at seeing Maggie again. Realizing that she is clearly not well, he tries discreetly to ask Dr. Ellingham about her symptoms. Meanwhile, Martin and Louisa's baby still doesn't have a name, and time is running out.

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 20, 9 p.m.**  
**Great Performances**

**The Hollow Crown: Richard II**

Ben Whishaw performs as King Richard in this television adaptation of the Shakespeare play.

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 21, 9 p.m.**  
**As Time Goes By**

Jean and Lionel try to rekindle their flame after 38 years.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 22**  
**8 p.m. - Last Tango in Halifax, Part 3**

Celia and Alan decide on a civil marriage ceremony to be held at a medieval hall near Halifax. As they visit, a storm is brewing, the lights go out and they're locked in the ancient building. In the midst of a thunderstorm, Gillian's Land Rover catches fire.

**9 p.m. - Masterpiece Mystery!**  
**Foyle's War Series 7: The Cage**

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**TUESDAY, SEPT. 24, 8 p.m.**  
**Latino Americans**  
**War and Peace/The New Latinos**

Trace the World War II years and those that follow, as Latino Americans serve their new country by the hundreds of thousands — yet still face discrimination and a fight for civil rights in the United States.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25, 8 p.m.**  
**Earthflight: A Nature Special**  
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# CLUB NOTES

■ **The Greater Naples Branch of AAUW** meets from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, at Hodges University in Room 150 of the Science & Technology Building. Guest speaker Char Wendel, dean of online learning and information resources at Hodges University, will present "Taking the Mystery Out of Online Learning."

Guests are welcome. For more information, visit [www.aauwgnb.org](http://www.aauwgnb.org).

■ **The Pi Beta Phi Alumnae Club of Naples** invites Pi Phi alumnae in the Naples, Bonita Springs and Marco Island area to the next luncheon meeting set for 11:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 11, at the Moorings Country Club. Guest speaker and local historian Maureen Sullivan-Hartung will discuss "Beer Worms, Square Grouper and Indians — Oh, My!"

Cost is \$25. Paid reservations are required by Friday, Oct. 4. For more information, contact Connie Kindsvater by calling 249-4969 or e-mailing [conskind@aol.com](mailto:conskind@aol.com).

■ Members of the **Big Cypress Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution**, hold their next luncheon and meeting

at 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 18, at the Country Club of Naples. The program will be about various military and veterans DAR programs.

Cost is \$24. DAR members and guests are welcome. Reservations are required by Oct. 11 and can be made by calling Madonna Crame at 455-7295.

For more information about DAR and the local chapter, visit [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org) and [www.fssdar.net/bigcypress](http://www.fssdar.net/bigcypress).

■ **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 chickee hut after happy hour.

RSVP by calling Sara Ann Mousa at 593-9196 or e-mailing [brusara@aol.com](mailto: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 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting is Sept. 19. Call 513-4568 for location.

■ Members of the **Naples IOWA Club** invite University of Iowa Hawkeyes fans and alumni to watch the football game against Western Michigan at noon Saturday, Sept. 21, at Weekend Willie's, 5310 Shirley St.

For more information, call Michael Eovino at (319) 431-8845, e-mail [naplesiowaclub@gmail.com](mailto:naplesiowaclub@gmail.com) or follow the club on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/naplesiowaclub](http://www.facebook.com/naplesiowaclub).

■ 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 595-1761 or e-mail Barbara Traci at [summerbid@comcast.net](mailto:summerbid@comcast.net).

■ **The Naples chapter of Ikebana International** holds its first meeting of the new season beginning at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 2, at Moorings Presbyterian Church. Members Carol Brocklesby and Ingrid Maguire will present a Sogetsu program and workshop. Attendees must pay \$5 to cover the cost of materials.

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Cost is \$23. Reservations are required by Sept. 24 and can be made by calling 254-0584 or e-mailing [napleschristianconnection2@gmail.com](mailto:napleschristianconnection2@gmail.com). For more information about the organization, visit [www.cwcfl.net](http://www.cwcfl.net).

■ **The Jewish Genealogy Shared Interest Group** meets at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8, 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 [genresearch13@yahoo.com](mailto:genresearch13@yahoo.com).

■ **Toastmasters International** teaches public speaking and leadership skills through a worldwide network of meeting locations. Guests are always welcome. Local Toastmasters chapters, meeting times and locations include:

**Bonita Toastmasters Club:** 7 p.m. every second and fourth Wednesday at the Bonita Springs Fire Station, 27701 Bonita Grande Drive. For more information, call Scott Vail at 777-3642.

**Collier Communique Club:** 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Moorings Professional Building, 2335 Tamiami Trail N., Suite 208. Call Robert Rizzo at (407) 493-8584.

**Marco Island Toastmasters:** 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Centennial Bank, 645 Elkcarn Circle, Marco Island. E-mail Chris Pritchard at [colliertoastmasters@gmail.com](mailto:colliertoastmasters@gmail.com).

**Naples Sunrise Bay Toastmasters Club:** 7:30 a.m. on the first and third Tuesday in Moss Hall at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive. Call Steve McCann at 777-8851.

**Naples Toastmasters Club:** 7 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday at Naples General Aviation Center, 200 Aviation Drive N. Call Steve Jallad at 776-5398.

**Toast of the Coast Toastmasters Club:** Noon on the second and fourth Friday at Stantec (previously Wilson Miller), 3200 Bailey Lane, Naples. Call Gwen Greenglass at 431-0931.

**Naples Advanced Toastmasters:** 6:30 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday

at the North Collier Government Center, 2335 Orange Blossom Drive. Call Linda Valentine at (954) 780-6683. This club has prerequisites for membership.

**Toastmaster Academy:** 6:30-8:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday at the North Collier Government Center, 2335 Orange Blossom Drive. Call R. Sunde at 594-3828.

For more about the organization, visit [www.toastmasters.org](http://www.toastmasters.org).

■ **The Naples Newcomers** helps those who are new to the area make new friendships centered on various social activities. Members meet to share a variety of interests and activities, including couples and singles groups, bridge, mahjongg, crafts, gourmet cooking, coffees, movies, card games and book discussions. Membership is for women who have been permanent residents of Naples for no more than five years.

Luncheon meetings are on the second Thursday of each month at Naples area country clubs. An orientation coffee for prospective members takes place on the first Thursday of each month. For more information, call 298-4083 or visit [www.naplesnewcomers.com](http://www.naplesnewcomers.com).

■ **Literacy Volunteers of Collier County** has formed a new club for reading tutors who are no longer teaching. Club 52 is designed to allow former tutors to remain involved because they have a vested interest in the cause. Members pay \$52 annual dues and enjoy social occasions together as well as discounts to LVCC events. They are expected to volunteer for a specific period each month by serving on committees, fundraising and doing office work.

For more information, call LVCC at 262-4448, ext. 302.

■ Chess players of all ages and levels of ability are welcome to join the new **Chess Club at the Moorings**, meeting from 9 a.m. to noon every Saturday at Moorings Park. Each morning will begin with a brief discussion by various experts about some aspect of the game.

Participation is free. Bring your own chess set or use one provided by the Moorings. Moorings Park is on the east side of Goodlette-Frank Road just south of Pine Ridge Road. Stop at the entrance gate to receive directions to the Chess Club meeting. For more information, call Wade Keller at 389-2525. ■



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Bahati

Seating is limited. Reserve yours now by calling Brian Follweiler at 261-5405 or visiting [www.mhaswfl.org](http://www.mhaswfl.org).

■ The third annual **Tea at The Ritz** to benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida is set for 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. The afternoon, which includes a silent auction, is a popular holiday treat for men, women and children of all ages.



This year's chair is Dylan Sanders; tea host and hostess are Craig and Kelly Chasnov. Tickets are \$100 and can be purchased by calling Lesley Colantonio at 992-9474 or e-mailing [lcolantonio@sflawish.org](mailto:lcolantonio@sflawish.org).

■ The **American Cancer Society's 2014 Bucket List Bash: “Fly Me to the Moon”** takes off at 6 p.m. Saturday, March 1, at the Naples Jet Center. Organizers promise out-of-this-world food and wine, entertainment and silent and live auction items.

Individual tickets are \$450. Patron seats, tables and sponsorship packages are also available. For reservations or more information, visit [www.acsbuck-estlistbash.com](http://www.acsbuck-estlistbash.com).

■ **Literacy Volunteers of Collier County** stages the annual Dancing with the Stars for Literacy beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Notable Neapolitans partner with professional dancers from the Naples Academy of Performing Arts to dance two-minute routines before a panel of judges. Performers also compete for a prize awarded to the dancer who raises the most money for LVCC.

Tickets are \$175. Advertising sponsorships, table sponsors and a silent auction produce additional funds for LVCC. For more information, call 262-4448 or visit [www.collierliteracy.org](http://www.collierliteracy.org).

■ The first annual **American Girl Fashion Show** to benefit the **Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida** comes to the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club on Sunday, Nov. 10, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Each show will include brunch/lunch and a marketplace as well as local child models wearing historical and contemporary fashions from American Girl. NBC-2 anchor Kellie Burns will tell the history of American Girl.

The event also includes lunch, party favors, raffle prizes, a keepsake photo, door prizes, doll salon and a pop-up bookstore. Tickets for \$100 are available at [www.swflagfashion.com](http://www.swflagfashion.com).

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■ **Naples Botanical Garden** celebrates the 10th annual **Hats in the Garden: “Elegance in Bloom”** on Wednesday, Nov. 13, at the Garden. Co-chairs are Karen Scott and Vicky Smith; Connie Vandenberg is the 2013 Hats in the Garden ambassador. Styled by Marissa Collections, the red-carpet runway show will showcase fashions by Oscar de la Renta, Valentino, Zac Posen, Alberta Ferretti, Lanvin, Marchesa, Monique Lhuillier, Naeem Khan and Giambattista Valli. Northern Trust is the presenting sponsor. The patron party Monday, Nov. 11, will be at the home of Jenny and Kermit Sutton. Tickets are \$500 (limited availability).

The Garden holds its **2014 Garden Party** and opening night celebration of “Nature Connects: LEGO Sculpture Exhibit” on Thursday, Feb. 13. Garden Party co-chairs are Mary Ann Bindley and Geren Fauth. The exhibit, which will be in place for three months, consists of

27 larger-than-life sculptures built with LEGO bricks by New York artist Sean Kenney.

For information about tickets and sponsorships for either of the above events, contact Meghan Gorman at 325-1929 or [mgorman@naplesgarden.org](mailto:mgorman@naplesgarden.org).

■ The **Naples Zoo** holds its 2013 Children's Gala: “Carnivale of the Animals” for kids and their grown-ups from 5:30-8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, at the Zoo. The evening will include “wild” games and prizes, a family-friendly silent auction, dinner and a presentation by world-renowned storyteller Jim Weiss.

Tickets are \$85 for children, \$65 for adults. Call 262-5409, ext 144. Ask about sponsorships and special tables that include story time with Mr. Weiss and other benefits.

■ The **David Lawrence Center and Foundation** holds its signature destination-themed gala Friday, Jan. 17, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Guests at “Under the Eiffel Tower: A Journey to 1920s Paris” will be transported to the City of Lights in an era when soulful jazz played through the evening streets and gas-lit promenades were filled with people dancing, dining and indulging in economic prosperity and social and artistic dynamism of the day.

To help set the mood, New York jazz singer Lainie Cooke and her trio — master drummer Ralph Peterson, Peter Zak on piano and Don Mopsick on bass — will provide dinner entertainment, after which the band PowerHouse will take the stage so guests can dance the night away under the Eiffel tower.

The David Lawrence Center is Collier County's only comprehensive, not-for-profit mental health and substance abuse treatment facility serving children, adults and families.

Tickets to “Under the Eiffel Tower” are \$500 per person, \$1,200 per VIP patron and \$10,000 per premier sponsor table of 10. A variety of additional sponsorship opportunities also are available.

For more information or to reserve a ticket, contact Monica

Biondo at 304-3505 or visit [www.davidlawrencecenter.org](http://www.davidlawrencecenter.org).

■ **“Rebuilding Children's Lives,”** Youth Haven's fourth annual benefit luncheon, is set for Wednesday, Jan. 22, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort.

Guest speaker Antwone Fisher, award-winning film and literary writer, was the subject of the eponymous movie co-starring and directed by Denzel Wash-

ington. Like Youth Haven's children, Mr. Fisher's young life was scarred by abandonment and abuse. The loving support of a special therapist, friends and, ultimately, a reunion with his family, changed everything for the better.

Chair and co-chair of the 2014 luncheon are Liz Jessee and Diane McGinty. Tickets are \$300. Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, call Aileen Carrol at 687-5155 or e-mail [aileen.carroll@youthhaven.net](mailto:aileen.carroll@youthhaven.net).

■ **“Celebrate the Journey,”** the 2014 Naples Winter Wine Festival, is set for Friday-Sunday, Jan. 24-26 at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. Co-chairs are Linda Malone, Anne Welsh McNulty and Adria Starkey.

NWWF tickets are \$8,500 per couple and \$20,000 for reserved seating at the same vintner dinner for two couples. For more information, call (888) 837-4919 or visit [www.NaplesWineFestival.com](http://www.NaplesWineFestival.com).

■ *New York Times* bestselling author and former Washington Post Magazine general editor Leslie Morgan Steiner will present the keynote address at **The Shelter for Abused Women and Children's** 2014 Mending Broken Hearts with Hope luncheon set for Monday, Feb. 17, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort.

Ms. Steiner's memoir, “Crazy Love,” details how she survived four years of domestic violence in her first marriage before escaping and rebuilding her life. A Harvard graduate with an MBA in marketing from Wharton School of Business, she has been a regular on the “Today Show,” NPR, ABC, CBS and MSNBC as an advocate for the awareness and prevention of domestic violence.

Luncheon tickets, which include admission to a designer boutique at the hotel, are \$350 per person, \$1,500 for patrons. Sponsorships are available. For more information, call Susan Utz at 775-3862, ext. 261, or e-mail [sutz@naplesshelter.org](mailto:sutz@naplesshelter.org).

■ The **2014 Southwest Florida Wine & Food Fest** takes place Friday and Saturday, Feb. 21-22, at Miromar Lakes Beach & Golf Club. Northern Trust is the title sponsor.

The festival begins with chef/vintner dinners in private homes throughout Southwest Florida on Friday and concludes with a grand tasting and auction at Miromar Lakes on Saturday. Last year's event netted \$2 million. The primary beneficiary is The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. For more information, call 278-3900 or visit [www.SWFLWineFest.org](http://www.SWFLWineFest.org). ■

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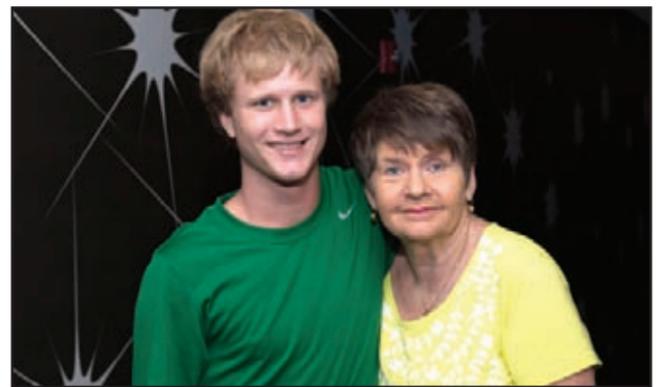
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# VINO

## Let's raise a glass to the well-crafted wine quote



It's hard to say which came first: drinking wine or dreaming up witty comments about doing so. Pithy remarks come from all manner of people — spiritual leaders, playwrights, comedians, politicians and, of course, the ubiquitous Anonymous, who seems to have had the most to say on the subject.

Clearly, wine is a topic that has fascinated through the ages, from ancient philosophers such as Plato, who wrote "In vino veritas" ("In wine is truth"), to the 20th-century author/imbiber Ernest Hemingway, who opined that "Wine is the most civilized thing in the world." More recently, actor Johnny Depp is reported to have altered one of his tattoos from "Winona Forever" to "Wino Forever."

So here are some of the more interesting things said about our favorite topic in the past few centuries. Feel free to trot them out the next time you and some friends break open a bottle. For easy reference, I've broken them down into basic categories.

### Philosophy/rules for living

- "Wine and wenches empty men's purses." English Proverb
- "In victory, you deserve Cham-

pagne. In defeat you need it." Napoleon Bonaparte

■ "Wine improves with age. The older I get, the better I like it." Anonymous

■ "Men are like wine. Some turn to vinegar, but the best improve with age." Pope John XXIII

■ "Accept what life offers you and try to drink from every cup. All wines should be tasted; some should only be sipped, but with others, drink the whole bottle." Paulo Coelho

■ "When Wine enters, out goes the Truth." Benjamin Franklin

■ "Wine — how classy people get wasted." Anonymous

■ "One should always be drunk. That's all that matters ... But with what? With wine, with poetry, or with virtue, as you chose. But get drunk." Charles Baudelaire

■ "Drink wine, and you will sleep well. Sleep, and you will not sin. Avoid sin, and you will be saved. Ergo, drink wine and be saved." Medieval German saying

### Health/medicine

■ "The wine had such ill effects on Noah's health that it was all he could do to live 950 years. Just nineteen years short of Methuselah. Show me a total abstainer that ever lived that long." Will Rogers

■ "If a life of wine, women and song becomes too much, give up the singing." Anonymous

■ "Wine is the most healthful and

most hygienic of beverages." Louis Pasteur

### Food/dining

■ "I cook with wine. Sometimes I even add it to the food." W.C. Fields

■ "What wine goes with Captain Crunch?" George Carlin

■ "What contemptible scoundrel stole the cork from my lunch?" W.C. Fields

■ "This wine should be eaten. It is too good to be drunk." Jonathan Swift

■ "In wine there is wisdom, in beer there is freedom, and in water there is bacteria." David Auerbach

■ "A meal without wine is called breakfast." Anonymous

■ "Coffee keeps me busy until it is time to drink wine." Anonymous

### Etiquette

■ "A wine is ready when you can't bear to wait for it any longer." Karen MacNeil, "The Wine Bible"

■ "The secret to enjoying a good wine: 1. Open the bottle to let it breathe. 2. If it does not look like it is breathing, give it mouth-to-mouth." Anonymous

### Truisms

■ "I can certainly see that you know your wine. Most of the guests who stay here wouldn't know the difference between Bordeaux and Claret." Basil Fawly, "Fawly Towers"

■ "My books are like water; those of the great geniuses are wine. (Fortu-

nately) everybody drinks water." Mark Twain

■ "Bad news isn't wine. It doesn't improve with age." Colin Powell

■ "One of the disadvantages of wine is that it makes a man mistake words for thoughts." Samuel Johnson

■ "Beer is made by men, wine by God." Martin Luther

■ "The discovery of a wine is of greater moment than the discovery of a constellation. The universe is too full of stars." Benjamin Franklin

■ "The best use of bad wine is to drive away poor relations." French proverb

■ "I like best the wine drunk at the cost of others." Diogenes the Cynic

■ "They say a glass of wine is good for you. A bottle is glass, right?" Anonymous

■ "She gets to keep the chalet and the Rolls, I want the Montrachet." Nick Passmore in Forbes Magazine, May 6, 1996

■ "Age is just a number. It's totally irrelevant unless, of course, you happen to be a bottle of wine." Joan Collins

### Inspired by too much wine

■ "Wine is the drink of the gods, milk the drink of babies, tea the drink of women, and water the drink of beasts." John Stuart Blackie

■ "A sweetheart is a bottle of wine, a wife is a wine bottle." Charles Baude- laire ■

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# CUISINE

## Komoon in Bonita captures the essence of a trio of cuisines



The Fancy Tuna Roll is stuffed and topped with the fish.

For appetizers at Komoon, you can choose Thai spring rolls or satay, Japanese gyoza or tempura shrimp, Peruvian corn on the cob or potato cakes stuffed with chicken. For the main course, you can stay with your ethnic cuisine of choice for the evening, or mix it up: curry or pad Thai, sushi or soba noodles, or the national dish of Peru, lomo saltado, a beef stir-fry traditionally served with both rice and French fries.

That's just the tip of the menu iceberg, of course, but you get the idea: Komoon has a plethora of choices within the three cuisines it showcases. The menu goes on for days.

This can be a good thing for dining parties with a diverse range of tastes and preferences. If one person is jonesing for sushi but others can't abide raw seafood, there are plenty of alternatives.

For a restaurant critic, however, such a varied and voluminous menu makes it painfully difficult to get an accurate read on the establishment's ability to cover such divergent culinary territory. If, for example, you can only order one Thai entrée, will it be Panang curry or pad Thai? Is just one of these dishes enough to determine the kitchen's mastery of Thai cuisine?

Setting my ambivalence aside, I studied the menu for a couple of days before I came up with a reasonable sampling for two diners. Aside from a very nicely executed ceviche, I can't say that any particular cuisine of the trio really stood out as exceptional, but we found little to criticize in the choices we made. You can reasonably expect that whichever ethnic direction you go in, Komoon will not disappoint.

The multicultural concept apparently is working.

The Bonita location, the second for the restaurant, opened in August in the big shopping plaza at the northwest corner of Bonita Beach Road and U.S. 41 where Home Thai used to operate. Owners Saifon Sombun and Paul Adrianzen opened the original Komoon in 2011 on Pine Ridge Road in Naples.

I ate at Home Thai once years ago, but I couldn't tell you how extensively the interior has been renovated in the interim. It has a pleasingly modern Asian décor: minimal decorations, tile floor and a color

scheme of red, gold and black with relaxing chill-out music in the background (one offnote: hints of cigar from the smoke shop next door).

While waiting for the first course to arrive, we sipped a Peruvian beer called Cristal (\$2.50 at happy hour) and a glass of chilled Hana lychee-infused sake (\$7.95). My companion said the beer reminded him of Corona (sweet, light, simple); the sake was a lovely, floral evocation of the sweet, juicy fruit.

We decided to go raw with the first course: a mixed seafood ceviche (\$14.95) and the Fancy Tuna Roll (\$13.95). The former was one of the better dishes of the meal, a platter of intermingled squid, shrimp, shrimp and fish laced with lemon and lime juices and zest, red onion slivers and cilantro. Each morsel was "cooked" by the citric acid until just tender — nothing raw and nothing rubbery. The ceviche was plated with traditional accompaniments of sweet potato slices and fresh and toasted Peruvian corn. The well-constructed sushi roll was so spicy that it didn't need even a dab of wasabi. It was stuffed with tuna, avocado, scallions and jalapeno, then topped with finely minced tuna and "chef's special sauce" (I sensed the funky presence of fish sauce).

The waitress timed the next course just right. She and another server also kept our water glasses full. The only thing she didn't do was ask how spicy we wanted our Panang curry (\$15.95). It was mild, so we asked for extra chilies and she returned with an impressive trio of choices: dried chili powder, red chili puree and pickled diced chilies. You want hot? They got it.

The pork we chose as the protein was tender and abundant and tossed in the coconut milk base with crisp green beans, red and green bell peppers and fresh basil.

We went Japanese with the other entrée



A mixed seafood ceviche is paired with sweet potatoes and fresh and toasted Peruvian corn.

choice, as we didn't find the Peruvian entrees all that enticing. Within this section of the menu you can choose from teriyaki, katsu, tempura and noodle dishes with soba, yaki soba or udon. I'm telling you, the decisions never end at Komoon.

The soba noodles with chicken (\$12.95) turned out to be a good choice. The steaming broth had the dark-stained hue and smoky flavor of lapsang souchong tea and the umami richness of dried mushrooms. Tucked within were buckwheat noodles, slices of chicken, shredded seaweed, mushrooms and a cornucopia of vegetables — broccoli, snow peas, carrots, cabbage and baby corn. It was quite the hearty bowl, and we took the leftovers home in the sturdy plastic container the restaurant provided.

At most Asian restaurants, dessert is kind of an afterthought. At Komoon, however, you can order Peruvian flan, tempura cheesecake or sticky rice with mango, among others. We opted for the Thai



Dip your Thai doughnuts in sweetened condensed milk.

doughnuts (\$4.50), fingers of fried dough served with sweetened condensed milk for dipping. They were quickly dispatched.

Komoon might not dazzle with unusual sushi offerings or some new take on Thai or Peruvian food. But it's good to have a reliable place to go when you can't quite decide which way to go. ■

— Send items to [cuisine@floridaweekly.com](mailto:cuisine@floridaweekly.com).

### in the know

#### Komoon

3300 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs; 948-4663

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**Food:** ★★½

**Service:** ★★★

**Atmosphere:** ★★★

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>> **Specialties of the house:** Thai, Japanese and Peruvian cuisines

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