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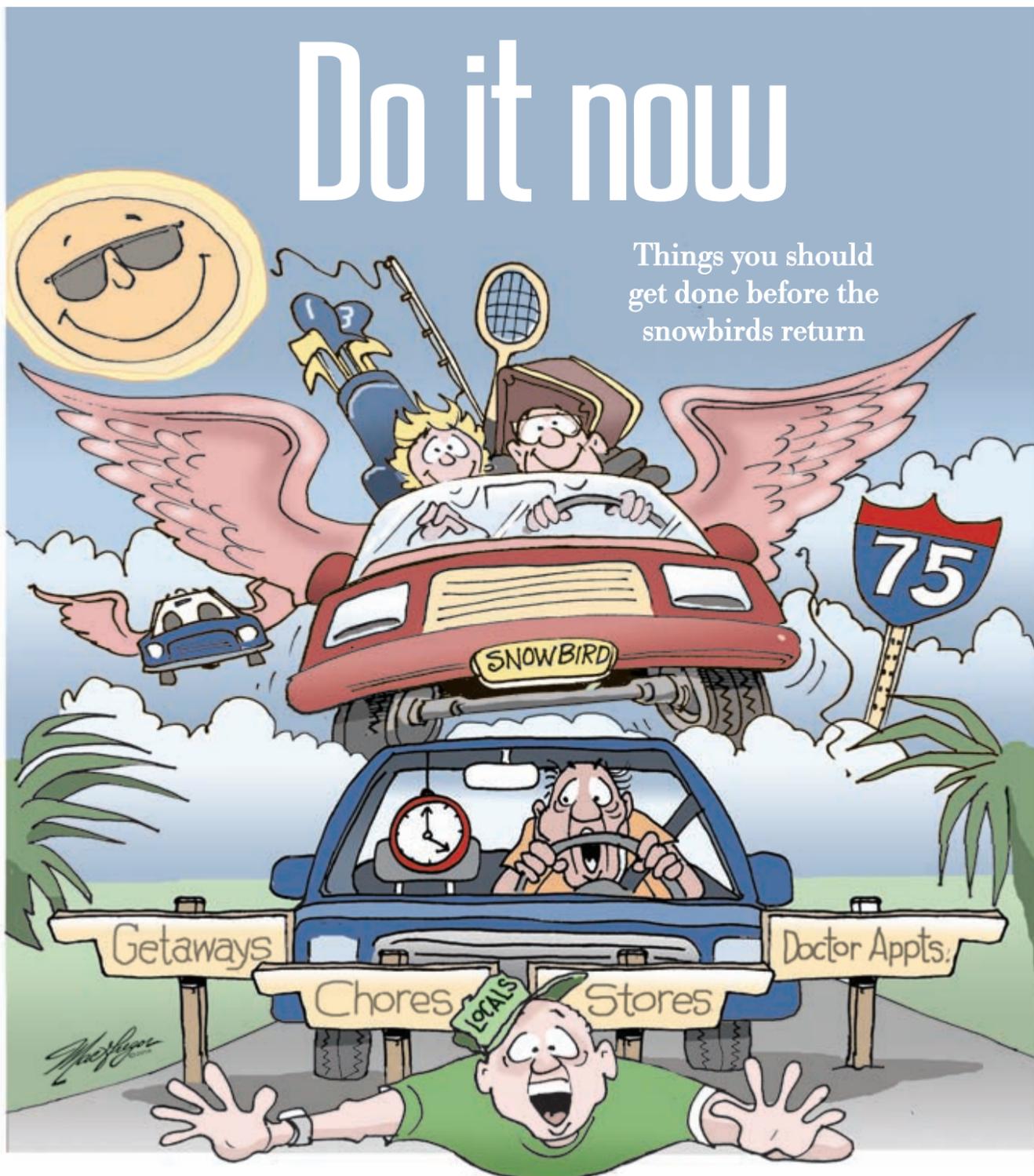


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Do it now

Things you should get done before the snowbirds return

BY NANCY STETSON

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They're coming back. You know they are.

Just as surely as the swallows return to Capistrano, the snowbirds return to Southwest Florida.

And we love snowbirds.

We really do.

They contribute to the coffers; tourism is a billion-dollar industry. (In 2014 tourists spent \$2 billion in Lee County and \$1.8 billion in Collier.)

But boy, is it nice when they're not here. It's like when your kids grow up and

SEE DO IT NOW, A8 ▶

Step up for the 9/11 memorial stair challenge

The Greater Naples YMCA, the Collier County Sheriff's Office and the North Collier Fire District invite everyone to take part in a stair-climbing challenge in honor of the stairs climbed by first responders on Sept. 11, 2001. Those who gave the ultimate sacrifice that day included 343 firefighters, 63 police officers and 8 EMTs.

The 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb starts with an opening ceremony at 8 a.m. Sunday, Sept.

11, at the Y at 5450 YMCA Road. The stair climb begins at 9 a.m.

Participants will run (or walk) the equivalent of 110 stories, consisting of 17 laps on the main campus of the YMCA, starting by going up the west staircase (by the spin room), across the rooftop and back down the east staircase.

Starting at 10 a.m., food trucks and other vendors will be set up on the Y baseball field.

Participants and spectators are encouraged to make a \$10 donation, with all proceeds going to the Freedom Memorial Foundation of Naples.

Sign up in advance for the inaugural 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb at tiny.cc/ymca911 or in person at the Y. For more information, call Paul Conklin at 597-3148 or email pconklin@greaternaplesymca.org. ■

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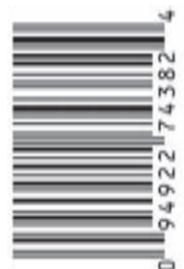
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COMMENTARY

Boots all the way to glory



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Man boots.

Or woman boots.

Like most people in the country, you've probably wished at one time or another that you were born to a pair of boots. That you could climb into the saddle and ride tall and straight to glory.

In those boots you could go around whistling, "Do not forsake me, oh my darling" while the noon train to Hadleyville approached, bearing that black-hatted, boot-wearing, devil incarnate named Frank Miller ("High Noon," 1952, with Gary Cooper and Grace Kelly).

No problem. You're in boots. Frank Miller's going down with the help of your Colt .44.

Even your Quaker wife, a pacifist, should wear boots, because she's going to plug one of Frank Miller's leering friends on your boot-wearing, bone-headed behalf. You could have just run away with her like she asked you to, after all. But you didn't. You were too stubborn.

And do you know why?

Yep. Boots. You can't run away in boots.

Or, you could get real, like a Facebook friend of mine, Kathy Young.



"I was on the subway in New York City, it was winter," Kathy wrote me. "All the other women were wearing Ugg boots, I was sporting a pair of Ariats. I caught them all having boot envy."

Boot envy. That is just boot-elicious. You mount that express train on the Upper West Side with all those urbane wannabes — those Chromosome XXers — and you ride it straight into Hell's Kitchen through rattling dark tunnels and light-splashed stations with their grim and bootless humanity staring blankly out at your passing subway car

— and you don't care, because those other women are wearing cute little roundtoed, suede-covered winter comfy boots. And you? You're wearing ropers with seven-layer heels that'll stick in the stirrups until Hell's Kitchen freezes over — if it already hasn't.

Isn't there something about boots (cowboy boots in particular) so powerfully iconic that you can't wear them without becoming part of a different culture, a level of heroic endeavor unattainable in mere shoes?

The answer is yes, and it happens

to be the answer for anything that ails American culture today, from the politics of race or religion, to people who run energy companies that pollute the earth: cowboy boots.

People aren't wearing them enough.

Or at the very least, Beatles boots, made in Liverpool like the ones owned by Mr. Woody Hanson, friend of the Seminoles, father of five, and one cool-hand Gator Luke if there ever was one; or Mr. Burdie Baker, the self-styled Black Redneck, last of an endangered species, who wears fake Beatles boots because he's so cool he doesn't even have to wear real ones.

Boots will make you better, no matter who you are: My grandfather and uncles, cattlemen all. Florida cowhunter Bone Mizzell or citrus farmer and rancher Billy Murphy. Or Gov. Rick Scott, who owns and wears several pairs of boots made by the same Texas boot maker, Rocky Carroll, who supplies boots to Texas Gov. Rick Perry, Sen. Ted Cruz, and former president and Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

You might not like their politics or personal views, but just imagine how much worse it would be if they didn't wear cowboy boots.

Whatever your trouble may be, just go out and get a pair of boots. Then mount up and head out. You'll be OK, all the way to glory. ■

—This first ran in November 2014.



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OPINION

What have you got to lose?



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Unless you are living in a hollow log in a turpentine camp, you know “What have you got to lose?” is Donald Trump’s summary pitch urging African-Americans (and Hispanics) to vote for him. He delivers the question as the punchline to the unexpected rhetorical argument preceding it.

It goes something like this: You black (and brown people) are mired in poverty because you vote for Democrats. You live the entirety of your dystopian lives in the rotten, urban cores of America’s cities. Crime is skyrocketing because there aren’t enough cops or guns. Your chances of getting shot are far better than finding a job. You got an inferior education from lousy public schools. Your kids have the same shot at mediocrity.

You own nothing. You will get nothing as long as you abandon the Republican Party. It can’t possibly get any worse for you people. You waste your vote on social liberals. I, Trump, am the antidote to your sorry condition. Vote for me. What the hell have you got to lose?”

The gambit is bold but also perplexing. Trump delivers this speech before overwhelmingly white audiences at rallies hosted in majority white communities. Some venture, despite the focus and substance of his statements, his purpose isn’t really to reach out to people of color. If it is true, the logistics of Trump events make sense: Hosting rallies in minority communities inclusive of minority people are entirely unnecessary. Instead, do pop-up rallies inside gated communities where the “colored people” aren’t welcome.

Pundits have said for some time Trump would “pivot” from the most blasphemous version of himself and become, in the general election, a more conventional politician. He has a good

reason. His poll numbers are tanking among entire swaths of the voting population. He has overplayed his hateful hand.

He doesn’t have much time to reboot. Unless he shores up his base with moderates, he will not win the White House. Trump’s photo ops demonstrating his fondness for fried chicken and taco bowls won’t win converts to his cause.

As a result, some speculate the real motive for his overt appeals to minorities is to convince white people (moderates and women) he isn’t really the bigot they think he is. A little moral encouragement will change their minds. So he need only play the white guy who cares deeply about ending racial injustice. White conservatives on the fence will no longer think he is a racist. The racist was Donald Trump’s evil twin. It was he who did all the trash talking, not the doppelganger now humming, “We shall overcome.”

Me? I have a different theory about all this. I think it is a ploy to try and replicate in communities of color the success Trump has had in tapping the anger of working class whites. If it is true, the guy is a Machiavellian genius. He won the loyal support of blue collar white men with the potency of his anti-immigrant, white nationalist message, stoking their economic grievances as he went.

He gives them permission to express their racial resentments, their disaffection with establishment politicians (Democrat and Republican) and their hate of wealthy elites. Never mind Trump is a billionaire elitist, too, rising to wealth and power manipulating the very system he condemns on his way to making America great again.

Issac Bailey wrote for CNN News Opinion, “Many voters of color are as socially conservative as white Republicans. They also share an overriding belief in the power of entrepreneurship. They are frustrated by the state of public schools and would embrace school choice programs that are well designed

and take into account the fate of students who would be left behind in the public system. Those groups are among the most religious in the nation while the GOP has long claimed faith as one of its pillars.”

Were Trump successful, it would be a tactical coup d’état, overthrowing the Democratic stronghold on the minority vote.

Trump does get one thing right: There is a deep reservoir of anger in the African-American community. But what he gets wrong is what they are angry about. He is trolling for Clarence Thomas conservatives, the African-Americans who deny the existence of white privilege; and who do not acknowledge systemic discrimination as a modern legacy of slavery.

Those who join Trump’s tribe deny these realities. They defame the legitimacy of the Black Lives Matter movement and discredit the issues of justice it has raised of systemic racism, intergenerational poverty, police violence and the mass incarceration of blacks.

The boil of the angry and dispossessed are the core of Trump’s candidacy. He would augment it by stoking the anger of African-Americans who share grievances in common with working class whites. Their hatred is mutual of the rigged economy.

But he is playing with fire. Trump calculates his words to incite violence and hatred. He is waging war, not peace. What do we have to lose? Quite possibly, everything. ■

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Obamacare stumbles on



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Special to Florida Weekly

For years, Obamacare supporters have been telling critics of the law to shut up and fall in line. Now, they are urging them to come to its rescue.

A key part of President Barack Obama’s domestic legacy is sputtering so badly that even the law’s boosters are admitting that the federal government needs to do more to prop it up. The Obamacare exchanges were supposed to enhance choices and hold down costs — and are doing neither. Abandoned by more and more insurers, the exchanges — once billed as robust “marketplaces” — are becoming pitiful shadows of themselves.

In most or all of states like Alaska, Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Missouri, Oklahoma, North Carolina and Tennessee, probably only one insurer will offer insurance through the exchanges next year, reports *The Wall Street Journal*. One large county in Arizona may have no exchange insurer at all. An analysis by the Kaiser Family Foundation finds

that 31 percent of counties in the U.S. will have one insurer, and another 31 percent will have just two.

It isn’t Republicans who are hobbling the law. It isn’t the greedy insurance companies, which were overoptimistic about the exchanges at the outset and are now paying the price. It is fundamental economic forces that the law’s architects blithely ignored. But economic incentives will not be mocked.

Obamacare regulations make health insurance more expensive and keep insurers from conducting their business on a rational basis. This means the exchanges are less attractive to younger and healthier people and therefore less economical for insurers. The mandate was supposed to force healthier people to buy insurance anyway, but it has proven too weak, and subsidies were supposed to cover the higher costs for poorer people, but they are only a Band-Aid on spiraling costs.

The exchanges have created perverse insurance products that feature the worst of all worlds: They have high premiums and high deductibles and copays, and limited networks of doctors. No wonder the exchanges have attracted half as many people as they were expected to.

Leave it to the federal government to create a market so unappealing that it is borderline unsustainable.

When Aetna announced last month that it was exiting all but four state exchanges, liberals charged that the company was exacting revenge on the Obama administration for blocking its hoped-for merger with Humana. But what accounts for UnitedHealthcare pulling back, and all the other exoduses? All these insurers made a go of it on the exchanges before reality slapped them in the face. Analysts expect the remaining insurers to ask for big premium hikes next year.

The answer to this turbulence, the law’s supporters say, is yet more subsidies. But it obviously makes no sense for the government to make a product more expensive with one hand and then to subsidize its cost with the other. This was pointed out at the time the law was being debated. But the Obama administration and its allies were too transfixed with “making history.” And so they did — by passing an Affordable Care Act that is one of the great misnomers in the history of major American legislation. ■

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Signs of the season ahead



In case you're searching for an indication that this year's tourist season is already well on its way, look no further than the uptick in traffic irritations over the past few weeks. Between a campaign against aggressive driving waged by Collier County Sheriff's Office — with road signs indicating high crash sites — and numb-skulled fender benders, locals can be in no doubt that our daily commute is about to undergo a transformation.

Almost gone are the days of breezing through major intersections without sitting through three light changes, so gird your loins — season's coming.

Despite the generalized irritation we all suffer on the roads for six months of each year, it's also good to keep in mind you (or I) might be the problem, so here's a shortlist of transgressions to review if you suspect you might be frequently in the wrong.

- If you travel in the right lane on I-75 past an on-ramp, stop it. As someone who uses the interstate twice a day, I know the number of cars driving in packs to block people from safely merging is much, much higher than it was two weeks ago. It's not a crime, but it is crappy driving. Try to be a good person

behind the wheel.

- If you haven't seen the road signs indicating that you've entered a high crash area, it's because you don't have your eyes on the road. Look up!

- If you habitually text at stoplights (Me! Me!) and the person behind needs to honk to get you to move, you are a problem at backed up intersections. Sorry.

- If you are ideologically opposed to driving faster than 35 mph and also to letting people pass you, I bet you drive a big truck. Everyone hates you during every minute of your commute. Hope-

fully, you arrive at work to rescue sick babies from burning buildings. If not, do better.

- If you actively avoided Livingston Road, Collier Boulevard and Vanderbilt Beach Road because traffic officers were nabbing violators (again, me), you know what's up and have places to be. Congratulations!

Because traffic deaths are up by 10 percent in Collier County over this time last year, I'm trying not to be so smug about my own driving. Twenty-two fatalities between January and June isn't a small number. The sheriff's

office continues its campaign through December, and while most of us react to increased traffic enforcement with irritation, perhaps it's necessary as we head into tourist season.

"We continually receive information from the public about motorists speeding, changing lanes without signaling, tailgating and reckless driving," Collier County Sheriff Kevin Rambosk says. "The goal of this initiative is to slow down traffic and reduce injury crashes and fatalities on our roads, while achieving voluntary compliance of traffic laws through education and enforcement."

In the first three days of the campaign, CCSO issued 153 warnings, 38 citations and one DUI. ■

— Lindsey Nesmith is glad CCSO turned its attention to major thoroughfares and away from the three-way stop in her neighborhood.



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move out. Suddenly, your home and your time are all yours again. You can do things when you want.

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But it doesn't mean you don't welcome them when they come back home, even if it's just for a visit.

All good things come to an end. Summer's coming to a close, and the snowbirds and winter visitors and —eventually, the springbreakers — will find their way back.

The humidity will disappear, and when it does, the hordes will reappear.

Here are some things we think you should do before that happens. While some of these have to do with the entertainment, other suggestions might seem obvious and mundane, but it's good to be reminded.

■ **Go out for dinner without making a reservation** - Pretty soon you'll have to wait to be seated at your favorite restaurants. Sometimes for long periods of time, maybe even days.

So take yourself out to eat now, while it's easy to get a table. And take advantage of special promotions like buy-one-get-one and/or complimentary wine with an entrée.

■ **Take a staycation** - From Marco Island and Naples to Sanibel-Captiva and Fort Myers Beach, the resort hotels aren't booked up yet. Take advantage of that and carve time out for a long weekend. You'll get the benefit of a vacation and time away from home without having to spend the money/take the time to fly or drive.

■ **Make a medical appointment** - Check in with your doctor, dentist, optometrist while their schedules are relatively clear. And don't forget your pets, either; get into the vet for their yearly check-up.

■ **Get your car serviced** - Take your car in for a tune-up or any needed repairs or upkeep.

■ **Make use of your public library** - Check out those books you've been wanting to read while you can. When the snowbirds return, the waiting list for popular titles grows and the shelves get sparse, because more books are in circulation.

■ **Hop in your pool** - If you live in a condo or apartment complex and share a pool with other residents, enjoy it before it becomes filled with people. Pretend you're Katie Ledecki doing laps.

■ **Go to public pools** - Use your community pool. Or pack up the kids, the neighbors' kids and/or the grandkids and hit Sun-N-Fun Lagoon in Naples. Though open seven days a week in the summer, Sun-N-Fun Lagoon is only open on weekends in September, then closed in October and November. And in December, it's only open from the 22nd through the 31st.

■ **Vote** - Vote early, or vote by mail. Come Election Day on Nov. 8, you'll be glad you did.

■ **Go fish** - Take a fishing charter or a sunset cruise.

■ **Drive in peace** - Appreciate the lighter traffic and the shorter drive times. Because it won't stay this way. The roads will soon be clogged with slow drivers who don't use their turn signals.

■ **Stock up** - Go to your discount or membership stores and buy what you think you'll need for the next few months. When the snowbirds get here, they'll swarm to the stores to stock up for the winter.

■ **Subscribe now** - Producing Artistic Director Robert Cacioppo at Florida Repertory Theatre semi-jokingly claims that these are his two favorite words in the English language. But it's true: If you subscribe now and purchase tickets to the shows you want to see — whether at Florida Rep in Fort Myers, Gulfshore Playhouse, The Naples Players, Artis—Naples, the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall or anywhere else — you have a better chance of seeing the shows you want to see. And getting good seats. All at a lower price.

■ **Attend the Island Hoppers Songwriter Fest** - The festival takes place on Captiva Island, in downtown Fort Myers and Fort Myers Beach Sept. 23-Oct. 2, with country music singer/songwriters performing their own songs and sharing the stories behind them. Many of the sessions are free. Find the full lineup and all details at IslandHopperFest.com.

■ **Attend a festival** - The Hispanic Heritage Festival and 5K takes place in Centennial Park in downtown Fort Myers on Saturday, Sept. 24. Learn more at hispanicfestivalfortmyers.com. And the Southwest Florida Pride Festival takes place on the grounds of the Alliance for the Arts in Fort Myers from noon to 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8. This year's theme: "Equality Needs You." For more information, go to prideswfl.org.

■ **See a play** - Most venues close down for the summer, but a few faithful ones keep presenting shows.

Gulfshore Playhouse holds its fourth annual New Works Festival Sept. 8-15 at The Norris Center, with five readings of new plays by women. The company opens the new season with Nick Payne's "Constellations" Oct. 8-30. For more information, go to gulfshoreplayhouse.org. The Broadway Palm Theatre in Fort Myers offers "Yesterdays" Sept. 8-Oct. 8 and "Evita" Oct. 13-Nov. 19. For more information, go to broadwaypalm.com. Theatre Conspiracy in Fort Myers presents "The Gun Show," a one-man show about guns, through Sept. 18 and "The Taming" Oct. 14-30. Check theatreconspiracy.org for details. The Laboratory Theater of Florida, also in Fort Myers, has staged shows all summer. It's putting on "The Best Man" Oct. 7-29 and "Wings" from Nov. 11-26. Visit laboratorytheaterflorida.com for more information. The Sugden Community Theatre in Naples opens for the new season with "The Rocky Horror Picture Show" on the main stage Oct. 12-Nov. 6 and "Outside Mullingar" in the Toybe Studio Oct. 26-Nov. 20. Go to naplesplayers.org for more information. And Florida Rep opens the season with the one-woman show "Erma Bombeck: At Wit's End" in the ArtStage Studio Theatre Oct. 4-Nov. 6 and "Over the River and Through the Woods" in the Arcade Theatre Oct. 25-Nov. 16. Find out more at floridarep.org.

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The Association of Fundraising Professionals honors individuals and organizations whose actions have made positive contributions in the lives of those in their communities through their dedication to philanthropy. AFP's Everglades Chapter will honor its 2016 Philanthropist of the Year, Eva Sugden Gomez, along with several others at its National Philanthropy Day Celebration from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Hodges University, 2655 Northbrooke Drive.

■ 2016 Philanthropist of the Year: Ms. Sugden Gomez moved to Naples in 1996 and began a long and distinguished tradition of thoughtful and generous benevolence spanning many organizations and serving numerous individuals. She is a dedicated patron of the arts, a strong proponent of Florida's environmental preservation and supporter of educational advancement for youth. Her continued involvement with FGCU,

Conservancy of Southwest Florida, The Guadalupe Center, Champions For Learning, The Naples Players and many other organizations has granted opportunities for countless men, women and children in Collier County.

■ 2016 Outstanding Philanthropic Organization: Collier's Reserve Country Club - Through the dedicated resolve of residents and members at Collier's Reserve Country Club, much is being accomplished to benefit Habitat for Humanity. Their 13-year total giving to Habitat for Humanity exceeds \$1.5 million. Volunteers participated in a holiday gift drive and, working closely with the Community Contribution Tax Credit Program, have donated more than 6,000 hours of volunteer labor, making it possible for hard-working families to purchase affordable homes. Past recipients of their support include The Shelter for Abused Women and Children, Baby

Basics, Laces of Love, Pace Center for Girls-Collier at Immokalee and Naples Equestrian Challenge.

■ 2016 Outstanding Philanthropic Youth: Daniel Gonzales-Vasquez - A senior at Immokalee High School, Daniel Gonzales-Vasquez is motivated to help others by their obvious need and humble appreciation. A key participant in The Immokalee Foundation's Career Development program, he observes the hard work of others and strives to make things better for those less fortunate, whether it be distributing clothing and food or registering 400-plus hours teaching catechism classes at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Upon graduation in 2017, Daniel will become certified in early education and hopes to open an early childcare business for migrant families.

■ 2016 Outstanding Fundraising Executive: Barbara Oppenheim - As director

and advocate for the Guadalupe Center for the past decade, Barbara Oppenheim has overseen tremendous expansion of programs and services for Immokalee families. The center now provides services to more than 1,100 students. To accommodate such growth, Ms. Oppenheim captained an \$11 million capital fundraising campaign culminating in the Early Childhood Education Center. A graduate of Greater Naples Leadership and former member of the Board of Fun Time Early Childhood Academy, she is a member of the Subcommittee on Education for the District School Board of Collier County, the Future Ready Collier Management Team and the GPS Leadership Team for Out of School Time Initiative. She is also a 12-year volunteer at the Naples Winter Wine Festival.

Tickets to the National Philanthropy Day Celebration are \$60 and can be purchased at afpeverglades.afpnet.org. ■

Foundations seeks nominations 2017 Women of Initiative

The Women's Foundation of Collier County, a fund at the Community Foundation of Collier County, is accepting nominations for the 2017 Women of Initiative. The foundation will honor 10 women who, through their leadership styles, inspire all women to make a difference through philanthropy and civic engagement. Since the program started in 1998, 175 women have been honored.

Eligible candidates must:

■ Be an active volunteer in Collier County. A nominee can reside outside of Collier County, but the greatest emphasis of her leadership and work has to benefit Collier County.

■ Have held various leadership roles with nonprofit organization(s). The candidate does not have to have served multiple organizations.

■ Have made transformational contributions through volunteerism and par-



ticipation outside of their current and/or past employment.

■ In the case of candidates who work in professional careers, consideration will be given to whether the nominee's volunteer hours are outside of her professional duties or are career-related.

To access the 2017 Women of Initiative nomination form and all instructions, go to wfcollier.org/women-of-initiative-nomination. Deadline for nominations is 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1.

The honorees will be announced at the Women's Foundation of Collier County's "Power of the Purse" event on Friday, Dec. 2. The 2017 Women of Initiative awards luncheon will take place on Friday, March 31. ■

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UF report: Florida consumer sentiment continues downward trend

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Consumer sentiment among Floridians plummeted 4.8 points in August to 88.2, according to the latest University of Florida consumer survey. In the lowest reading in the last year, all five components that make up the index declined.

Perceptions of one's personal financial situation now compared with a year ago dropped most sharply, down 10.5 points, from 86.7 to 76.2. Expectations of personal finances a year from now fell by 7.8 points to 98.6. Opinions as to whether now is a good time to buy a big-ticket item such as a car declined by 3.1 points, from 101.9 to 98.8.

These downward readings were shared by all Floridians with the exception of those aged 60 and over, whose readings showed little change.

Most of the pessimism in August stems from the perceptions of personal finance situation now compared with a year ago and the expectations of personal finance situation one year from now. Hector Sandoval, director of the economic analysis program at UF's Bureau of Economic and Business Research, says the two components account for more than three-quarters of the change in the index.

Readings on U.S. economic conditions were down slightly for both short- and long-term expectations: dropping 1.9 points to 85.1 for conditions over the next year and down nine-tenths of a point to 82.1 for the next five years.

Five years ago, as Florida was recovering from the Great Recession in August 2011, consumer sentiment among Floridians



ians was at its lowest level of 61.4 points. The effects of the recession were still felt in Florida, with high levels of unemployment at 9.6 percent and negative state Gross Domestic Product growth rates (a negative 2 percent).

Today, Florida's consumer sentiment is 26.8 points higher, and the GDP increased by 2.1 percent in the first quarter of 2016 and ranked 10th in the nation, slightly higher than the 1.9 percent growth rate for the U.S. Furthermore, the real GDP growth rate in Florida has remained positive since 2012. Unemployment levels in Florida are at 4.7 percent, their lowest since the last recession and unchanged from the previous two months.

"Despite the positive economic signals, consumer sentiment among Flo-

ridians seems to remain gloomy," Mr. Sandoval says, adding except for July's reading, consumer sentiment has followed a slightly downward trajectory over the last six months.

He believes the state's job market could be having an influence.

"Although the number of jobs added statewide has remained positive for an outstanding 72 consecutive months, unemployment levels have not decreased for the past three months, suggesting that the labor market has reached its 'natural' unemployment level," he says. "It's possible that economic agents are expecting a downturn in the economic activity in the medium-run, which is reflected in the latest trends of the consumer sentiment index."

Some of the biggest drops in August were among those with incomes of \$50,000 and more, down 10.4 points on expectations of their personal financial situation in a year. This might be partially due to concerns over decisions regarding retirement savings like IRAs and 401Ks, such as whether to move money out of the stock market over predictions of an upcoming correction after seven years of record increases.

"We should keep in mind that consumer sentiment is in part designed to predict consumer spending," says Chris McCarty, BEBR director. Like much of the rest of the country, retail sales in Florida have been boosted by auto sales, which are supported by historically low interest rates, he adds.

"Taking auto sales out of the picture, consumer demand for goods and services has been tepid and inflation well below the target rate of 2 percent. This is one of the indicators that raise questions for Federal Reserve Board members when they consider whether to raise interest rates in their September meeting," Mr. McCarty says. "Most economists do not expect a rate increase any time soon."

Conducted Aug. 1-21, the UF study reflects the responses of 415 individuals who were reached on cell phones and who represent a demographic cross-section of Florida.

The index used by UF researchers is benchmarked to 1966, which means a value of 100 represents the same level of confidence for that year. The lowest index possible is a 2, the highest is 150.

Details of this month's survey can be found at bebr.ufl.edu/csi-data. ■

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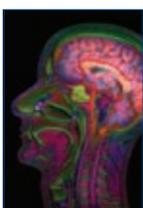


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Outstanding in their fields

The recently concluded Olympics included a few of the more obscure athletic endeavors (such as dressage for horses and steeplechase for humans), but U.S. colleges compete in even less-heralded "sports," such as wood chopping, rock climbing, fishing and broomball.

University of Alabama, 2015 national football champions, dominates also in the 280-school bass-fishing competition, and New York's Paul Smith College's 5,000-student campus raucously cheers its championship log-splitting team (against seven other schools). And Ohio State whipped another football powerhouse, Nebraska, in ice-based broomball.

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And then, just last month, the creators of the new "South Park" virtual reality game announced they had figured out how to release a "fart" smell that is crucial to game-players when they put on the VR mask.

■ Inexplicable: Pizza Hut recently announced it had finally mastered the technology to turn its cardboard delivery boxes into customers' workable disk-jockey turntables and will make them available shortly in five stores in the United Kingdom. (Each box has two record decks, a cross-fader, pitch and cue controls and the ability to rewind.) Music stars P Money and DJ Vectra are featured, and the boxes will sync via Bluetooth to phones and computers.

■ Also in July, Ryan Bundy (a leader of the Malheur federal land occupation protest in Oregon in January), exercising his philosophy as a "sovereign," wrote his judge that he rejects the federal court's jurisdiction over him in his upcoming trial, but that he would agree to co-operate — provided the government pays him \$1 million cash. Mr. Bundy (who signs court documents "i; ryan c., man") said for that sum, he would act as "defendant" — or, as a bonus, if the judge prefers, as "bailiff" or even as "judge." (Mr. Bundy's lawyer, not surprisingly, is Mr. Bundy.)

Compelling explanations

■ **Lame:** (1) Steven Scholz was sued for \$255,000 in Oregon City, Ore., in July after he allegedly fired on a family's house (15 gunshots) and traumatized their young son inside. Mr. Scholz explained that he thought the biblical rapture had just occurred and that he was the only survivor. (2) Aman Bhatta, 27, was charged with battery and lewd molestation in July after allegedly groping six women at Disney World's Typhoon Lagoon water park. Despite witnesses telling police that Mr. Bhatta was positioning himself for furtive groping, he claimed his glasses were broken and thus he was not aware that

women were in his path.

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Ironies

■ **Recurring theme:** People with too much money have been reported over the years to have paid enormous sums for "prestigious" license plates, usually the lowest-numbered. In China, where the number 8 is regarded as lucky, a man identified only as "Liu" obtained Shanghai province's plate "88888" — for which he paid the equivalent of \$149,000. Shanghaiist.com reported in June that "Lucky" Liu was forced into annoying traffic stops by police eight

times the first day because officers were certain that the plate was bogus.

■ **Greenland's first "world-class tourist attraction,"** opening in 2020, will give visitors a "stunning view" of the rapidly melting ice sheets from the area's famous 250,000-year-old Jakobshavn Glacier. The United Nations-protected site is promoting a "tourist" vista that some call "ground zero for climate change" — and that others hope won't be completely melted by 2020.

Unclear on the concept

■ **Third-grade teacher Tracy Rosner** filed a lawsuit against the county school board in Miami in July (claiming to be the victim of race and national origin discrimination) after being turned down for a job that required teaching Spanish — because she doesn't speak Spanish. (Ms. Rosner said "non-Hispanics" like her are a minority among Miami school-teachers and, therefore, affirmative-action-style accommodations should have been made for her.)

■ **An Idaho man** took his pregnant daughter, 14, and the man who raped her, age 24, to Missouri last year to get married (because of that state's lenient marriage-age law), asserting that it is the rapist's "duty" to marry a girl he gets pregnant. The father now says he was wrong, but an Idaho judge nonetheless sentenced him to 120 days behind bars for endangering his daughter. (The rapist received a 15-year sentence, and the pregnancy ended in miscarriage.)

The passing parade

(1) A traffic officer in Guelph, Ontario, pulled over a 35-year-old motorist on July 11 traveling 67 mph (108 km/h) in a 45 mph zone — at night on a stretch with no highway lights and no headlights on his vehicle. The stopped driver was given citations even though he pointed out that he was watching the road with a flashlight on his head,

held in place by straps. (2) Twenty-three local-government bureaucrats in Boscotrecase, Italy, were disciplined in July after being caught shirking duties, including by falsifying the time clock. It was unclear whether the 23 included the two "mystery" workers photographed punching in for work while wearing cardboard boxes on their heads. ■

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AAA turns the high beams on for bicyclists with roadside woes

Auto group also has advisory for pet owners

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

AAA-The Auto Club Group now offers assistance to members who have roadside breakdowns while riding their bicycles. Whether the problem is a flat tire or something more serious, AAA service technicians will answer the call (providing the cyclist is at a location that can be reached in the service vehicle), secure the disabled bike to the service vehicle and transport both rider and bicycle to any point of safety within the member's coverage.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that two out of five bicyclist fatalities are related to cyclists either not wearing a helmet or wearing a helmet incorrectly. Cyclists can decrease their risk of injury by wearing proper safety gear and knowing how to operate a bike safely.

■ Safety tips for bicyclists

1. Know the rules of the road - Always ride with traffic, using the rightmost lane, obeying the same laws as motorists.
2. Be visible - Ride where drivers can see you. Do not ride on the sidewalk.
3. Be predictable - Ride in a straight line and don't swerve between parked cars. Make eye contact with motorists to let them know you are there.
4. Anticipate conflicts - Always be aware of traffic around you and be prepared to take evasive action. Exercise heightened caution at intersections.
5. Wear a helmet - When worn properly, helmets are up to 85 percent effective in protecting the head and brain in the event of a crash.

■ Safety tips for motorists

1. Share the road. Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists, including the right to ride in the traffic lane.
2. Slow down. Allow at least three feet of clearance when passing a bicyclist.
3. Check mirrors and blind spots. Always check before turning, changing lanes or opening car doors.
4. Never honk your horn at a bicyclist. They could startle and swerve off the road or into traffic.
5. Be cautious. Watch out for children on bikes. They are often unsteady and unpredictable.
6. Stay alert. Avoid all distractions while driving.

For more information about AAA's bicycle transportation service, visit AAA.com/bicycle.

Taking your pet for a ride?

As hotels, restaurants, and destinations are offering more pet-friendly options, pet owners are increasingly taking Fido along when they hit the road. A recent AAA consumer survey shows that 77 percent of pet owners enjoy bringing their furry companions along for the ride. More than one in three (35 percent), however, admit to never restraining their pet while riding in the car. This can lead to added distractions for the driver and increased dangers for all passengers, including pets.

Almost two in five (37 percent) pet owners say they don't use a pet restraint because they primarily take short trips with their pet. But regardless of the length of the trip, in the case of an accident a loose pet will be thrown around the vehicle.



"A 10-pound dog involved in a crash at only 30 mph becomes a 300 pound projectile, while an unrestrained 80-pound dog will exert approximately 2,400 pounds of force," says Amy Stracke, managing director/traffic safety advocacy, for AAA-The Auto Club Group. "This poses a serious risk of injury or even death for either your pet or anyone else in its path," she stresses.

One in six (16 percent) pet owners admit to becoming distracted by their pet while driving. The majority of drivers admit to engaging in risky behavior while behind the wheel; petting their animal was the most common activity cited (42 percent). Other distracting behaviors drivers admitted to include allowing their pet to freely move from seat to seat (26 percent), allowing their pet to sit in their lap (26 percent), giving food or water (16 percent) and taking pictures of the pet (11 percent) while driving.

The AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety reports that taking your eyes off the road for only two seconds doubles your risk of a crash. Attending to your pet while driving could easily involve taking your eyes off the road for more than two seconds.

■ How to travel with your pet

1. Pets should always be confined to the back seat, either in a carrier or in a harness attached to the car's seat belt.
2. Never allow your pet to ride in the bed of a pickup truck.
3. Avoid placing animals in campers or trailers.
4. Don't let your dog stick its head out the window, no matter how enjoyable it seems. Road debris and other flying objects can injure delicate eyes and ears, and the animal is at greater risk for severe injury if the vehicle should stop suddenly or be struck.
5. Never leave an animal in a parked car, even if the windows are partially open. Even on pleasant days, the temperature inside a car can soar to well over 100 degrees Fahrenheit in less than 10 minutes. Also, animals left unattended in parked cars can be stolen. ■

Field trips go along with the fundamentals during summer academy for TIF students

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

It's not just the absent-minded professors among us who forget things sometimes; plenty of students do, too. Making sure young students retain the lessons they learn throughout the school year is the idea behind The Immokalee Foundation's Middle School Summer Academy, which this summer focused on literacy skills and an interactive STEM project for 28 Career Development program and Take Stock in Children students.

The students spent three hours a day working on regular school subjects and furthered their educational journeys in reading, with lessons in vocabulary and strategies for greater comprehension. Additional study in science, technology, engineering and math was presented as well, with the introduction of scientific methods and ways to judge the reliability of results.

During the final hour of the program day, students were involved in team-building activities, team sports or presentations from community members on healthy lifestyles.

If someone were to ask the sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders about this program, it's more likely they would talk about the field trips.

Elmer Santiago's favorite was a boat trip on Captiva Cruises to Cayo Costa Island. "When we were moving, the wind was in our faces and it was a good feeling, in my opinion," he said. "And the coolest part was when we saw dolphins in the water. It was my first time seeing a dolphin in person and it was truly an



Abraham Salazar, Elmer Santiago and Linda Gomez-Trejo during The Immokalee Foundation's Middle School Summer Academy.



amazing experience. And when we got to the island we swam in the ocean. The waves were pretty hard, but it was worth it. I hope I can be in the program again next year."

The Middle School Summer Academy students also visited The Naples Zoo, and a trip to Barnes & Noble served as an extension of their reading curriculum. As a supplement to their STEM studies, they toured Florida SouthWestern State College's crime scene lab to see what the study of forensics is all about.

Elmer said the Summer Academy classes actually made him more interested in books. That heightened interest in reading will help him as eighth-grade student this year at Immokalee Middle School, but science and math remain his favorite subjects. "I really like math because it gets me excited when I do a problem and get it correct because to me it means I learned something from the lesson that day," he said.

That kind of excitement for learning is a goal of all The Immokalee Foundation's programs. Education and exposure to different ways of life encourage students who are growing up with fewer resources to dream big and know that if they work hard, a college education and a good job are well within their reach.

Elmer plans to study architecture once he graduates from high school.

The Career Development and Take Stock in Children programs, which make students eligible for the Middle School Summer Academy, are just two of the foundation's offerings.

The Immokalee Foundation provides a range of education programs that focus on building pathways to success through college and post-secondary preparation and support, mentoring and tutoring, opportunities for broadening experiences, and life skills development leading to economic independence.

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GET OUT FOR A GOOD CAUSE

■ Collier County Sheriff's Office holds the eighth annual **Keewaydin Cleanup** on Saturday, Sept. 10. Participants will depart at 8:30 a.m. from Naples City Dock aboard the Sweet Liberty or from Pelican Bend Restaurant on Isles of Capri aboard the Calusa Spirit and return at 12:30 p.m. Participation is limited to the first 35 people who sign up. Organizers will provide bottled water. To reserve a spot, send an email to keewaydincleanup@gmail.com.

■ The ninth annual **Sports CLUB/Kiwanis Golf Shootout** takes place Saturday, Sept. 17, at Heritage Bay Golf Course. Registration and continental breakfast begin at 7 a.m. and the shotgun start is at 8 a.m. Registration for \$125 includes 18 holes of golf, cart fees, breakfast and lunch. The Hot Shots and The Hackers divisions will be based on handicap, and The Seniors division will be for golfers over the age of 60. Prizes will be awarded to division winners. There will be hole-in-one challenges for a car, a motorcycle and cash. Proceeds benefit two charitable causes: the Sports CLUB After School/Youth Sports Scholarship program, which provides more than \$350,000 as year in financial aid to families, and The Kiwanis Club of Naples Terrific Kids program at Avalon Elementary School, which provides support, mentoring and incentives for students. To register or sponsor, call 431-7322 or visit sportsclubnaples.org.



■ The Collier County Medical Society Foundation hosts the third annual **Docs & Duffers** Charity Golf Tournament from 8 a.m. to 2:30 Saturday, Sept. 17, at Bonita Bay Club Naples. Registration includes cart and greens fees, goodie bag, hosted beverages and awards luncheon. Raffle tickets available for \$25 each or \$100 for five. Participation is \$175 per golfer or \$600 per foursome. Proceeds benefit the foundation's efforts to assist local healthcare students and programs. For more information or to register, call 435-7727 or visit ccmsonline.org.

■ The **Foundation for the Developmentally Disabled** holds its annual golf tournament teeing off at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, at Forest Glen Golf & Country Club. Registration for \$100 includes lunch. For more information, call 594-9007 or visit fddswfl.org.

■ Gulfcoast Runners presents the **Run Wild 5K** on Saturday, Sept. 24, at The Naples Zoo. The course starts at 7:30 a.m. in the parking lot and proceeds through Gordon River Greenway Park. A 1K for kids follows at 8:30 a.m. The first-place winner will be awarded a one-year membership to the Conservancy of Southwest Florida and The Naples Zoo; second- and third-place finishers will take home guest passes to both organizations. Participants will



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More than 100 friends of Hope for Haiti turned out for the sixth annual **Neighborhood Pub Crawl** and raised more than \$9,000 to further Hope for Haiti's humanitarian efforts. Sponsors included Iberiabank, Cosmos Café and Pizzeria, Under the Shady Palm Pub and Riptide Brewing Company. Shown here are Tracey Roskuski, Carol Joyner, Tom Spann, Mary Anne Spann, Stacie Cairns and Krista Fogelsoy.

have free entry to both all day with their race number. Registration is \$30 through Sept. 23 and \$35 the day of the event. Proceeds benefit The Naples Zoo and the Conservancy. For more information or to register, visit gcrunner.org.

■ The Pilot Club of Naples/Naples Pilot Foundation Inc. holds its **Family Fun 1- and 2-Mile Walk** from 3-5 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, at North Collier Regional Park. There will be official shirts, food, activities, sponsor displays and prizes for (optional) costumes and teams. All proceeds benefit the Pilot Club and Pilot Foundation's brain-related causes and community service. Registration is \$12 (\$5 for ages 10 and under). For more information, call 289-8268, email les1612@aol.com or visit pilotclubofnaples.org.



■ The David Lawrence Center hosts the third annual **Chip In for the DLC** Golf Tournament Friday, Oct. 21, at Wyndemere Golf and Country Club. The day starts with lunch, followed by tee-off at 1 p.m. The game is an 18-hole scramble with four-person teams. A cocktail awards reception starts at 5:30 p.m. Registration for \$250 includes green fees, cart, lunch and cocktails. Sign up by Oct. 7 by calling 304-3505 or going to chipinfordlc.org.

■ Avow Hospice hosts the second annual **Avow Open** Charity Golf Tournament from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24, at Audubon Country Club. In addition to a day of play, participants will enjoy lunch at the clubhouse, raffles, prizes, games and auctions. Registration is \$175 (\$50 for lunch only).

Sponsorship opportunities are available. For more information, call 430-3195 or email kkincaid@avowcares.org.

■ **Gulfshore Playhouse** hosts its 12th annual charity golf tournament on Monday, Oct. 24, at TwinEagles. A putting contest starts the fun at 11:30 a.m., and tee time is 12:30 pm. Registration for \$400 includes lunch, dinner buffet, golf, two drink tickets and admission for two to a Gulfshore Playhouse production. To sign up or for more information, call (866) 811-4111 or visit gulfshoreplayhouse.org.

■ Community Cooperative hosts the inaugural **Soup'er Hero 5K Run/Walk** at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at Gulf Coast Town Center. Participants are encouraged to dress up as their favorite super hero. Awards will be distributed for the top runners, fundraisers and costumes. Registration is \$34. For more information or to sign up, call 332-7687 or email Nicole@communitycooperative.com.

■ The fourth annual golf tournament to benefit the **Marco Island Center for the Arts** tees off Saturday morning, Oct. 29, at Hammock Bay Golf Club. Registration for \$150 includes three mulligans and lunch. For more information or to register, call 394-4221 or visit marcoislandarts.com.

■ The **72 Hours to Key West Charity Ride** sets out from Fort Myers Beach at 7 a.m. Friday, Nov. 4, and continues to Key West for an arrival on Sunday, Nov. 6. The 280-mile, SAG-supported bike ride is for experienced cyclists ages 18 and older who can adequately perform a standard review performed by event organizers. All proceeds benefit Tiny Hands Foundation. Registration is \$249-\$349. For more information or to register, call (727) 798-5656 or visit 72hourstokeywest.com.

■ **Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** holds its annual golf tournament Friday, Nov. 4, at Raptor Bay Golf Club. The scramble is played so all participants finish the course together.

Registration includes a boxed lunch, green and cart fees and an Italian buffet dinner. Registration is \$130 until Sept. 12 and \$140 from Sept. 13-Oct. 28. For more information or to sign up, call 992-2943 or visit bonitaspringschamber.com.



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Heart Walk.

■ The 2016 **Collier Heart Walk** to benefit the American Heart Association sets out at 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Cambier Park. Registration is free, but participants are expected to gather pledges in advance. For more information, call 495-4915 or visit collierheartwalk.kintera.org.

■ The Conservancy of Southwest Florida hosts the annual **RedSnook Catch & Release** Fishing Tournament Friday through Sunday, Nov. 4-6, starting with a Friday night party at Naples Yacht Club followed by a full weekend of fishing from launch sites in Naples, Marco Island and Everglades City. An awards reception on Sunday night at Northern Trust concludes the event. Registration is \$250 per person. To sign up or for more information, call 403-4219 or email nikkied@conservancy.org.

■ The **Immokalee Foundation's 2016 Charity Classic** Pro-Am scramble-style golf tournament takes place Monday, Nov. 14, at Bay Colony Golf Club. Each foursome will be paired with two professional players. The day starts at 7:30 a.m. with breakfast and golf demonstrations, followed by a shotgun start. Registration starts at \$5,000 and includes two tickets to the Charity Classic celebration dinner and live auction on Friday, Nov. 11, at The Ritz-Carlton Beach Resort. To sign up or for more information, call 430-9122 or visit immokaleefoundation.org.

■ The Alzheimer's Association hosts the **2016 Walk to End Alzheimer's** at 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, at North Collier Regional Park. The event features a 2-mile and 3-mile route. Registration is free, but donations are appreciated. For more information or to register, call (941) 365-8883 or visit act.alz.org.

■ St. Matthew's House hosts the inaugural **Heroes for Homeless 5K** from 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, in Ave Maria. The family-friendly course around the town's lakes is suitable for everyone. The first 100 finishers will receive a medal, and overall winners will receive gift certificates to St. Matthew's Thrift Store. Advance registration is \$15-\$27.50; same-day registration is \$30. Call 774-0500 or visit stmatthewshouse.org to sign up or for more information. ■

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■ Members of the **Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 1067-Naples** serve a pancake breakfast from 8-11 a.m. on the second Sunday of each month in the pilots' lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. Admission for \$5 includes coffee, pancakes, bacon or sausage and orange juice. All proceeds benefit the EAA Young Eagles program that acquaints youth ages 8-17 with aviation as a career. The next breakfast is Sept. 11.

Chapter members meet at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Naples Municipal Airport. The next meeting is Oct. 5. The Naples chapter is one of approximately 1,700 EAA chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts. For more information, call 649-6627 or visit eaa1067.com.

■ **Gamma Phi Beta Alumnae** in Southwest Florida are invited to lunch at 11:30 a.m. on the second Monday of each month from June-October at Brio in Waterside Shops. The next lunch is Sept. 12. For reservations or more information, call Lynne Nordhoff at 594-8420 or email lynnecordhoff@gmail.com.

■ The **Naples Wednesday Bridge Club** welcomes new members to join in at 9:15 a.m. every Wednesday in the clubhouse at Longshore Lake. The game is over by 3 p.m. Admission for \$20 includes beverages, lunch and a small reward for the winning players. The next meeting is Sept. 14. For more information, email Phil Reed at philbarb8142@gmail.com.

■ The **Naples MacFriends User Group** has hundreds of members who share a passion for all thing Apple and who love to learn from one another. Weekly meetings are open to all, free of charge, and take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesdays at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. The next meeting is Sept. 14. For more information, visit naplesmug.com.

■ The **Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance** meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, at a new location: 1455 Pine Ridge Road (in October the club will return to its regular second Thursday of the month meeting). The meeting's topic, "Health Issues of Orchids," will address pests, fungus problems, viruses and other diseases/maladies that affect orchids in Southwest Florida's rainy season. All are welcome. Admission is free, and all are welcome. The alliance welcomes donations of out-of-bloom or unwanted orchids, which members use for educational purposes. Free pick up is available and can be arranged by calling 498-9741. For more information, visit gulfcoastorchidalliance.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 the month at Naples United Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road. The next meeting is Sept.

15. For more information, call 963-4670 or visit pflagnaples.org.

■ The **PCBUG** computer and technology club invites all those interested in learning more about computers and mobile devices to its regular meetings at 5 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. The next meeting is Sept. 15. For more information, call J. Burke at 659-0659 or email paddye@hotmial.com.



■ **Naples Ship Modelers** is an informal group dedicated to the hobby of building wooden ship models. Members meet at 9:30 a.m. on the first and third Saturday of the month at the Landmark Naples community in North Naples. The next meetings are Sept. 17 and Oct. 1. Members are asked to bring their works in progress and be prepared to share techniques and tips. All are invited to enjoy lunch afterward at Fitzgerald's. For more information, call Dick Ritchie at 594-0868 or email dcritchie@comcast.net.

■ The **Naples Model Yacht Club** welcomes all who love to race radio-controlled model sailboats following the Racing Rules of Sailing that are used by full-scale boats. Membership in the American Model Yacht Association is required. Many club members are former owners of sailboats who still love to race, but don't want the hassle of maintaining a full-sized boat. Club headquarters are at North Collier Regional Park, at the pond just south of Sun 'n' Fun Water Park. The club races five classes, each on its own day of the week. Monthly membership meetings also take place at the pond. For more information, visit naplesmyc.org.

■ The **Naples base of the U.S. Submarine Veterans (USSVI)** meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of every month at the VFW Post 7721, 800 Neffs Way in Naples. The next meeting is Sept. 19. Membership is open to active duty and retired submariners who have earned the Qualified in Submarines designation. The local USSVI base commander is Jack Hogan of Naples. For more information, visit ussvi.org/base/naples.asp.



■ The **Collier County Stamp Club** meets from 7-9 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Naples Airport Office Building, 200 Aviation Drive. The next meeting is Sept. 22. Stamp trading follows the evening's program. All stamp enthusiasts are welcome. For more information, call 348-9845.

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■ **Tech4Good SWFL** welcomes staff and volunteers of nonprofit organizations who want to learn more about using technology to advance their mission and their community engagement and fundraising efforts. Meetings are held from 6-8 p.m. on the first Tuesday each month at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6340 Napa Woods Way, Naples. Admission is free, and a light dinner is served. RSVPs are requested and can be made by emailing birgit.pauli@gmail.com. Here's what's planned for upcoming meetings:

Oct. 4: #GivingTuesday - A branding expert will talk about easy ways to preserve brands in social media graphics. Members kick-off #SWFLGives, a Tech4Good SWFL initiative supporting local organizations participating in #GivingTuesday.

Nov. 1: Blogging and Editorial Calendar - Learn how blogging can help nonprofits stay competitive in online outreach efforts. Tips for organizing an editorial calendar for your blog will also be offered.

Dec. 6: Show Off Your Tech Tools - At this crowdsourced event, participants will have up to five minutes to share one tool they use that is valuable to their nonprofit communication, fundraising and/or community management life.

Jan. 3: How to Reach More People Via Live Video - Discussion of our own Tech4Good SWFL live streaming experiences, various tools utilized such as Periscope and Google Hangout, equipment and process.

For more information about the club, visit tech4goodswfl.org.

■ The **San Marco Knights of Columbus Council #6344** meets on the first Tuesday of every month at the Parish Center at 851 San Marco Road, Marco Island. Membership is open to all Catholic men. The Knights sponsor bingo games, spaghetti dinners and Friday night fish dinners with the money collected helping out various charitable organizations in the community. The next meeting is Oct. 4. For more information, call John Caltabiano at 642-9840 or visit marcoknights.com.

■ Members of **Republican Women of SWFL Federated** meet from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Brio Restaurant in Waterside Shops. The next meeting is Oct. 5. RSVP by calling 431-5224 or emailing speedysrvp@gmail.com.

■ The **Paradise Coast Paddlers Club** meets at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at the North Collier Government Center, 3550 Orange Blossom Drive. The next meeting is Oct. 5. Members also get together to paddle at 9 a.m. on the third Sunday of the month. The next paddle is Sept. 18. All are welcome. For more information, visit meetup.com/Naples-Marco-Island-Paradise-Coast-Paddlers-Club. Michael Develin is president of the club.



■ Everyone who owns or admires Corvettes is welcome to attend **Corvettes of Naples** meetings at 7:30 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church in

North Naples. The next meeting is Oct. 6. For more information, visit corvette-sofnaplesfl.com.

■ The **Gulf Breeze Button Club** meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday of every month at the Golden Gate Community Center. The next meeting is Oct. 6. All who are interested in collecting and studying antique clothing buttons are welcome. For more information, call 682-6117.

■ The **Naples Orchid Society** welcomes members and guests to regular meetings on the first Thursday of the month at Moorings Presbyterian Church. The next meeting is Oct. 6. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for flower registration. Judging is at 7:10 p.m., followed by a short meeting at 7:15 p.m. and the program at 7:30 p.m. Moorings Presbyterian Church is at 791 Harbour Drive. For more information, visit naplesorchidsociety.org.

■ The **Genealogical Society of Collier County** meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month October-June at Faith Lutheran Church, 4150 Goodlette-Frank Road. The next meeting is Oct. 11. Attendance is free, and all are welcome. For more information, call Madonna Crame at 455-7295 or visit thegscc.org.

■ Are you new to Naples and interested in making friends? Consider joining the **Naples Newcomers Club**. Lunch meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month at country clubs throughout Naples. The next meeting is Oct. 13. In addition, members get together to explore Naples through a variety of activities and also enjoy a variety of interests from books to bridge to gourmet cooking. For more information, visit naplesnewcomersnorth.com.

■ The **Naples Chapter, Florida Society, Sons of the American Revolution** resumes its lunch meetings on the second Thursday of the month at the Club at Longshore Lake, 1139 Phoenix Way, on Oct. 13. Doors open at 11:30 and the meeting starts at noon. Pins will be awarded for years of service. Spouses and guests are always welcome. For more information, call Tom Woodruff at 732-0602, email naplesSAR@gmail.com or visit naplessar.org.

■ **Pilot Club of Naples/Naples Pilot Foundation** meets at 6 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road. The next meeting is Oct. 14. Guests and new members are always welcome. Reservations are not required. Attendees order from the menu and pay for their meals. Pilot International focuses its charitable and educational efforts on brain-related disorders and disabilities, including traumatic brain injuries, dementia and autism. For more information, call Sue Lester 289-8268.

■ The **DPI-SIG Naples Digital Photography Club** meets from 7-9 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at Florida SouthWestern State College, 7505 Grand Lely Drive. The next meeting is Oct. 14. Meetings are open to the public, and all levels of photographers are welcome. For more information, visit dpi-sig.org.

■ **Sigma Chi** alumna meet for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club. Cost is \$25 for members, \$30 for others. For information, visit naplessigs.com. ■

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BEHIND THE WHEEL

It's a great time to be considering a family sedan



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It used to be the only requirements for a midsize family sedan were that the kids fit in the back and the color was acceptable. But this longstanding bread-and-butter market for car companies is going through a revolution. As competition heats up, a class once dominated by utility is now home to affordable and interesting choices.

Two of the more noteworthy vehicles out there right now are the 2016 Chevrolet Malibu Hybrid and the Volkswagen Passat.

Both can be delivered in a desirable specification for under \$30,000. But their allure is very different.

This comparison couldn't have been made a dozen years ago. Back then, the Malibu was the ugly kid trying to make friends with low price rather than build quality, and the Passat was reaching too far into the upper classes to want to be seen with the value-minded folks.

Today the Chevy is a far different machine. The Malibu arrived for 2016 with a full redesign that makes it arguably one of the sleekest midsize sedans on the market. VW's Passat continues to offer smart European styling, but the revised sedan has smaller motors and a smaller price.

Inside, the Malibu is about feeling light and airy. Features like a long dashboard and a large gap for storage underneath the climate control open up the cabin. So while it looks sleek and sporty on the outside, it performs a nice trick of not feeling compact behind the wheel.

The Passat in the upper-level SE trim goes for a more enveloping driver atmosphere. It doesn't feel more compact than the Malibu, but the essential controls are all within closer reach of the driver, making the VW feel like the sportier buy of the duo.

Both cars come loaded for under \$30,000 with dual-zone climate control, touchscreen infotainment radio, keyless ignition and backup cameras with radar assist. But the best feature is the 38 and 39 inches of legroom offered by the Malibu and Passat, respectively — easily enough room to keep adults comfortable.

It's important to note that we are comparing high-optioned vehicles here. Many of the comfort features can be deleted to save money, and the interior space remains the same. We're just examining premium sedans for a reasonable price.

The base price of a Passat is \$23,620. The Malibu Hybrid begins around \$28K and comes loaded; the traditional gas-engine models with fewer comfort features start at \$22,500.

The hybrid version of the Chevy was chosen for this comparison because the gas/electric drivetrain is what really helps make this sedan feel special. The 1.8-liter motor is not particularly powerful, it produces only 122 hp total, even with the electric help. But how it all works together makes the experience fun; this car is a constant interactive experience — quite the opposite of the family sedan's snoozer image.

The Passat might be built in the USA, but the sedan goes for a more German engineered approach. It has a 1.8-liter motor like the Malibu, but with the addition of a turbocharger, the VW delivers



a respectable 170 hp. The peppy engine combined with the exceptionally sharp handling makes for a lively driving package. So both sedans do a nice job of feeling like more than just driving an appliance.

Fuel economy is not necessarily on everyone's minds these days, but those looking at a family sedan usually are the first ones to pay attention. After all, these cars are likely to see everything from soccer runs to cross-country road trips. This is where the Malibu Hybrid has an

obvious advantage, with an EPA rating of 47/46 mpg city/highway. For those who need a little more power, the Passat's turbo motor returns a very respectable 25/38 mpg city/highway.

The Chevy and the VW are two very different vehicles. What they share is the ability to deliver an engaging experience while remaining practical and affordable. The decision of which one to buy is up to individual taste, but it's clear that this is a great era to be a family sedan shopper. ■

Watch out for traffic deputies

Here's where Collier County Sheriff's Office deputies will be on traffic detail the week of Sept. 12-16:

- Monday, Sept. 12**
Old 41 Road and U.S. 41 North: Speeding
Bayshore Drive and Weeks Avenue: Speeding
Collier Boulevard and Tuscany Cove Drive: Speeding
- Tuesday, Sept. 13**
Golden Gate Boulevard at Big Cypress Elementary School: Speeding
Radio and Airport-Pulling roads: Red-light running
Manatee Road and U.S. 41 East: Speeding
- Wednesday, Sept. 14**
Livingston Road and Enterprise Avenue: Speeding
Oil Well and Immokalee roads: Red-light running
Pine Ridge Road and I75 northbound exit: Aggressive driving
- Thursday, Sept. 15**
Santa Barbara Boulevard at Calusa Park Elementary School: Red-light running
Logan Boulevard and Coral Wood Drive: Speeding
U.S. 41 North and 97th Avenue North: Red-light running
- Friday, Sept. 16**
Vanderbilt Beach Road and Groves Road: Speeding
Thomasson Drive at Avalon Elementary School: Aggressive driving
Davis and Madison Park boulevards: Speeding ■

Check out the improved CCSO2go app

CCSO2go, the mobile application of the Collier County Sheriff's Office, is free and ready for download.

Recently upgraded, CCSO2go is faster and easier to navigate. The enhanced arrest log is searchable by date or name and displays each arrestee's charges, Collier County arrest history for the past 10 years and photograph.

The latest version of the app also offers more timely push notifications of CCSO news. By getting information out quicker, app users can help CCSO solve crimes.

All CCSO-produced videos can be found on the app. Users can watch videos on a wide array of safety topics ranging from bullying to burglary prevention, as well as each month's episode of the agency's television show "On-Scene."

Users can also find real-time traffic information and updated Google street view maps to help them with their commute.

The new CCSO2go is iPad friendly and available at the iTunes App Store. If you have already downloaded CCSO2go, use the iTunes "Updates" feature to download the latest version. Those downloading the app for the first time will automatically get all of the new features.

The Android-friendly app is available on Google Play. ■

HEALTHY LIVING

Lighthouse hosts brown bag lunch for visually impaired

Visually impaired people and their caregivers are invited to the next brown bag lunch at Lighthouse of Collier at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 2685 Horseshoe Drive S.

Guest speaker George Luther of the Corkscrew Regional Ecosystem Watershed will discuss the CREW watershed that straddles Lee and Collier counties and is the largest intact watershed in Southwest Florida. CREW's 5,000-acre sawgrass marsh is the headwaters for the entire watershed, which includes Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary south of the marsh.

A self-taught naturalist, Mr. Luther has been conducting guided nature tours and hikes throughout Southwest Florida, since 2004. In November, he will begin providing guided tours to Lighthouse of Collier clients focusing on the sounds, smells and touch of the swamp environment.

Attendance at the brown bag lunch programs is free; bring your own lunch to eat during or after the program. Lunches are on the third Tuesday of every month.

Lighthouse of Collier also hosts a peer support group meeting for the blind and visually impaired from 10:30 a.m. to noon every Tuesday. Rick Hart facilitates and helps attendees discuss their feelings and share experiences with others who can relate to their situation.

For reservations to the brown bag lunch or for more information about the weekly support group, call 430-3934. For more information about the various programs and services offered by Lighthouse of Collier, visit lighthouseofcollier.org. ■

Avow offers overnight camp for grieving kids

Camp MendingHeart, an overnight adventure for children ages 12-18 who have experienced the death of a significant person in their life, is offered

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Relieving chronic pain

Study suggests alternative treatment approaches can help with back pain, migraines, osteoarthritis and more

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Data from a review of U.S.-based clinical trials published in the latest Mayo Clinic Proceedings suggest that some of the most popular complementary health approaches — yoga, tai chi and acupuncture, for example — appear to be effective tools for helping manage common pain conditions. The review was conducted by a group of scientists from the National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health at the National Institutes of Health.

Millions of Americans suffer from persistent pain that is not fully relieved by medications. They often turn to complementary health approaches to help, yet primary care providers have lacked a robust evidence base to guide recommendations on complementary approaches as practiced and available in the United States.

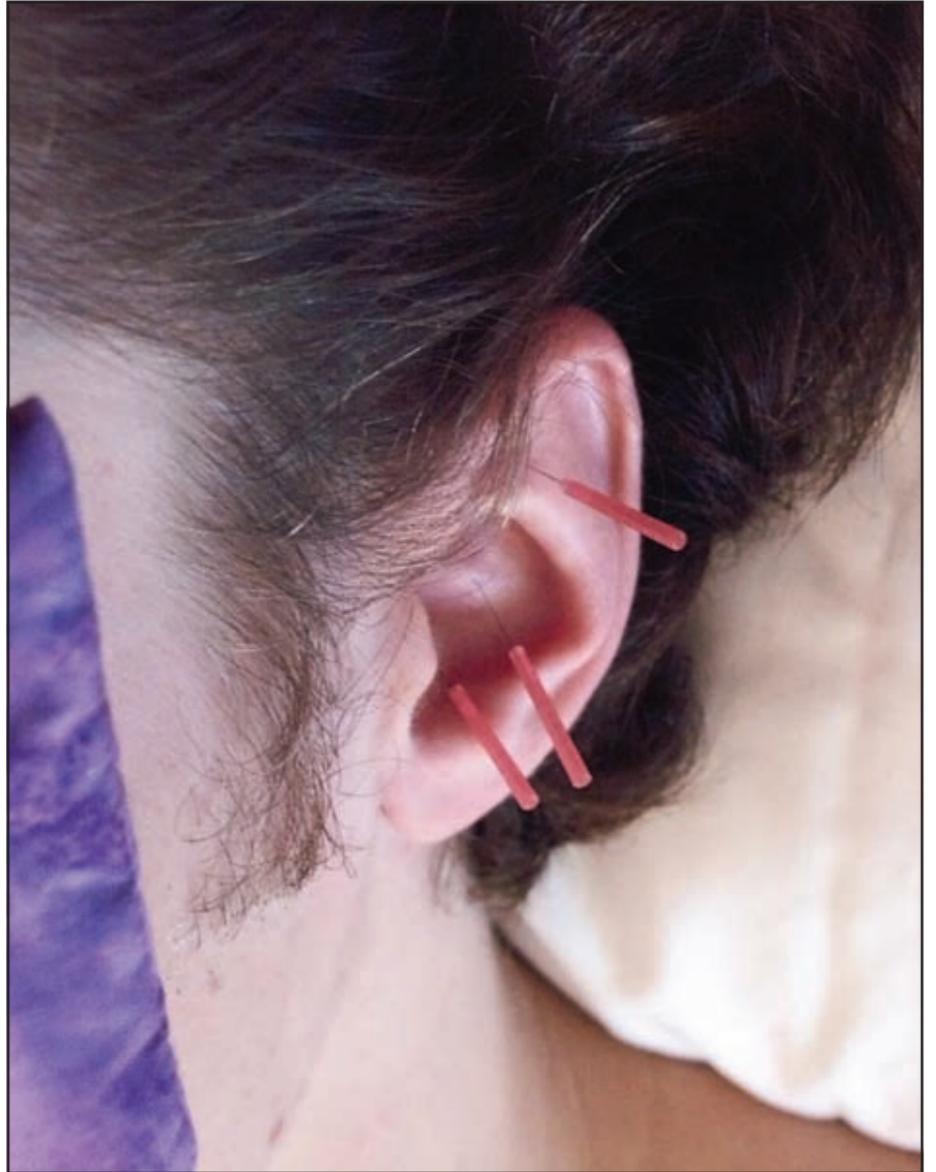
The new review gives primary care providers — who frequently see patients with chronic pain — tools to inform decision-making on how to help manage that pain.

“For many Americans who suffer from chronic pain, medications may not completely relieve pain and can produce unwanted side effects,” says NCCIH lead epidemiologist Richard Nahin, lead author of the analysis. As a result, he adds, many people turn to nondrug approaches to help manage their pain.

“Our goal for this study was to provide relevant, high-quality information for primary care providers and for patients who suffer from chronic pain.”

The researchers reviewed 105 U.S.-based randomized controlled trials, from the past 50 years, that were relevant to pain patients in the United States and met inclusion criteria. Although the reporting of safety information was low overall, none of the clinical trials reported significant side effects due to the interventions.

The review focused on U.S.-based trial results on seven approaches used for one or more of five painful conditions — back pain, osteoarthritis, neck pain, fibromyalgia and severe headaches/migraine — and found promise in the following for safety and effective-



ness in treating pain:

- Acupuncture and yoga for back pain
- Acupuncture and tai chi for osteoarthritis of the knee
- Massage therapy for neck pain with adequate doses and for short-term benefit
- Relaxation techniques for severe headaches and migraine.

Though the evidence was weaker, the researchers also found that massage therapy, spinal manipulation and

osteopathic manipulation might provide some help for back pain, and relaxation approaches and tai chi might help people with fibromyalgia.

“These data can equip providers and patients with the information they need to have informed conversations regarding non-drug approaches for treatment of specific pain conditions,” David Shurtleff, NCCIH deputy director says. “It’s important that continued research explore how these approaches actually work and whether these findings apply broadly in diverse clinical settings and patient populations.” ■



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DLC offers free help for parents facing challenges

Parents of children of all ages can benefit from two free programs being offered this fall by the David Lawrence Center, Collier County's only comprehensive, not-for-profit mental health and substance abuse treatment facility serving children, adults and families.

"Parenting Today" is a video and discussion-based series that provides tools to assist parents of youngsters ages 5-12 with improving communication, stimulating independence, teaching responsibility and disciplining in ways that work. Six sessions will meet from 6-8 p.m. Wednesdays starting Oct. 5.

"Parenting Teens" provides tools for

parents of adolescents ages 13-18 who present behavioral challenges. Program participants receive education on preventing and intervening in the child's negative choices, addressing problematic behavior, changing destructive behavior, rebuilding family relationships and identifying and understanding issues of drug use, violence and sexuality. Six sessions will meet from 6-8 p.m. Thursdays beginning Oct. 6.

If enough interest is expressed, each course will also be presented in Spanish.

Sessions meet at the DLC satellite services office at 2806 Horseshoe Drive. For more information or to sign up, call 263-4013. ■

Feeling depressed? Weekly support group can help

Have you been feeling really sad, tired and worried for more than a few days? If yes, you could have depression. This is not a character flaw or a sign of personal weakness. You can't yourself well by trying to "snap out of it" or "lighten up."

The depression support group offered by the Mental Health Association of Southwest Florida welcomes anyone who is suffering from this very real mental illness. The group meets from 10:30 a.m. to noon every Thursday at 2335 Tamiami Trail.

Support groups provide mutual acceptance and understanding and help facilitate self-discovery. They also give

people the opportunity to benefit from the experiences of those who have been or are in the same shoes.

Common symptoms of depression include: loss of enjoyment, restlessness and poor nighttime sleep, overeating or loss of appetite, forgetfulness, wanting to stay in bed all the time, unexplained feelings of anger or fear, general aches and pains that don't go away, no sexual energy, lack of focus and no interest in socializing.

Talk to your doctor if you are experience any of the above symptoms. Depression is treatable and you can feel better. For more information about the support group, call 261-5405 or email info@mhaswfl.org. ■

Volunteers can help Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida

The Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida Inc. is looking for volunteers in the following areas: public relations, finance, educational and social activities, the annual walk and general office duties. Volunteer orientation sessions take place at 3:30 p.m. on the last Monday of every month. The next session is Sept. 26.

PASFI also holds weekly speech

therapy classes starting at 9:15 a.m. on Thursday. Two support groups meet at 10:30 a.m. following the therapy: one for people with PD and a separate one for their caregivers.

Volunteer training, speech therapy classes and the support groups all meet at PASFI headquarters at 1048 Goodlette-Frank Road, Suite 201. For more information, call 417-3465 or email pasfi@aol.com. ■

Discover yourself during six-week spiritual intensive

Registration is under way for the next spiritual intensive meditation program based on the teachings of Eckhart Tolle. Weekly meetings for "Discovering Your True Self" will take place from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 6-Nov. 10, at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Naples, 6340 Napa Woods Way. Cost is \$35 for the six weeks.

Sign up at EventBrite.com or send a check or money order (made payable to Donna Carty, 1725 Supreme Court, Naples, FL 34110.

The spiritual intensive aligns with the Southwest Florida Blue Zones Initiative Power of 9 Principles (No. 3: Down Shift). Each session begins with a meditation guided by Naples resident Linda Allen, a longtime student of Mr. Tolle and a facilitator of his teachings.

Participation is limited to the first 50 people who sign up by Sept. 30. For more information, call Ms. Carty at 784-7734 or email journeytopresence@gmail.com. ■

AVOW

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by Avow on Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 29-30, at Riverside Camp & Retreat Center in Fort Denard. Activities will include art, music, writing, team building and a special remembrance program designed to help children express feelings, build coping skills and reinforce

positive memories of their loved ones.

Attendance is free and includes transportation to and from the camp. To sign up or for more information, call Avow bereavement counselor Raquel Gonzalez at 261-4404. The registration deadline is Oct. 21.

Avow also conducts monthly children's grief support groups on the first Thursday of each month and bereavement day camps for children 12 and younger. For more information, visit avowcares.org. ■

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PET TALES

Cataracts can dim a dog's vision, but surgery can help

BY KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON
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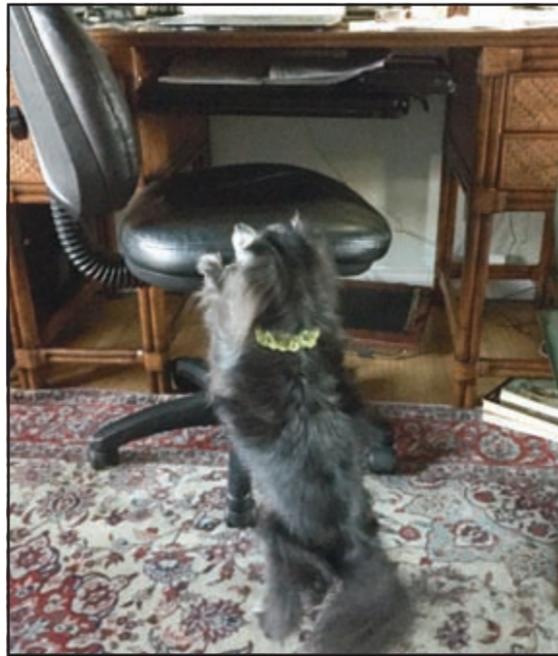
My little dog Gemma is about as spry as a 16-year-old dog can be, but we've seen one definite sign of aging in our Pom-Chi mix. Since late June, her vision has deteriorated noticeably. It was obvious before then that she had cataracts, but they have progressed enough to limit her vision. She has walked into walls when she's in unfamiliar areas, and she sometimes has trouble following my movements when I'm setting down her food dish or handing out treats.

A cataract is cloudiness, or opacity, in the lens of the eye. Although it looks as if it's a film on the surface of the eyeball, the cloudy lens is deep inside a dog or cat's eye, according to the American College of Veterinary Ophthalmology.

Cataracts are inherited in many breeds, including Boston terriers, cocker spaniels, golden retrievers, Labrador retrievers, miniature schnauzers, poodles, Siberian huskies and wirehaired fox terriers. They most commonly develop when a dog is 1 to 5 years old.

Health ailments such as diabetes, inflammation and trauma can also lead to cataract formation. Cataracts may also develop as a dog ages. Sometimes cataracts remain small throughout a dog's life; other times they worsen to the point of blindness.

Depending on a dog's age, health and the severity of vision loss, cataracts can be removed surgically. It's not a simple process, though. Two tests, an electro-



Gemma gets around well, even with limited vision, although she doesn't always realize which way to look to find her owner.

retinogram (ERG) and an ultrasound, are performed beforehand to assess the health of the retina and determine whether removing the cataracts would improve vision.

If the dog is a good candidate for surgery, eye drops are administered several times daily before the procedure. With the dog under anesthesia, the ophthalmologist makes a small incision and, using a technique called phacoemulsifi-

cation, breaks up the cataract with ultrasonic vibrations and then removes the particles. For sharper vision, an artificial lens can be implanted inside the eye.

The eye drop regimen continues for approximately six weeks following surgery. The "cone of shame" makes an appearance, too. The dog must wear a protective soft or plastic Elizabethan collar for two weeks to ensure that he doesn't scratch or otherwise injure the eye. Baths and vaccinations are forbidden until the eye heals.

Cataract surgery has a high success rate, but like any surgery, it can have risks and complications.

Rainey, a beagle, had congenital cataracts. Her owner, Denise Nord, who lives northwest of Minneapolis, opted for surgery for the then-1-year-old dog to improve her quality of life and permit continued involvement in dog sports such as tracking, agility and obedience.

Rainey is now 8 years old and doesn't have great vision, but Nord says she would choose surgery again, even with the complications her dog had.

"She did well for quite a while, but over time the lens 'rolled up,' and she lost the near vision in one eye," Nord says. "She is on drops for high eye pressure. ■"

Pets of the Week



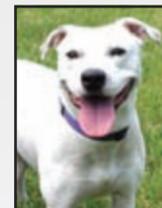
>> **Abel** is a handsome 18-month-old domestic shorthair who keeps his rich, soft coat meticulously groomed. He loves to sit in your lap for petting.



>> **Haley** is an affectionate 2-year-old domestic medium hair who longs for her forever home.



>> **Nash** is a friendly 3-year-old hound mix who weighs about 49 pounds. He knows the basics, has plenty of energy and is a good walker.



>> **Teri** is a beautiful, calm 18-month-old Staffordshire terrier mix who weighs about 50 pounds. She loves playing with people and other dogs, especially in a wading pool.

To adopt or foster a pet

This week's pets are from **Collier County Domestic Animal Services**. Adoptions (normally \$60 for cats and \$85 for dogs) are "name your price" in September because the shelter is at capacity. Fees include sterilization surgery, vaccinations, pet license, ID microchip and a bag of food. Visit DAS at 7610 Davis Blvd. from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Saturday. Adoptable dogs and cats from DAS are also at For Footed Friends in Marquesa Plaza on Livingston Road from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the first Saturday of every month. For more information, call 252-7387 or visit colliergov.net/pets. ■



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The votes are in: Election season is affecting friends on Facebook



Readers, I'm fanning myself with my feather boa and thanking heaven that the primary elections are over, because I'm pretty sure my delicate sensibility couldn't take much more Facebook feuding, unfriending, blocking and deleting.

But the truth is, as we careen toward November with keyboards, tablets and smartphones poised to post/share/copy/like/comment, it's only going to get worse. Much worse.

I've had a Facebook page since 2008. If you remember correctly, the elections that year were pretty touchy ("I can see Russia — from my house!"), but back then I had maybe 53 Facebook friends at the most, so the social media platform wasn't exactly chock full of excitement. In fact, my status on Aug. 31, 2008, was: "Stephanie Davis is making potato salad." Apparently, I felt a strong need to share that breaking news with my loyal followers.

Now that I have more than 2,000 Facebook friends, it seems there's never a dull moment — especially during election season.

On one hand, I think Facebook is a great way to get a conversation going about something, whether you want to raise awareness of our area's water woes or vent about a local politician, OR whether you want to vent about someone who's venting about the same local politician.

But sometimes things can get heated. Uncomfortably so. Personally, when someone makes a statement I don't agree with, I say nothing. You can call me politically correct if you want, but my mother would call me smart. She always said, "If you don't have anything nice to say, don't say anything at all." And this was light years before there was a World Wide Web, let alone social media. Still, I believe the rule applies. And while I think most of our mothers doled out the exact same advice, many of us forget dear Mom where social media is concerned.

Lately, I've had several instances where a friend will share an opinion and I'll see another friend disagree, vehemently. I don't comment, but I do tend to lurk nearby with a bag of popcorn to see how far it goes. I've even been known to screenshot a thread, text it to a mutual friend with the message, "OMG! Get on FB right now! Two of our friends are screaming at each other!" And by "screaming" I mean hurl-

ing punctuation marks and capital letters through cyberspace at one another.

"You have NO idea what you're talking about!!!"

"Did you even READ the article I posted???"

"My page, my opinion! Deleting your comment!!!"

"DELETING YOU!"

"WHY ARE YOU SCREAMING???"

Meanwhile, while the feuding friends are likely perfectly fine with having this exchange for all to see, I'M the one getting anxious and uncomfortable. All I can think about is the girls' night I am hosting in a couple of weeks and how I can only invite ONE of them now. And if I only invite one and she puts photos of it on Facebook, will the other see it and be mad at ME? Wait. I haven't even done anything. I didn't comment on the controversial post. I didn't "like" any of the opinions, therefore seeming to take a side. I'm just over here munching my popcorn

and feeling plagued with a misplaced sense of guilt.

There has to be a term for it when a close friend or family member posts a strong political opinion that you don't agree with. You see it, but you can't click "like" in support. Maybe call it Social Media Switzerland? I always feel as if my more strongly opinionated friends are registering my neutrality and crossing me off their Christmas card lists in a huff. Then when other friends chime in with a different opinion and I don't cheer them on with a "like," they become the ones marking me off their card lists. I worry that because of Facebook, I will have a sad, empty mailbox this holiday season.

So, you folks feuding on Facebook about politics and current events, please consider your peace-loving pacifist friends like me. Think less about your own opinions, and more about my girls' night parties and holiday mailbox.

I know, I know — we have more than two more months of this strife and we're just getting started, so I'll try to focus on happy kitten videos, photos of adorable children and grandbabies and, my favorite of all, pictures of fabulous-looking cocktails. I will "like" all the cocktails I see on Facebook, because vodka is likely going to be the only way I survive until November.

My status has changed from "Stephanie is making potato salad" in 2008 to "Stephanie is making a Bloody Mary" in 2016. Cheers. ■

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

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BY STEPHANIE DAVIS
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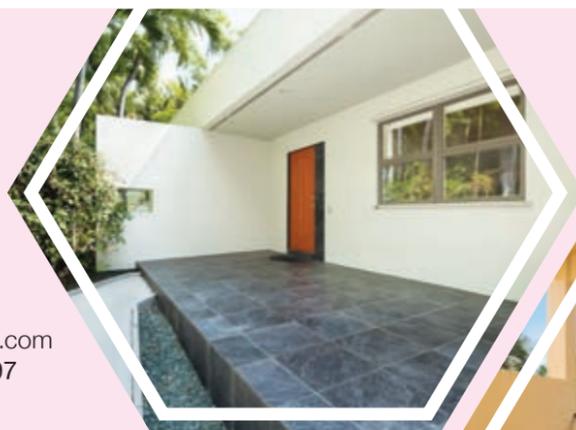
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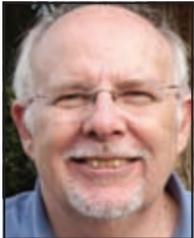
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Originally, the SCORE acronym stood for “Service Corps of Retired Executives,” but because many mentors continue to work, the organization is now recognized as SCORE Counselors to America’s Small Business.

As one of the top retirement destinations in the U.S., it’s no surprise that there are hundreds of volunteer mentors across South Florida.

The Southwest Florida SCORE was established in Fort Myers in 1970.

Jack Dunigan, chair of the chapter for two years, is a retired trainer/consultant for both profit and non-profit organizations, and has been a mentor with SCORE for four years.



DUNIGAN

He said he’s seen a significant growth in clients recently. The SCORE in Fort Myers mentored 350 to 400 businesses this past year, he said.

“We’ve been very aggressive about getting out into the community and demonstrating how effective SCORE can be,” Mr. Dunigan said. “Since we serve not only Lee County, but also Hendry and Glades, we’re always networking at chamber of commerce events, Rotary and Kiwanis meetings and more.”

Mr. Dunigan said social media has been a challenge for some retired mentors.

“Many see the internet as an intrusion,” he said. “But it’s proven to be an effective business marketing tool. So we’re very proactive in instructing our mentors.”

These days, SCORE uses the technology available, whether it’s mentoring via email, Skype or phone.

“There are so many ways we can reach out and help business people and entrepreneurs,” Mr. Dunigan said. “We provide the tools, resources, workshops and experience. The idea is to help our local business community grow and thrive.”

Penny Pompei, chapter chair of Palm Beach Score, said business is “booming.”



POMPEI

“We serve all of the North Palm Beach area,” said Ms. Pompei, who describes herself as a “serial entrepreneur.”

“The volume of new requests for mentors has gone up dramatically — last year, we had 600 new requests; this year it’s been well over 700, with 95 requests in

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the month of July alone,” Ms. Pompei said.

Ms. Pompei holds the distinction of being the first woman chair of the 41-year old Palm Beach chapter of SCORE and says that the needs of the local business community have evolved.

“These days we spend at least half of our time mentoring businesses that are already established,” she said. “It used to be just start-ups, but now we’re helping current businesses with problem solving, hiring, financing, and whatever they need.”

One of the largest SCORE chapters on the West coast of Florida is in Naples, which serves all of Collier County and some of southern Lee County.

Frank Friend, SCORE Naples’ director of marketing, said between 50 and 60 volunteer mentors serve up to 40 new clients each month.



FRIEND

“We’ve noticed a real upswing in business over the last year,” said Mr. Friend. “And we’re responding a lot to women entrepreneurs. Only about 10 percent of women business owners employ someone other than themselves; our new program called Insights Into Successful Business Strategies was created by SCORE women mentors for Naples area women business owners.”

On Nov. 19, the chapter will host a conference with workshops geared exclusively for women business owners.

In Port Charlotte, Bob Burkholder, who has been a mentor with Port Charlotte Score for more than eight years, acknowl-



edges that there is less business activity in the Charlotte County area due to fewer major corporations, but points out that the chapter, which also serves DeSoto County and southern Sarasota County, sees a regular flow of requests for mentors.

Mr. Burkholder said the Port Charlotte SCORE, like the other chapters of SCORE in South Florida, has had to adapt with the times and that perhaps the biggest challenge of the past few years has been the advent of social media and the internet in the business world.



BURKHOLDER

“The fundamentals of business haven’t changed,” said Mr. Burkholder. “But since many of our volunteers retired before social media played a part in making a business a success, we’ve had to deal with a learning curve.”

The chapter helps both mentors and clients by hosting monthly workshops internet technology.

Upcoming workshops

■ **“Independent Contractor or Employee: Do You Know the Difference?”** – A Lunch ‘n’ Learn seminar from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at Lorenzo Walker Technical College, 3702 Estey Ave. Free. Sponsored by Paychex; speaker Kathy Rossi.

■ **“Get Found on Google Search and Maps & Grow Your Business Online”** – 9:30 a.m. to noon Friday, Sept. 23, at The Accelerator, 3510 Kraft Road. Free. Speaker Eva Zacks, SCORE Naples co-chair, has 25 years of digital marketing consulting, IT and management experience. A self-confessed “serial entrepreneur,” she has worked with some of the largest companies in the country.

■ **“Escape the Owner’s Trap: Grow Your Business to Sell for the Highest Price”** – 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, 2390 Tamiami Trail N. \$25. Learn how to build the business that will “wow” buyers so you can achieve the freedom you dreamed of when you started your business. Presenter Mike Zoglio has been an entrepreneur and business broker for

many years helping business owners to understand market values and how to enhance value and so attract the highest price. Attendees will receive a “sales readiness assessment.”

■ **“Promote Your Business Using Online Advertising & Measure Success w/Analytics”** – 1-3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 27, at The United Way in Mercato. Free. Speaker Eva Zacks, SCORE Naples co-chair.

■ **“Common Sense, Practical Marketing Strategies That Small Companies Can Actually Use”** – 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, 2390 Tamiami Trail N. \$25. Presenter Michael Baumohl will focus on marketing strategies that are either no-cost or low-cost that can make a major difference in sales and profits. Mr. Baumohl was the international advertising and publicity director for Warner Bros. International; managing director of the Star Wars Company-Europe; and managing director of Encore, a Beverly Hills marketing and financial consultancy.

■ **“Loyal Customers: Your Best Source for Increased Sales and Profits”** – 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, 2390 Tamiami Trail N. Free. Instructor Frank Friend will explain how to find out which of your customers are loyal and why they are your best salespeople. Workshop includes instructions on how to conduct a customer loyalty survey. Mr. Friend was vice president of a New York consulting practice, president of a global apparel group, founder of a UK advertising agency and owner of U.S.-based import and distribution companies.

■ **“In the Weeds! How to Increase Customer Lifetime Value and the Importance of Employee Loyalty”** – 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29, at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, 2390 Tamiami Trail N. Free. Instructor Frank Friend will discuss how to calculate the lifetime value of a customer as well as ways to increase retention and referral rates.

Also coming up in October but with dates, times and locations TBA:

■ “Get Found on Google Search and Maps & Grow Your Business Online” with instructor Eva Zacks. Free.

■ “Promote Your Business Using Online Advertising & Measure Success w/Analytics” with instructor Eva Zacks. Free.

■ “Brand Management and Marketing with Social Media” with instructor Eva Zacks.

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Target date funds are never a prudent investment choice

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Americans have a global reputation for being lazy. After all, we are the country that in 1950 invented the TV remote control when there were only three TV stations to choose from (little known fact that Zenith, the company that developed the new device, branded the first TV remote “Lazy Bones”). So it should come as no surprise that we are lazy when it comes to investing, as well.

This is probably why almost all fund companies have developed “target date funds.” You tell the company when you would like these mutual funds to retire and they do all of the investing for you. What could be easier? But are these funds truly a good investment?

Buying a target date fund is very simple. Let’s say you are 40 today and would like to retire when you are 65. Twenty-five years brings us to 2041 so we would buy a 2040 target date fund. And, in theory, we can keep adding money to this one fund until we retire in 25 years.

Behind the scenes, the fund is relying on two core principles of investing. First, equities outperform bonds in the long run. In theory, this makes sense, as bonds have a higher claim on a company’s assets and cash flow. Bond investors always get paid before equity



dividends and in a bankruptcy, bond principal gets paid back before equity holders. Therefore, equity holders must demand a higher return to compensate them for this risk. Over the long run this proves true.

The second core principle is that bond prices are less volatile than stock prices. Again, in the long-term, this is shown to be correct. In fact, stocks were more than three times more volatile than bonds over the last half century. This should not be surprising, as equities are more risky than bonds.

So what a target fund does is use these principles to allocate the percentage of stocks and bonds it holds in the fund.

When you are far away from retirement the fund holds a high percentage of stocks and low percentage of bonds because you are looking for a high return and can take on more risk. But as you get closer to your target retirement date, the fund increases the percentage of bonds held because you should be more concerned about capital preservation rather than returns.

The problem I see with a target date fund is that if that is your primary investment, you are dangerously non-diversified — especially as you reach retirement age. Being concentrated in one investment, even if that is a “safe” investment like government bonds, is never a good idea.

This is especially true today, when interest rates around the world are at all-time lows. At some point, these rates will rise. It may be next month or next year, or even the next decade, but interest rates will not be close to zero forever.

And with bonds, when rates rise, prices decline. You certainly do not want to be holding a large percentage of your assets in bonds when this occurs but that is exactly what you will be doing if you hold a target date fund and are close to retirement.

So is it my advice to avoid a target date fund?

Yes, that is my recommendation.

Diversification is critical for investors no matter what stage of life you are in. Target date funds rob you of this critical strategy.

Having a balance of stocks, bonds, funds, commodities, real estate and other investments is the best hedge against any time of market movement.

Of course, the balance of these investments must shift as your life priorities change but I don’t believe putting your eggs in one basket is a safe or prudent choice.

It is just lazy. ■

ON THE MOVE

Awards & Recognition

Chef/chocolatier **Molly Cook** at Norman Love Confections won the Chocolatier of the Year award and the People’s Choice Award at the recent Pastry Live competition in Atlanta. Ms. Cook’s winning entries were a molded white chocolate piece in banana passion cheesecake and a hand-dipped piece featuring almond raspberry filling with milk chocolate.

Dr. Cyndi Yag-Howard of Yag-Howard Dermatology and Aesthetic Center has been selected as an American Medical Association Women Physicians Section Inspirational Physician in recognition of her contributions to the achievements of women in the medical profession. Dr. Yag-Howard has been in business for 19 years. A board-certified dermatologist and dermatologic surgeon specializing in facial aesthetics and skin-cancer surgery, she lectures nationally on surgical techniques for best aesthetic outcomes and techniques that combine art with medicine.



YAG-HOWARD

Board Appointments

Bonita Springs Mayor **Peter Simmons** has been appointed to the board of directors for the newly formed Florida League of Mayors. The board is composed of 21 mayors, including Fort Myers Mayor **Randy Henderson**, Sanibel Mayor **Kevin Ruane** and Cape Coral Mayor **Marni Retzer**. The Florida League of Mayors serves as a forum

for the general study of ideas and policies affecting municipalities throughout the Sunshine State.

Board members for the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce to be inducted Sept. 29 at the annual meeting and awards luncheon are: **Mike Briers**, chairman; **Suzanne Bradach**, Lee Memorial Health System; **Tim Carson**, Estero United Methodist Church; **Cindy Cedeno**, First Citizens Bank; **Len Egdish**, Naples Daily News; **Scott Flagel**, American House Coconut Point; **Kim Hastings**, Brennan, Manna, & Diamond LLC; **Ben Nelson**, Nelson Marine Construction; **Javier Pacheco**, Porter, Wright, Morris, & Arthur LLP; **Marshall Bower**, Foundation for Lee County Public Schools; and **Patrick Vanasse**, RWA Inc.

Health Care

Dr. Patrick Nero, board certified in general surgery and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, has joined Vein Specialists. Dr. Nero received his medical degree from Ohio State University and completed his residency at the Phoenix Integrated Surgical Residency Program in Arizona. Prior to joining Vein Specialists, he practiced with the Sisters of St. Mary Health System in St. Louis and before that was chief of surgery at the Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center in Wichita, Kan., where he was a clinical assistant professor of surgery for the University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita.



NERO

Dr. Nilo Hernandez Jr. has joined Tower Dental Arts as clinical director in the Bonita Springs office. Dr. Hernandez completed his dental degree at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb.



HERNANDEZ

Nonprofit Organizations

Elle Young has joined the staff of the Naples Art Association as development manager. She previously was the program manager for the 5th Avenue South Business Improvement District.

New Ownership

Gulfside Elevator & Cab Interiors LLC, formerly Taylor Elevator Corp., is under new ownerships by four elevator industry veterans. **John Andrews**, president of operations, spent the last 23 years with Taylor Elevator Corp. as vice president of construction. He began his career in the elevator industry in 1980. **Justin Ticknow**, president of sales, brings more than 10 years of experience in the industry, including three years in field installation, servicing and repairs before moving into administration as a residential sales manager. **John Taylor** has been working in the elevator industry since 1972. He co-founded Taylor Elevator Corp. in 1992 and sold the firm’s commercial construction and service divisions to Otis Elevator last year. The remaining residential construction, service and commercial cab interiors categories became Gulfside Elevator & Cab Interiors LLC. **Bill Beaury**, a Harvard Business School graduate, co-founded Taylor Elevator Corp. and

has spent his entire career in management and developing small businesses.

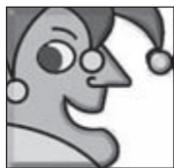
Senior Living

Bill Diamond, a career executive in senior housing administration, has been named executive director for The Arlington of Naples. The former executive director and regional director of operations for Senior Resource Group and The Carlisle Naples, Mr. Diamond has managed all phases of senior living management and also has directed customer service and hospitality divisions at several hotels and resorts. In Naples, he was director of business development and sales for Moorings Park, executive director of sales and marketing at for Aston Gardens at Pelican Marsh and executive director of Tuscan Villa of Naples. He began his career in hospitality at the Plaza Hotel in New York City after earning a degree in food and beverage management from Hudson County Culinary College.

Penny Smith has joined Vi at Bentley Village as executive director, coming to Naples from Vi at Lakeside Village in Lantana, where she was executive director for 10 years. Ms. Smith has worked across several Vi communities for more than 20 years. In addition to the day-to-day management of Vi at Bentley Village, her new role involves continued oversight of the community’s \$80 million redevelopment initiative, which includes a new welcome center, two new clubhouses and 72 new independent living apartments. ■



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Critical Social Security Tips

Social Security is vastly important to most retirees, often providing more than half of their income, and in many cases more than 90 percent. Thus, it's critical to make smart decisions about it. Here are some tips:

■ Find out how much you can expect to receive by visiting the Social Security website at ssa.gov and setting up a "my Social Security" account. (To give you a rough idea, the average Social Security retirement benefit was recently \$1,350 per month, or about \$16,000 per year, while the maximum benefit for those retiring at their full retirement age was recently \$2,639 per month — or about \$32,000 for the whole year.) Knowing what you can expect can help in retirement planning.

■ Know that you can control how much you receive, to some degree. Your "full" retirement age is between 65 and 67, depending on your birth year, but you can start collecting your benefits as early as age 62. Collecting early will make your checks smaller, but you'll get more of them, so it

can be close to a wash. For every year you delay collecting from your full retirement age to age 70, you can increase your benefits by 8 percent. Delay from age 67 to 70, and your checks will be about 24 percent bigger.

■ Don't think you'll receive little or no benefits if you haven't earned much taxable income in your life or if you're widowed or divorced. Those who are married, divorced or widowed may be able to claim benefits based on their current, ex- or late spouse's earnings record — generally collecting between 50 to 100 percent of the spouse's benefit. (Divorced persons need to have been married for at least 10 years and to not have remarried.)

■ Benefits are calculated based on your earnings in the 35 years in which you earned the most money (adjusted for inflation). Aim to work at least that long, if you can.

■ Finally, read up on spousal strategies, as coordinating when you and your spouse start collecting benefits can make a big difference. ■

My Dumbest Investment

Not-So-Smooth Sailing

In 2007 I bought 100 shares of Evergreen Solar on the recommendation of someone I trusted. At one point my investment was up 92 percent, but, thinking the company was solid, I neglected to place a trailing stop order to lock in my gains. I went on a sailing trip with no internet access for a while. When I returned, Evergreen had dropped by more than 90 percent. The company went bankrupt, and my shares are now worthless. This was probably my dumbest investment.

— N.V.W., Jamaica

The Fool Responds: Ouch. A trailing stop order would likely have helped you, but it doesn't always do what you want it to. It permits you to leave an order in place to sell your holding if the price drops by a specified percentage or dollar value. Thus, if the stock creeps up, you don't need to keep resetting your stop order. If you set it at 10 percent and your holding drops by 11 percent one day, the order will be triggered and your shares sold.

The order can fail you, though, if a stock drops gradually over time, never by enough to trigger the sale. It can also not work well if a stock plunges very quickly, when there may not be time for your order to be fulfilled at your desired price. It's best to keep an eye on any holdings that may be volatile. ■

Last week's trivia answer

I trace my roots back to 1724, when a publishing company I later acquired was founded. The organization with my current name was born in 1844 as a building company in England. Today, based in London, I'm the world's biggest education company, employing more than 35,000 people in more than 70 countries. I used to own The Financial Times and related publications, but sold that unit to a Japanese company last year. I rake in close to \$6 billion annually. My products and services serve 75 million learners, and I'm aiming for 200 million in 10 years. Who am I? (Answer: Pearson) ■



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Ask the Fool

Capital Gains Taxes

Q Are capital gains taxes the same no matter how much I earn?

— C.R., La Crosse, Wisconsin

A Nope. For many folks, the long-term capital gains tax rate is 15 percent. It can be zero, though, if you're in the 15- or 10-percent tax bracket, and if you're in the highest tax bracket, it's 20 percent. Some high earners will also face a 3.8 percent Medicare surtax on their net investment income. Short-term gains (from assets held for a year or less) are taxed at your ordinary income tax rate.

If you have capital losses, you can use them to offset your gains and reduce your tax bill.

Q Can you have too many shares of one stock in your portfolio?

— T.S., Philadelphia

A It's not the number of shares that matters, but their total value. You might have 1,000 shares of one stock, worth a total of \$5,000, and 100 shares of another stock, worth \$10,000. Focus on the percentage of your portfolio that each stock represents — and don't let any one stock's percentage get too high.

For instance, if one holding represents, say, 25 percent of your entire portfolio, that's rather risky. If the stock plunges, your portfolio will take a big hit. Thus, if one holding grows into too big a chunk of your portfolio, consider selling some shares of it.

On the other hand, if you hold gobs of stocks, and your biggest holding represents just 2 percent of your portfolio, that's not ideal, either. If that stock doubles or triples, its overall effect will be small.

For many people, roughly 10 to 20 stocks is a good number of holdings — enough for diversification, but not more than you can keep up with. ■

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Name That Company

Founded in 1940 and with annual revenue near \$100 billion and 100,000 employees worldwide, I'm America's second-largest private company. Based in Kansas, I'm a conglomerate with businesses related to oil, chemicals, polymers, minerals, fertilizers, forest products, ranching and more. My brands include Lycra, Georgia-Pacific, Dixie, Brawny, Quilted Northern and AngelSoft. I produce all kinds of things, such as automatic paper towel dispensers, asphalt, fertilizer, fabrics, plywood, pack-



aging, air bags, gasoline, water filters, flooring and electronic components.

Despite all that, I may be better known for being run by two brothers who are major contributors to conservative causes. Who am I?

Think you know the answer? We'll announce it in next week's edition. ■

The Motley Fool Take

A Money Mouse

Walt Disney (NYSE: DIS) is the undisputed global entertainment king, with enormously valuable brands such as Disney itself, ESPN, ABC, Pixar and Marvel. In addition, it has the intellectual rights to many of the most valuable fictional characters and franchises in the world.

The company has a fairly unique business model, with the ability to monetize its assets via multiple platforms. For example, a massively successful movie such as "Frozen" or "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" presents opportunities in areas such as toys and merchandising, home entertainment, live shows and theme park attractions.

Many consumers are shifting from cable TV toward online streaming alternatives, and this is putting some pressure

on Disney's networks division. To offset this, Disney has taken a 33 percent stake in the video-streaming service BAMTech, a leader in sports streaming. Meanwhile, its other segments such as movie studios and parks continue to perform well.

Disney produced almost \$13 billion in revenue during the quarter ended on April 2, up 4 percent over the year-ago quarter, while adjusted earnings per share, up 11 percent, posted the 11th consecutive quarter of double-digit growth.

Disney's stock was recently trading 20 percent below its peak, with its price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio of 17.4 below its five-year average. The stock recently yielded 1.5 percent and is worth considering as a long-term holding. (The Motley Fool owns shares of and has recommended Disney.) ■

BUSINESS MEETINGS

■ **A Job Search Support Group** meets from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce. Contact Karen Klukiewicz at kluk77@comcast.net or visit napleschamber.org.

■ **Consultants from the Small Business Development Center at Florida Gulf Coast University** are available at the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce, 2390 Tamiami Trail N., every Thursday. To make an appointment for a free session, call Suzanne Specht at 745-3704.

■ **BNI Downtown Naples Networkers** meet at 7:30 a.m. every Thursday at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 777 Mooring Line Drive. Call Jamie Bergen at 572-3720 for more information.

■ Members and guests of the **Above Board Chamber** meet from 11:30 a.m.

to 1 p.m. Monday, Sept. 12, at the Hilton Naples. The program, "How to Get Discovered by the Media," will be a panel discussion of representatives of various local media outlets. \$25 for Above Board members, \$30 for guests. RSVP at aboveboardchamber.com.

■ The next **Wake Up Naples** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, at the Hilton Naples. The morning's sponsor is The United Way of Collier County. Sign up at napleschamber.org/events.

■ The next luncheon in the **Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce's Power Networking** series takes place from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14, at Artichoke & Company, 11920 Sardiennne Lane. Steve Blount of Blount

Law will discuss ways for small business owners to avoid common legal snags. \$35 for chamber members, \$45 for others. Sign up by Sept. 9 by calling 992-2943 or visiting bonitaspringschamber.com.

■ Members of the **Marco Island Chamber of Commerce** meet for Business After Five from 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at the SpeakEasy Marco Island, 1106 N. Collier Blvd. For more information, email Katie@marcoislandchamber.org.

■ The **Leadership Collier Class of 2017** kicks off with a reception from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, at Hyatt House Naples Fifth Avenue. Cost is \$30. Sign up by Sept. 16 at napleschamber.org/events.

■ The **Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its annual Excellence in Industry awards celebration from

4:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the Hilton Naples. Cost is \$60 for member, \$85 for others. Sign up by Sept. 23 at napleschamber.org/events.

■ The **Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** hosts its 49th annual meeting, installation of officers and awards presentations from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, at the Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort & Spa. The 40th annual Bonita Springs Citizen of the Year award will also be presented. For ticket or information about sponsorships, call 992-2943.

■ **Realtors, mortgage brokers and builders** are invited to mix and mingle from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at Blue Martini in Mercato. ■

— Email business meeting announcements to cpierce@floridaweekly.com.

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What \$1 million will buy in Southwest Florida



2835 Coach House Way, Naples

This stunning, 3,461-square-foot Messina plan features four bedrooms, four full bathrooms, two powder bathrooms, game room and three-car garage. Enjoy the large master suite with two walk-in closets, a large master bath with two sinks, a bath and a shower. The great room and cafe area are located right off

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The property is listed at \$1 million by Emerald Realty of SW FL, 225-2638. ■



10067 Idle Pine Lane, Bonita Springs

This property in Shadow Wood at The Brooks offers four bedrooms plus a den, four full baths and a half bath, coffered and tray ceilings, crown molding, plantation shutters, granite counter tops, and an upstairs bonus room perfect for your own private movie theater. A great room design featuring both a

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The property is listed at \$999,000 by Key Real Estate, keytonapleshomes.com. ■



113 Graham St. SE, Port Charlotte

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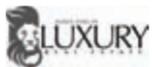
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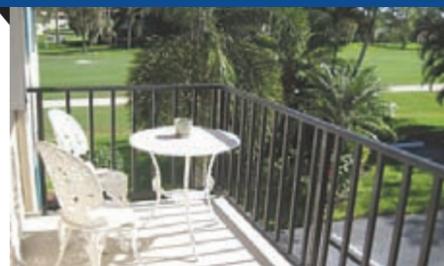
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The program will include commentary from: Amanda Brock, Esq., REIS president; Wilson Bradshaw, president, FGCU; Lee County Commissioner Brian Hamman, Robert Beatty, dean of

the Lutgert College of Business; and Michael Timmerman, president, MJT Realty Economic Advisors. Panel discussions about "real estate development hot spots" will be moderated by Sean Ellis, Esq., and will include panelists David Fry, Vantage Construction Services; Phil Fischler, Fischler Property Company; Bonita Springs City Manager Carl Schwing; Paul Benson, EBL Partners; and Tim Byal, Miromar Development.

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First residences underway at eco-centric Babcock Ranch

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Sarasota-based Homes by Towne has started construction of the first residences at Babcock Ranch, the 18,000-acre solar-powered town being developed by Kitson & Partners just 20 minutes east of Fort Myers off State Road 31 in Charlotte County.

Homes by Towne is building four models in the Lake Timber neighborhood. Fox Premier Builders, Stock Development and Florida Lifestyle Homes of Fort Myers are scheduled to begin construction of 12 additional Lake Timber models between now and mid-October. Furnished models are expected to be open for viewing in early 2017.

Every home at Babcock Ranch will be built to Florida Green Building Coalition Certification standards.

In Lake Timber, custom lakefront, porch home, cottage, town home and condominium residences with diverse price points will line streetscapes dotted with parks. Lakefront green spaces and pathways, trail head facilities, a dog park, a fishing dock, an observation deck and Babcock Ranch's first town garden will provide opportunities for connecting with nature. The Lake House neighborhood center includes a lakefront pool, barbecue area and playground.

Lake Timber is also a short walk or bike ride from Babcock's Downtown District, phase one of which is under construction and on target for completion in late February. It includes a lakefront green space as well as the town's first dining, retail and lifelong learning venues. Aspiring entrepreneurs will gather at the Hatchery's Encore Career Center to share ideas and strategies. Woodlea Hall will be home to com-



A rendering of Lake Timber, the first neighborhood under development at Babcock Ranch, an 18,000-acre town being developed by Kitson & Partners 20 minutes east of Fort Myers off State Road 31 in Charlotte County.

munity meeting rooms and Kitson & Partners' development offices and information center.

The Babcock Neighborhood School will open in the fall of 2017, and a wellness center is planned for a spring 2018 opening.

Homes by Towne's Harvest Collection at Lake Timber includes eight open concept floor plans from 1,956 to 2,660 square feet. Prices start in the \$300,000s. The four models will have interiors by John Fleming of the Model Home Group of Sarasota.

The Brandywine has two bedrooms, a den or third bedroom that opens to the front porch, two baths and a two-car garage. The coastal-themed model will also have the optional pool and outdoor kitchen.

The two-story Jade model has 2,441 square feet with two bedrooms, 2½



The Bartow model by Stock Development has three bedrooms and 2,822 square feet. The model interior is being designed by Charlie Hansen and Rebekah Errett-Pikosky of Clive Daniel Home. It is in the Lake Timber neighborhood at Babcock Ranch.

baths and a den and an upstairs bonus room that can be configured with a full bath or a half bath. The Craftsman-style model will have an outdoor living area complete with summer kitchen.

With a West Indies style, the Sungold

model offers 2,545 square feet with three bedrooms, a den, two baths, a three-car garage and pool/spa with expansive deck. The model has an optional pool bath.

The 2,660-square-foot Sterling model will feature a red metal roof accent to complement its farmhouse feel. It has three bedrooms, three baths, a den and a study, giving the home the flexibility of three, four or five bedrooms. The model's outdoor living area includes a summer kitchen.

In addition to the Harvest Collection models by Homes by Towne, Fox Premier Builders is poised to begin construction of three model homes from its Cottage Collection in Lake Timber. Designed by Allison Ramsey and Associates and with interiors by Kimberly Gettenberg of Four Corners Design, the one- and two-story homes priced from the \$300,000s range from 1,555 to 2,483 square feet.

Fox Premier Builders is also developing a fourth model, the Cabin designed by Timberbilt.

Stock Development and Florida Lifestyle Homes of Fort Myers are building the custom residences included in Lake Timber's Longleaf Collection of lakefront homes. Priced from the \$500,000s, five models by Stock will range from 2,676 to 3,264 square feet and feature interiors by Clive Daniel Home, Soco Interiors, Norris Furniture and Interiors, H.E. Designs and Builders Design. Norris is also designing the interiors for Florida Lifestyle's 2,784-square-foot Taylor and 2,806-square-foot Bermont models. A third model is in development.

For more information about Babcock Ranch, visit babcockranch.com. ■

Single-family home sales are up in Ave Maria

Ave Maria Development reports a 30-plus percent increase in new home sales for August 2016 over August 2015, with a total of 33 sales this August. This marks the second highest month of new homes sales this year, following closely behind 35 new home sales in May. Year to date, there have been 239 sales in Ave Maria compared to 212 sales for the same period last year.

The community continues to unveil new neighborhoods with new home designs including Avalon Park by Pulte Homes. The neighborhood is adjacent to the private K-12 school, Rhodora J. Donahue Academy, and within walking distance to the town center.

CC Homes also recently revealed new floor plans in its single-family neighbor-

hood, Coquina at Maple Ridge. The two new plans offer the neighborhood's first one-story residences, with prices beginning in the high \$100,000s.

Twenty-one model homes are open daily in the town of Ave Maria. More than 40 available floor plans start in the high \$100,000s and go up to more than \$500,000.

Buyers can select from several builders in different neighborhoods. CC Homes builds single-family homes in three neighborhoods: Maple Ridge at Ave Maria, Coquina at Maple Ridge and Maple Ridge Reserve. Del Webb Naples offers single-family homes for ages 55 and older. Pulte Homes builds single-family residences in three neighborhoods: Avalon Park, Emerson Park and Hampton Village.

At buildout, Ave Maria will have up to 11,000 residences and 1.7 million square feet of retail, office and business-park uses in its 4,000 acres. The town

entrance is at the intersection of Oil Well and Camp Keais roads in eastern Collier County. For more information, call 352-3903 or visit avemaria.com. ■



The Amberwood by Pulte Homes in Ave Maria's Avalon Park neighborhood.

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Al Capone's Miami Beach compound: a piece of American history

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An historic Miami Beach compound that Al Capone bought in 1928, the home he used as an alibi for the Saint Valentine's Day Massacre and the place where he died in 1947 may — or may not — have recently sold for \$9 million.

Since Capone's death, the storied estate has changed hands many times. Although several U.S. and UK media sources recently reported that the home had sold to Mino Raiola, the Dutch super-agent who represents many of Manchester United's soccer stars, the company that maintains the property has denied any sale of the property.

Although many crimes were likely orchestrated from the residence, Capone was seen as a hero and philanthropist by much of the American public, funding one of Chicago's largest soup kitchens during the Great Depression and free milk for Chicago school children. Lawmakers were never able to pin gangland events directly to him, and he continued to live in his Palm Island residence in relative peace until the feds convicted and imprisoned him in 1931 for tax evasion. Capone returned to the residence in 1939 when his prison sentence was reduced due to his deteriorating physical and mental condition. He died there on Jan. 25, 1947, surrounded by family and a few friends.

Whether newly sold or not, the Capone mansion is an iconic piece of modern American history, old world glamour and an ideal location. With each change in ownership, there have



been improvements to the property, with the most current owner completing a full restoration. At 36,000 square feet, it includes the seven-bedroom, seven-bath main home that is gated and walled, the two-story gatehouse and two-story pool house overlooking 100 feet of frontage on Biscayne Bay and a view of Hibiscus Island. Original features include an Art Deco black and gold tiled bathroom and a living room fireplace.

Capone's mansion is now renamed as 93 Palm Island and available for rent for photo and video productions. According to its website, the home is



“one of the oldest and most notorious estates in Miami” with “7-foot walls” and “secured 24 hours a day ... surrounded by the Biscayne Bay on all sides.” ■



COURTESY PHOTOS

Borelli reports fourth home sold in Hemingway Place

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

Borelli Construction has completed and sold its fourth luxury residence in the central Naples neighborhood of Hemingway Place, and a new model home is coming soon.

At 1436 Hemingway Place, the fourth home to be sold was designed by Weber Design Group Inc. The five-bedroom, 5½-bath home has 4,328 square feet of

air-conditioned living space and 6,038 total square feet. Details include: Carrara marble countertops and numerous custom built-ins, Thermador appliances, a wine refrigerator, a whole-house Sonos sound system and security camera system, an elevator, an outdoor kitchen and fireplace and a gas-heated pool/spa. The second floor also has a morning bar and a second laundry room for the convenience of guests.

Hemingway Place is on a private cul-de-sac between U.S. 41 and Goodlette-Frank Road. For more information or to view the company's residential plans, visit borelliconstructionofnaples.com. ■

A rendering of a home by Borelli Construction in Hemingway Place.

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Coach homes going fast in Talis Park

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Communities reports sales of resort-style coach homes continue apace at Corsica at Talis Park. Mike Taylor, vice president of the developer's South Florida division, says 25 percent of the

coach home residences that were initially released have already sold. Several newly built coach homes will become available this month, while additional residences will be completed this fall, he adds.

Designed by BSB Design and decorated by Lita Dirks & Co., the 3,382-square-foot second-floor Sienna model has three bedrooms and 3½ baths.

Corsica at Talis Park is comprised of only 64 homes with 16 south-facing two-

story buildings, each housing four residences. Pricing begins in the \$700,000s.

The Sienna model is at 16980 Livingston Road in North Naples. To schedule a tour, call 216-0837. For more information, visit FDCAtlanta.com/talis. ■



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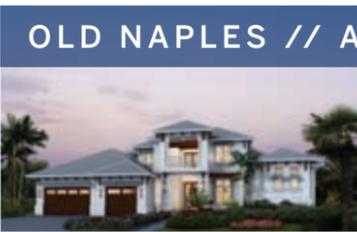
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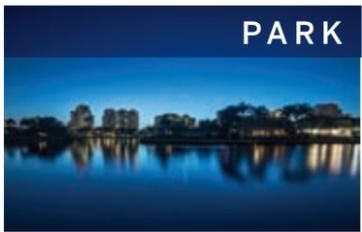
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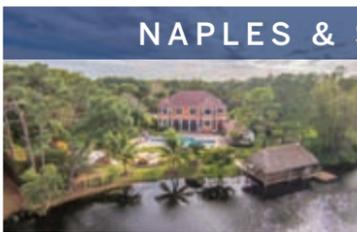


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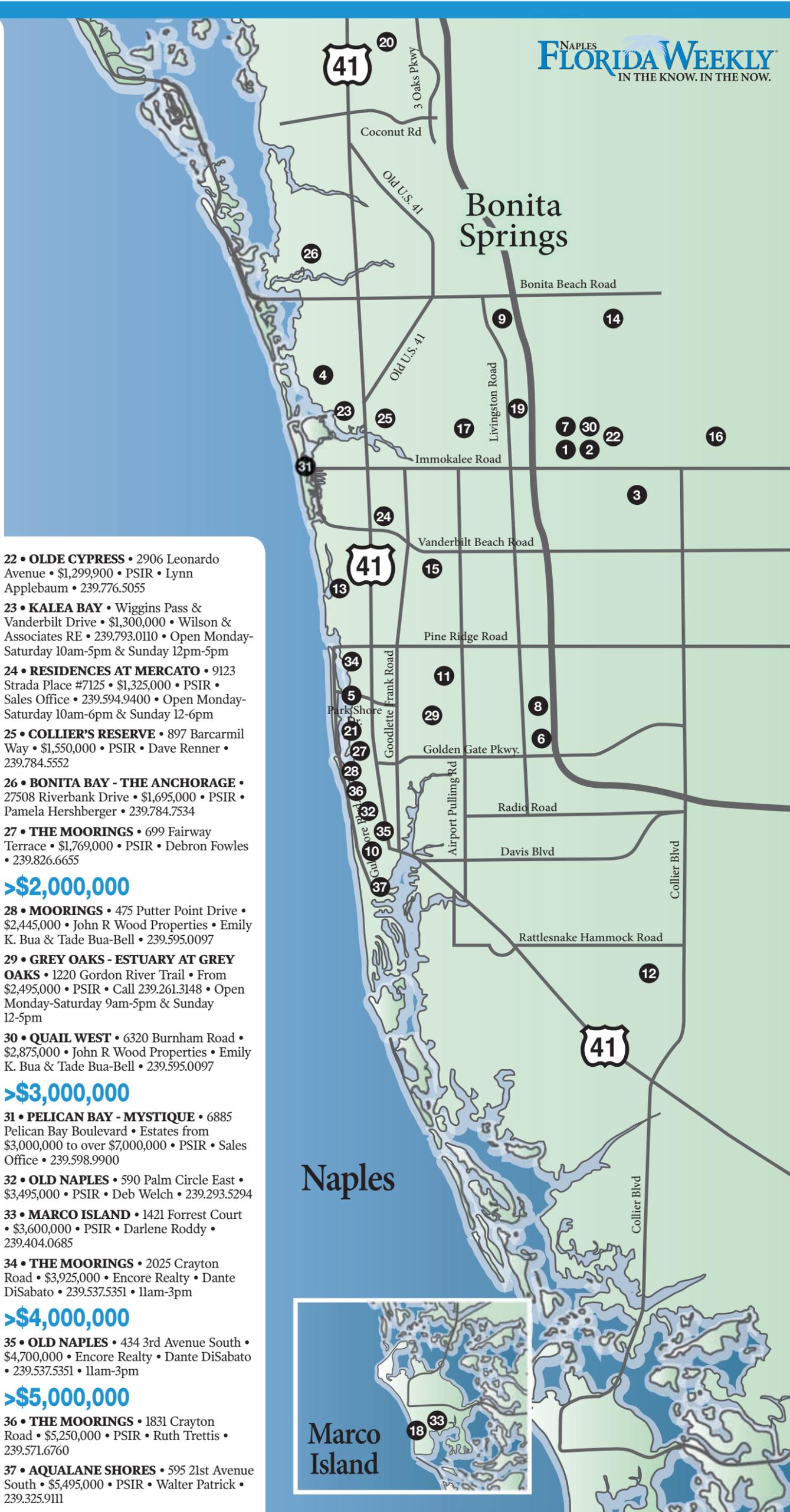
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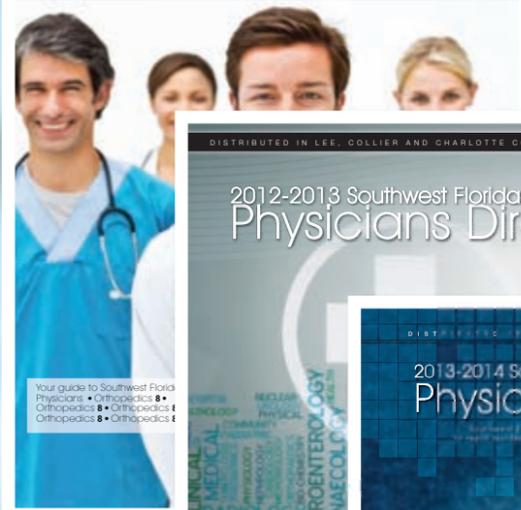
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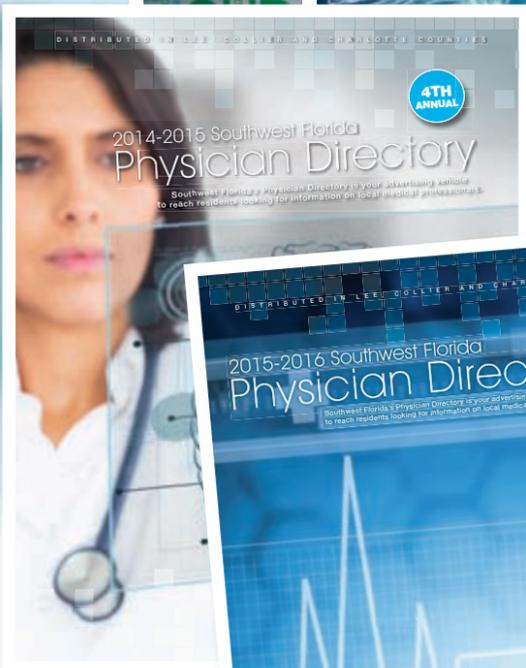
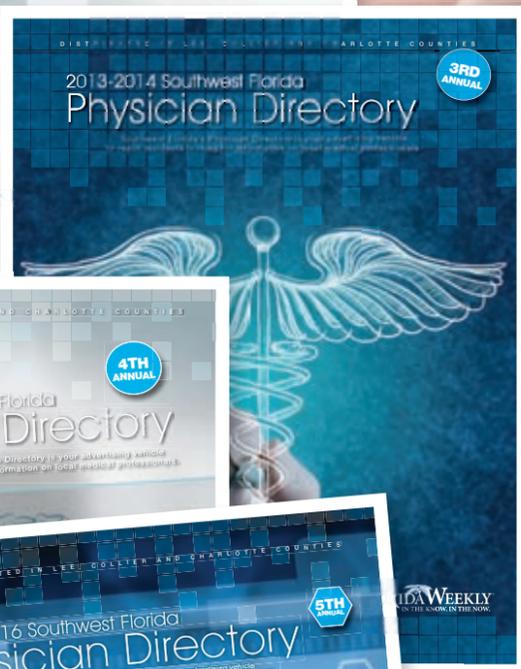
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BY DAN HUDEK
Florida Weekly Film Critic

LET'S FACE IT. IT WAS A BAD SUMMER AT THE MOVIES. Many high-profile releases were critical and box office flops ("Ghostbusters," "Independence Day: Resurgence"), and some did well even though they weren't as good as expected ("Finding Dory"). But no matter. Now we move onto the fall, which means cooler weather, football and better movies. Here's what to look for through Christmas; dates are

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"La La Land" (Dec. 2)

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The Naples Opera Society invites opera aficionados to catch the bus to Miami for the 2016-17 season of Florida Grand Opera. Tickets includes round trip coach transportation and driver tip, dinner in Coral Gables, a 7 p.m. pre-opera lecture and the 8 p.m. performance at the Adrienne Arsht Center for Performing Arts in Coral Gables. All opera excursions are on a Saturday. Here's the schedule:

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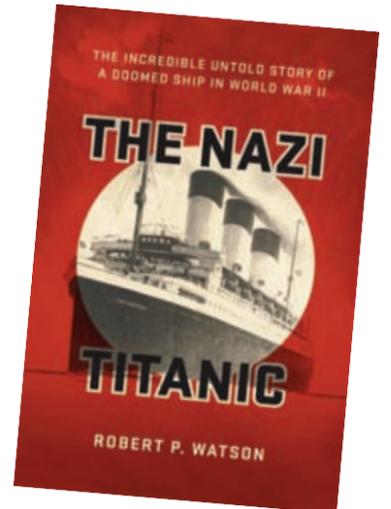
- Feb. 4: Tchaikovsky's "Eugene Onegin" - The musical realization of Alexander Pushkin's timeless, heartrending novel.
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- May 6: Verdi's "Un Ballo en Maschera" - Based on the real-life assassination of King Gustavus III of Sweden in 1792. Naples passengers board the bus at 1

p.m. at Crossroads Shopping Center. The bus makes its first pickup at 11:45 a.m. at the Ace Hardware shopping center in Cape Coral.

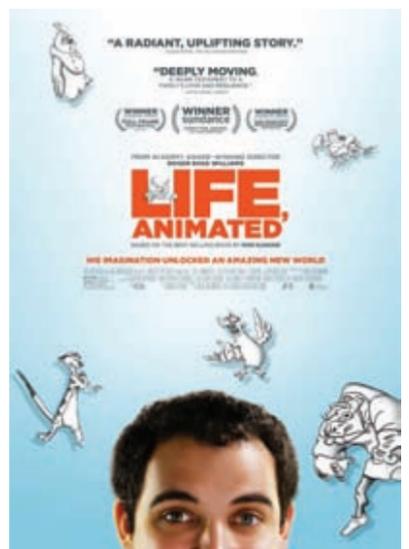
Mezzanine seats are \$500 and rear orchestra seats \$600 for the four-show season; single opera tickets are \$140 and \$165.

Order forms are at naplesoperasociety.org. For more information, call Eugene Buffo at 431-7509 or email ehandjhb@gmail.com. A check for tickets can also be mailed to Naples Opera Society, 2485 Crayton Road, Naples, FL 34103. ■

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German luxury liner stars in a stunning Holocaust narrative

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“The Nazi Titanic” by Robert P. Watson. Da Capo Press. 292 pages. Hardcover, \$25.99.

An award-winning historian and professor at Florida’s Lynn University, Boca Raton resident Robert Watson has sunk his scholarly teeth into a fascinating subject. His story involves the several careers of the German luxury passenger ship the Cap Arcona. Built in 1927 as a symbol of Germany’s return to prominence after crushing defeat in World War I, the oceanliner ran routes to and from South America for many years, until the Great Depression lessened demand.

The author introduces the first career of the estimable floating grand hotel with background about its design and engaging information about the company that built it and the premier cruise line that owned it. Whenever possible, he gives us capsule biographies of those who a hand in planning, constructing and operating the ship. Indeed, his portraits of the major players in the ship’s checkered history bring life and personality to his otherwise inanimate subject.



Robert P. Watson

Taken out of service and essentially mothballed through much of the 1930s, the later roles of the Cap Arcona are imbedded in Holocaust history.

To contextualize the ship’s wartime career, Mr. Watson offers a well-rounded treatment of the rise of Hitler’s Nazi regime, with its unparalleled publicity machine run by Joseph Goebbels that rationalized the persecution and destruction of Europe’s Jews. Goebbels initiated a monumental propaganda film that would symbolically attach the Third Reich’s destiny to the sinking of the Titanic. Indeed, Goebbels had by now become obsessed with filmmaking and had learned a lesson about subtle styles of propaganda by studying America’s wartime patriotic cinema.

With an enormous and ever-expanding budget, a prominent director and screenwriter and strong support from Hitler, the project moved forward but finally collapsed under its own weight.

The film debut of Cap Arcona as the title character in “Titanic” revived the ship through restorative maintenance, a facelift and refurbishing. The film was never officially released, however, and few got to see the old girl’s performance.

Mr. Watson provides a glimpse of maniacal Goebbels as Hitler’s propaganda minister and of other players in the Nazi regime.

After its show business fiasco, Cap Arcona became a transport vessel — essentially a part of the German navy. It moved German soldiers and civilians from Baltic ports away from the onslaught of the Red Army.

As Allied forces pressed upon the Nazis in 1945, Hitler’s stooges sought to hide evidence of the concentration and death camps, forcing tens of thousands of half-dead prisoners, mostly Jews, onto floating concentration camps onboard several ships in the Baltic Sea port at Lübeck Bay. Many of these prisoners came from the notorious Neuengamme concentration camp.

The plan might have been to sink the extremely overcrowded vessels, among them the Cap Arcona.

While the process of squeezing camp prisoners onto ships that were not provisioned to sustain them continued, another plan was developed by the Swedish diplomat Count Folke Bernadotte. Vice chairman of the Swedish Red Cross, this valiant humanitarian brought several of that organization’s hospital ships in and out of the southern Baltic to rescue concentration camp prisoners. In the confusion of conflicting Nazi orders, Bernadotte pressed Heinrich Himmler to allow access to concentrations camps, first to rescue Norwegians and Danes, but later other prisoners. Bernadotte is a true hero.

April and May of 1945 were filled with good and bad news. Defeat of Nazi Germany did not diminish the horror of discovering the astounding number of dead

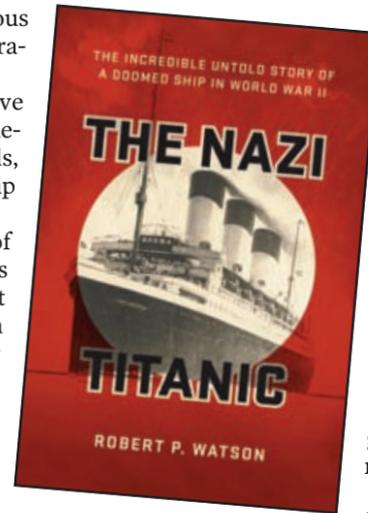
and dying bodies in the various liberated camps. The Nazis failed, in the end, to hide their genocidal atrocities.

British forces gained control over Germany’s Baltic coast. Typhoon fighter-bombers of the British Royal Air Force played an important role. However, they also contributed to the swan song of the Cap Arcona, mistakenly bombing the ship shortly before Germany’s surrender.

Revealing previously untold details of WWII and Holocaust history, Mr. Watson’s study is both enlightening and engaging. His portraits of survivors, Nazi officials, European politicians, ships’ captains and other participants create a remarkable mosaic of the good and evil in human nature.

The book’s two appendices speculate on two important questions: “Why did the Nazis load prisoners on the ship?” and “Did the RAF know about the Cap Arcona?” The author offers fine chapter notes and a large number of photographs. ■

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CELEBRITY EXTRA

There's good news from 'Nashville'

BY CINDY ELAVSKY

Readers: I promised I would update you on any "Nashville" news, and I finally have some good stuff to tell you. Season five will premiere with a two-hour show at 9 p.m. EST Thursday, Jan.



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as of this writing, Connie Britton, who plays country matriarch Rayna James, has signed on to only 10 of the 22 episodes, with rumors swirling that this will be her final season. But we can rest assured that Juliette Barnes did not die in a fiery plane crash, a la Patsy Cline, since Hayden Panitierre has signed on for all 22 episodes, along with the rest of the cast.

Q: Since Donald Trump is running for president, I just assumed that "Celebrity Apprentice" had been canceled, but my wife says it hasn't. Can you give me the

scoop? Surely he can't do this TV show and run for office at the same time.

— Daniel F, Lake City, Fla.

A: You are correct: The Donald can't do both at the same time, which is why he quit the NBC series when he threw his hat into the political ring (although NBC maintains it cut ties with him first). However, your wife also is correct: "Celebrity Apprentice" will be back — with a new host.

Keeping with the celebrity/politician theme, it would seem, the Governor, Arnold Schwarzenegger, has signed on to host a revamped version of the show. Celebrity guests for the Arnold era include: Laila Ali, Brooke Burke-Charvet, Eric Dickerson, Boy George, Matt Iseman, Carrie Keagan, Carson Kressley, Lisa Leslie, Jon Lovitz, Vince Neil, Nicole "Snooki" Polizzi, Kyle Richards, Chael Sonnen, Porsha Williams, Ricky Williams and Carnie Wilson.

And, like The Donald, Arnold will have his own set of advisers, including Warren Buffett, Tyra Banks, Jessica Alba and Los Angeles Clippers owner and former Microsoft executive Steve Ballmer, who each will bring a unique business expertise to the boardroom. ■

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MOVIES

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subject to change, but you'll nonetheless want to keep this as a guide for what not to miss.

■ **"Sully" (Sept. 9)**

Tom Hanks stars as Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, whom you'll recall landed the US Air flight he was piloting on the Hudson River in January 2009. Sully might have saved all 155 people on board that day, but director Clint Eastwood is also interested in exploring the aftermath, including those who questioned Sully's decisions.



■ **"Snowden" (Sept. 16)**

Director Oliver Stone tells NSA-whistleblower Edward Snowden's (Joseph Gordon-Levitt) story, and Shailene Woodley and Zachary Quinto co-star. It'll be interesting to see if Mr. Stone addresses this as a political issue (which it's not) or a moral and ethical issue (which it is).

■ **"Bridget Jones's Baby" (Sept. 16)**

We know it's Bridget Jones's (Renee Zellweger) baby, but we don't know if the baby daddy is her ex-lover Mark (Colin Firth) or the new guy in her life, Jack (Patrick Dempsey). Tough choice, but you'd have to hope for the one we call "McDreamy" (Mr. Dempsey), right?



upon them with furious vengeance."

■ **"Deepwater Horizon" (Sept. 30)**

Remember the oilrig that exploded 41 miles off the Gulf Coast of Louisiana in 2010, leading to one of the biggest environmental disasters in human history? This is the story of the people it affected, starring Mark Wahlberg and Kate Hudson.

■ **"The Birth Of A Nation" (Oct. 7)**

The early Oscar front-runner (an accolade it received at the Sundance Film Festival in January) tells the story of a preacher who leads a slave uprising in 1831. This is one of those times where all the hype and buzz will lead to greater scrutiny, so let's hope it really is that good.



■ **"The Girl On The Train" (Oct. 7)**

Emily Blunt plays a divorcee who takes a train by her old home (where her ex-husband lives with his new family) every day and comes to envy the couple living next door — that is, until she sees something shocking and later wakes to find herself battered and bruised, unable to recall how she got that way. Sounds great, and it's from the director of "The Help" and based on Paula Hawkins' acclaimed novel.

■ **"The Accountant" (Oct. 14)**

Ben Affleck plays an autistic forensic accountant who cooks the books for criminals in this action thriller; Anna Kendrick also stars. Mr. Affleck has never been a great actor, but director Gavin O'Connor did phenomenal work with "Warrior" (2011), so watch for this to sneak up on people.

■ **"Jack Reacher: Never Go Back" (Oct. 21)**

Tom Cruise returns to the title role, this time teaming with a female badass (Cobie Smulders) to take down a military conspiracy.

■ **"Inferno" (Oct. 28)**

The good news is Tom Hanks has a decent hair cut as Professor Robert Langdon. The bad news is he has amnesia in this Ron Howard-directed film, the third in the "Da Vinci Code" trilogy.

■ **"Doctor Strange" (Nov. 4)**

Yet another tangential part of the Marvel Cinematic Universe, this time with Benedict Cumberbatch as a surgeon who loses his hands but gains mystical powers. No joke: Tilda Swinton plays a character

depicted as an Asian man in the comics.

■ **"Trolls" (Nov. 4)**

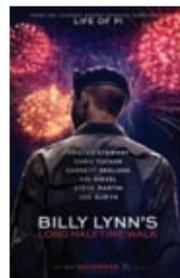
No, this is not about the gutless losers who anonymously berate others on social media (a practice commonly called "trolling"), but rather a sweet animated yarn about those dolls we owned as kids. Anna Kendrick and Justin Timberlake provide voices.

■ **"Loving" (Nov 4)**

1958. Interracial couple. Forbidden marriage. Violent racists. Hello, Oscars.

■ **"Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk" (Nov. 11)**

Director Ang Lee ("Brokeback Mountain") wants the film to be shown at 120 frames per second (the standard for digital projection is about 30 frames per second). So will it matter if it's four times clearer and crisper than anything we've seen? Perhaps. Hopefully it will serve the story of an Iraq war hero honored at the Super Bowl well.



■ **"Arrival" (Nov. 11)**

Amy Adams and Jeremy Renner play scientists asked to chat with recently arrived space aliens. Denis Villeneuve ("Prisoners") tends to make pretty gutsy movies that refuse to sanitize harshness, and the trailers look fantastic.



■ **"Fantastic Beasts And Where To Find Them" (Nov. 18)**

Seventy years before Harry Potter gets to Hogwarts, Newt Scamander (Eddie Redmayne) chases magical creatures around 1926 New York City. Alternately known as "J.K. Rowling's Quest To Keep Harry Potter Royalties Coming."

■ **"Nocturnal Animals" (Nov. 18)**

Fashion designer Tom Ford wowed us with "A Single Man" in 2009, so eager eyes will be on this movie about an art gallery owner (Amy Adams) taken aback by the violence of her ex-husband's (Jake Gyllenhaal) new novel, which feels all too real.

■ **"Manchester By The Sea" (Nov. 18)**

More awards bait that came out of Sundance this year, this time about a tormented man (Casey Affleck) who must deal with deep emotional issues concerning his ex-wife (Michelle Williams). Expect the acting here to be top notch.

■ **"Allied" (Nov. 23)**

Brad Pitt, Marion Cotillard, directed by Robert Zemeckis, and the story of a romance gone awry during World War II. Everything I just wrote makes this a must-see surefire Oscar contender.

■ **"Moana" (Nov. 23)**

It's the latest from Disney Animation, whose recent movies include "Frozen" and "Zootopia." Doesn't matter that it's



about a girl sailing across the ocean and the help she gets from a demi-god named Maui (voiced by Dwayne Johnson). We're in.



■ **"Bad Santa 2" (Nov. 23)**

Billy Bob Thornton is back, swearing at little kids and stealing in this long-awaited sequel. Kathy Bates plays his mom, which seems perfect, and Christina Hendricks is the new love interest, which also seems perfect.

■ **"La La Land" (Dec. 2)**

Damien Chazelle ("Whiplash") directs this musical about falling in love. In one sequence, Emma Stone and Ryan Gosling dance their way into the stars. I loved "Whiplash," but this sounds cheesy.



■ **"Office Christmas Party" (Dec. 9)**

Every year there's a star-studded new Christmas comedy, and most years they're terrible. Fingers crossed.

■ **"Rogue One: A Star Wars Story" (Dec. 16)**

Remember in "Star Wars: A New Hope" when they briefly mention stealing the plans for the Death Star? This movie, which is the beginning of the extended "Star Wars" universe, tells the story of how the plans were stolen. If you listen closing, you can hear Disney executives making the "ka-ching!" sound in their heads already.



■ **"Passengers" (Dec. 21)**

Ask most guys who they'd like to be stuck with for 90 years on a spaceship, and Jennifer Lawrence will be toward the top of the list. Ask most women who they'd like to be stuck with in the same circumstance, and Chris Pratt will be high on the list. But watching them stuck together? Yes, please! ■



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The Cemetery Club – By The Marco Players Oct. 26-Nov. 13 at Marco Town Center Mall, 404-5198 or themarcoplayers.com.

THURSDAY 9.8

Outdoor Yoga – A gentle yoga class celebrating goddess mythology starts at 8:30 a.m. at Koreshan State Park. Basic physical agility is required. Some mats are provided. Bring a water bottle. \$10. 3800 Corkscrew Road. 992-0311 or floridastateparks.org.

Photo Show – Ave Maria University presents "The Humanity of Service: Portraits by Michael Collopy" through Dec. 16. 280-2500 or avemaria.edu.

'SUP? – Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park hosts a beginning paddle boarding class at 9:30 a.m. Reservations required. \$15 plus park entry fee. 431-0958 or naplesbeachadventures.com.

Pick Your Place – Members of the Naples Philharmonic perform two chamber concerts at 2 p.m., one at Naples Botanical Garden and another at Headquarters Library on Orange Blossom Drive. Free. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Free Film – Naples Regional Library screens "The Big Short" (2015) at 2 p.m. Four denizens of the world of finance predict the credit and housing bubble collapse of the mid-2000s and decide to take on the big banks for their greed and lack of foresight. Free, but reservations recommended. 650 Central Ave. 262-4130 or collier-library.org.

FRIDAY 9.9

Tatted Up – The Ink Empire Tattoo Expo brings seminars, music, tattoo contests and awards to Germain Arena starting at 5 p.m. and continuing through the weekend. \$22-\$38. 948-7825 or germainarena.com.

More Jazz – Jebry and friends invite everyone to join the jam session from 5-8 p.m. at Royal Wood Country Club, 4300 Royal Wood Blvd. 775-4451.

What's Up, Fool? – Felipe Esparza (winner of "Last Comic Standing") performs at Off the Hook Comedy Club tonight and Saturday, Sept. 10. 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or offthehookcomedy.com.



Theatre Conspiracy presents "The Gun Show" on select dates through Sept. 18 at the Alliance for the Arts, Fort Myers. In the telling of five true stories, the one-man show lays bare Americans' complicated, contradictory feelings about guns. Miguel Cintron stars. 936-3239 or theatreconspiracy.org.

SATURDAY 9.10

To Market, To Market – The Third Street South Farmers Market takes place from 7:30-11:30 a.m. 434-6533 or thirdstreetsouth.com.

Love to Hear Percussion – Artis—Naples hosts an up-close percussion demonstration for kids at 10 a.m. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Sensorily Speaking – Paragon Theaters at Pavilion Shopping Center host a sensory-friendly screening of "The Wildlife" at 10 a.m. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or paragontheaters.com.

SUNDAY 9.11

All Green Thumbs – Koreshan State Historic Site hosts a native plant sale and farmers market from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. 273-8945 or fnpscocoloba.org.

Walk the Dog – Naples Botanical Garden welcomes well-behaved, leashed dogs accompanying their owners from 9:30-11 a.m. Free for Garden members and their canines, regular admission plus \$9.95 per pooch for others. 643-4737 or naplesgarden.org.

Foreign Film – The FGCU Renaissance Academy screens "The Diving Bell and the Butterfly" (France, 2007) at 2 p.m. at the university's Naples campus. The true story of Elle editor Jean-Dominique Bauby, who suffers a stroke and has to live with an almost totally paralyzed body. \$5 for academy members, \$7 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

MONDAY 9.12

Trees and Roots – Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida kicks off a four-part genealogy workshop from 10 a.m. to noon. Free, but reservations required. 4760 Tamiami Trail N. 263-9200 or holocaustmuseumswfl.org.

Jazz with Jebry – Jebry and Friends jam from 6-9 p.m. at Pate's Island Club, 600 Neapolitan Way. 228-7796.

Artist Appreciation – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts a talk about Vincent Van Gogh and guided painting session with master artist Laurent Dareau at 5:30 p.m. \$35, includes beverage and materials. 26100 Old 41 Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Presidents Ranked – FGCU's Renaissance Academy hosts a talk about the five best and worst U.S. Presidents from 10-11:30 a.m. at Moorings Park. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 132 Moorings Park. 261-1616 or fgcu.edu.

TUESDAY 9.13

Terrific Tuesdays – See any show at Mercato's Silverspot Cinema for just \$8 every Tuesday. 592-0300 or silverspot.net.

Early Birds – Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary hosts a bird walk from 8-11 a.m. \$10 for Friends of Corkscrew members, \$20 for National Audubon members and \$25 for others. 348-9151 or corkscrew.audubon.org.

Yoga in the Park – Koreshan State Historic Site hosts an outdoor yoga class at 8:30 a.m. \$10. 992-0311 or floridastateparks.org.

Trad Seisiums – Enjoy traditional Irish music starting at 5 p.m. at Shea's at Lansdowne Street, 702 Fifth Ave. S. 398-1159 or irmusic@embarqmail.com.

Artist Reception – Marco Island Center for the Arts welcomes local artist Jo-Ann Sanborn for a reception celebrating her newest exhibition, "The Summer of 2016," from 5:30-7 p.m. 1010 Winterberry Drive. 394-4221 or marcoislandart.com

WEDNESDAY 9.14

Namaste – Instructors from Green Monkey Yoga lead a beach session from 9-10 a.m. at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park. \$5 plus park admission. Reservations required. 598-1938 or greenmonkey.com.

Armchair Travels – FGCU's Renaissance Academy explores the building of Canterbury Cathedral and its surrounding city from 10-11:30 a.m. at The Terraces. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 26455 S. Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs. 949-7555 or fgcu.edu.

Jazz It Up – Chill out to music by The Richmonds from 6-9 p.m. at The Bay House, 799 Walkerbilt Road. 591-3837 or bayhousenaples.com.

More Jazz – Jebry and friends jam from 6-9 p.m. at New York Pizza & Pasta, 11140 Tamiami Trail N. 594-3500.

COMING UP

Aviation Lecture – FGCU's Renaissance Academy hosts a talk about Amelia Earhart and Charles Lindbergh from 10-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 15, at Brooks Commons Club. \$30 for members, \$35 for others. 9930 Coconut Road, Bonita Springs. 949-3800 or fgcu.edu.

Sneak Preview – Holocaust Museum & Education Center of Southwest Florida screens 30 minutes of the documentary "Defying the Nazis: The Sharps' War," the true story of an American Unitarian minister and his wife who left the US to help refugees flee Nazi occupation, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 15. Free, but reservations required. 4760 Tamiami Trail N. 263-9200 or holocaustmuseumswfl.org.

Funny Guy – Ralphie May ("Last Comic Standing") takes the stage Thursday through Saturday, Sept. 15-17, at Off The Hook Comedy Club, 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or offthehookcomedy.com.

Live, Local and Latin – West Side Tropico performs at 6:30 and 9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 16, in the Daniels Pavilion at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Dark Knight – Barnes & Noble celebrates Batman's enduring legacy with cosplay, trivia and games at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Paint Party – Vino's Picasso hosts a guided paint session for ages 10 and up to raise money for Peace Early Learning Center from 4-6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17. \$40. Bring your own wine or beer. 2367 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 431-8750 or vinospicassonaples.com.

One-Man Show – Frank Blocker performs 17 characters in the wildly popular one-man comedy, "Southern Gothic Novel: The Aberdeen, Mississippi, Sex Slave Incident," at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 17, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$22. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or artcenterbonita.org.

Foreign Film – The FGCU Renaissance Academy screens "Monsoon Wedding" (India, 2001) at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18, at the university's Naples campus. A stressed father, a bride-to-be with a secret, a smitten event planner and relatives from around the world create much ado about preparations for an arranged marriage in India. \$5 for members, \$7 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Art Talk – FGCU's Renaissance Academy hosts a talk about Bernini how he founded the Baroque style from 10-11:30 a.m. Monday, Sept. 19, at Moorings Park. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 132 Moorings Park Dr. 434-4737 or fgcu.edu.

Author Signing – Barnes & Noble hosts a signing with Nathan Hill, author of "The Nix," at 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 19. 598-5200 or bn.com.

History Talk – FGCU's Renaissance Academy hosts a lecture about Henry VIII and the Tudors from 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 20, at The Arlington of Naples. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 7900 Arlington Cir. 307-3000 or fgcu.edu.

Armchair Travels – FGCU's Renaissance Academy explores London's British Museum, home to treasures like the Elgin Marbles and the Rosetta Stone, from 10-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21, at Brooks Commons Club. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 9930 Coconut Road, Bonita Springs. 949-3800 or fgcu.edu.

Museum Talk – Collier County Museum host a talk about the history of the Southwest Florida Military History Museum at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 21. 3331 Tamiami Trail E. 642-1440 or colliermuseums.com.

Music Lecture – FGCU's Renaissance Academy hosts a talk about Beethoven's "Ninth Symphony" from 1:30-3 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22, at Brooks Commons Club. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 9930 Coconut Road. 949-3800 or fgcu.edu.

Opera Night – Paragon Pavilion screens a live 25th anniversary performance of "Miss Saigon" performed in London's West End at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 22. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or paragontheaters.com.

Funny Guy – Comedian Bob Marley takes the stage Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 22-25, at Off The Hook Comedy Club, 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or offthehookcomedy.com.

Armchair Travels – FGCU's Renaissance Academy explores the treasures of Ravenna, Italy, from 10-11:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 23, at The Arlington of Naples. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 7900 Arlington Circle. 307-3000 or fgcu.edu.

WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Fashionable Bites – Waterside Shop hosts Craving Fashion featuring tastes from more than 30 area restaurants from 6-8:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 23. \$50. Proceeds benefit Make-A-Wish Southern Florida and United Way of Collier County. 598-1605 or watersideshops.com.

Eco-Party – Rookery Bay celebrates National Estuary Day with staff-narrated boat tours, kayak trips, animal presentations and more from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24. Free. 300 Tower Road. 530-5940 or rookerybay.org.

Summer Jazz – Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Resort wraps up another season of free SummerJazz on the Gulf concerts with Late Night Brass from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24. Free. 261-2222 or naplesbeachhotel.com.

Improv Night – Square One Improv performs at The Marco Players Theater at 8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24. \$10-\$20. 1089 N. Collier Blvd. 642-7270 or themarco-players.com.

Woodwinds in Concert – The wind orchestra from FGCU's Bower School of Music performs at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Ancient Walk – Tour the ancient bald cypress forest at Audubon Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Sept. 28. \$25, plus regular admission. 348-9151 or corkscrew.audubon.org.

Funny Girl – Kate Quigley takes the stage Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 29-Oct. 2, at Off The Hook Comedy Club. 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or offthehookcomedy.com.

Story Time – Nationally recognized storyteller Andy Offut Irwin delights the audience with tales of his best character, Aunt Marguerite, from 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 28, at the office of Dr. Joel Ying. \$15. 2335 Tamiami Trail N. 267-6480.

Bless You – Everglades City blesses its stone crab fleet and hosts some family fun starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, at the Rod & Gun Club on Barron River. Free. 695-2905 or evergladeshistorical.org.

Surprise Inside – Cirque du Soleil presents "Ovo" Sept. 28-Oct. 2 at Germain Arena. 948-7825 or germainarena.com.

Rock Around the Clock – Friends of Lovers Key hosts a sock hop on the beach from 4-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, at Lovers Key State Park. \$40 for members, \$45 for others. (708) 359-0466 or fjgreenwood@gmail.com.

Tater Salad – Ron White, best known as the whiskey-swilling, cigar-smoking comedian from the Blue Collar Comedy Tour, takes the stage at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. (800) 440-7469 or bbmannph.com.

Sensorily Speaking – Paragon Theaters at Pavilion Shopping Center host a sensory-friendly screening of "Storks" at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 1. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or paragontheaters.com.

Corolla Over – Head to Pepper Ranch Preserve for its third annual Sunflower Festival from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, to see a blooming display of the area's southern sunflowers and enjoy, hayrides, vendors, archery lessons, guided hikes and more. Free. 252-2495 or colliergov.net.



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■ **"Last Comic Standing"** winner Felipe Esparza will know what's up when he takes the stage at Off the Hook Comedy Club Thursday through Saturday.

— *offthehook.comedy.com*

9.9-11



#SEE IT

■ Season's coming fast, so take advantage of your resident status while **The Naples Zoo** offers a 50 percent discount on admissions for Florida residents. The deal ends Sept. 30.

— *napleszoo.com*

■ Gulfshore Playhouse presents the fourth annual **New Works Festival** Sept. 8-11 at The Norris Center.
— *gulfshoreplayhouse.org*



9.8-11

■ **Inked Empire Tattoo Expo** brings local and international award-winning tattoo artists to Germain Arena starting at noon Friday and continuing through the weekend.

— *germainarena.com*



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■ Naples Regional Library screens **"The Big Short"** (2015) at 2 p.m. Thursday. Free admission.

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To my family, friends, supporters and dedicated campaign team, Thank You! We lost by only 492 votes out of 13,607 cast. I also want to thank the residents who cared enough to vote, no matter for whom you voted. With approximately 44,000 eligible voters in District 2 that means that over 30,000 residents, who didn't vote, will have had their fate decided by you dedicated 13,607 voters.

Freedom is not free. You have to work for it. The right to vote is what has made America great. Please don't give up that right!

I will continue to be an advocate for balancing quality of life, environmental sensitivity and economic feasibility in the on-going development of Collier County. Work with me. Get involved and VOTE!

Thank you,
Jim Carter



May the Bricks Be With You – Kids 8 and up are invited to its LEGO Star Wars Rogue One event at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 1, where guests can build designs from the upcoming film. Free. 598-5200 or bn.com.

Funny Guy – Comedian Piff the Magic Dragon performs Friday through Sunday, Oct. 7-9, at Off the Hook Comedy Club. Check website for show times and ticket prices. 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or offthehookcomedy.com.

Magic Carpet Ride – Artis—Naples invites youngsters to get up-close with the orchestra's brass players and their horns at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 8. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Show Me The Way – Peter Frampton performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 8, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Paint Party – VINO's Picasso raises money for The Shelter for Abused Women and Children with a guided painting session from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9. \$36, registration required. 431-8750 or vinospicasso.com.

History Talk – Collier Museum hosts a talk about the history and culture of the Seminole people at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12. 3331 Tamiami Trail S. 642-1440 or colliermuseums.com.

Pink Party – Physicians Regional Healthcare System hosts its fifth annual Pink Party with wellness information, sophisticated fun, live entertainment and more from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13, at its Pine Ridge location. Free, reservations required. 6101 Pine Ridge Road. 348-4180 or physiciansregional.com.

Funny Guy – Comedian Rondell Sheridan ("Keenan & Kel," "The Jamie Foxx Show") performs at Off the Hook Comedy Club Thursday through Sunday, Oct. 13-16. Check website for show times and ticket prices. 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or offthehookcomedy.com.

Gross Out – Collier County Fairgrounds presents its annual Haunted Gross House from 7-11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 14-15, Oct. 21-22 and Oct. 28-29. \$15. 455-1444 or colliercountyfair.com.

Moon River – Friends of Lovers Key hosts moonlight kayaking through the park setting out at 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14. \$15 for members. \$20 for others (kayak rental separate). (708) 359-0466 or fjgreenwood@gmail.com.

Ahoy! – The Marine Industry Association of Collier County presents The Naples Boat Show Downtown from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15-16, at Naples City Dock. Free. 682-0900 or miacc.org.

Come Sail Away – Dennis DeYoung and the Naples Philharmonic perform the music of Styx at 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Author Signing – Bestselling author Randy Wayne Wright introduces "Seduced," with a talk and signing at 3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, at Sunshine Booksellers on Marco Island. Free. 677 S. Collier Blvd. 393-0353 or sunshinebooksellers.com.

Comedy Legend – Jerry Lewis performs at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, at Southwest Florida Performing Arts Center. \$89-\$130. 11515 Bonita Beach Road. 389-6901 or swflpac.com.

Yard & Garden – Collier County Extension Services hosts its annual SWFL Yard & Garden Show from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22. \$4. 14700 Immokalee Road. 352-4800 or collier.ifas.ufl.edu.



Ron White, the whiskey-swilling, cigar-smoking comedian from the Blue Collar Comedy Tour, takes the stage at 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 29, at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. (800) 440-7469 or bbmannpah.com.

Ramblers – The Tin Can Tourists host the 10th annual Vintage RV Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at Koreshan State Historic Site. Free with regular park admission. 992-0311 or floridastateparks.org.

Art Show – Naples Artcrafters hosts a fine arts and crafts show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23, at Cambier Park. naplesartcrafters.com.

Chamber Concert – Members of the Naples Philharmonic perform baroque selections from Jean-Philippe Rameau's "Zaïs" at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, in the Daniels Pavilion at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Museum Talk – Collier Museums hosts a talk about the history of the Holocaust Museum of Southwest Florida at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26. 3331 Tamiami Trail E. 642-1440 or colliermuseums.com.

Film Fest Fun – Naples International Film Festival kicks off this year's event with a red carpet walk, opening film screening and a VIP after-party featuring many of the festival filmmakers at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, at Artis—Naples. 775-3456 or naplesfilmfest.com.

Crackin' Claws – The seventh annual Stonecrab Festival returns with a kick-off party from 4-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 28, at Pinchers Crab Shack. Festivities continue through the weekend at Tin City. stonecrabfestival.org.

Community Day – Artis—Naples invites everyone to explore the campus from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. The Naples Ballet will dance to some of classical music's spookiest tunes performed by the Naples Philharmonic. Free. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Halloween Party – Koreshan State Historic Site hosts its third annual Family Halloween Festival with a parade, hayrides, costume contests and more from 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. Free with park admission. 992-0311 or floridastateparks.org.

Chamber Concert – Miró Quartet performs works by Ginastera, Welcher and Brahms at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 30, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Spooky Fun – Fifth Avenue South hosts its sixth annual Halloween Spooktacular on Fifth with costume contests and family activities from 4:30-9:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 31. 692-8926 or fifthavenuesouth.com.

WHERE TO GO

Snakes in the Garden – Author and historian Roger Smith leads a lecture about various espionage escapades during the Revolutionary War at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1, at Rose History Auditorium. Smith is a frequent contributor to the AMC television series, “Turn,” which focuses on George Washington’s reliance on a spy network to win American independence. Free for members, \$5 for others. 180 S. Heathwood Dr.

Twinkle Toes – Miami City Ballet performs “Giselle” at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Shop, Shop – Naples Woman’s Club hosts a preview party its annual Holiday Artisan Boutique from 5-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, where guests will get a sneak peek at the items for sale while enjoying wine and hors d’oeuvres. The boutique opens to the public 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4. \$30. 570 Park Ave.

All That Jazz – Trumpeter Wallace Roney performs with the Naples Philharmonic Jazz Orchestra at 6 and 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Artis—Naples’ Daniels Pavilion 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Sharp-Dressed Men – ZZ Top performs at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 2, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Chamber Concert – Members of the Naples Philharmonic perform chamber selections by Brahms and Strauss at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, in the recital hall at FGCU. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Sensorily Speaking – Paragon Theaters at Pavilion Shopping Center host a sensory-friendly screening of “Trolls” at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 5. 833 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 596-0008 or paragontheaters.com.

Art Show – Naples Art Association hosts an outdoor art festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Cambier Park. 262-6517 or naplesart.org.

Spoof-tacular – Enjoy raucous political satire with musical spoofs and skits by The Capitol Steps at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Winds Concert – The wind orchestra of FGCU’s Bower School of Music performs at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Chamber Concert – Members of the Naples Philharmonic perform works by Purcell, Hayden and Beethoven at 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6, and Tuesday, Nov. 8, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or artisnaples.org.

Opera Night – Opera Naples presents Puccini’s “Turandot” at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, at Artis—Naples. 963-9050 or operanaples.org. ■

— Email calendar listings and high-resolution photos to Lindsey Nesmith at lnesmith@floridaweekly.com. Please send Word or text documents and jpgs with time, date, location, cost and contact information. No pdfs or photos of fliers. Deadline for calendar submissions is noon Monday. No phone calls, please.

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"How do you choose books?" my brother asked me.

I was on vacation, and we'd just paid a visit to our favorite independent bookstore in Maine.

He wasn't asking me for advice, I realized, he was trying to figure out how I operate in a bookstore: Why I go to certain shelves and not others. Why I pick the books I do.

As with many things we do in life, we act without deliberate thought. (For example, I can't recall the last time I thought about the various steps involved in tying a shoelace.)

In a bookstore, I just browse on instinct and intuition.

So I had to stop and think about it.

I was surprised he'd asked.

I realized that whatever I was doing didn't make sense to him. He was puzzled.

"Well, how do *you* choose?" I asked him, turning the question back on him and trying to buy myself some time.

"I'm looking for a specific book I want to buy, or I have certain authors I like, so I go to those sections to see if they've written anything new," he explained.

It struck me as such a stereotypical guy way to shop: have a goal, achieve the goal, finished.

But that's my brother: logical (but also, thank goodness, patient).

Me, I like browsing.

I like finding what I didn't even know I was looking for: the unexpected, the surprise. The book that jumps out at me.

I'm a firm believer in serendipity.

I typically go to sections that I know I'm interested in: writing, art, music, fiction, biography, new fiction, new non-fiction, sale tables.

I browse with a multiplicity of motives. I'm looking for a good read. I'm looking for a book that would be a good birthday or Christmas gift. I'm searching for a book that might increase my knowledge in the arts. And I'm always open to a title that might make a great article I could write about.

And, like my brother, I look for new books by authors I already know and love (though it's always wonderful to discover a new one).

It's difficult to explain exactly what makes me pick one book over another.



The blurbs don't really affect me, because I know authors ask their friends, or publishing houses get other authors in their stable to write one.

I know that designing a catchy cover can be more marketing than art, though I sometimes question whether marketing people know what they're doing. (If I see another cover with women sitting on the beach, looking out at the water, I think I'm going to hurl it across the room.)

If a cover looks too cute or like a romance novel, I generally won't even pick the book up to look at it.

Ditto for guns and tanks and war scenes.

And cookbooks.

Though there are always exceptions to the rule.

I've been noticing a trend lately where lines from rock songs turn up as book titles. Unfortunately, the ones I've read haven't been as good as the songs, and I now find myself resenting the usurping of lyrics I love.

What I generally do is turn to the first chapter and start reading the opening lines.

That usually works to grab my interest or let me know if I like the author's voice. (Two exceptions to this are Anne

Tyler and Alexander McCall Smith, who generally don't have spectacular openings. They're both sly writers, and reading their books is like falling in love slowly, until without even realizing it, you're sucked in.)

I have a couple books on my bedside table I hope to get to soon.

Here's the opening line of "The Tumbling Turner Sisters" by Juliette Fay: "Nothing good comes from a knock in the middle of the night."

Next lines: "The windows rattled in their casings as someone banged on the front door. I roused myself from sleep, thinking that between the banging and the cold, the glass would surely break. As it turned out, mere broken glass would've been a blessing."

And here's the opening sentence from another novel in the stack, "My Mrs. Brown" by William Norwich: "Early one September not long ago, a rural woman with a secret grief traveled to New York City in pursuit of a dream, to buy the most beautiful and correct dress she'd ever seen."

And here are the opening lines of "This is Where You Belong: The Art and Science of Loving the Place You Live," a non-fiction book by Melody Warnick:

"At some point during my family's move from Texas to Virginia, the thought crossed my mind that I should have set fire to all our belongings rather than wrestle them into another moving truck. It was embarrassing, really, how much we'd accumulated. Back in college, all my world's possessions fit into a Subaru station wagon. A husband, two kids, and a million purchases later, our house was a clown car, disgorging a laughably steady stream of stuff. Four mattresses. Five bicycles. Fifteen chairs. A rolled-up Pottery Barn rug. Boxes and boxes of books. How was it possible that we owned all this? Wasn't a bonfire the more prudent course of action here? Much easier to torch everything and start from scratch."

How can you resist a writer like that? Anyone who ever moved, whether across the country or down the block, can relate to that feeling. And describing her house as clown car — "disgorging a laughably steady stream of stuff" — what writing!

No, I haven't read the rest of "This Is Where You Belong" or the other books stacked beside my bed, so I can't tell you if these authors are able to keep the promise they make with their opening lines. I hope so.

The good ones usually do. ■



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- ACROSS**
- 1 Kids' racers
 - 8 "Need —?" (driver's offer)
 - 13 Lamenting loudly
 - 20 Very devoted fans
 - 21 Ecclesiastic deputy
 - 22 Tallinn locale
 - 23 Start of a riddle
 - 26 Bicycle pair
 - 27 Diamond cry
 - 28 Novi Sad native
 - 29 Bowling alley lineup
 - 30 Oath affirmation
 - 31 Covenants
 - 33 Nativity kings
 - 35 Riddle, part 2
 - 43 Beluga eggs
 - 44 Herr's Mrs.
 - 45 Burnsian negative
 - 46 Magazine printer, e.g.
 - 48 Sothern and Dvorak
 - 50 Spirals
 - 53 1970s teen idol Cassidy
 - 56 "On top of that ..."
 - 57 Abbot's hat
 - 59 Riddle, part 3
 - 62 Attach with glue
 - 64 Apple's Cook
 - 65 Hill staffer
 - 66 Post-Q queue
 - 67 Part of SFPD
 - 68 Riddle, part 4
 - 71 "How exciting!"
 - 73 Women with young 'uns
 - 76 Surrender formally
 - 78 Responses of rejection
 - 79 Rock Me!
 - 83 Riddle, of her fragrances
 - 88 Coin-op openings
 - 89 Sunscreen additive
 - 90 Elbow-to-wrist links
 - 91 Party givers
 - 93 Coal, e.g.
 - 94 Advil rival
 - 96 Sportscaster Berman
 - 98 — rock (Jethro Tull's genre)
 - 100 Nonsense song syllable
 - 101 End of the riddle
 - 107 Shipped
 - 108 Put — to (stop)
 - 109 — "Rheingold"
 - 110 Swiss — (beet type)
 - 114 Pleads
 - 117 Hostess — Balls
 - 118 Doc's stitch
 - 121 Riddle's answer
 - 125 Puts holy oil on
 - 126 Old Oldsmobile
 - 127 Cut off
 - 128 Of Switzerland's capital
 - 129 Copier need
 - 130 Stirred up
- DOWN**
- 1 Catch a quick breath
 - 2 Garfield's canine pal
 - 3 Salt, relish and mustard
 - 4 Pinball site
 - 5 List quickly
 - 6 Baseballer Speaker
 - 7 Old booming jet, briefly
 - 8 Affirm frankly
 - 9 Ray of "Blow"
 - 10 "Ewww!"
 - 11 Online help sheets
 - 12 See 72-Down
 - 13 Place for suite spirits?
 - 14 Ending of enzyme names
 - 15 Right-leaning type
 - 16 1970 Kinks hit
 - 17 Wise to
 - 18 Three trios
 - 19 Chokes
 - 24 Perfectly
 - 25 — la Douce (film title role)
 - 31 Social protest with supplication
 - 32 Depot: Abbr.
 - 34 Got closer to, in a race
 - 35 Disney dog
 - 36 Old Aegean Sea region
 - 37 Kin of .com
 - 38 Wine holder
 - 39 Sly laugh syllables
 - 40 99-Down, for one
 - 41 Calculus pioneer
 - 42 Lies dormant
 - 47 Tooth part
 - 49 Court units
 - 51 Opposite of west, to Juan
 - 52 Thug's blade
 - 54 Lickety-split
 - 55 Major news agcy., once
 - 58 Get to
 - 60 Church service cries
 - 61 Seeming eternities
 - 63 A sixteenth of a pint
 - 68 Celebrity cook Paula
 - 69 Sea arm, to a Scot
 - 70 Norway port
 - 72 With 12-Down, only partially accurate
 - 73 Sir's partner
 - 74 Give the OK
 - 75 Poky animal
 - 77 Fast Net connection
 - 79 Pippi creator Lindgren
 - 80 Juba is its capital
 - 81 Prenatal places
 - 82 Shia's faith
 - 84 Start for byte
 - 85 Galleria
 - 86 Found a purpose for
 - 87 Madrileño's language
 - 92 Lay turf on
 - 95 "The end!"
 - 97 Magic's gp.
 - 99 Old Russian ruler Boris
 - 102 Safe, to a ballplayer
 - 103 Runnin' Rebels' rivals
 - 104 Guarantee
 - 105 Golden ager
 - 106 Femme —
 - 110 Sourpuss
 - 111 Refine
 - 112 Ovid's love
 - 113 It pulls a bit
 - 115 Black fly, e.g.
 - 116 French town W. of Caen
 - 118 "Yes, yes!" in 87-Down
 - 119 Per-unit price
 - 120 Gawked at
 - 122 Lb. and kg.
 - 123 Stiller of films
 - 124 Up to, in brief

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HOROSCOPES

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

This is a good time to get away for some much-needed rest and relaxation. You'll return refreshed and ready to take on the workplace challenge that awaits you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

Confidence grows as you work your way through some knotty situations. Watch out for distractions from well-meaning supporters that could slow things down.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

Consider spending more time contemplating the possibilities of an offer before opting to accept or reject it. But once you make a decision, act on it.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)

You're in a very strong position this week to tie up loose ends in as many areas as possible. Someone close to you has advice you might want to heed.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

Congratulations. This is the week you've been waiting for: After a period of sudden stops and fitful starts, your plans can now move ahead with no significant disruptions.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

You're in an exceptionally strong position this week to make decisions on many still-unresolved matters, especially those involving close personal relationships.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

The new moon starts this week off with some positive movement in sev-

eral areas. A special person becomes a partner in at least one of the major plans you'll be working on.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

After much traveling this year, you're due for some settled time with family and friends. Use this period to check out situations that soon will require a lot of serious decision-making.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

Keep that keen Bovine mind focused on your financial situation as it begins to undergo some changes. Consider your money moves carefully. Avoid impulsive investments.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

You'll need to adjust some of your financial plans now that things are changing more quickly than you expected. All the facts you need haven't yet emerged, so move cautiously.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

Personal and professional relationships dominate this period. Try to keep things uncomplicated to avoid misunderstandings that can cause problems down the line.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

That elusive goal you'd been hoping to claim is still just out of reach. But something else has come along that could prove just as desirable, if only you would take the time to check it out.

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You work hard and get things done. You also inspire others to do their best. You would do well heading up a major corporation. ■

By Linda Thistle

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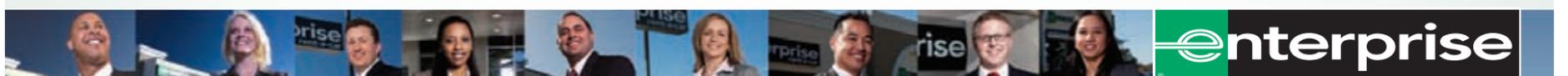
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An extraordinary play

BY STEVE BECKER

There are times when the winning play runs so contrary to normal practice that very few declarers would even think of it, much less make the play. Yet when the play is subsequently examined in the cold light of day, its validity cannot be denied.

Consider this deal where West led the ace of diamonds against four spades. South ruffed, played the A-K of trumps, then led a club to the jack, losing to the queen. Back came the queen of hearts, whereupon the defenders collected three heart tricks for down one.

It's not easy to see what declarer could have done to prevent this unlucky outcome, even if you look at all four hands. But the fact is that South could have guaranteed the contract at trick one. Instead of trumping West's opening lead, he should have discarded a club on it.

Let's say West leads another diamond. South ruffs, cashes the A-K of trumps and plays the A-K-J of clubs. If East produces the queen, South ruffs, returns to dummy with a trump and discards a heart on the club ten to make the contract. If East does not produce the queen of clubs, South discards a heart and achieves the same result even if West has the queen. Either way, declarer can't lose more than three tricks.

There is no question that discarding a club at trick one is a play few declarers would think of. It simply runs too much

East dealer.

East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ A Q 6
♥ 8 6 3
♦ 8 7 5
♣ A K J 10

WEST

♠ 10 7
♥ A 10 9 4
♦ A K J 6 4
♣ 8 3

EAST

♠ 2
♥ Q J 5
♦ Q 10 9 3 2
♣ Q 9 5 2

SOUTH

♠ K J 9 8 5 4 3
♥ K 7 2
♦ —
♣ 7 6 4

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠

Opening lead — ace of diamonds.

against the grain. Nevertheless, there can be no denying that the club discard virtually assures a favorable outcome, while trumping the ace of diamonds clearly jeopardizes the contract.

By discarding at trick one, South makes sure that East, the dangerous opponent, can never gain the lead for a potential killing heart shift. From that point on, all roads lead directly to Rome. ■



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FILM CAPSULES

Morgan ★ 1/2

(Kate Mara, Anya Taylor-Joy, Toby Jones) A risk management consultant (Ms. Mara) goes to a remote location to assess the damage caused by a synthetic, human-like organism (Ms. Taylor-Joy). Director Luke Scott (Ridley Scott's son) takes an intriguing sci-fi premise and allows it to devolve into a schlocky monster movie. It's insulting. Rated R.

Hands of Stone ★★★

(Robert De Niro, Edgar Ramirez, Ana de Armas) Based on a true story, boxer Roberto Duran (Mr. Ramirez) emerges from poverty in Panama to become a world champion. Solid performances and editing allow this part biopic/part boxing movie to be a thoroughly engaging drama. Rated R.

Ben-Hur ★ 1/2

(Jack Huston, Toby Kebbell, Morgan Freeman) At the time of Jesus Christ (Rodrigo Santoro), a Jewish prince (Mr. Huston) is forced into slavery by his adopted brother (Mr. Kebbell), who is a Roman soldier. The story drags and the performances do little to enliven the stilted dialog; two decent actions sequences are the lone saving grace. Rated PG-13.

Hell or High Water ★★★ 1/2

(Ben Foster, Chris Pine, Jeff Bridges) A Texas Ranger (Mr. Bridges) tracks two bank-robbing brothers (Mr. Foster and Mr. Pine) in this superb neo-western. A great drama highlighted by fantastic writing and even better performances, it's one of the best movies of the year. Rated R.

Southside with You ★★

(Tika Sumpter, Parker Sawyers, Vanessa Bell Calloway) Here's the story of Barack and Michelle Obama's first date during a hot summer day in 1989. But only the locations are accurate; the dialog is fictionalized, which is a downer given the film's inherent appeal. Combine that with low-budget production values and standard editing and the whole thing plays like a made-for-TV movie. Rated PG-13.

Florence Foster Jenkins ★★★

(Meryl Streep, Hugh Grant, Rebecca Ferguson) In 1944 New York City, wealthy socialite Florence Foster Jenkins (Ms. Streep) aspires to be an opera singer in spite of her notable lack of ability. Ms. Streep and Mr. Grant are a formidable duo, but it's director Stephen Frears ("Philomena") striking just the right tone of laughing at Florence but with the movie that makes it all work. Rated PG-13.

Suicide Squad ★★ 1/2

(Will Smith, Margot Robbie, Jared Leto) The world's most dangerous criminals are given a reprieve from prison to fight a deadly witch (Cara Delevingne). Ms. Robbie steals the movie as Joker's (Mr. Leto) squeeze, Harley Quinn, and the action and soundtrack keep things popping — but the story has numerous problems. Set in the same DC Comics universe as "Batman v. Superman: Dawn of Justice." Rated PG-13. ■

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Is it worth \$10? Yes

Disney animated movies are beloved by many, but perhaps no family loves them more than the Suskinds in Cape Cod, Mass. At the age of 3, Owen began to shy away from his surroundings and stopped communicating. His parents, Ron and Cornelia, soon learned their son was autistic. For years they thought he'd never speak again, or be anywhere close to "normal."

Then magic happened: Through repeated viewings of Disney's animated movies, Owen slowly started to understand the world and break out of his shell.

"Life, Animated" tells the true story of Owen's journey and how he manages today, living on his own at 23 years old.

It's already an award-winning documentary, so if you think it sounds too sweet for even a Disney movie, remember that sometimes truth trumps fiction.

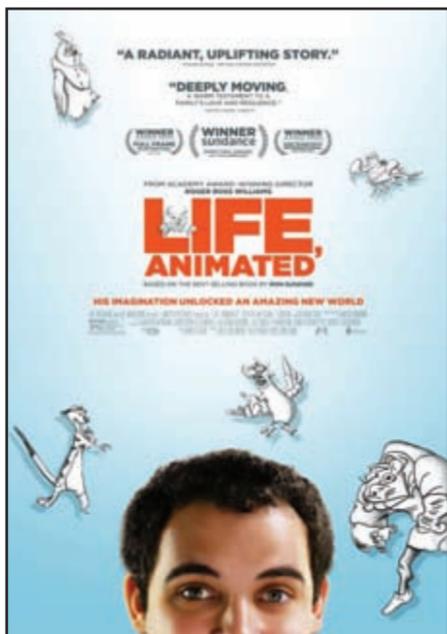
The majority of the film follows Owen, his parents and his brother, Walt, leading up to Owen's high school graduation. Owen knows after graduation he's moving out (to an assisted living facility) and has to get a job (at a movie theater, naturally). It's his choice to leave, but he takes solace in knowing his girlfriend, Emily (also autistic), is moving to the same apartment complex. And he knows, deep down, that he's ready to be an adult.

In addition to following Owen and the family in their present lives, director Roger Ross Williams uses archival footage, interviews, clips from Disney movies and original animation by artist MacGuff to articulate Owen's struggle. Although the basics of autism are explained so the unfamiliar can grasp what the family is dealing with, the focus is always on triumph rather than hardship. This is important because it allows for a constantly positive vibe even when discussing difficult times, which in turn allows the film to be touching and inspiring rather than downtrodden and depressing.

If there's a flaw here, it's the slow

start coupled with a lack of information regarding how Owen evolved throughout his teenage years. Mr. Williams freely juxtaposes moments and images of Owen as a child with Owen today, so he needs to include Owen as a teenager as well. It's a glaring omission that leaves the audience hanging regarding something viewers are bound to be curious about.

That shortcoming aside, what's most fascinating about the film is its brutal honesty. Ron and Cornelia openly question themselves and how Owen will fare living on his own. Walt understands the



burden of caring for his brother later in their lives; he's ready, but clearly not thrilled about the prospect. Owen himself endures a personal hardship that he struggles to understand, at which point the shortcomings of what you can learn from Disney animated movies comes to the fore.

A lesser movie, and a lesser director, would not have handled these questions with such care and respect. But because Mr. Williams handles so much so well, "Life, Animated" is a movie you don't want to miss. ■

in the know

>> Director Roger Ross Williams won best director for U.S. documentaries for "Life, Animated" at the 2016 Sundance Film Festival.

'A Gathering of Creatives' on Sept. 9

Storytellers Creative Arts invites writers, musicians, filmmakers, singers/songwriters, actors, dancers, inventors, designers, chefs, producers, photographers, techies and anyone else who wants to share creative ideas and inspirations to "Mix and Mingle, Meet and Eat: A Gathering of Creatives: from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, at Brio Tuscan Grill in Waterside Shops.

Group leaders involved with Storytellers Creative Arts will explain how members gather in small settings to connect and build community. Groups meet in art galleries, studios, offices and other creative spaces in Collier and Lee counties.

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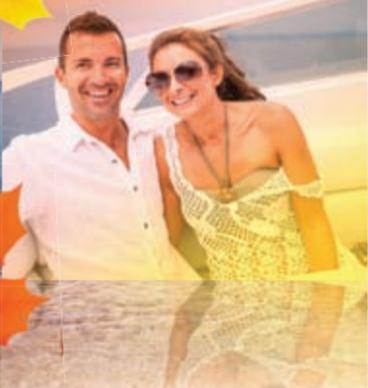
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KOVEL: ANTIQUES

'Bejeweled' porcelain pieces: Collectors' favorites since the 1950s

BY TERRY KOVEL AND KIM KOVEL

The "jeweled" Coalport porcelain of the late 19th century attracts buyers with its beauty and unfamiliar beading, but few know its history.

Coalport porcelain was first made in England in 1795. In the late 19th century, a new type of porcelain vases, teaware, boxes and other ornamental wares was created. It was hand-decorated with small colored "beads" of glaze, as well as sections with simulated gems such as moonstones or emeralds. These pieces were very expensive when compared to the useful wares made before that time.

In 1895, when Coalport started making the jeweled porcelains by a less expensive method, more pieces were sold. Collectors have favored these pieces since the 1950s, and prices are high today.

In addition to the covered box pictured here, a two-handled shaped bowl with a cover sold for about \$1,000 at the same sale.

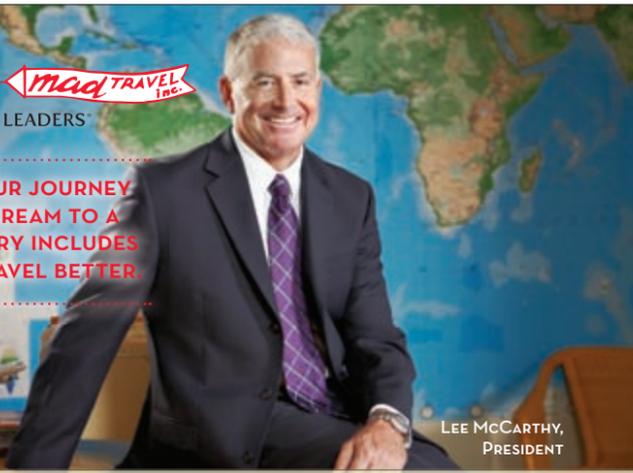
Q: When my husband was an orthopedic surgeon, a patient gave him Franklin Roosevelt's cane. It has "Franklin D. Roosevelt" and a shield on one side of the silver handle and "For President" and "32" on the other side. It's slightly bent from pressure over the years. What can you tell me about it?

A: Canes were a common political campaign item in the late 1800s and

early 1900s, when they more fashion accessory than walking support. Canes like yours weren't actually owned by Mr. Roosevelt, but were made to distribute during his first presidential campaign in 1932. The head of your cane is cast aluminum, not silver. Thousands of these canes were made before production stopped because Roosevelt didn't want to call attention to his physical limitations. The canes have been reproduced. Their value in good condition is about \$75 to \$100.

Q: I recently found a receipt in an old book. It reads: "U.S. Treasury, Minnesota War Finance Committee." It was for the purchase of a war bond and was to be mailed to the County War Finance Chairman. The cost of the bond was \$18.75. My parents bought this bond in 1944, when I was about 10 months old. I'm wondering how to go about redeeming it and how much it's worth.

A: The U.S. Treasury began issuing Series E bonds in 1942 to help finance World War II. The Minnesota War Finance Committee was formed in 1943 to promote the sale of war bonds in the state. U.S. Treasury bonds can be redeemed at some local banks or by mailing them to Treasury Retail Securities Site, P.O. Box 214, Minneapolis, MN 55480-0214. The problem is, you only have a receipt. Without the actual paper bond, there is nothing to redeem.



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This Coalport box with a lid might have been made to hold powder. It has turquoise "jewels" and a medallion. It sold at a Skinner auction in Boston earlier this year for \$461.

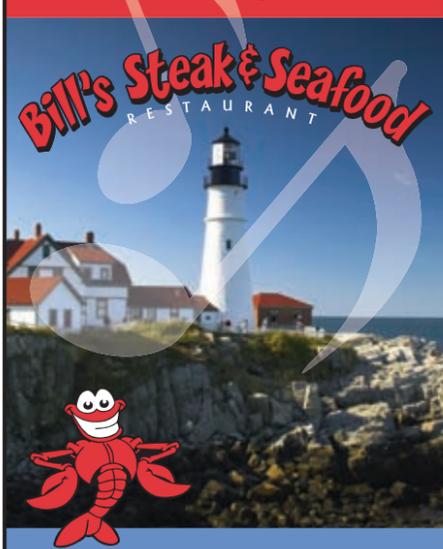
Q: Back in the day, many brides selected a pattern of sterling silver flatware. Today those sets of silver aren't used and are a problem for the family who inherits the set of flatware. This is a dilemma I am facing. How do we get rid of the flatware? I have two sets of sterling silver flatware and additional items. How do I find a reliable and safe way to sell the flatware, either for the value of the set or for the value of the silver? I have a set of Meadow Rose by Wallace and a set of Oneida's Damask Rose. I also have miscellaneous pieces such as salt and pepper, candlesticks and cutlery.

least the meltdown value, and there are shops that buy silver and gold to melt down. But you also can sell silver flatware to a matching service. Many are listed online. Search for "matching service silver" or "matching service silver plate." Expect to get about half what it will sell for because dealers have to make a profit. Wallace introduced Meadow Rose pattern in 1907. It sells for more than Oneida's Damask Rose, which was first made in 1946. Monograms lower the price.

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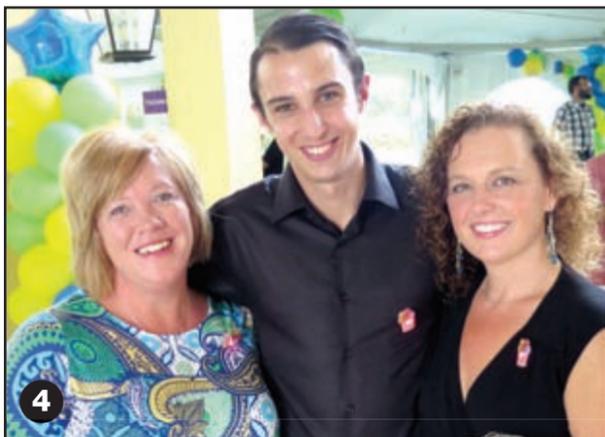
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■ **Naples Art Association** kicks off its monthly Dinner with the Artist series, which pairs local artists and chefs to create magical culinary experiences, at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4, with Zendooodles' Mario Vitale and Sage Catering chef Amber Phillips. \$100. 585 Park St. 262-6517 or naplesart.org.

■ **La Moraga** hosts its second annual Pink Celebrity Bartender Night to benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 13. Sports columnist and ESPN Radio host David Moulton will preside over the festivities while guest bartenders sling cocktails. Participating barkeeps include Crave Culinaire's Brian Rolan, Pyure Brands CEO Benjamin Fleischer, Social Connect CEO Batya Haman, SuperBowl winner with the St. Louis Rams Tom Nuten, hairstylists Sashy and Stephi, Clive Daniel Home interior designer Wilfredo Emmanuel and former NFL

player Winston Justice. \$25, includes welcome drink and a selection of tapas. Tickets can be purchased at pinkcelebrity.eventbrite.com. 331-3669 or lamoragarestaurant.com.

■ **21 Spices** hosts Italindia Night with fusion Indo-Italian food, from 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10. Andy LoRusso, "The Singing Chef," worked with 21 Spices' Chef Asif to create the menu and will also perform Italian love songs. The menu includes grilled radicchio cups with fennel and baby shrimp, mandarin oranges with a garam masala balsamic glaze, lobster mulligatawny, Sicilian-style shrimp scampi with mustard and curry leaves, eggplant parmesan with Bombay aloo and tomato chutney and more. \$95. 4270 Tamiami Trail E. 919-8830 or 21spicesdining.com.

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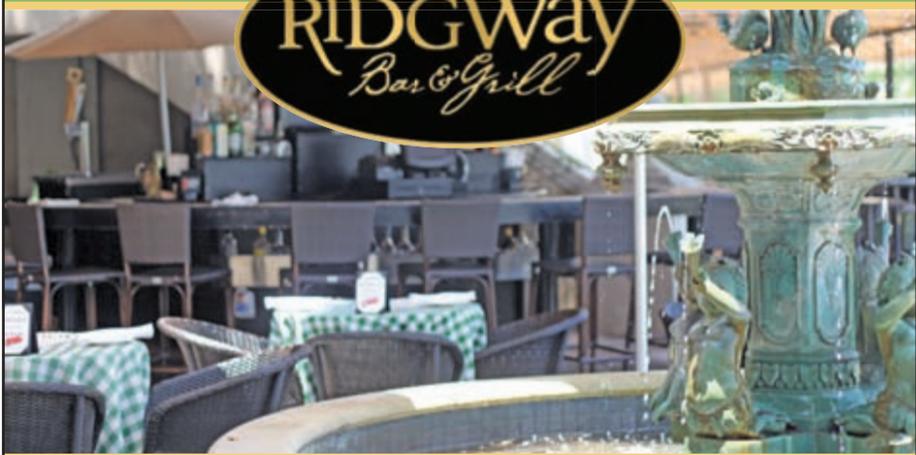
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The Details: Because I've always been a sucker for barbecue and also for a clever name, I'll never know what took

me so long to get to this place. It certainly won't take me very long to go back. My Burnt Ends Sandwich was piled high with morsels from the "point end" of a whole smoked brisket. The ends are trimmed of fat, massaged with more dry rub and then smoked for a couple of more hours, resulting in a tasty bit of "char" or "bark" that on each tender chunk. Trust me, there's nothing "burnt" and everything delicious about it. My sides of potato salad and baked beans were equally yummy, as was the Hot Chile Chocolate Chip Cookie that I ordered just because I had to try it. Like the rest of my meal, it didn't disappoint. ■

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Looking for a hearty meal that you need not get dressed up or pay dearly for? Check out this welcoming diner-style establishment where the friendly service staff delivers large steaming platters of well-prepared down-home food. Breakfast is a big deal here and a meal we found satisfying — as did the rest of the capacity crowd on a Sunday morning. While you can order a fruit plate with cottage cheese or a virtuous bowl of oatmeal, that's not what most customers are after. Blueberry pancakes were a good choice, although I'd recommend syrup in lieu of the runny blueberry compote served with them. A Santa Fe omelet had a tasty blend of cilantro, tomatoes, onions, jalapenos and Jack cheese within and a touch of salsa on the side. Choose toast or pancakes plus potatoes, grits, sliced tomatoes or fruit to go with your eggs. I liked the plain buttermilk pancake and, once sufficiently buttered and salted, the grits. Beer and wine served.

Food: ★ ★ ★ 1/2
 Service: ★ ★ ★ ★
 Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★
 Reviewed September 2014

Doug's Seafood, 3411 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs; 992-1902

The closest you're likely to come to a true Maine lobster roll in Southwest Florida is served at this small seafood market and café founded by a lobster-

ing family from Maine. Prepared food includes cold and warm lobster rolls; crab and shrimp rolls; lobster, shrimp or crab wraps; and fish tacos. A steam table holds trays of chowders, bisques and lobster macaroni and cheese. You order at the counter and they quickly deliver to tables, so there's not much on which to base a service rating. Sandwiches come on plain white plates with a bag of chips and a cup of cole slaw. The lobster rolls come in two sizes, both of which are overstuffed with succulent, sweet shellfish without fillers or seasonings. Soft drinks served.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★
 Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★
 Reviewed March 2015

Inca's Kitchen, Pavilion Shopping Center, 8955 U.S. 41, Naples; 631-5954

The Peruvian food conjured up by chef/owner Rafael Rottiers is so good no one minded traveling to Golden Gate for it, but now he's opened a stylish Naples establishment as well. The second Inca's has an ambience similar to the original, with warm earth tones and Peruvian art. And the food is equally stellar. A Piscojito (made with Peruvian pisco liquor) goes well with any of the 11 varieties of ceviche and seven types of tiradito (a Peruvian style sashimi). The Mar y Tierra was a luscious blend of octopus, shrimp, aji limon (a Peruvian pepper), spices, tiger milk, crab, potato and corn. Sushi rolls — one with tuna pepper and sesame oil, the other built around barbecued tenderloin — were delicious, too. Mancora sea bass with quinoa, scallops, mussels and clams tasted as good



as it looked. A 10-ounce tenderloin with spicy red sauce and tri-colored potatoes will satisfy any carnivore. Don't skip dessert; have whatever sweet features the caramel-flavored lucama fruit.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★
 Service: ★ ★ ★ ★ 1/2
 Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★ 1/2
 Reviewed December 2014

Rumba Cuban Cafe, 1265 Airport-Pulling Road; 659-2996

The former Fernandez the Bull's southerly location is in good hands with Chef Jorge Reyes, who used to work there, at the helm. His family infuses Rumba with the same warm, family flavor its predecessor had. And the food's still great, too. Skip the mojito (they don't have a liquor license and use orange wine) and go for the sangria instead. Rumba chips (long, crisp plantain strips served with well-seasoned ground beef) are good for a starter. The tamales were also tasty. Both the ropa vieja (shredded flank steak with tomato sauce) and lechon asado (big marinated and roasted chunks of pork) were excel-

lent with sides of plantains, white rice and black beans. For dessert? You can't go wrong with flan or tres leches cake. Beer and wine served.

Food: ★ ★ ★ ★ 1/2
 Service: ★ ★ ★ ★
 Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ ★
 Reviewed February 2015

TAG The American Gastropub, Coconut Point, 23161 Village Shops Way, Estero; 949-4300

The "gastropub" tag implies amped-up pub food in a casual but stylish setting, with craft beverages and reasonable prices. TAG delivers most of that but could be more consistent. A sampling of trendy deviled eggs with fancy toppings revealed garnishes that were just too subtle to achieve the wow factor that can elevate these homey classics in the right hands. We were more impressed with the Prince Edward Island mussels steamed in beer broth seasoned with oranges and coriander and with ground and sliced chorizo tossed in. The combination of sweet fruit and warm spices worked well with the abundant shellfish. A basic burger was elevated by yummy bacon jam, and a salmon entrée was perfectly cooked and nicely paired with succotash. Root beer-braised short ribs were impressively tender, but the johnnycakes served underneath were tough, dry and mealy (as was the crust of a deconstructed apple pie stuffed into a pint canning jar). Full bar.

Food: ★ ★ ★ 1/2
 Service: ★ ★ 1/2
 Atmosphere: ★ ★ ★ 1/2
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CUISINE REVIEW

Thai Thai Noodle bar packs a lot of great food into a little space



Some restaurants remain the same for years and years. Others seem to change hands with the seasons.

Though some of the ever-changing spots seem as if they are situated on sacred burial grounds and are doomed to failure, once in a while a restaurateur finds the magical combination of great food and service that pleases the public and makes the place a success.

I am hoping that's the case for Thai Thai Noodle Bar, which has succeeded Benja Sushi, which followed Sumo Sushi Sake Bar in a little storefront next to CenturyLink just off Airport-Pulling Road and Naples Boulevard.

Both of its predecessors were good, but Thai Thai is exceptional. And it offers something the other two didn't: big bowls of hearty soup filled with noodles, vegetables and a variety of meats or seafood.

The current management took over the restaurant about eight months ago. It still looks pretty much as I remember it from the Benja days: A long sushi bar with little blue lights just under the counter and tall silver chairs that match those at lower levels for the regular tables dominates the room. In fact, the Benja Sushi signs still adorn the outside of the building.

There's still a convenient drive-through window that opens behind the sushi bar. We saw a couple of people stop by to pick up takeout orders there.

The one addition we noticed was a large screen in the main area of the dining room showing videos of the preparation of a dizzying area of luscious-looking Thai street foods.

The service staff was exceptionally friendly and warm. The woman who seated us and did most of the serving came by to see if we needed guidance as we pondered the vast menu. She made sure we had beverages throughout the meal, checked to make sure each course was to our liking and invited us to come back.

That is a certainty. Everything we ate here was terrific.

For those considering a visit, let me warn you that although the restaurant is on the small side, the menu is anything but. There are appetizers, sushi appetizers, salads, soups, Japanese grilled entrees, Thai specialty entrees, bento boxes (lunch and dinner versions), sushi and sushi dinners



A red dragon roll starts with shrimp tempura then adds asparagus, masago, scallions, avocado, tuna, eel sauce and spicy mayo.



This roasted pork wonton soup is one of 19 soup entrees featured at Thai Thai Noodle Bar.



Left: Jumbo shrimp with garlic sauce and vegetables is featured on the Thai specialties menu. Right: Fresh spring rolls contain shrimp, cucumber, lettuce and herbs.



and the star of the show here: 19 variations of Thai noodle soup. At lunch, there's also dim sum.

What's Thai noodle soup? It's a lot like Vietnamese pho, featuring a well-seasoned broth in which float an assortment of vegetables, meats and noodles. I selected the gyo moo daeng (\$12.95) with roasted pork, wontons, Chinese kale, cabbage, scallions and bits of fried garlic in a savory broth redolent with the aforementioned garlic as well as a medley of spices.

The bowl was the size most of us use for serving, but this is an entrée portion so it makes sense for it to be oversized. There are versions with beef, chicken and seafood as well, and you can change out the noodles for any of four varieties for a \$2 charge.

Although condiments including chili powder, sugar, ground chili vinegar and chili fish sauces are brought to the table, I didn't think the soup required any enhancements.

The vegetables were tender-crisp, the pork was flavorful and tender and the wontons worked well with everything else

(better, I think, than the mounds of thin noodles I watched other diners wrestling with in their bowls).

The fresh spring rolls (\$7.95) came in soft wrappers containing good-sized shrimp along with crunchy cucumber, lettuce and herbs. The rolls had lots of flavor on their own but were even better when dipped into either the sweet chili sauce or warm peanut sauce that accompanied them.

From the plethora of sushi rolls, we tried the red dragon (\$13.95), an inspired combination of shrimp tempura, asparagus and masago with scallions and avocado topped with tuna, eel sauce and spicy mayo.

One noteworthy element of the sushi menu is that the kitchen uses a variety of crabs and indicates which type is included in each roll, including when it is imitation crab.

While I hunkered down over my noodle bowl, my companion enjoyed jumbo shrimp with garlic sauce (\$20.95), an entrée from the Thai special dishes. The shrimp were indeed jumbos, cooked just right and topped with a lively brown sauce that contained a generous amount of garlic and a

hint of heat. Broccoli, snow peas, baby corn and carrots accompanied the shrimp and a side of rice completed the dish.

Thai Thai does have desserts — Thai doughnuts, fried ice cream, fried bananas with ice cream — but I'll leave it to you to explore that course on your own. We were stuffed, even though I took home about half of my soup for what was a satisfying lunch the following day.

From start to finish, this was a great meal served by a staff that obviously wants to please its customers. Yes, there are plenty of Thai and sushi places in these parts. But this one is well worth trying. ■

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Thai Thai Noodle Bar
6438 Naples Blvd.; 591-1122

Ratings:
Food: ★★★★★½
Service: ★★★★★½
Atmosphere: ★★★★★

>> **Hours:** 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Friday-Saturday

>> **Reservations:** Accepted

>> **Credit cards:** Accepted

>> **Price range:** Appetizers, \$4.95-\$14.95; salads, \$5.95-\$15.95; sushi rolls, \$5.95-\$20.95; entrees, \$12.95-\$26.95

>> **Beverages:** Beer and wine served.

>> **Seating:** Banquettes, conventional tables, at the sushi bar or outside on the patio

>> **Specialties of the house:** Thai noodle soups and classic fare, sushi, Japanese grill, dim sum

>> **Volume:** Low to moderate

>> **Parking:** Free lot

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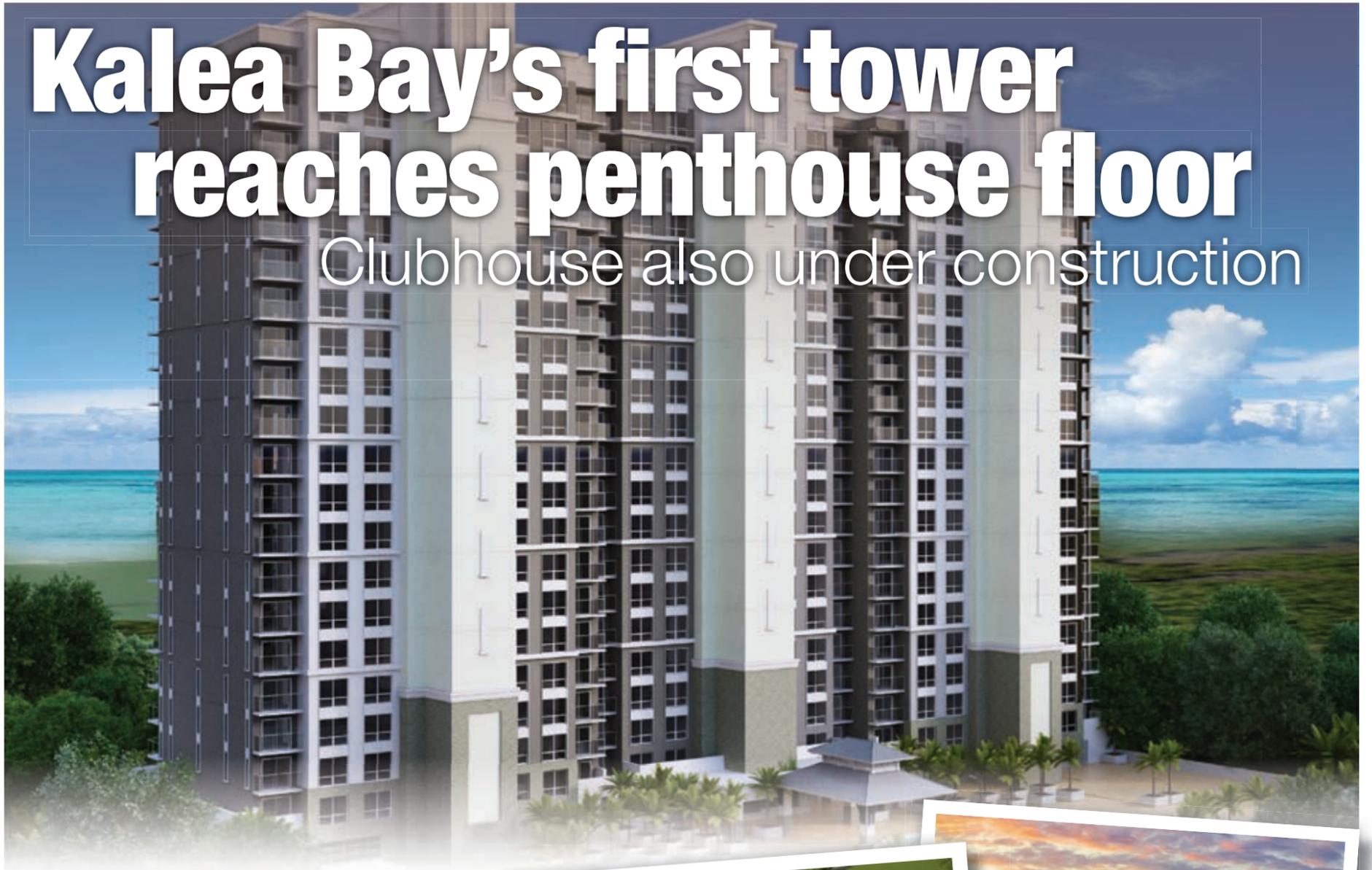
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Kalea Bay's first tower reaches penthouse floor

Clubhouse also under construction



Kalea Bay, a gated, resort-lifestyle community located on Vanderbilt Drive in North Naples, has set a new standard for luxury residential high-rise living.

The incredibly-designed residences at Kalea Bay, combined with spectacular views of the Gulf of Mexico, the Coghatchee River and a pristine nature preserve, have propelled the community to become one of the hottest-selling properties this year.

"As of mid-August, the construction on our first tower has reached the penthouse floor," stated Inga Wilson, Kalea Bay's Vice President of Sales & Marketing.

The 22-story tower, with 120 residences, will have 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking.

"From my office in the sales center I can observe the construction progress on a daily basis," said Wilson. "It's not only exciting for me, but also for those who've already purchased and even the visitors who have come to the sales center for the first time."

Six floor plans are available at Kalea Bay with prices currently starting at \$1.3 million.

Residences 1 and 6 are 4-bedroom/4-bath plans with 3,755 total square feet. Residences 2 and 5, with three-bedrooms plus den and three-and-a-half baths, have 3,835 total square feet while residences 3 and 4 are four-bedroom/four-bath plans with 3,921 total square feet.

All residents of Kalea Bay will revel in gulf views, open floor plans, a private elevator leading directly into their residence, 9-foot, 2-inch ceilings in living areas, and wood floors throughout.

The custom kitchens have Wolf and Subzero appliances, a natural gas range, Downsview cabinetry, quartz countertops, a Butler's pantry and oversized island.

"Our kitchens feature an open design

we call lifestyle designs that blends the kitchen seamlessly into the living and dining rooms, perfect for today's hosts and hostesses," said Wilson. "The layout of the kitchen can be experienced firsthand through a replica of one in our sales center."

The master bedroom includes an oversized walk-in closet while the master bath has his and hers vanities, quartz countertops, luxury cabinetry, a soaking tub and separate glass-enclosed shower.

"All master suites, kitchens and main living areas have direct views to the water and preserve," stated Wilson. "That means all of our residents have front row seats for our spectacular sunsets."

Additional residential features include floor-to-ceiling windows and doors that open to large lanais with transparent glass rails. High-tech wiring and fully equipped laundry rooms round out the list of features.

Wilson says dramatic views are available to every single resident, not matter which floor they live on.

"That's because the tower's amenities are located on the rooftop," explained Wilson. "That includes our sky lounge, a dramatic pool and the open-air fitness center."

From the rooftop, residents can enjoy daily views of the Gulf of Mexico, the nature preserves and two beaches ranked among the best in the United States.

"Those beaches include Barefoot Beach Preserve Park, which was ranked #2 nationally in 2015, and Delnor-Wig-



The 22-story tower at Kalea Bay has 120 residences. The 88,000-square-foot clubhouse features three separate pools, a deck bar, an indoor/outdoor restaurant and an Internet cafe. Kalea Bay's first tower was designed with rooftop amenities, including a sky lounge, spectacular pool and open-air fitness center.

gins Pass State Park, which was ranked #9," said Wilson.

The first residential high-rise tower at Kalea Bay will be completed in the summer of next year. However, it won't be the only building on-site to reach that milestone.

"Currently, Kalea Bay's community clubhouse area is also under construction and slated to be completed around the same timeframe," said Wilson. "Our clubhouse area will be the social and recreational centerpiece of the community."

Kalea Bay's 88,000-square-foot clubhouse is located on the north side of the large lake at the community's entrance. It will feature three individual pools, including a resort pool, an adults-only pool and a children's pool, plus an expansive pool deck, an open air bar, an indoor/outdoor restaurant, a snack bar, an Internet cafe and a gifts and sundries shop.

"All three pools will overlook the lake and provide a multitude of recreational options for everyone who lives and visits here," said Wilson. "Expansive sun decks with lounge chairs and native, tropical plants will separate each of the three pools for the ultimate in privacy."

If basking in the sun or taking a refreshing dip in the pool isn't on a

resident's schedule, perhaps meeting friends for lunch, dinner or drinks is.

"We have the perfect place for all three," said Wilson. "The indoor/outdoor restaurant will serve phenomenal meals throughout the day. And what better way to celebrate the good life in Florida than meeting family and friends for drinks while watching the sun set over the Gulf of Mexico. This is what living in Florida is supposed to be."

Just a short walk from the clubhouse will be the tennis pavilion with six lighted Har-Tru tennis courts. Nearby are 24 guest suites to accommodate overnight guests and family members.

"Having that number of guest suites is unusual for a luxury high-rise community, but it's an amenity many of our residents are excited about especially when they have extended family visiting," said Wilson. "There will also be a shuttle service, originating from the clubhouse, to the beach."

For more information regarding Kalea Bay visit the on-site sales center. It is located on Vanderbilt Drive, just north of Wiggins Pass Road at 13910 Old Coast Road in North Naples. Additional information is available by calling (239) 793-0110 or online at KaleaBay.com. ■

Just 6 home sites remain in Lockford at TwinEagles

Just six buildable home sites and two unfurnished move-in ready residences currently under construction remain available in TwinEagles' Lockford neighborhood. Lockford features one and two-story floor plans by Minto Florida ranging from 2,600 to 3,800 square-feet. Homes are on 60-foot home sites and priced from the low-\$500s to \$1 million. Minto design elements include dramatic, soaring ceilings in the foyers, luxurious master suites, and spacious gourmet kitchens. Features such as 12-foot ceilings, granite countertops, and 18-inch ceramic tile are included in the base price of each home. A \$35,000 builder incentive is available for new-build residences in Lockford. A golf membership is included with the purchase of every newly constructed home in TwinEagles.

Minto's Prestwick Grand and Turnberry Grand models are open for viewing in Lockford. The Prestwick Grand's 2,905 square-foot great room plan includes two bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths, a study, sitting room, formal dining room, an island kitchen with a pass-through to a lanai that features an outdoor kitchen, and a two-car garage. The home's great room showcases a double-coffered ceiling and opens to the lanai. The Prestwick Grand is base-priced at \$558,990.

The Prestwick Grand's updated country interior design introduces lighter colors in combination with clean-lined furnishings. A color palette of khaki linens with accents of sea foam green and light blues incorporates textural elements. Wood flooring throughout the living areas is walnut with grey undertones.

The great room's coffered ceiling balances seating that includes a sofa and two accent chairs. A two-sided chaise looks out to the pool deck. Floor to ceiling tongue-in-groove paneling creates a feature wall sized to complement the grand dimensions of the room.

The kitchen features a square island that doubles as a breakfast area that accommodates six. The cabinetry is a grey finish on the island and lower perimeter cabinetry and a cream color on the upper cabinets. The counter surfaces are dark brown granite while the backsplash combines travertine and glass tile.

In the dining room, the color scheme changes to a soft sea foam blue. A dining table for six is showcased with linen-covered chairs. Washed oak wainscoting around the lower portion of the walls adds warmth.

The study features a leather texture in the coffered ceiling treatment and above a chair rail. Bookcases and a desk are complemented by a reading chair. A sitting room serves as a secluded retreat and offers space for relaxing with a sectional sofa facing a large television, as well as a wet bar and bistro table. The lanai accommodates a dining table with six chairs. Four barstools provide additional seating at the counter height bar at the pass-through.

The master suite features sea foam blue and white tones. Flanked by night stands, a king-sized bed with an upholstered headboard sits across from an oversized dresser. A bay window hosts two comfortable chairs. Flooring in the master bathroom is a gray porcelain tile. Vanities positioned side-by-side showcase cabinetry in gray wood with a lighter granite countertop.

The Turnberry Grand includes 3,811 square feet with a two-story great room, three bedrooms, three full-baths and two half-baths, a study, formal dining room, a lanai with an outdoor



Above: Minto Florida's Prestwick Grand model is one of two furnished models open in Lockford at TwinEagles. A \$35,000 builder incentive is now available for new-build residences in Lockford. A golf membership is included with the purchase of every newly constructed home in TwinEagles. Right: The Turnberry Grand floor plan in Lockford at TwinEagles includes 3,811 square feet with a two-story great room, three bedrooms, three full-baths and two half-baths, a study, formal dining room, a lanai with an outdoor kitchen, an upstairs bonus room with an outdoor terrace, and a three-car garage.

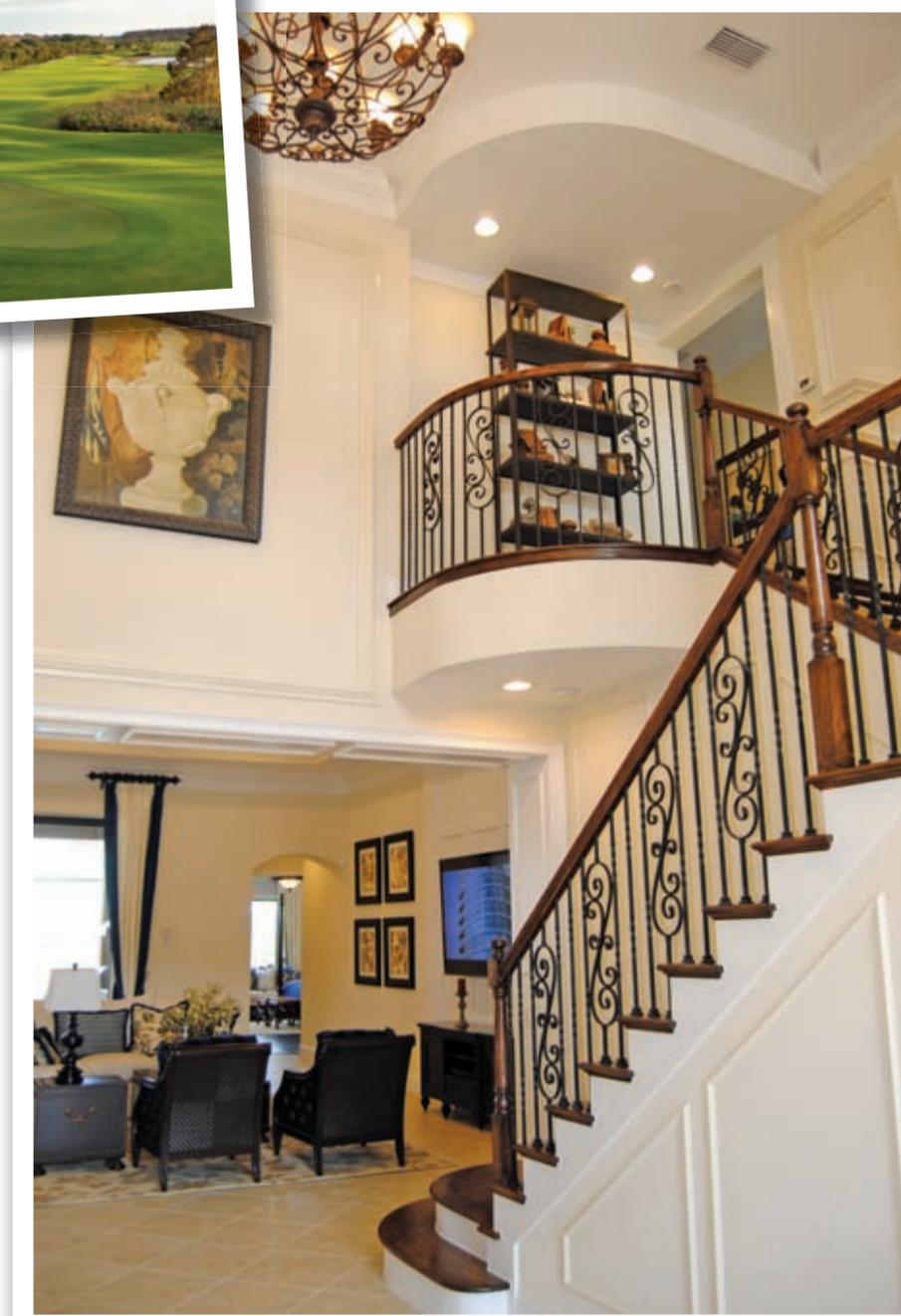
kitchen, an upstairs bonus room with an outdoor terrace, and a three-car garage. Turnberry Grand pricing starts at \$647,990.

The Turnberry Grand model's British Colonial décor features an elegant blue and white color scheme with mahogany and dark cherry woods. Light tile floors contrast the wood tones while wainscoting and crown molding add to the traditional flavor.

The interior's color contrasts are established in the grand foyer that is open to the second floor. Soft white wainscoting is introduced to complement a wall panel treatment that reaches from the floor to the second story ceiling. Beyond the foyer, the eye is drawn through the great room to the outdoors.

The great room hosts a light-toned sectional sofa. Two accent chairs in dark mahogany with blue upholstery offer contrast. The television is wall-mounted against a backdrop of soft white applied moldings. A mahogany console showcasing traditional detailing sits beneath the television. The great room is open to the kitchen and dining room to create a welcoming entertainment space.

The kitchen's L-shaped island includes barstools finished in rattan with khaki linen seat cushions. The cabinets present a dark mahogany finish with traditional detailing, recessed panel doors, and corbels in the island overhang. Granite countertops are in tones of brown and gold.



The dining room features a dark mahogany table with turned legs. The host and hostess chairs are upholstered in a shoemaker fabric of tropical blue, cream, and green florals. The side chairs are blue and white linen.

The study features hardwood flooring with a traditional desk. The space serves as a retreat and includes two oversized armchairs. The master bedroom allows for an oversized dresser and a sitting area with a chair in front of bay windows overlooking the view. A morning kitchen features mahogany cabinetry, a granite countertop, and a sink. The master bathroom showcases

an oval bathtub, glass-enclosed shower, and vanities in dark wood cabinetry with granite counters. The flooring is a stylish porcelain tile.

The covered lanai provides room for a large dining table and six chairs. The outdoor kitchen showcases granite counters. The pool deck is entirely screened. The upstairs bonus room incorporates a home theater with two leather sofas. An elevated section affords an unobstructed line of sight for those sitting in the back.

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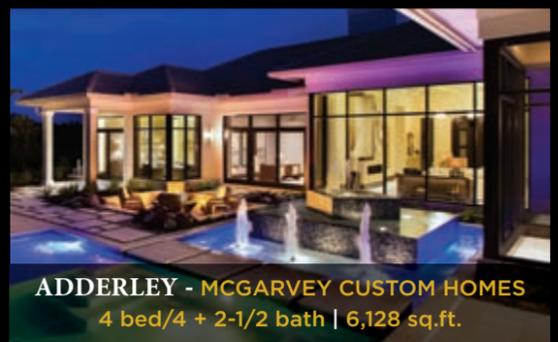
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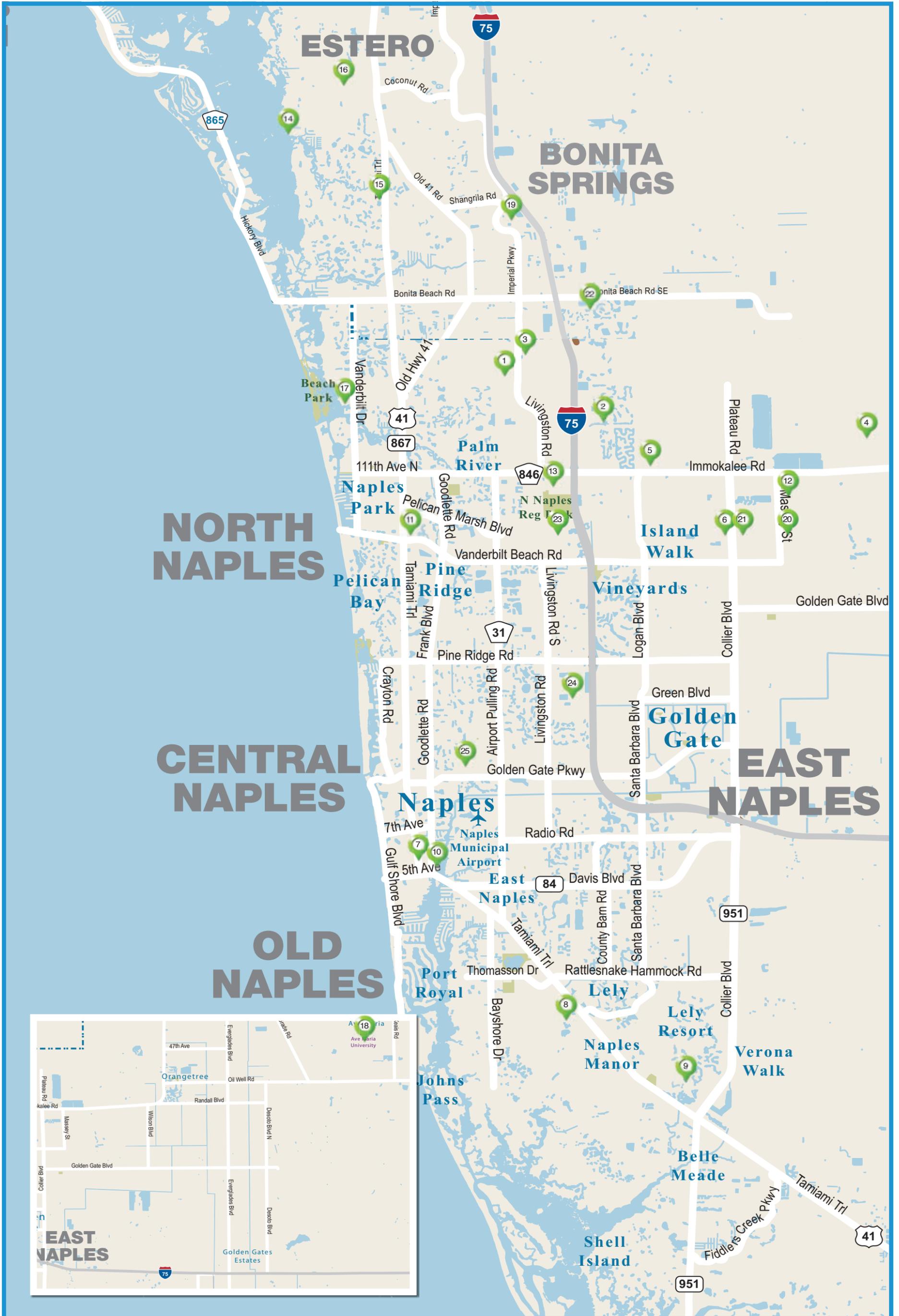
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New furnished estate models opening by the end of the month at Quail West

Stock Signature Homes' furnished Aqualina and Carlisle II estate models are scheduled to open at Quail West by the end of this month. The new models will join Quail West's collection of estate residences that are furthering the community's legacy of providing an exceptional estate lifestyle. Custom estate home and home site packages are priced from \$2.5 million to over \$7 million.

Priced at \$3,805,790 fully-furnished, the 4,937 square foot Aqualina model includes a living room with a fireplace, a dining room and butler's pantry, wine cellar, four bedrooms, four full baths and two half-baths. A double-island kitchen adjoins a family room opening to an outdoor living area with a fireplace, outdoor kitchen, pool, and spa. The Aqualina showcases an interior by Marc Michaels Interior Design's Christina Villalonga. A palette of cream, taupe, and light blue is accented with peacock blue, brass, and antique mirror effects. Flooring in the living areas is a medium-toned wood.

In the foyer, a gray-toned credenza anchors distinctive artwork. The dining room's table is accompanied by host and hostess chairs in taupe velvet. The living room's fireplace has a natural stone mantel. Furnishings include a linen sofa, light blue skirted chairs, and wood-framed wing chairs. In the kitchen, the perimeter cabinets are executed in mushroom with a darker quartz countertop. Both islands showcase cream cabinets topped with a lighter quartz. A stone backsplash runs along the perimeter.

The family room offers a welcoming ambience. Pocketing sliders opening to the outdoor living area are framed by draperies in an aqua and cream stripe. The feature wall showcases a floating console cabinet with a television above. The seating includes a sectional sofa in mushroom linen and a chair and ottoman in a textured blue fabric. On the lanai, a conversation area is anchored by a fireplace with a light gray limestone surround. The outdoor kitchen features espresso cabinetry combined with a countertop and backsplash in white Dekton quartz.

The study's walls feature an applied molding detail in a series of rectangular panels. A built-in along one wall features tall storage doors flanking an open center section with floating shelves. A parson's desk in an espresso finish is paired with an espresso chair upholstered in green velvet.

Cream draperies in the master bedroom provide a background for an upholstered bed and a tufted headboard framed in an antique mirror finish. Chests in a walnut stain blend with a television cabinet in a mushroom finish. The master bathroom's white marble counter is accented with blue mosaics. The flooring is white marble that carries onto the shower walls.

The elegant Carlisle II estate features an interior by Soco Interiors' Charlotte Horvath and Adrienne Reed. The 4,420 square foot floor plan includes a parlour overlooking the outdoor living area. A formal dining room opens to a garden space. The plan features a study, a double-island kitchen, a family room that opens to an outdoor living area with a fireplace, summer kitchen, pool and spa, four bedrooms, four-and-a-half baths, a three-car garage, and a golf cart garage. The Carlisle II is priced at \$3,308,955 with furnishings. In the living areas, the



Above: Quail West's legendary estate residences are tucked along the fairways and lakes of the community's two championship golf courses. **Right:** Priced at \$3,308,955 with furnishings Stock Signature Homes' new 4,420 square foot Carlisle II estate model at Quail West features an interior by Charlotte Horvath, Senior Designer, and Adrienne Reed, Design Assistant, at Soco Interiors. **Below:** The 4,937 square foot Aqualina furnished estate model is one of two new estate models by Stock Signature Homes scheduled to open by the end of this month at Quail West. Priced at \$3,805,790 fully-furnished, the Aqualina showcases an interior by Christina Villalonga, Senior Designer at Marc Michaels Interior Design.



The study's walls are white with a contrasting color on the ceiling detail to complement the furnishings and rug. Wall-to-wall shelving is presented in a Portobello and Magnolia finish. A morning kitchen serves the master suite. The walls of the master bedroom and its separate sitting area are light and neutral while bolder browns and grays are introduced in the fabrics, furnishings and artwork. The flooring in the master bath is white marble inset with a neutral marble in a two-tone grid pattern. The vanity cabinetry is in a maple finish with tan quartz countertops.

The luxury homebuilding division of Stock Development, Stock Signature Homes has fully-furnished models in The Concession, Lakewood Ranch, Bonita Bay, gated communities in Collier and Lee counties, Babcock Ranch, Estuary at Grey Oaks, TwinEagles, Esplanade Golf & Country Club of Naples, The Isles of Collier Preserve, the Park Shore and Pine Ridge neighborhoods in Naples, on Marco Island, and in Palm Beach.

Quail West is located east of Interstate 75, one mile south of Bonita Beach Road. Take Exit 116 (Bonita Beach Road) east. Turn right on Bonita Grande Drive and follow the signs to the sales center. Visit Quail West online at www.QuailWest.com. ■

palette incorporates soft browns, neutrals, and grays. The flooring is executed in a 24 x 48-inch neutral porcelain tile. In the study and master suite, the flooring transitions to a mushroom gray oak.

A niche in the foyer displaying white stacked stone establishes the presentation. The foyer opens to the refined parlor. A glass chandelier plays against furnishings with muted tone fabrics. The dining room includes a wine room with storage towers and an alabaster cabinet with floating shelves set against white linear glass tile. A ceiling detail featuring a drywall ring with backlit coffers provides illumination. Double doors open to an outdoors.

The kitchen's outer island and perimeter cabinetry have a Magnolia Coffee finish while the center island is Hazelnut Portobello. Countertops are presented in a white marble complemented by a white, gray and tan-toned marble backsplash. The family room showcases sliders opening to the outdoors. A built-in featuring a floating cabinet is set on the feature wall. The outdoor living area features a precast fireplace with a wood mantel stained to match the summer kitchen cabinetry. In the kitchen area, the cabinetry is presented in a darker weathered granite finish topped with Bianco Antico granite.



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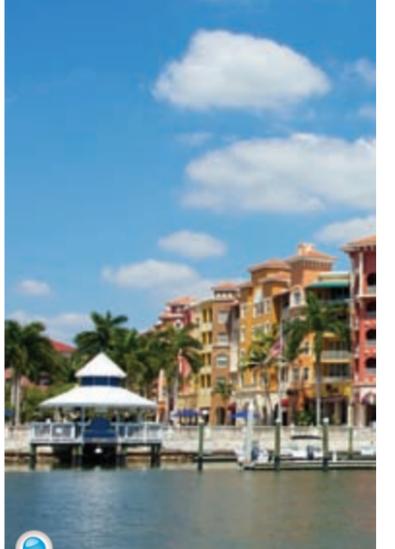
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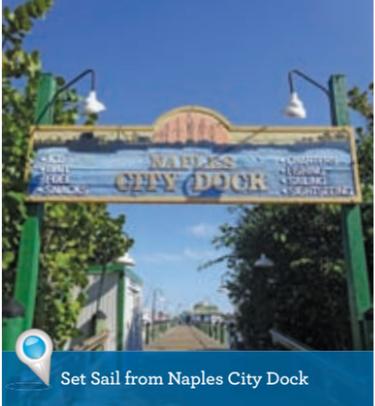
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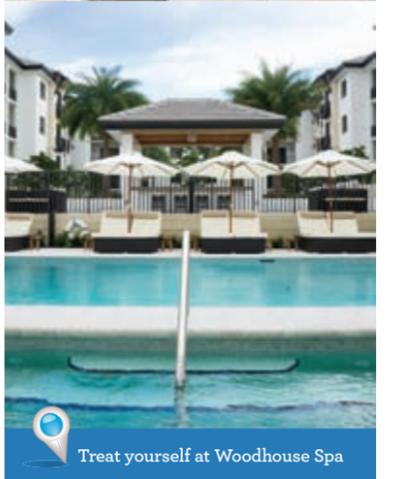
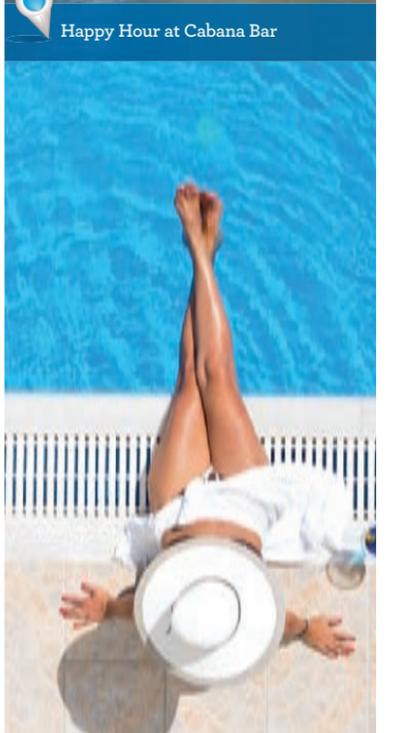


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The Isles of Collier Preserve by Minto recognized with prestigious best in American Living Award

The Isles of Collier Preserve in Naples by Minto Communities recently received a prestigious Silver Award at the Best in American Living Awards (BALA) for “Best Mixed Community.” Minto is one of only three recipients to be recognized in this category in the entire country.

BALA awards are presented by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB). The nation’s premier award program, the BALA awards recognize design excellence and spotlight the nation’s most creative and innovative builders, remodelers, architects, residential and building designers, developers, land planners and interior designers.

All aspects of The Isles of Collier Preserve were inspired by nature and informed by historic references to the classic coastal architecture of Old Naples. Over half of the 2,400 acres are dedicated to lakes, nature preserves and natural habitat.

The design of The Isles Club was inspired by the charming coastal cottage style of the original Naples Beach Hotel built in 1888 as a 16-room inn. Like the historic hotel, The Isles Club is distinguished by a stylized cupola and large awning-shaded front porch. Overlooking the sparkling Cypress Waterway, The Isles Club includes an array of active lifestyle and wellness amenities. Residents and friends gather here for social functions, swimming in the stunning resort-style pool, tennis, pickleball and workouts in the state-of-the-art fitness center. A lushly landscaped event courtyard, yoga lawn and kayak launch provide additional opportunities for outdoor recreation.

Energy efficient home designs at The Isles of Collier Preserve include a selection of 43 innovative floor plans. Luxury villas, coach homes and single-family homes are priced from the mid \$300s to \$1 million plus. The community currently presents 16 fully furnished model homes for touring.

Currently, two move-in-ready featured homes are available. For a limited time, these homes include a \$40,000 incentive towards purchase. Featured homes include the Poinciana two-story coach home priced at \$510,290 and the Mimosa villa home priced at \$549,260. The Jasmine Grande single-family home, available in September, is offering a \$40,000 incentive priced at \$999,047.

The Poinciana coach home is 1,952 square feet under air, and includes three bedrooms, two baths, two-car garage and private elevator. The Mimosa villa home is 1,780 square feet under air, and includes two bedrooms, two baths, den, pool and spa with water view and two-car garage. The Jasmine Grande single-family home also includes a beautiful water view. It is 2,933 square feet under air, and includes two bedrooms, den, sitting room, two-and-a-half baths and two-car garage.

The Isles of Collier Preserve is located just four miles east of downtown Naples on U.S. 41/Tamiami Trail East. The Discovery Sales Center is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For information on The Isles of Collier Preserve call 888-707-1251 or visit mintofla.com. ■



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Allure's 2-story live/work lofts are expected to draw artists looking to live and work in the arts and culture-rich area of the Historic Downtown Fort Myers River District



ALLURE, the new luxury condominium to be developed in the Historic Downtown Fort Myers River District, is offering a unique opportunity for those interested in living and working in the charming downtown. The "Living" floor-plan is a 2-story, live/work loft that provides the perfect layout for buyers who are looking to work from their homes. The unique design is especially attractive to artists who are looking to live and work in the heart of Historic Downtown Fort Myers, known for its continually-expanding array of arts and culture options.



With the continued growth and evolution of the Historic Downtown Fort Myers River District, specifically the exciting redevelopment plan for Gardner's Park, expected to be an arts and culture district, the "Living" live/work lofts will likely be a popular option for artists looking to utilize the creative space for their studio and/or gallery.

The street-level lofts are designed with the living room, kitchen and a bath downstairs, as well as a front porch and a back corridor that leads to the covered parking. The upstairs residence includes two bedrooms, a bath and a balcony, making it an ideal layout for a live/work space for those looking to work from the comfort and convenience of their own home.

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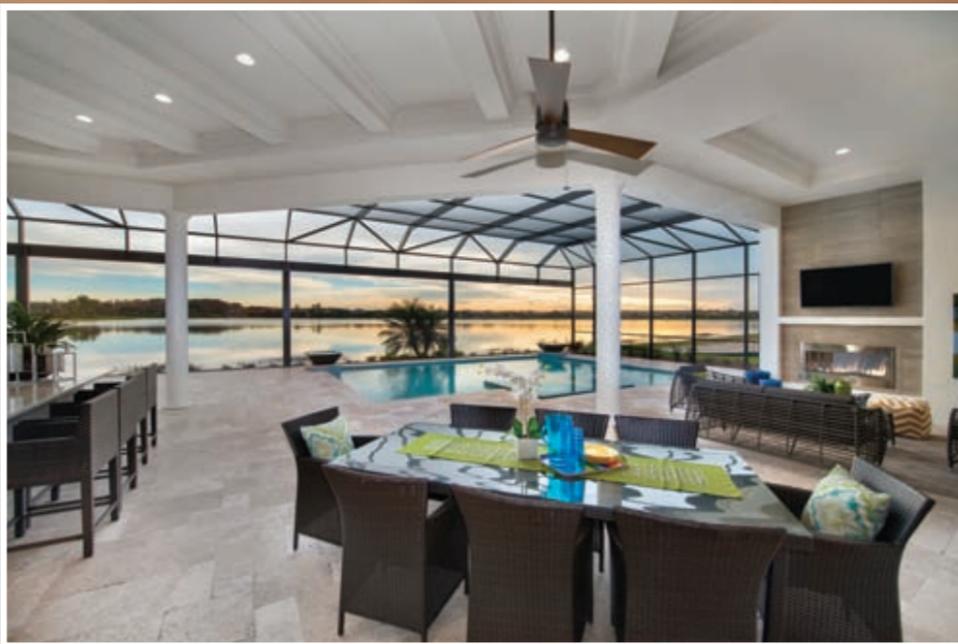
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LISA HAMPTON LOVETTO

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A designer since she can remember, this local girl grew up wanting to create beauty in all of its forms. Traveling the world and incorporating sacred geometry to achieve zen and balance in interior design, Ms. Lovetto opens up to Luxe Living's Linda Donnelly about the roots of her design philosophy.

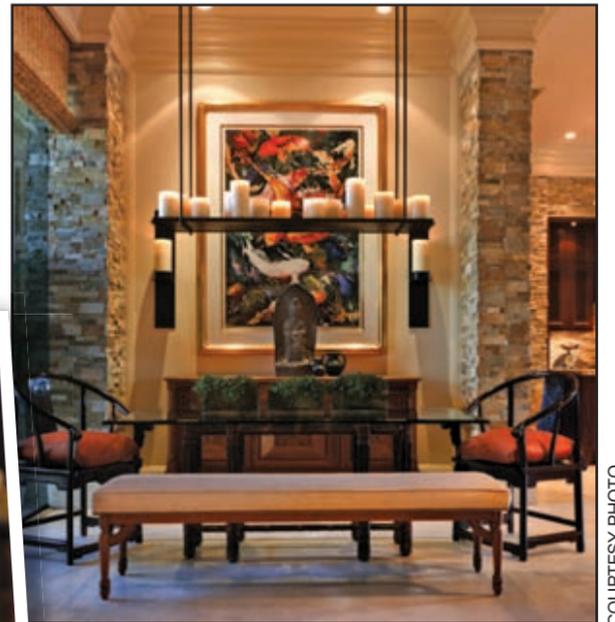
Q. Please tell our readers a bit about your background. How long have you been a designer, and where did you go to school?

A. Well, I'm a rare Neapolitan, born and raised in Naples with my parents and two sisters. After I went through the local school system and graduated from Naples High, my parents offered me a choice: a car or a trip to Europe. I took the trip, and it changed my life. I traveled all over Europe for three weeks and was moved and inspired by the culture steeped in the most fascinating history, architecture and art.

I knew from a very early age that I wanted to be a designer. In fact, when my sisters and I were growing up, my mother would enlist us to "redecorate" the house, simply by rearranging the furniture and artwork. We didn't have a large budget, but we had

imagination and creativity.

During a fateful career day in high school, I heard a local professional designer speak and I knew at that precise moment, *that's* what I'm going to do with my life. I went to design school and never looked back or hesitated to define myself in that way.



Antique Asian chairs and an upholstered bench provide seating at the dining table with a custom glass top. Chandelier and sconces are from the Altar Collection by Kevin Reilly for Holly Hunt. The floor-to-ceiling window is covered with a natural grass shade from Conrad. Lisa Hampton Lovetto designed the columns and molding.

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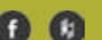
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Light and bright

A remodeled condo now fit for a couple's full-time residence



Nan Wright

BY LINDA DONNELLY

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Many of us move a handful of times in our lives but then come to a crossroads at which we decide “Enough.” When that time came for this retired tech executive and his wife most recently from the tony Buckhead area of Atlanta, they found their “final perfect” full-time residence at La Ciel in Naples and hired Nan Wright of Wright Interior Group to redesign and transform it.

One design challenge was the awkward compartmentalized spaces throughout the residence. Ms. Wright turned to Paragon General Contracting — “amazing magicians,” she says in retrospect — who told her to go ahead and design a floor plan placing everything wherever we wanted it, and they would make it work (and they did, skillfully moving drains and waste lines and helping reconfigure most of the living spaces).

Ms. Wright started her assignment by flying to Atlanta to help the couple decide which of their existing furnishings would make sense for the transition and how they could best be incorporated into the new design. Keeping some of their cherished furniture and heirlooms was important to them, so Ms. Wright paid keen attention to their wishes and even had several pieces reupholstered to blend seamlessly with new furniture items.

According to the husband, “Nan and her team were extremely professional and thorough, which was difficult, as we were relocating from a larger home.” Not only that, he adds, the condo’s floor-to-ceiling windows and beach/park/bay views on every front meant they had

to migrate to more of a “transitional/coastal” design approach while still capturing the things they love about classic traditional style.

Another design challenge was the age-old issue many designers have when working with a couple: designing for the sexes. “Men and women often like different styles, contrasting color palettes,” Ms. Wright says. “And this couple was no exception. The husband’s style is more transitional and contemporary, while the wife, who has a degree in art history and loves traditional architecture and furnishings, has a more decidedly classic aesthetic.”

Navigating the process most delicately,

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Top: Custom bedding with imported embroidered fabrics adds to the sense of a luxurious retreat in the “after” master bedroom.

Right: In the dining room, the gold detailing on the ebony chairs coordinates perfectly with the finish of the crystal chandelier.



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Ms. Wright and her design associate, Sarah Bell, set about to create a warm and inviting environment that feels not only open and expansive, but cozy and intimate at the same time.

“Utilizing a soft gray, gold and white color scheme, we balanced clean lines with elegant crystal details to satisfy both the husband and wife,” Ms. Wright says.

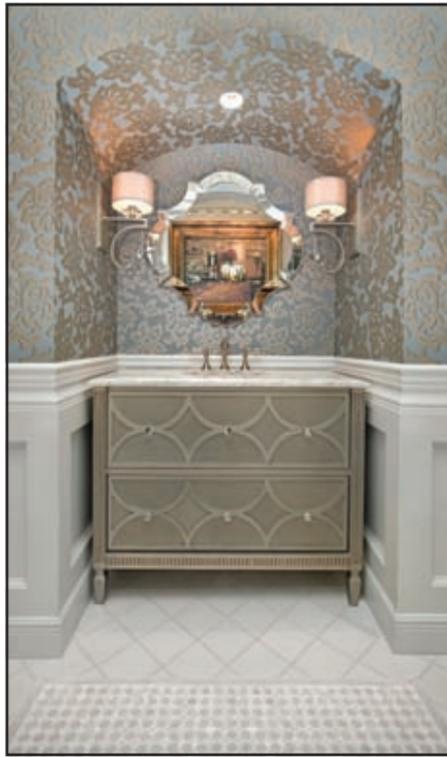
Ms. Bell designed all the millwork, built-ins and custom furniture to maximize every inch of storage and display space for the client’s treasures from around the world. They incorporated state-of-the-art LED rope lighting to create a unique ambience determined by the use of the space at any given time. According to Ms. Bell, “The design of the living room ceiling is a mix of geometric and classic symmetry. The beam design and lighting is modern, while the crown molding is traditional in style, satisfying both client aesthetic preferences. Designing a dramatic architectural detail when there is none is rewarding, especially when the collective client is thrilled with the end result.”

Now happy ensconced in their “final perfect” full-time home, the couple couldn’t be happier.

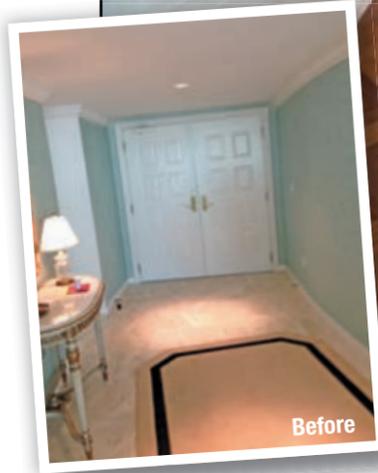
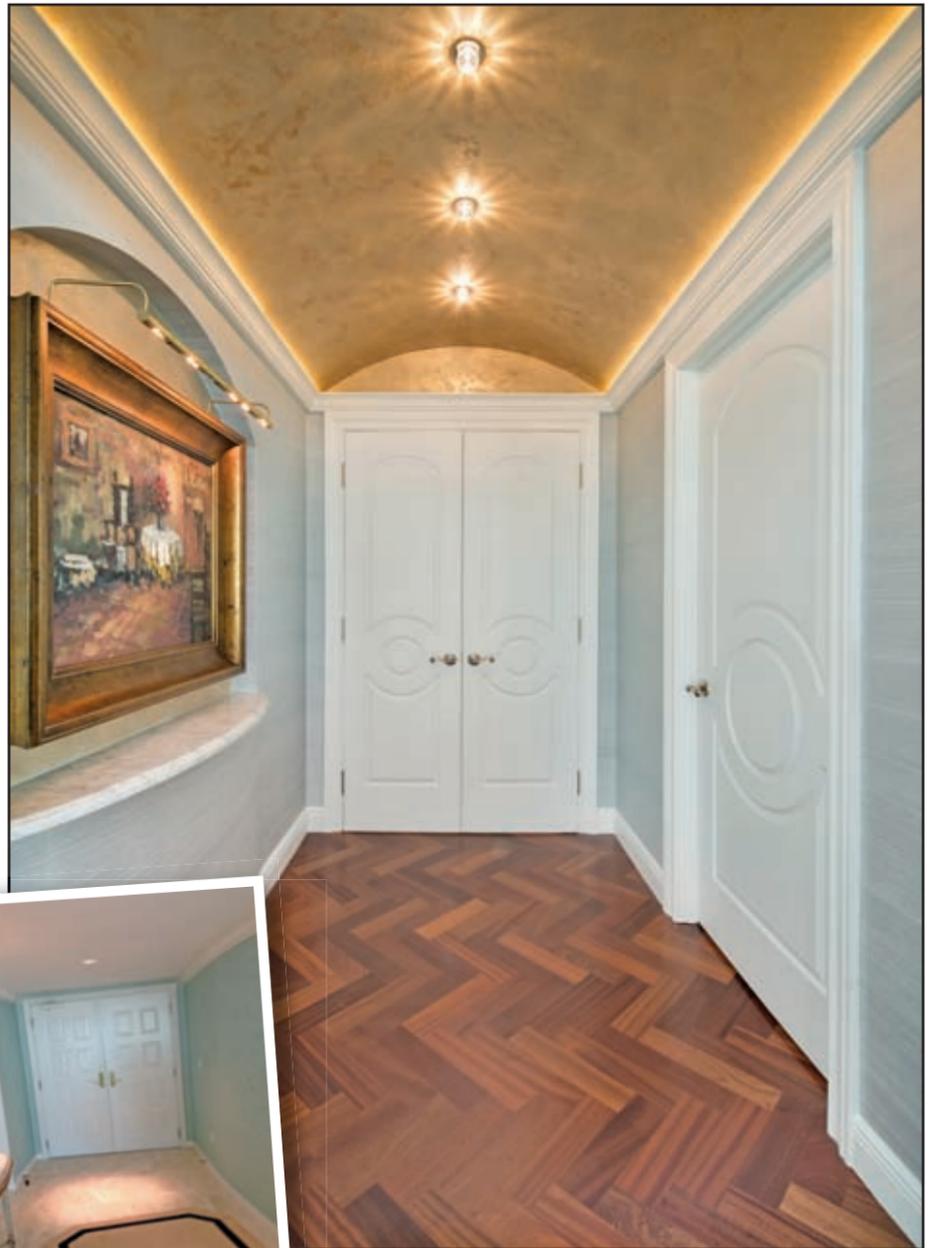
“Nan led us through this journey with care and professionalism and we are delighted with the results,” concludes the husband. ■

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Above: In the petite powder bath, a barrel ceiling continues the arch theme. Classic wainscoting and custom cabinetry add rich detail. The tile floor inlay includes mother of pearl and azul marble and Thasos natural stone.



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Above: The design of the living room ceiling is a mix of modern geometrics with classic symmetry. The beam design and lighting are modern, while the crown molding is traditional in style, satisfying both clients’ aesthetic preferences.

Right: In the kitchen, custom cabinets made to look like furniture maximize every inch of space for function while maintaining a look of elegance. Iridescent glass tiles in gray, blue and green sparkle in the bright light.





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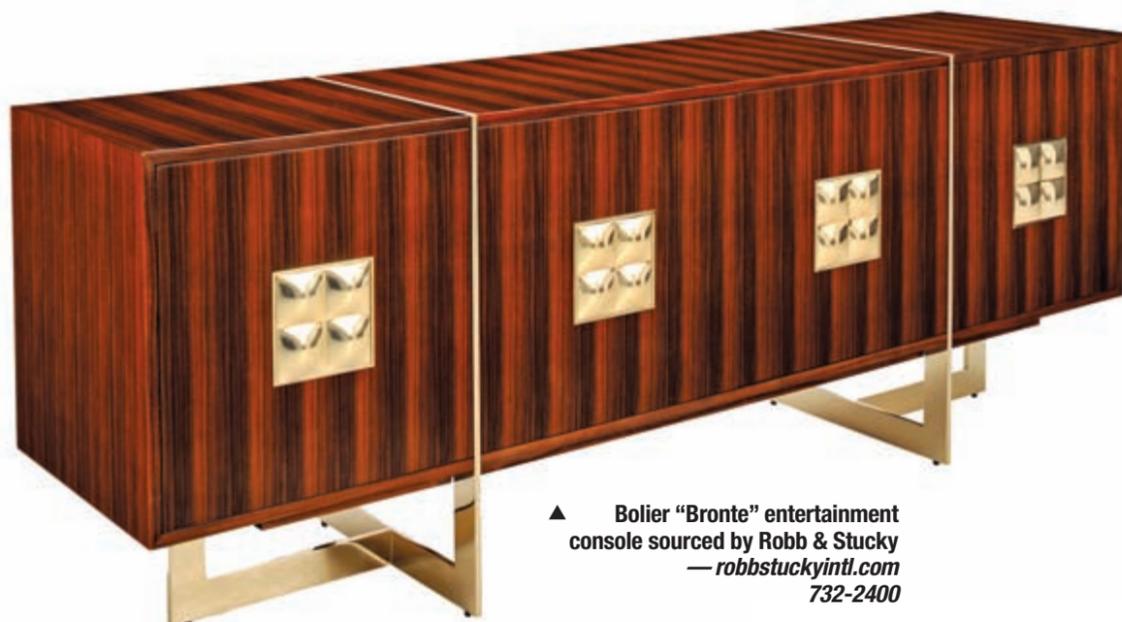
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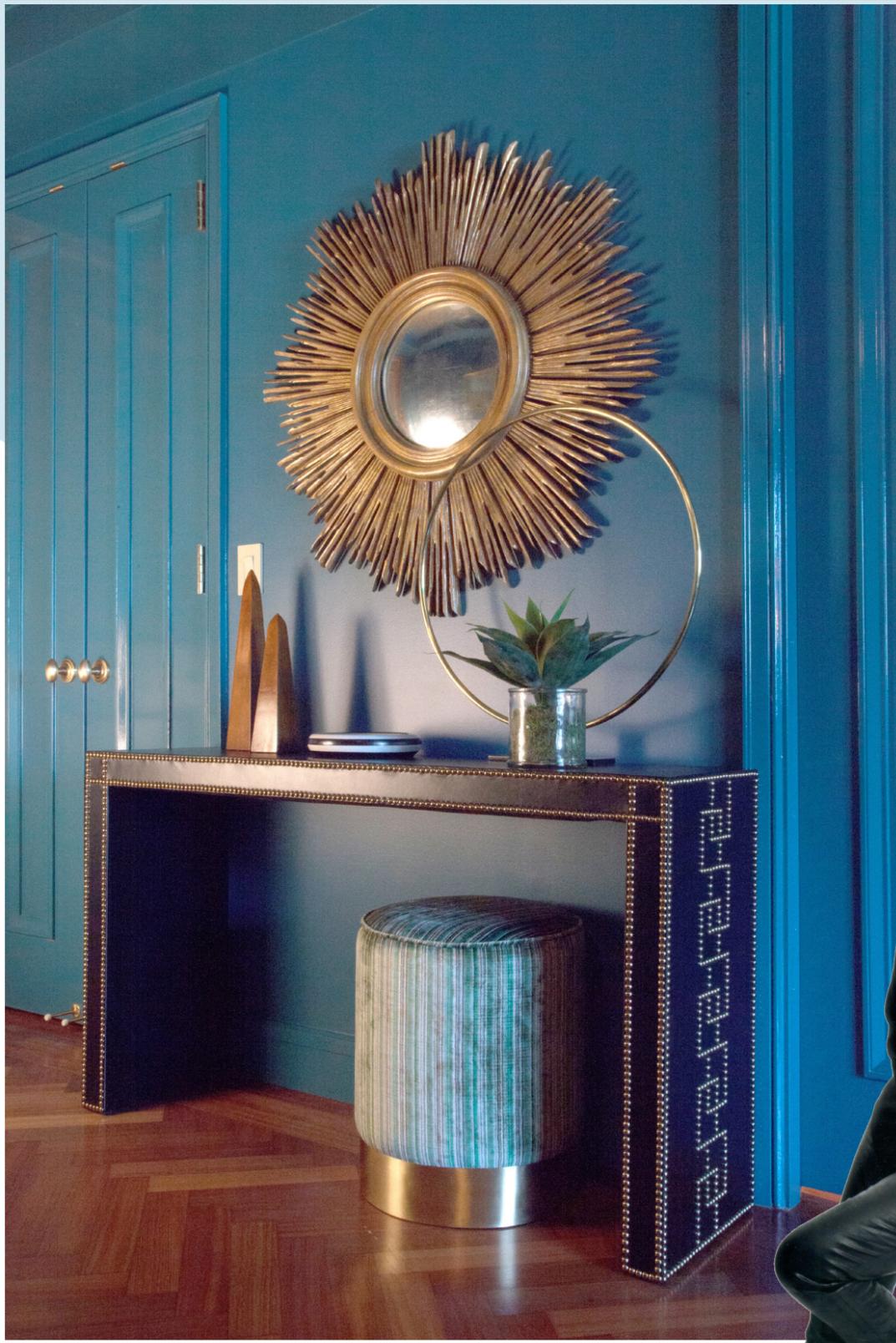


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Naples has perhaps never offered more variety to homeowners seeking a downtown lifestyle. Numerous refreshed neighborhoods and communities offer myriad choices within walking and biking distance to the area's many shopping, dining, entertainment and recreational options. Some of the finest talents in the luxury home industry have been collaborating with developers to create even more options, resulting in a bounty of downtown midrise condo-

This page and on the cover: Renee Gaddis Interiors designed the community's common areas to include a neutral color palette of grays, beiges and browns with aqua accents. Clean-lined architectural details and materials create a coastal feeling with a modern twist.

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miniums, single-family homes and entire communities to draw even more people to this charming slice of paradise.

One of the most interesting is Naples Square in the heart of the Fifth Avenue/Tin City/Tamiami Trail trifecta, at the corner of Fifth Avenue South and Goodlette-Frank Road.

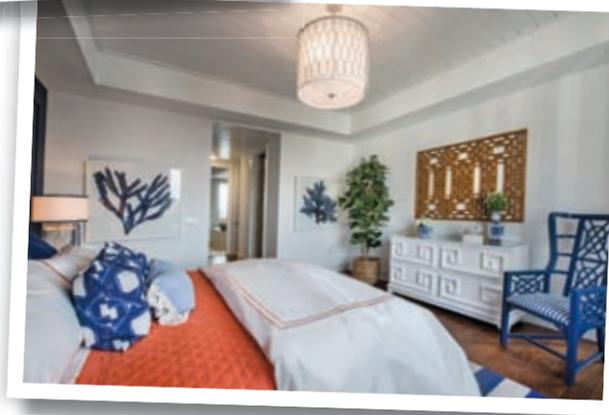
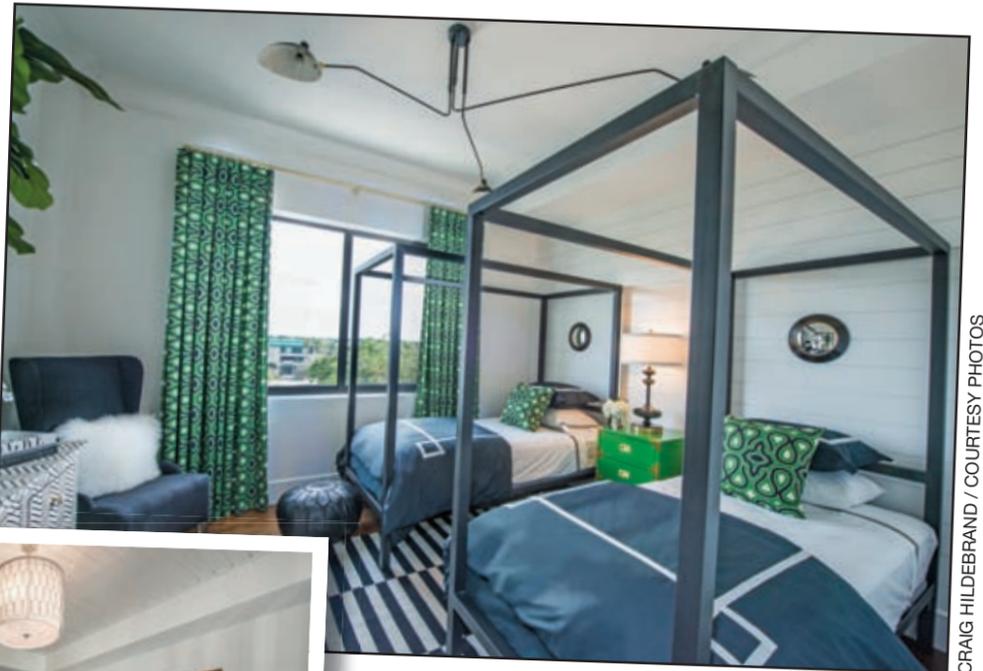
Unlike most gated communities, this Ronto Group project begs to be explored and even has a central road open to the public. Vehicular, pedestrian and bicycle traffic flows easily from 10th Street to Bayfront on a redesigned and beautifully landscaped segment of Third Avenue South between 10th Street and Goodlette-Frank Road within the Naples Square community. This provides a welcomed sense of connectivity to the downtown Naples area.

Recently completed fountains at each of Naples Square's signature roundabouts enhance the otherworldly effect of the inspired landscape design by Christian Andrea of Architectural Land Design. The design evokes feelings of familiarity and a sense of place rarely found when walking through downtown building corridors.

The U-shaped buildings within Naples Square are situated with their open ends facing one another. The juxtaposition of the buildings allowed architect Matthew Kragh of MHK Architecture & Planning to create "amenity courtyards" over each building's parking level and to design residences with long-range internal courtyard views. The courtyards feature a resort-style heated swimming pool and spa, sun-deck, pavilion bar with gas grills and a gas fire table with seating. Each building will have its own pool and clubroom.

Several model residences are currently open. Phase I is sold out, only 15 residences remain in Phase II and reservations are being accepted for Phase III. ■

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Renee Gaddis Interiors created a fun, fresh, urban feel in the two-bedroom-plus-den Essex model, balancing white backgrounds with punches of color and warm, natural woods and rattan.



Claudia Baer of Baer's Furniture designed the interior of the three-bedroom-plus-den Denison model. The plan offers 2,264 square feet plus a 290-square-foot balcony. The master suite includes a private balcony, double walk in closets and a bath with his-and-her vanities.



Rachelle Porco and Christine Neal of Robb & Stucky Furniture and Interiors brought a contemporary, eco-luxe flair to the two-bedroom-plus-den Chelsea model, combining natural woods, stone, glass, cork and grass cloth with touches of chrome and stainless steel.



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Q&A

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Q: What are the most inspiring trips you have made in your lifetime that influence your design aesthetic?

A: That first trip after high school was certainly a mind-expanding experience, but two trips later in my life were really influential as well. Trekking across Tibet for three weeks, seeing every monastery and camping through the countryside, had a profound impact on me spiritually and emotionally. A very zen, calm, peaceful vernacular developed in my work.

Then for my honeymoon, it was off to China and Indonesia for three weeks. Hong Kong and Bali reinforced my love and appreciation for Chinese and Indonesian antiques and architecture. The simplicity of the culture has greatly influenced my design aesthetic.

Q: Describe the process for you when you meet with a client for the first time. What types of questions do you ask, and how do you get the project started?

A: I actually have an extensive client questionnaire that I use to get the conversation started. I call it "The Four F's" — the Feeling, the Function, the Form and the Formalities. It starts out with fairly broad questions and then gets into the nitty-gritty of their daily lives. I generally give them the questionnaire at the start; it's meant to stimulate their minds and further our conversations, and to encourage them to think about things they generally don't think about ... It's a starting point. I will then look over the answers.

Q: What do you love most about your career/profession?



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Lisa Hampton Lovetto designed the built-in headboard and nightstands for this vacation condo master suite.

A: I love creating beauty in all its forms. I design jewelry, I design homes. In everything I do, I am motivated to lift up the everyday into something more refined and inspired. And beyond that, it has to be highly functional. I am at my core a space planner ... it's my true passion. I will sit at my drafting table for hours moving walls and furnishings, creating traffic patterns and details within interior spaces until just the right solution evolves. I call that moment "the luxury of certainty."

I'm highly influenced by Vashtu, the most ancient Indian art and science of creating interior spaces and buildings. It's the precursor to the Chinese philosophy of feng shui. These centuries-old Sanskrit literary documents focus on sacred geometry and how the dimensions of space directly affect the human psyche. There is a science beyond picking pretty things. I think my clients respond most to that within my work, and it gives me tremendous satisfaction knowing that I have created a space for them that is personal, and yet transcends the boundaries of vision. ■

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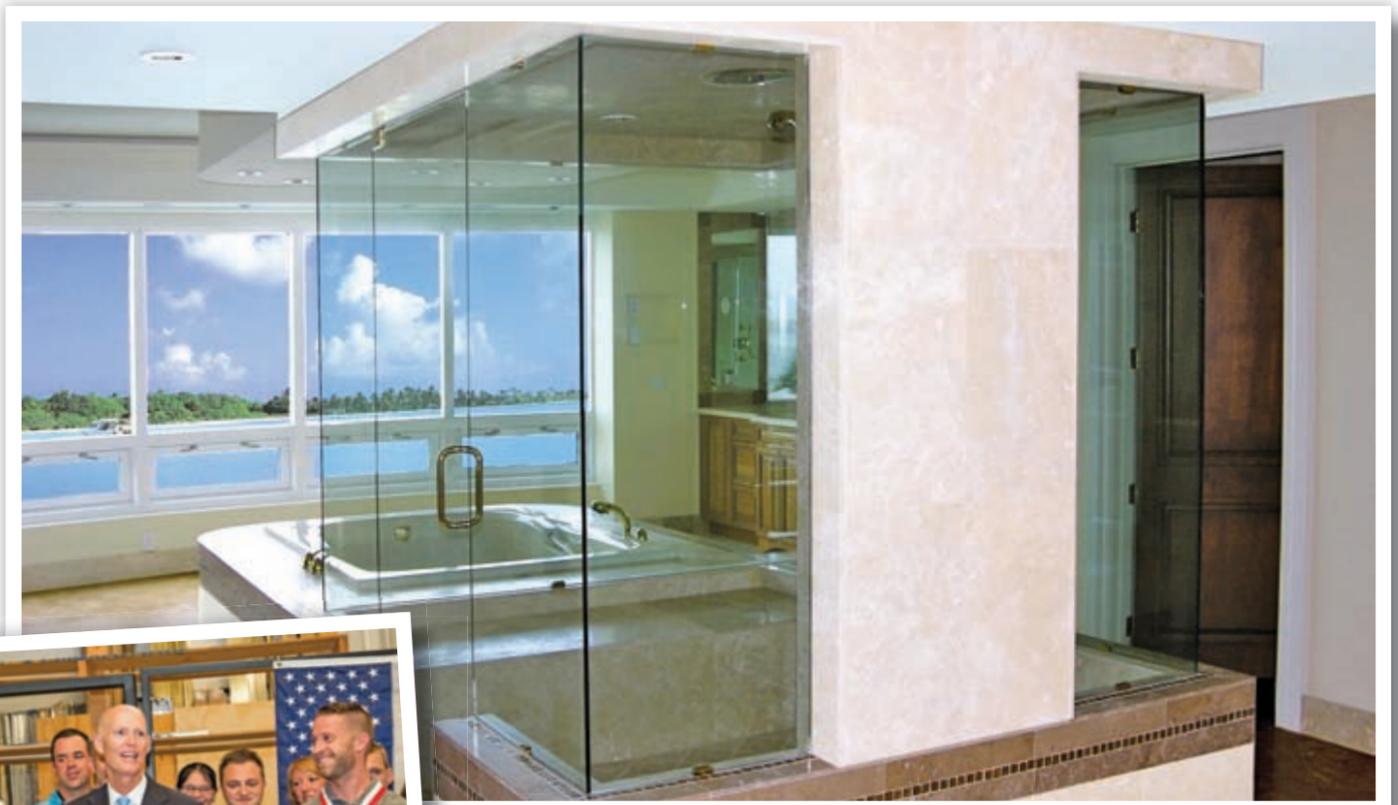
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Bill Daubmann, his wife, Donna, and son Douglas Daubmann opened their first location in September 2003 in North Naples. Today, MY Shower Door has five showrooms — in Naples, Fort Myers, Sarasota, Tampa and St. Petersburg — and adds Orlando to the mix in the near future. Additionally, the company's North American corporate office in Fort Myers serves its distribution network into many U.S. states and Canada. Logistics aside, this is a company that has a very loyal following of customers who rave about its frameless shower doors, its helpful service staff and its pleasant, professional installers.

The attention of Gov. Rick Scott has even been showered (pun intended) on the family-owned business. Gov. Scott just last month congratulated MY Shower Door on creating new jobs for local Floridians with its upcoming sixth location and with D3 Glass, its state-of-the-art fabricating and tempering facility supplying glass not only to all the MY Shower Door locations, but also to other glass and glazing contractors. In 2015, D3 Glass produced all of the interior glass for the Hertz Corp. Global Headquarters in Estero, for the Inn on Fifth in Naples and for Disney's Grand Floridian Villas and Contemporary Hotel Executive Suites.

While MY Shower Door has long been known as a leader in frameless shower enclosures, the Daubmanns have branched out with D3 Glass and with an Architectural Division that sells and installs glass office partitions, heavy glass wine closets and thick glass stair railing systems. They now have the distinction of a "statewide certified glass and glazing contractor."

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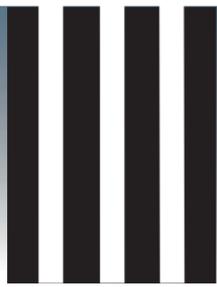
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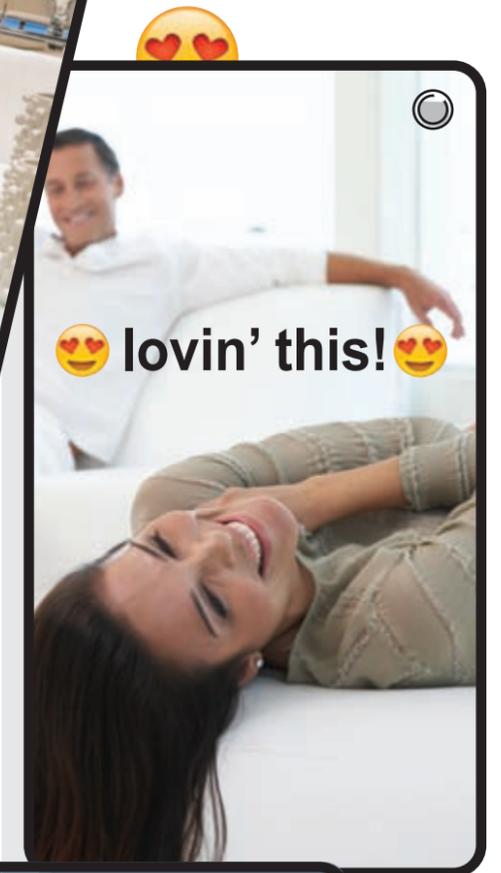
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1-866-657-2300 800CC034605.

CAPE CORAL



Waterfront Living - Sandoval Style
Lakefront home in award winning community with resort style amenities, 4 bed/3 bath, study, granite kitchen, 3 car garage! **\$399,900**
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Live The Island Lifestyle
Custom, one owner, impeccable home is your new peaceful paradise! 4 bed with all of the features and newer upgrades. **\$399,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CC034715.

CAPE CORAL



SW Cape 4 Bed Pool Home
This custom built 4 bedroom pool home is waiting for a new owner. **\$394,900**
1-866-657-2300 800FM040265.

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So Far Yet Close
3 bed/2.5 pool/2.5 garage, gated community, convenience plus! **\$385,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM044379.

CAPE CORAL



Bursting with Ownership
Gulf access, pool home. Tropical landscaping, wrap around bock dock with tiki hut, open floor plan, large sliders. **\$374,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CC047488.

FORT MYERS



Single Family 2 Bed 2 Bath
Beautiful home is his castle. **\$369,900**
1-866-657-2300 800FM049475.

FORT MYERS



Recently Updated Huge Home in Eagle Ridge
Huge home in Eagle Ridge with 4/2.5 on large corner lot w/pool. Open floor plan. No touchups required. **\$369,000**
1-866-657-2300 800CC016733.

FORT MYERS



Could This Be Your New Pool Home?
3 bed 2 bath salt water pool home located on a cul de sac with lake and fountain view! Freshly painted inside and out. **\$365,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM040900.

ESTERO



Bella Terra
Beautiful 4 bed/2 bath home in Bella Terra. **\$349,900**
1-866-657-2300 800BS035962.

BONITA SPRINGS



Lighthouse Bay at the Brooks
A delightful jewel set in an ultra-convenient location, this 3 bedroom, 2 bath, end-unit is sure to impress. **\$344,000**
1-866-657-2300 800BS050342.

LEHIGH ACRES



Huge 5 Bedroom/3 Bath Home!
Large gourmet kitchen, master bed with beautiful bath on the first floor. Very large 4 additional bedrooms. **\$329,999**
1-866-657-2300 800FM044711.

CAPE CORAL



Direct Sailboat Access Home
This home has sailboat access to the gulf with a dock and 10,000lb boat lift. A 2 bed/3 bath home with an open floor plan. **\$309,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CC000758.

CAPE CORAL



SW Cape Coral Beautiful Home-Prime Location
3/2 pool home located close to Cape Harbour. Corner lot with lush landscaping. Close to shopping and schools. **\$299,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CC044347.

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Rare 3 Lot Waterfront Home
2 bed/2 bath pool home with dock! Yacht Club area, direct access to river/gulf. Circle drive, 2-car garage.
\$299,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC027229.

CAPE CORAL



Tee Golf Club Gated Community Pool Home
Enjoy sitting right on the Kings Course in sought after Cape Royal home of Royal Tee Golf Club.
\$299,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM040902.

CAPE CORAL



SE Cape Pool Home
Beautiful SE Cape pool home. Assessments are in and paid! Home offers gorgeous master w/grand master bath & more.
\$289,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC015681.

CAPE CORAL



Direct Access Waterfront Condo
Fabulous 3 bedroom 2 bath on large 200+ canal just off the river. Boat slip, covered parking, extra storage.
\$279,900
1-866-657-2300 800FM032112.

CAPE CORAL



Beautiful Cape Waterfront Home is Waiting for You
This waterfront property is centrally located in the heart of Cape Coral and close to everything!
\$279,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC041637.

CAPE CORAL



Direct Gulf Access Pool Home
Charming 3/2 with direct gulf access pool home in a prime location in Cape Coral. New appliances, a/c and more.
\$279,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM010110.

ESTERO



3+Den Townhome On The Lake
Perfect townhome w/beautiful lake view & extended lanai. 3 bedrooms+loft, 2 baths, 2 car garage.
\$279,000
1-866-657-2300 800BS053749.

CAPE CORAL



Tastefully Renovated House with Salt Water Pool!
Great location in SE Cape Coral. Features include new roof granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, washer/dryer.
\$269,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC052639.

FORT MYERS



Beautiful 2 Bed/2 Bath in Watermark
This Tide Water model offers 2 bedrooms,den,2 bath,foyer,upgraded kitchen with espresso cabinets, stainless appliances.
\$269,900
1-866-657-2300 800BS046775.

BONITA SPRINGS



Beautiful Home in Bonita Springs
Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage home in Bonita Springs Fl. right off of 75. Granite countertops.
\$263,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM052449.

PORT CHARLOTTE



3/2 Single Family Home Port Charlotte Area
This like new 3 bed 2 bath 2 car garage pool home in Sec 15 is a must see! Remastered kitchen and bathroom!
\$259,900
1-866-657-2300 800CH227000.

PUNTA GORDA



Pool Home - Updated Kitchen
Beautiful 3bedroom 2 bath pool home in Port Charlotte! Updated kitchen and tiled Garage for easy convenience.
\$259,900
1-866-657-2300 800CH226510.

NAPLES



Vineyards Condo in Immaculate Condition
In addition to the amenities such as heated pool, clubhouse and hot tub, this unique condo has a spectacular view.
\$255,000
1-866-657-2300 800NA049043.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Stunning Country Setting Home
Beautiful country style home with caged pool. Very well designed and updated home.
\$254,900
1-866-657-2300 800CH223177.

LEHIGH ACRES



Only 4 Bedroom House In Gated Community
This is a steal for the price 4 bed 2 bath home in the gated community of West Minster Golf & Tennis Club. Low HOA Fees.
\$249,900
1-866-657-2300 800BS057670.

CAPE CORAL



Waterfront Sailboat Gulf Access Home
1 Mile to the Caloosahaatchee River by boat. Open floor plan, 3 bed/2 baths. Captains Walk extends entire width of lot.
\$249,000
1-866-657-2300 800CC044097.

NORTH FORT MYERS



Waterway Estates Pool Home
3 bed, 2 bath, pool, 1750+ sqft built in 1999. Volume ceilings, great room, formal dining, huge workshop, manabloc plumbing.
\$239,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC041872.

CAPE CORAL



Beautiful SW Cape Pool Home
Gorgeous 3/2 split floor plan w/close proximity to everything that beautiful Cape Coral has to offer.
\$239,000
1-866-657-2300 800BS035751.

CAPE CORAL



Golf Course Home
Cute 3/2 w/great room floor plan. Over 1700 sqft on Coral Oaks Golf course!
\$234,500
1-866-657-2300 800CC035803.

BONITA SPRINGS



Perfect Starter Home
Adorable 2/2 with screened lanai. Cute backyard with a storage shed w/pond. New AC and roof. Both baths remodeled.
\$229,900
1-866-657-2300 800BS044471.

CAPE CORAL



Newly Remodeled In & Out-New Metal Roof
Highly desired SW Cape home has been remodeled inside & Out. New kitchen and baths - Gorgeous!
\$224,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC053761.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Nice Single Family 2/2
Very nice Suncoast Lakes community with nice peaceful view of big lake. Pool home with screened lanai.
\$219,900
1-866-657-2300 800CH228529.

NAPLES



3 Bed/2.5 Bath Townhome Reflection Lakes
Preserve view...watch the deer as you sip morning coffee. Gated community with awesome clubhouse and amenities.
\$215,000
1-866-657-2300 800NA038124.

FORT MYERS



Top Floor 2/2/1 Lake View Condo in Kelly Greens
Great condo turnkey furnished with many extras and upgrades ready to live in!
\$215,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM032122.

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LEHIGH ACRES



Golfers Dream
Golfers dream-location-location beautiful 3 bed home just under 1800 sqft, upgraded laminate, tile floors carpet in bedrooms. **\$214,900**
1-866-657-2300 800LE037906.

FORT MYERS



Waterfront Views from the Second Story Condo
Large three bedroom two bath second floor condo overlooking the water with garage. Great gated community w/gym & more. **\$209,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CC051755.

CAPE CORAL



Pool Home
Only pool home in NW Cape for under 200K!
\$199,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC053116.

LEHIGH ACRES



Best location in Lehigh Acres
Best location in LEHIGH ACRES! It offers three bedrooms, two baths. This home has two living rooms. **\$199,500**
1-866-657-2300 800FM021552.

CAPE CORAL



Incredible Opportunity To Own In Sandoval
Gorgeous lakefront unit on the 1st floor. 2/2 with 1 car garage. Many award winning amenities. **\$195,000**
1-866-657-2300 800CC028320.

CAPE CORAL



Concordia Condo Living at it's Best
Beautiful Concordia 3/2 Condo w/ many upgrades and well maintained located in well sought after complex. Low maintenance fees. **\$192,500**
1-866-657-2300 800CC046187.

CAPE CORAL



Super Clean Pool Home-Country Club Area
3/2 pool home located in charming SE Cape. Tile throughout. Clean and ready to move in! vacant lot to south for privacy. **\$179,895**
1-866-657-2300 800CC045627.

NAPLES



Executive Condo In Positano Place
1/1 Ground floor unit is fully furnished and ready to go. Pool, clubhouse, & lake views. Gorgeous decor! Low fees. **\$178,900**
1-866-657-2300 800NA012562.

FORT MYERS



Whiskey Creek
Larger villa with 2 bed/2 bath/2 car garage + family room + Florida room! Just a couple of the features of this huge home. **\$177,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM034196.

NAPLES



2 Bed 2 Bath In Desirable North Naples
Gorgeous lake and pool view 2/2 light, bright, updated and immaculately clean. Being sold turnkey. **\$175,000**
1-866-657-2300 800NA023727.

FORT MYERS



Whiskey Creek Villa
Bring your imagination to this spacious 2 bed/2 bath/2 car garage villa! Light & bright living and dining area. **\$175,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM046496.

FORT MYERS



Legends Golf Community, Bundled Golf & Social
Legends Golf & CC in Ft. Myers is a golfers paradise! Built from '99-'05 by Lennar Homes. 18 hole Championship course. **\$169,995**
1-866-657-2300 800BS026907.

CAPE CORAL



3/2/1 Cape Condo
Brand new 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo with single garage. Stainless steel appliance package, granite counters, and more!
\$167,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC069381.

CAPE CORAL



Direct Gulf Access Condo in SW Cape Coral
2/2 Condo approximately 10 minutes from open water! Plenty of dock space. This condo comes furnished. **\$154,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CC048482.

LEHIGH ACRES



Spacious 3/2 + Den
This spacious home boast 3 bed, 2 baths, plus a den with tile floors in the living areas and new carpet in the bedrooms. **\$149,900**
1-866-657-2300 800LE049094.

NAPLES



Affordable Condo w/Garage, North Naples
Step into the good life with this affordable 1 bed first floor North Naples condo w/1car garage! Beautiful lake view. **\$147,750**
1-866-657-2300 800BS044819.

NORTH FORT MYERS



Beautiful Condo in the Heart of Riverbend
You will love sipping your morning coffee from your large Lanai overlooking the tranquil canal setting!
\$144,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC032611.

CAPE CORAL



Gulf Access Cape Condo
Beautiful first floor, 2/2 condo in Baruna Bay. Area pool, boat dock, and extra storage. **\$138,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CC019721.

FORT MYERS



Spacious Townhome
Sandalwood Estates is centrally located in the exclusive South Point area and close to restaurants, beaches, Rutenberg. **\$136,000**
1-866-657-2300 800FM047355.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Single Family Home in Port Charlotte
Do Not Miss This One! Three bedroom two bath home. Upgraded kitchen and bathrooms. One car garage. **\$134,900**
1-866-657-2300 800CH228824.

LEHIGH ACRES



Beautiful Willow Lake South
An oldie but a goodie. This lovely home in beautiful Willow Lake South sits on a corner lot with easy access from both streets. **\$124,900**
1-866-657-2300 800LE049019.

CAPE CORAL



Beautiful Fully Furnished Condo
2 bedroom/2 bath updated first floor condo in The Southwest Cape. Fully furnished, with storm protection. **\$122,500**
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LEHIGH ACRES



Spacious 2 Bed 2 Bath in Central Lehigh
This spacious 2/2/1 home has tons to offer. Property has screened foyer to front door, split bedrooms, back lanai.
\$120,000
1-866-657-2300 800LE050457.

FORT MYERS



Gulf Access North Naples
Clean 2 bed 1.5 bath home in 55+ community, low fees. Boat dockage available. Close to beaches.
\$114,900
1-866-657-2300 800FM053179.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Large 2 Bedroom 1 Bath in Port Charlotte
Must see! large and very 2/1 in Port Charlotte. Newly redone water pump and electric. Well maintained home.
\$104,900
1-866-657-2300 800CH227470.

NAPLES



Well Maintained 55+ Community
Great location! 4/2 double wide manufactured home in Cape Sable Lakes. Large living room, full size laundry, ramp.
\$85,000
1-866-657-2300 800NA063544.

LABELLE



Great Investment Property
This 4 bed unit is ready to be remodeled for your home or for your rental property.
\$80,000
1-866-657-2300 800LE030034.

NORTH FORT MYERS



Waterfront Retreat
Affordable gulf access home. Close to downtown Fort Myers in gated community. Clubhouse, gym, multiple pools, & Marina.
\$79,500
1-866-657-2300 800CC016329.

LEHIGH ACRES



Lehigh 2/1 w/Den & Fenced Yard
Cozy 2 bedroom, 1 bath home w/den, fenced yard & extra storage space, appliances replace 2013. New roof 2003.
\$75,000
1-866-657-2300 800LE048690.

NORTH FORT MYERS



2/2 Furnished/Turn Key
Affordable retirement or second home. 55+ Community where you own the land. Low maintenance fees and well maintained.
\$59,900
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FORT MYERS



Direct Gulf Access
Quaint beach cottage. Professionally remodeled and decorated. Just steps from the white powdered sands of Fort Myers.
\$1,799,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM049097.

FORT MYERS



Ft Myers Contemporary Estate Home
This is a two story estate home has been totally remodeled.
\$1,699,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM022494.

BONITA SPRINGS



Beautiful Bonita Springs Home in Gated Community
Beautiful 3/4 custom salt water pool home in Bonita Lakes. Open floor plan w/soaring ceilings throughout.
\$948,995
1-866-657-2300 800BS002720.

CAPE CORAL



Brand New Sailboat Access Home
2016 contemporary 3 bed/3 bath/3 car garage open floor plan. Beautiful view thru invisible corner patio door.
\$899,800
1-866-657-2300 800CC044185.

FORT MYERS



Old Florida Country Setting
Old Florida country setting. 7+ Acres that is perfect for horses and other animals. Ponds, barns, fully irrigated property.
\$850,000
1-866-657-2300 800FM015632.

FORT MYERS



Riverfront Equestrian Estate
Located on the Orange River with 2 homes, barn, dressage facilities with the equestrian in mind. You will fall in love!
\$799,999
1-866-657-2300 800FM031273.

FORT MYERS



Ski, Lake, Gulf Access, Gated - Wow
Gorgeous 4/3/3 in beautiful gated community. Enjoy tennis, jet skiing, sailing, and more! Upgraded kitchen and more!
\$799,750
1-866-657-2300 800CC016561.

CAPE CORAL



On Eternity Canal with Wide Basin Views
Gulf access, heated pool and spa, massive greatroom, 3127 sqft. 4 bed, office, 3.5 baths, gourmet kitchen. New flooring.
\$789,999
1-866-657-2300 800CC030863.

CAPE CORAL



Gorgeous Direct Gulf Access
3/3/3 with stunning lagoon style pool and a huge dock. Perfect for waterfront entertaining!
\$699,900
1-866-657-2300 800CC033439.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Tropical Paradise on Edgewater Lake
2 bed 2 bath, 200' of lake front, w access to Charlotte Harbor. Located on a cul-de-sac.
\$650,000
1-866-657-2300 800CH216378.

CAPE CORAL



Unit 64 Direct Sailboat Access Pool Home
Eastern exposure, direct sailboat access pool home in Unit 64 - absolutely move in ready!
\$599,999
1-866-657-2300 800CC039188.

CAPE CORAL



Very Quick Gulf Access & Southern Exposure
Located on the Ceitus Canal and near a large basin nearby that increases your water view. Expensive upscale feature.
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