



Still not sure?

We explain the four amendments on the Florida ballot

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Since constitutions in the United States are designed as “living documents,” they can and arguably should be changed to meet challenges and needs their authors could not foresee.

That’s true of the United States Constitution and of state constitutions as well, which is why four proposed constitutional amendments appear on the 2016 Florida election ballot. Early voting began Oct. 24. Election Day is Nov. 8.

Here we provide a short analysis of each so readers can decide “yes” or “no,” and vote accordingly.

These amendments haven’t just dropped onto the ballot like rocks from an empty sky. In Florida, a citizen or group can act to put an amendment on the ballot, and so can the state legislature if 60 percent of those elected leaders approve. Since Florida has 160 men and women in the state house in Tallahassee — 120 representatives and 40 senators — at least 72 must agree to place an amendment on the ballot.

Signatures on a citizen or group petition for a constitutional amendment to appear before all Florida voters on Election Day must meet several requirements.

First, the petition must be filed with the state early in the year.

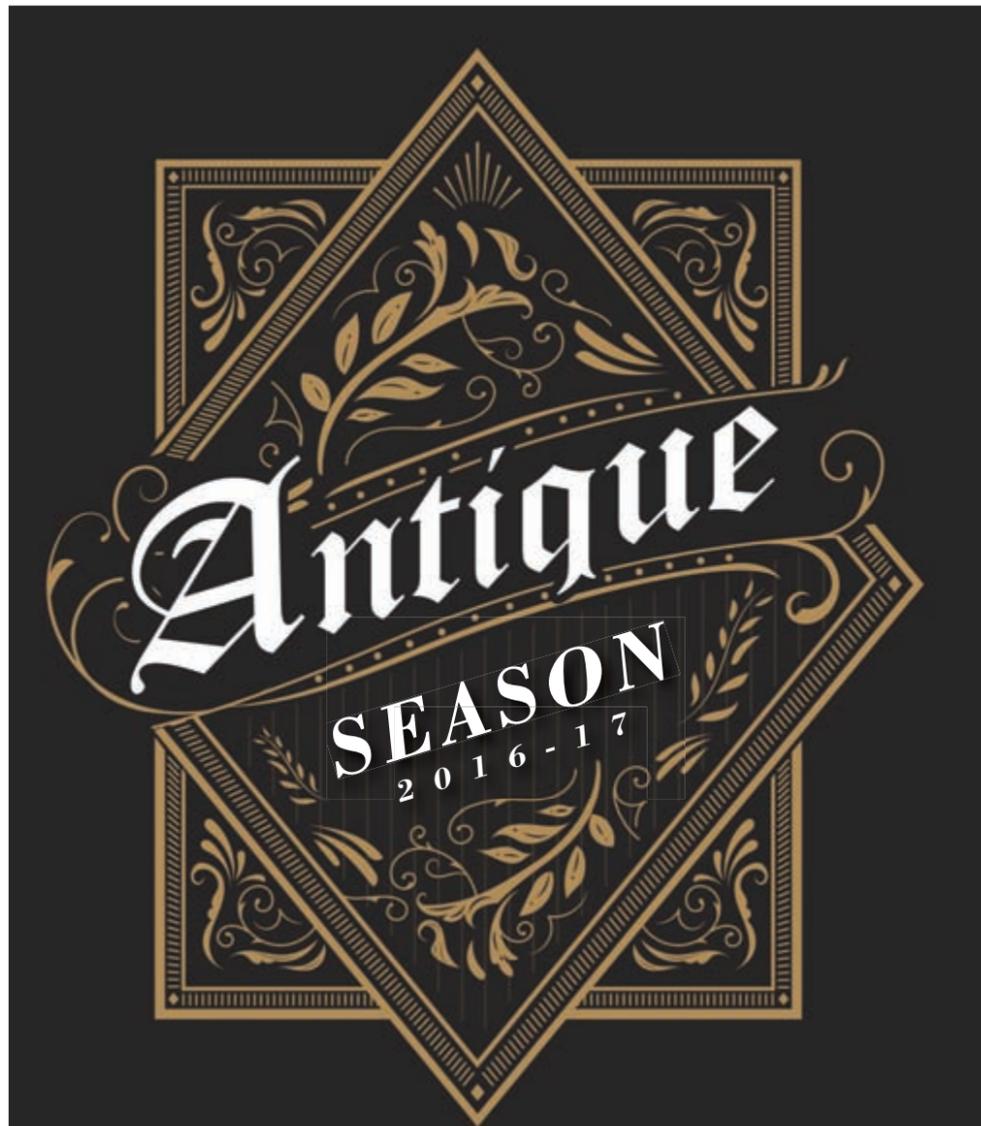
It must follow fairly strict protocol: a title no more than 15 words and language no longer than 75 words when it finally appears on your ballot (there could be a great deal of explanatory language, sometimes written in seeming legalese, available in addition to the 75-words-or-less amendment itself).

And finally, the petition for an amendment must bear a sufficient number of signatures to equal at least 8 percent of votes cast in the previous presidential election.

In Florida, 8,474,179 men and women placed votes in the 2012 presidential election, a showing of about 72 percent of registered voters.

Thus, any citizen- or group-inspired amendment you see this year has begun

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**THIS YEAR
THERE'S
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FOR AREA
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IF THE LITTLE NIP THAT HIT THE AIR AFTER Hurricane Matthew passed the state was one sign of fall, here’s another: The West Palm Beach Antiques Festival kicks off its first big antiques show of the year Nov. 4-6, with two large exposition rooms filled with dealers.

Alas, the Fort Myers area has few shows scheduled right now, beyond a small monthly show at the Shell Factory and some specialty collector shows.

Blame it on the continuing economic recovery and blame it on the city’s proximity to more affluent areas where shows are high points of the season, like Naples to the south and Venice and Sarasota to the north.

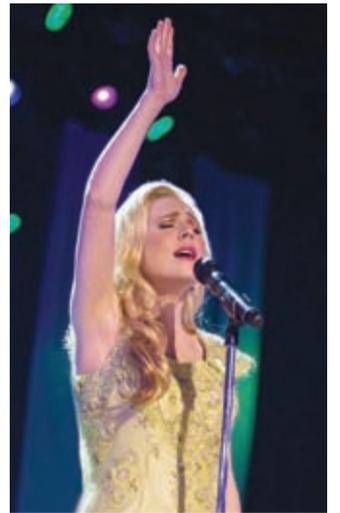
Or blame it on construction.

Silver Chest Promotions, which handles a show at Sanibel’s Community House, tentatively has shows scheduled to begin in January, but the venue has been closed for renovations, so that’s uncertain, the promoter says.

That Shell Factory show currently attracts about a dozen vendors, says the promoter, Lee Russell.

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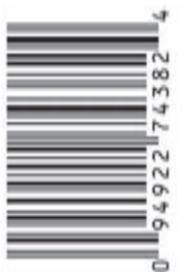
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COMMENTARY

Down to the water wire



Look in the mirror and ask yourself this question: Do you like money?

If the answer is “Yes,” the voting-booth choices you have in nearly every federal, state or local office this year are as clean and simple as polished marble.

Outside of the race for the White House, there is only one choice for Florida voters who like money: water.

I like money myself, even though I don’t happen to like water. I prefer Scotch, but Scotch is not running.

Water, on the other hand, is running out of every tap in Florida and spilling from every Florida race, from the U.S. Senate contest right down to races for state legislators and county commissioners.

The fact is, this election has been rigged. Water, somehow, has become a candidate in each contest, which must be against somebody’s rules, somewhere.

So if you like money, refrain from voting Tuesday for any candidate simply by party, by name, or by wattage of smile.

Do what you have to do, no matter how difficult — chew on nails, jab a pencil into your palm until you get to the front of the voting line, hum the Marine Corps hymn under your breath — but pick the water candidate.

Water is even part of the policy choices on Election Day. For example, if Lee vot-

ers say “Yes” to the Conservation 20/20 program, they’ll be voting for reduced FEMA flood insurance rates, for increased real estate values, for a larger county tax base, and for huge boosts to the tourist economy, which supports 1 in 5 jobs.

The same principle applies up and down the coast. Voting for water is lucrative in the long run.

If your business or boss benefits from the largesse of tourists — if you’re a real estate professional, a sports or commercial fisherman, a lover of birds or even just somebody who prefers not to drink water that sets off Geiger counters — better pick water in any candidate you can.

Unfortunately, Florida water is now in dire straits, from Orlando south.

We must ante up and do a system-wide fix sooner rather than later, and not one little step at a time, if we like money.

Hydrologist Dr. Wendy Graham, director of the University of Florida’s Water Institute, put it this way to me a month ago. “We’ll need storage north, south, east and west of (Lake Okeechobee) and maybe more in the lake to make (an Everglades fix) work.

“None of the projects taken one at a time can solve the problem. Individually, they don’t show benefit across the system. It will take all the projects to achieve restoration goals for the estuaries, the Lake and the Everglades.”

And the longer we wait, the more expensive this is going to be.

Those who want to delay the process stand to gain by the delays, of course. Florida Crystals, the U.S. Sugar Corp. and

King Ranch come to mind, but there are others. Such corporations own land around Lake Okeechobee in Palm Beach, Glades, Hendry, Collier or Broward counties where water will need to be stored and cleaned.

Politicians who support their special interests are not the water candidates.

On the federal level, Sen. Marco Rubio has recently helped pass a measure to pay for some fix-it projects in the central Everglades south of Lake O., but he has consistently opposed the rescue of water or wetlands over the years.

Between 2011 and 2014 he voted against policies to protect water and the environment 39 out of 43 times, according to the League of Conservation Voters, which tracks both parties.

And in 20 important votes last year he missed 14. But on the six occasions he spoke for Florida, Sen. Rubio cast votes to ignore the byproducts of toxic tar sands, to attack clean water provisions, to ignore climate change, to drill for oil on public lands, and to keep the U.S. out of international efforts to combat climate change.

He is not a water candidate.

In the District 79 race for Florida’s House of Representatives, incumbent Matt Caldwell, running for a fourth term, has consistently supported the interests of so-called Big Agriculture and Big Sugar in Tallahassee.

After letting U.S. Sugar fly him to the company’s hunting lodge on the King Ranch in Texas in 2014, as a few other Republican politicians have done including Gov. Rick Scott, he characterized it as an education trip.

“They like the legislators to come see their thing, so we understand what it is they do,” he said.

One of the things they do is pay for politicians. “If you name an ag business — Lykes Brothers, U.S. Sugar, King Ranch, all the rest, Alico — those are in the campaign contribution silo,” he acknowledged of his own war chest.

In fact, of 500 campaign contributions to Rep. Caldwell made in 2015-16, most come not from individuals, but from companies and corporations, including Alico Land and Development, Anheuser Busch, Arcadia Citrus Enterprises, Aubuchon Homes, Barron Collier Partnership LLLP, Collier Enterprise Management, Crews Sanitation, Florida Farm PAC, Florida Fruit & Vegetable Association PAC, Florida Phosphate PAC, Foley Timber & Land Company, Glades Crop Care Inc., Koch Industries, Lykes Brothers, Monsanto Company, Palm Beach Kennel Club, Publix, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Six L’s Packing Company and Southern Gardens, among many others. His total listed is \$294,281.

His challenger, John Scott, a Sierra Club leader, Realtor and IT professional, is a strong proponent of water and Everglades restoration, sooner rather than later. His 458 campaign contributions come mostly from individuals and amount to \$54,686.

Unfortunately, John Scott is not a Scotch candidate, as far as I know. Neither is anybody else. You can’t have everything.

But he is, after all, the water candidate. ■

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OPINION

O Gettysburg



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So, what did we expect? Donald Trump traveled to the historic town of Gettysburg, Pa., to make his closing argument for why Americans should elect him as president. He made his pitch just a short distance from where President Abraham Lincoln stood and addressed a crowd more than 150 years earlier.

Lincoln was there to dedicate a military cemetery freshly filled with thousands of graves. The fallen were Americans by birth, Yankees and Confederates by political disunion. They were but a sad portion of the estimated 50,000 dead, wounded or missing in the aftermath of the Civil War battle named after the nearby town.

On that day in 1863, Lincoln saw democracy's promised land through a glass darkly. He was fearful but resolved that a divided nation could not, would not survive. Both the North and South had already suffered more than two years of horrific carnage. Gettysburg was yet another terrible chapter in a story still laboring to be written by a victor unknown. Only the dead bore witness to an ending.

On that day, multiple speeches were given to memorialize the fallen. But Lincoln's words are the ones most remembered. The Civil War was the mark of Cain on the nation's future, of brother killing brother, of sweet pastures running red with blood, of the tragic consequences that come with a nation losing its way.

The Gettysburg address was Lincoln's reply. It was an instrument of salvation. In it, he immortalized a vision of the America that lay beyond the slaughter. He looked far into the future, at a

time when the country was so threatened by hate and division he feared for its demise. He made no accusations, threats or condemnations. Instead, he offered "a new birth of freedom" to a divided nation.

The Declaration of Independence served as Lincoln's touchstone. There he found the transcendent aspirations of the Founding Fathers for the young democracy, the very spirit of the American enterprise.

It took him just three minutes and 272 words to say what he had to say. But the brevity of the speech was not its measure.

It was a powerful prologue in answer to the vexing questions the divided nation would one day face. He spoke of and beyond the mortal costs of the catastrophic war. He anointed with immortality those who fought it, and he described an American democracy that would emerge from it worthy of the ages.

Two years passed before the bloody war ended. When Lee surrendered to Grant at Appomattox on April 9, 1865, the human costs were staggering. The war decimated an entire generation, an estimated 750,000 casualties.

Some years ago, Garry Wills, author of "Lincoln at Gettysburg," sought to explain why Gettysburg and Lincoln's address still resonate so deeply in our time. He wrote, "It would have been hard to predict that Gettysburg, out of all this muddle, all these missed chances, all the senseless deaths, would become a symbol of national purpose, pride, and ideals." But it did, he wrote, because Lincoln's speech transformed our aspirations for America's future.

Lincoln's address affirmed we are citizens of one nation and we are all created equal. He expanded on the philosophy inherent in the Declaration of Independence and ventured something wholly miraculous, wrote Wills. He fused the Constitution, the framework that describes our system of gover-

nance, with the democratic spirit of America embodied by the Declaration.

Said Wills, "Lincoln transformed the ugly reality into something rich and strange — in words that have been cited by revolutionaries and lawmakers in countries all over the world — that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

So, surely Trump knows Gettysburg is hallowed ground, freighted with history and heroism, sacrifice and loss. It bears tragic residuals of a house divided against itself. And above all, this is the place where Lincoln stood, on ground made fertile with the dead, a leader wholly cognizant of the enormous task before him: To bind up the nation's wounds; to heal grieving hearts; and to reunite, with tenderness and compassion, a divided nation.

So, what did we expect — what did Trump expect — in going to Gettysburg? Did we/he imagine Gettysburg would somehow result in an ideological and political metamorphosis of Trump, the racist bigot, into Trump, heir to Lincoln's legacy? Not now. Not ever.

Trump's Gettysburg address threatened to sue the women accusing him of sexual misconduct; questioned the integrity of our electoral system; suggested massive voter fraud; claimed a "rigged" presidential election; and warned of the nation's disunion should he lose — and this was just the wind-up to his plan to make America great again.

Trump's speech will go down in history, too, but as a defamation and insult to this sacred place and Lincoln's memory. His disrespect to and ignorance of the historical meaning of Gettysburg demonstrate yet again he is unfit and unqualified to be president. ■

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Trump is his own worst enemy



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Hillary Clinton may be the first candidate in American history to win a contest of personalities without having one.

She has been content to make the election all about Donald Trump's character, and Trump has obliged because, really, what else would he consider as fascinating and important as himself?

In a more normal year, Obamacare would be a byword for the failures of liberal technocrat rule. Insurers have been exiting the exchanges, and many of those that are staying are hiking premiums by 20 percent or more. Even a Democratic governor, Mark Dayton of Minnesota, has said that Obamacare is "no longer affordable to increasing numbers of people."

In a more conventional election, President Barack Obama's foreign policy would be under relentless assault. The Russian reset is in flames. Syria is Obama's Rwanda. Iran, with its nuclear program intact, is making a bid for regional hegemony. ISIS established

its caliphate in the space created by Obama's passivity.

In any other campaign, the economy would be front and center, and the slowest recovery in the post-World War II period a constant flashpoint.

Instead, none of these issues have had the resonance of Donald Trump's early hours Twitter war with a former Miss Universe, or even his aside in the third debate that Hillary Clinton is a "nasty woman." And these have been third-tier controversies, compared with the ones that have truly rocked the campaign, like Trump's post-convention fight with the Khan family and the airing of the "Access Hollywood" tape.

It's not as though Trump doesn't talk about the issues. But nothing besides his core of immigration and trade has the force to escape the extreme gravitational pull of his persona, which is outsized, compelling and — in a presidential campaign — ripe for deconstruction.

If Trump is defeated in November, he will lose, more than anything else, on the basis of his character flaws. His lack of discipline. His thin skin. His boastfulness. His refusal to admit error, even when it's in his interest. His inability to project seriousness or to

hit a grace note. The Clinton campaign has exploited them all, and Trump, ever himself, has lacked the self-awareness or wherewithal to keep from playing to type every single time.

The so-called beer test is the usual personality metric in presidential politics. Which candidate would you prefer to share a cold one with? Hillary's campaign has worked instead to make the personality benchmark the "nuclear code" test. Which candidate would you prefer to have his or her finger on the button? It is meant to portray Trump's outrageousness as affirmatively dangerous, and cast her own persona — which belongs in the same leaden category as Al Gore or Michael Dukakis — in the best possible light.

In the primaries, Trump displayed an uncanny ability to understand and target the vulnerabilities of his opponents. But he either never understood, or didn't care to minimize, his own. This is why he chose to make the election about the single hardest thing for him to defend effectively, namely Donald J. Trump. ■

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Here we go again



The moment came last week as it usually does — too late.

My mother happened to be over while the kids were getting ready for bed and she asked my oldest how rehearsal went. Jacob has an imminent performance with his friends at a local arts center.

“Mom! How did rehearsal go?”

Uh, it didn’t. Until that moment, about three hours too late, Jacob’s date had been totally wiped from the agenda because I forgot. Sorry, everybody.

But let me state my case. This tourist season is off to the same start as always: Our family, school and work obligations bottleneck into the holiday window just as the snowbirds migrate and (bless them) clog up the works. That particular day, I had to 1) work, 2) finish the kids’ Halloween costumes for a Friday party, 3) take Jacob to the doctor and 4) drop Jacob off at rehearsal at 5 p.m.

How does one do all that, particularly when roads are jammed and the pediatrician’s office is running behind thanks to the influx of northern viruses afflicting the locals?

Somewhere between the 30 minutes in the waiting room and another 30 in the exam room, I totally spaced on



rehearsal. After an unhappy result at the end of the appointment, we had probably 10 minutes to get to the center. We never made it. Instead, we dropped off a prescription at Publix, negotiated the dinner menu, dodged bumper cars in the parking lot and went home to do homework and cook. Jacob and I talked, laughed, fussed on our devices, fed the

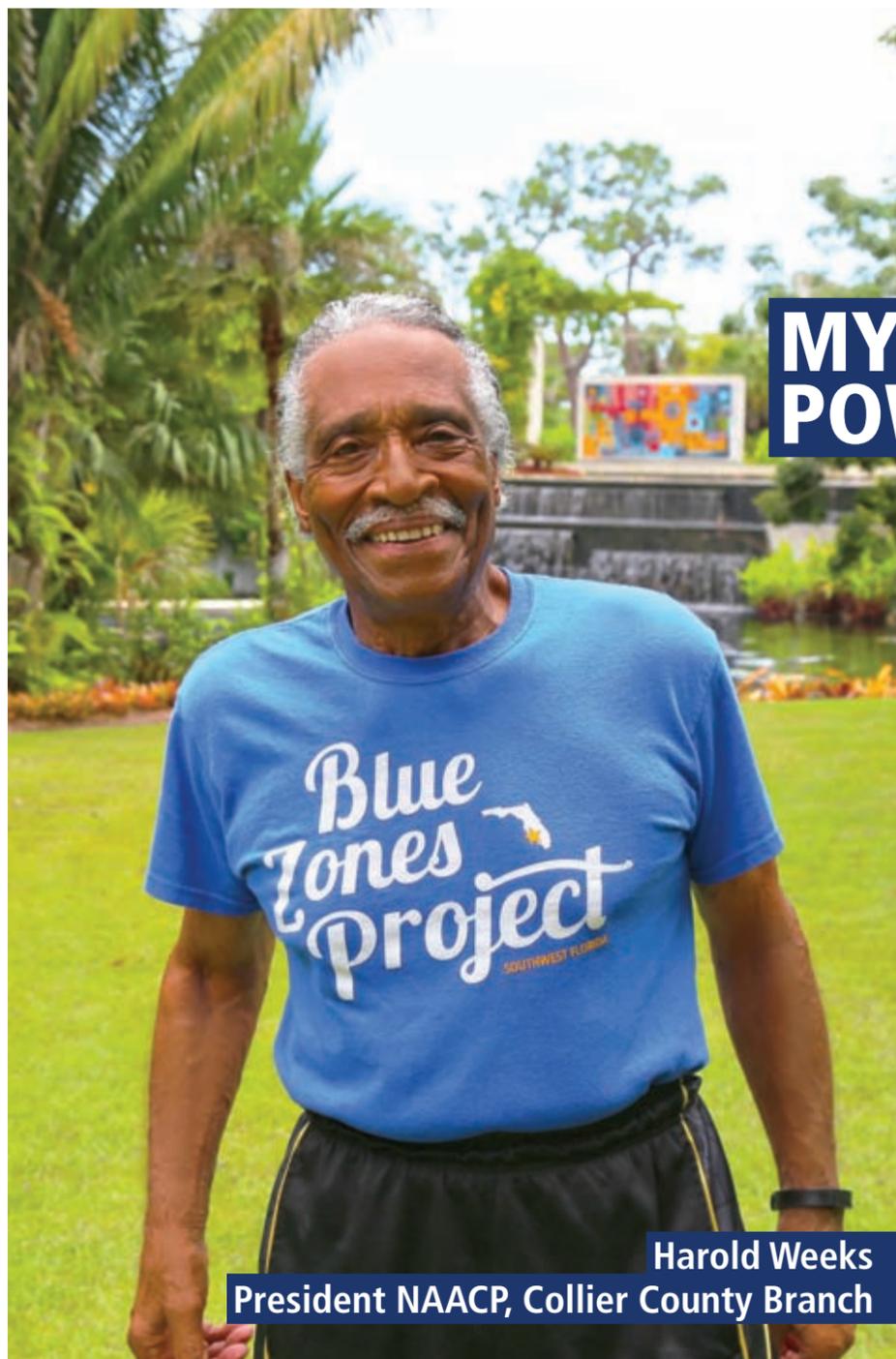
pets, yelled at the dog and fit almost a whole evening’s entertainment into the time he should have been learning “You’re Never Fully Dressed Without A Smile.”

This is obviously not the snowbirds’ fault. None of it is, but an incident like this usually signals that extra time on the roads and in appointments will only

increase as the holidays ramp up. With the shows, parties, shopping, school breaks, cooking and more that the next two months will require, I was reminded that I need to sharpen my Amazon one-click purchase skills because the traffic and crowds will only be more distracting as our obligations pile up. If I have fewer forays into the wild for hunting and gathering, I can devote more time to getting where I need to go without unwittingly bumping something important from the list. Less time stewing with the general public means fewer viruses and fewer trips to the doctor.

There are limits to how efficiently we can run our house from our computer, but I can promise that we’ll have it all together after Christmas. Between New Year’s Day and Easter, there’s nothing standing between our daily obligations and us. No school breaks, no holiday shopping, no houseguests — just four months of nose-to-the-grindstone, getting-through-it work. It’s a really lovely time of year when the to-do list is streamlined and orderly, despite the pulsing mass of humanity trying to park at Mercato. Of course, we get a little punch-drunk when the roads clear out in May, and that’s when we start piling the fluff back into the calendar that had been lost in the shuffle since November. It’s all easily remedied, though, and usually easily forgiven. ■

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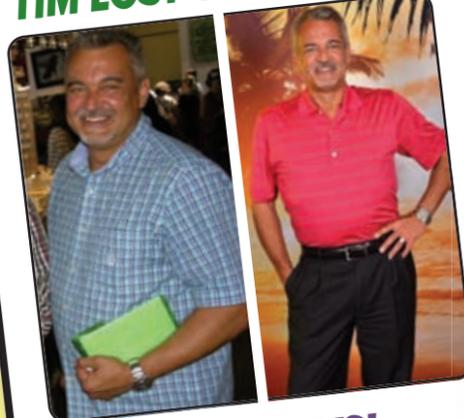
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“We get glassware, sometimes we have some furniture and a lot of primitives,” said Mr. Russell, whose show runs the second Sunday of the month at the tourist attraction. “We try to have a little bit of everything.” His next show is Nov. 13.

But lest you think the west coast is nearly exempt from antiques shows, Arcadia has been busy with its monthly markets the fourth Saturday of the month all year long, plus last year's inaugural season for the Gulf Coast Sarasota Antique Show was successful enough that it plans a second season, with six shows that begin Nov. 18.

Those shows offer a warm-up of sorts for a season that really gets going Dec. 1-5, with the Palm Beach Jewelry Antiques Design show at the Palm Beach County Convention Center. Expect some of the finest in art, antiques and jewelry from more than 100 exhibitors from around the world.

Later in the season, Palm Beach Show Group, the company that presents that show, will bring more of the same dealers to the Naples Art, Antique & Jewelry Show, set for Feb. 24-28 at the Naples Exhibition Center at The Commons.

Many of the dealers at those shows offer museum-quality pieces.

The price points for the merchandise at other shows may vary, as does the merchandise itself.

Shoppers on the west coast tend to skew a little older and the merchandise they collect tends to be a little more traditional as well — pottery, period furniture, jewelry and artwork.

Take the Punta Gorda and Venice antiques shows.

“They're middle- to high-end good antiques, well chosen. The dealers are well chosen as well,” said Judy Allman, whose Allman Promotions produces those two shows.

You'll see jewelry, furniture, art and other traditional collectibles at the Allman shows, set for Jan. 7-8 and Feb. 18-19 in Venice and Feb. 4-5 in Punta Gorda.

“They run 60 to 100 dealers is about what we have. We're a bit a choosy and we try to put in a good mix and try to make it affordable fun so it's not just for the ultra wealthy. We also try not to make it a flea market,” Mrs. Allman said by phone from New York. “We want people to be able to enjoy themselves if they just have a little money to spend or want to make a major purchase.”

Her husband drew a distinction between the differences in markets on the east and west coasts.

“West Palm Beach gets much more urban-type merchandise. Midcentury modern gets more city people,” said Stephen Allman. “On the west coast you get older collectors who are looking for great quality stuff.”

The Allmans produce 10 shows a year across the country. They divide their time between homes in New York and Naples.

Expect to see more of the stuff you grew up with at the West Palm Beach Antiques Show, as compared to the Venice, Punta Gorda and Naples shows. That means midcentury furniture and accessories. Anything from the '60s and '70s is big right now on the east coast.

Kay Puchstein, who with her husband, Bill, promotes the West Palm Beach, Stuart and Vero Beach antiques shows in Florida, as well as shows in Ohio, says her shows offer attendees an opportunity to learn.

The Puchsteins' West Palm Beach show is the largest monthly show in the state and draws hundreds of dealers.

“I don't know what a parent or grandparent can do to teach their children about what they had when they were kids,” she said by phone from Ohio, where she was watching the leaves turn. “You know, you can buy marbles for a nickel or for a few hundred dollars. Army men, old Barbies or old Beatles records, there's just something for everyone.”

And who said toys were just for kids? “Someone told me once you're never too old to have a great childhood,” she said. “I've been able to buy blocks and teddy bears and wonderful things a child 100 years ago got to have.”

But it's not just women longing for a piece of their childhood.

“There are a lot of men who, since the kids have grown, have a man cave. They can have a slot machine and a collection of old golf clubs and ‘mantiques,’ they call them,” she said. “You can do fishing lures. One guy collected old shaving razors.”

In Venice, the offerings tend to be fairly high-end.

“It's the ideal demographic. Idle, rich older people. They look forward to it. They go to the show and it's social and they have lunch,” Mr. Allman said.

His wife agreed.

“In Venice, we have some dealers who carry stuff that's just incredible — period furniture, really high-end art, good Americana,” Mrs. Allman said. “Throughout the show, you'll see a good mix, like if you're collecting dolls or dollhouse furniture. There's a lot of good jewelry at that show, too.”

The price range is broad.

“There are two or three booths with good American art pottery, from \$35 to \$3,500,” she said. It's for the collector who wants to spend the money or for someone who just wants a little accent piece for their home.”

Both the Allmans and the Puchsteins have spent decades in the antiques business.

“I've spent 40 years in the business and my husband, maybe a little longer. That came through his mom who was a dealer in the Philadelphia area,” Mrs. Allman said. “He came through the ranks and bought shows and been on his own running shows since the '70s. Before that, I was a collector dealer, so we both have deep roots in the business and we really like the business.”

She likes it well enough that she and her husband went antiquing on their

in the know

A selection of antiques and collector shows coming to southern Florida this season:

>> West Palm Beach Antique & Flea Market

— Fun street market hosts a range of dealers, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturdays through May on Narcissus Avenue north of Banyan Boulevard, downtown West Palm Beach. Free. Info: www.wpbantiqueandflea.com.

>> West Palm Beach Antiques Festival

— A variety of vintage décor, jewelry, couture clothing, antiques, pottery, china and silver, Nov. 4-6, Dec. 2-4, Dec. 31-Jan. 1, Feb. 3-5, March 3-5, March 31-April 2, May 5-7, June 2-4, South Florida Fairgrounds, 9067 Southern Blvd., West Palm Beach. Tickets: \$25 early buyer (Fridays between 9 a.m. and noon), \$8 regular admission, \$7 senior (not valid during early buyer). Info: (941) 697-7475 or www.wpbf.com.

>> Lincoln Road Antique and Collectible Market

— Open-air market is open every other Sunday along Miami Beach's Lincoln Road. Nov. 6, Nov. 20, Dec. 4, Dec. 18, Jan. 8, Jan. 22, Feb. 5, Feb. 12, Feb. 26, March 12, March 26, April 9, April 23 and May 7, along Lincoln Road in Miami Beach. Info: www.anticuecollectiblemarket.com.

>> Shell Factory Outdoor Antique Market

— 8 a.m.-2 p.m. the second Sunday of the month at the Shell Factory, 2787 N. Tamiami Trail, Fort Myers. Info: (586) 504-4405.

>> Gulf Coast Sarasota Antique Shows

— With 18th- to 19th-century Americana, Nov. 18, Dec. 3, Jan. 14, Feb. 11, March 18 and April 14, South Gate Center, Tuttle Avenue at Siesta Drive, Sarasota. Info: (941) 228-7758 or craft.antiques.com.

>> Arcadia Antique Fair

— The fourth Saturday of every month (except December). Next show is Nov. 26. Info: www.arcadiaantiques.com.

>> Stuart Antique Show

— Traditional antiques and more, Nov. 26-27, Jan. 14-15 and March 11-12, Martin County Fairgrounds, 2616 S. Dixie Highway, Stuart. Info: (941) 697-7475 or www.floridaantiques.com.

>> Palm Beach Jewelry, Antiques, Design

— High-end jewelry, antiques and design classics, Dec. 1-5, Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Info: www.pbfallshow.com.

>> Sanibel Antique Shows

— Scheduling for this high-end show is uncertain because its venue has been under renovations. It's still listed for Jan. 7-8, Feb. 4-5, March 11-12 at the Sanibel Community House. Call before you attend. Info: (813) 228-0038.

>> Sarasota Antiques + Art + Design Show

— Jan. 19-22, Sarasota Municipal Auditorium, 801 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota. Info: (708) 366-2710, (954) 202-1955 or www.sarasotaartandantiques.com.

>> Miami Beach Jewelry & Antiques Show

— Dealers from around the world attend this show Feb. 2-5, Deauville Beach Resort, 6701 Collins Ave., Miami Beach. Info: www.miamibeachjewelryshow.com.

>> Miami Antiques + Art + Design Show

— A couple hundred dealers from across the country, Feb. 3-5, Miami Airport Convention Center (MACC), 711 NW 72nd Ave., Miami. Info: (708) 366-2710 or www.miamiantiquesartdesign.com.

>> The Original Miami Antique Show

— This show, formerly known as The Original Miami Beach Antique Show, draws 1,000 dealers from around the world, Feb. 10-13, Miami Fair Expo Center, Miami. Info: (239) 732-6642 or www.miamibeachantiques.com.

>> Palm Beach Jewelry, Art & Antique Show

— Couture jewelry, antiques and design classics, Feb. 15-21, Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd., West Palm Beach. Info: www.pbfallshow.com.

>> The Punta Gorda Antiques Show

— A mix of middle- to high-end traditional antiques, collectibles, jewelry and art, Feb. 4-5, Charlotte Harbor Events Center, 75 Taylor St., Punta Gorda. Info: (239) 877-2830 or www.allmanpromotions.com.

>> Sunshine City Antiques & Collectibles Show

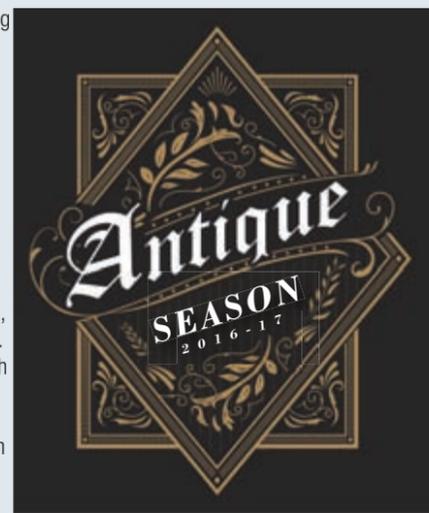
— Traditional antiques, plus midcentury classics, Jan. 13-15, St. Petersburg Coliseum, 535 Fourth Ave. N. St. Petersburg. Info: (315) 686-5789, (239) 877-2830 or www.allmanpromotions.com.

>> The Venice Antiques Show

— High-end traditional antiques, collectibles, jewelry and art, Jan. 7-8 and Feb. 18-19, Venice Community Center, 326 S. Nokomis Ave., Venice. Info: (315) 686-5789, (239) 877-2830 or www.allmanpromotions.com.

>> Naples Art, Antique & Jewelry Show

— Dealers from around the world with jewelry, antiques and design classics, Feb. 24-28, Naples Exhibition Center, The Commons, 850 Goodlette-Frank Road, Naples. Info: www.naplesshow.com.



COURTESY PHOTO

Masterworks Fine Art exhibited important pieces of art, including works by Rembrandt and Warhol, at last year's Naples Art, Antique & Jewelry Show.

wedding day in Hawaii.

It's a calling for Kay Puchstein as well.

Watching her patrol a show during setup is like watching a child waiting for Santa — she's that excited.

“It's like Christmas,” she said. “The night before I can hardly sleep. And it's like everyone is coming to see me and all the precious toys and dishes and china and pottery and they're bringing them to show me.”

That childlike anticipation keeps the

business fresh for Mrs. Puchstein.

“I love what I'm doing and I can't believe I get to do this,” she said.

She remembered her dad, who is now 83.

“All he ever wanted to be was a farmer and he was lucky enough to be what he wanted to be. Waking up every day to feed cattle and mow hay didn't feel like a job,” she said. “What I do doesn't feel like a job. It doesn't feel like working. I get to play.” ■

'Meet the Overhead' campaign underway at Grace Place

BY JASON FORREST
Special to Florida Weekly

Grace Place for Children & Families is seeking to raise \$670,000 to meet its overhead costs. The organization challenges charitable investors to complete its "Meet the Overhead" campaign by January 2017, so that 100 percent of every dollar given through the remainder of the 2017 fiscal year will go to its programs.

"When people invest in nonprofits," says Barbara Evans, chief development officer at Grace Place, "they typically focus on funding the mission and the direct costs associated with its programs. However, there are many costs associated with supporting and promoting these programs that are essential to ensure an organization's mission is carried out."

Grace Place has a small and deeply committed team of overhead staff responsible for making its family literacy programs run smoothly, for ensuring that its dollars are spent efficiently and for communicating its mission to secure lasting support for the organization's children and families. Its overhead costs also include important investments in training, planning, evaluation and internal systems — all to ensure Grace Place's ability to provide the highest quality services to its children and families.

Our overhead staff members are motivated to succeed at Grace Place because of their personal commitment to our mission and families.

Ms. Evans provides a perfect example: She and her native Italian mother were learning English at the same time, and

she relates to our students because, to this day, she still has to translate things for her mother. As a mother who has always stressed the importance of education to her own children, Ms. Evans is also passionate about that aspect of our mission. And she understands why mothers stand in line at the Friday Food Pantry at Grace Place to help feed their kids, because she would do the very same thing if she were in their shoes.

Another great example is Patty Calloway, our facilities manager. She discovered Grace Place when her son attended one of our programs, and now she does all she can to give back. Whenever a new mother comes into the Grace Place community, Ms. Calloway is there, guiding her to our educational classes and making sure she knows about our resources such as food and diaper assistance. She even uses her personal time to do things like deliver furniture to their houses and otherwise ensure their needs are met.

The point is this: In a time when people see overhead as a faceless entity that takes away from program goals, it is important to see what overhead teams are really about. They are committed individuals who care deeply about seeing their organization's mission carried out for the populations they serve.

Grace Place for Children & Families works across the life spectrum to provide pathways out of poverty by educating children and families. The center currently enrolls more than 800 children, teens and adults in its nationally



Patty Calloway reads to a young friend at Grace Place.

recognized Bright Beginnings program and its school-age and adult programs.

Although education is the core focus of the organization and its mission, the Friday Food Pantry also serves more than 2,500 families a year. Finally, our staff also works extensively with community partners to provide medical and mental health screenings, referrals for other services and financial literacy classes to the Golden Gate community.

To learn about others like Ms. Evans

and Ms. Calloway who dedicate themselves to helping Grace Place succeed at its mission, visit www.graceplacenaples.org and click on Who We Are/Meet the Overhead. For information about how to contribute to the campaign, visit the website or call Ashlea Heck, annual fund manager, at 234-2411. Your investment will go a long way to help children and families living in Golden Gate find pathways out of poverty through education. ■

— Jason Forrest is the marketing manager at Grace Place for Children & Families.



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Wednesday, November 16 • 5:30-6:30 p.m.

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Time on your hands and the desire to help? Consider volunteering

■ The **Naples Pathways Coalition** needs volunteers to assist in planning and coordinating its Lights for Bikes initiative to provide safety gear and language-appropriate information to those whose only means of transportation to work is a bicycle. Collier County has a higher percentage of these individuals than any other Florida county. Most often they are service workers who ride significant distances on busy roadways before sunrise and after sunset in dark uniforms.

Last year NPC assisted restaurant service workers who are employed along Fifth Avenue in Naples. This year Lights for Bikes is being extended to include commuter cyclists in health-care facilities and hotels as well as restaurants throughout the county.

Three mobile units will be deployed to install lights, and a stationary unit will provide other services like bike tune-ups and helmet fitting.

If you are good at organizing and logistical planning and would like to help, please send an email to Jodi Walborn at jwalborl@jhmi.edu.

■ **Friends of Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park** seeks a volunteer accountant to maintain its records and generate quarterly and annual financial reports using QuickBooks. The time commitment is about 10 hours per quarter; the position reports to the treasurer. The right candidate will have a working knowledge of QuickBooks as well as experience with Excel and Word, with at least two years of experience in a prior accounting position, preferably in a nonprofit work environment. A CPA designation is desirable but not required.

The friends group supports the park through promotion, fund raising, sponsored events and memberships. For more information, call Milagros Dougan at (734) 718-3452 or email milagrosdougan@gmail.com.

■ **Grace Place for Children & Families** welcomes volunteers who can work once or more each week, monthly, several times a year or occasionally for special events. Seasonal and year-round opportunities are also available. Church and office groups as well as civic organizations interested in specific projects or activities are also welcome.

Helpers are always needed for various shifts in the food pantry every Friday. Other volunteer opportunities include general office duties (data entry, answering phones, greeting guests, making copies and assisting with other small office projects), driving a small or large bus and sorting/organizing books.

For more information, call Rex Childs at 234-2467 or email rex@graceplacenaples.org.

■ A new environmental learning center at **Everglades Wonder Gardens** in Bonita Springs serves the five-county Southwest Florida area and has numerous jobs for volunteers. The center partners with local educational institutions (kindergarten through lifelong learning) to provide classes, course curricula and lesson plans, related activities and instructors.

Volunteer teachers and teaching assistants are needed, as are grant writers, greeters and event hostesses, photographers, judges for various competitions, transportation facilitators, refreshment coordinators and technology/media consultants. Gardeners are also welcome to help maintain the grounds of the 3.4-acre property that includes botanical gardens, wildlife and historic artifacts.

For more information, call Beth Hagan at 947-8085 or email bhagan7@aol.com.

■ Founded in 1983 as Collier County's

original, nonprofit hospice, today **Avow** provides palliative care consultations for adults facing chronic or serious illness as well as hospice care and bereavement support services for children and adults. Among Avow's volunteers needs are:

Licensed hairdressers to provide services to residents of the Avow hospice patients in their homes.

Veterans who can connect with Avow clients who are also veterans.

Women singers to join the Serenity Singers, Avow's a cappella choral group whose members, in groups of two to four, sing at patient bedsides. Volunteers are not required to read music, but must be able to carry a tune and coordinate with other singers for a blended vocal sound. Auditions are required as is a commitment to a rehearsal schedule.

Drivers who can transport patients for doctor appointments, shopping and other errands. These are patients who can ambulate unassisted and without medical devices.

For more information about joining the ranks of Avow volunteers, visit avowcares.org.

■ The **Conservancy of Southwest Florida** needs volunteers for duties at its von Arx Wildlife Hospital, which treats more than 3,200 injured, sick or orphaned animals every year. Among the jobs:

Critter courier - Be on call to help capture and transport injured birds, mammals and reptiles found in your area between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. Training and the necessary equipment are provided. Once an animal has been treated and recovered or rehabilitated, critter couriers are often called to help return it to the wild. Must be 16 years of age.

Outdoor animal caretaker - Spend time in close quarters outdoors with captive wild animals, observing their behavior and health, cleaning water pools, perches and cage walls, discarding old food and raking enclosures.

Indoor animal caretaker - Similar to the above duties but working inside the hospital. Additional duties include folding laundry and preparing diets, assisting with feedings and medical treatments as directed by the hospital staff.

The von Arx Wildlife Hospital is on the main campus of the Conservancy, at 1495 Smith Preserve Way off Goodlette-Frank Road. For more information about volunteering, call 403-4212 or visit conservancy.org.

■ The **Shelter for Abused Women & Children** always welcomes volunteers for administrative assignments at its Naples and Immokalee offices and for various retail-related duties at Options Thrift Shoppe. Helpers are also needed to work the 24-hour crisis line and to be on hand at the Beau Venturi Home emergency shelter. Special training is required to work shifts on the crisis line and in the shelter.

For more information, call 775-3862, ext. 215, or visit naplesshelter.org.

■ **Planned Parenthood** of Southwest and Central Florida has many ways for volunteers to further the organization's mission. Helpers are needed to work at PP events in the community, to perform office duties, to write letters and lobby, to work phone banks and to escort patients entering and leaving Planned Parenthood health centers.

For more information, send an email to volunteer@myplannedparenthood.org. Include your name and phone number and indicate the city/county where you would like to offer your services. ■

— If your nonprofit has a need for volunteers, email details to Cindy.Pierce@floridaweekly.com.

Veterans Day programs honors men and women who have served

■ The **Arsenault Studio & Banyan Arts Gallery** celebrates Veterans Day with an exhibit of works made by veterans. A reception takes place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the gallery at 1199 Third St. S. A presentation about the healing power of art will start at 6:15 p.m. RSVPs are required by Nov. 6. Call 263-1214.

■ **Gulfview Middle School** invites veterans to muster at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, for its Veterans Day celebration. RSVP by calling 377-4013 or emailing leitime@collierschools.com.

■ To honor and pay tribute to the men and women who have served in the United States military, **Hodges University's** Dr. Peter Thomas Veterans Services Center hosts its annual Veterans Day Ceremony at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, in the Kleist Community Room on the university's Fort Myers campus at 4501 Colonial Blvd.

The 30-minute ceremony will include a flag folding ceremony by two Hodges U. student veterans and remarks by Nolan Connell, a current Hodges student and commander of the John Ebling Memorial at Hodges University American Legion Post 397. Christine Manson, director of university's veterans services center, will officiate the ceremony.

Concluding the ceremony, Hodges U. will receive a gift of \$10,000 from the Heritage Palms Veterans Association, a Fort Myers-based organization dedicated to supporting veterans in need who are living and/or recovering in Southwest Florida. The donation will benefit the veteran scholarship program at Hodges.

Cake and refreshments will be served in the veterans services center after the



ceremony.

The mission of the Dr. Peter Thomas Veterans Services Center is to provide a welcoming and informative environment where student veterans, service members and dependents can receive support for funding their education and adjusting to student and civilian life. For more information, call Ms. Manson at 938-7735 or email cmanson@hodges.edu.

■ **American Legion Post 404** on Marco Island honors veterans with patriotic music, dignitaries and a special recognition of Vietnam veterans at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at Veterans Community Park, 403 Elkam Circle on Marco. Call 564-9894 for more information.

■ The **Bonita Bay Veterans Council** invites the public to its Veterans Day ceremony from noon to 2 p.m. Friday,

Nov. 11, at the Bonita Bay Club in Bonita Springs. Keynote speaker, Navy Lt. Commander Curtis Watson, graduated from the TOPGUN fighter pilot school, and was selected for the Blue Angels precision flying team. He assisted actor Tom Cruise in developing his role in the movie "Top Gun" and also played professional football for the New Orleans Saints and the Green Bay Packers.

All are welcome, but reservations are required. Call 495-0200.

■ **Community School of Naples** and its Veterans Appreciation Club invites all local veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces to its Veterans Day celebration from 11:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, in the school library. Veterans are encouraged to wear their dress uniforms. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Jimmi Cornforth

at (405) 326-2865 or emailing jcornforth@communityschoolnaples.org.

■ **Naples Depot Museum** presents a USO-style show starting at noon Friday, Nov. 11. During World War II, the depot was converted into a dance hall on Saturday nights to boost the morale of the aircrews stationed at the nearby Naples Army Air Field. Comedian John Carfi is on the program, as is music by the local band The Suntones. The closing number will pay tribute to veterans of all of America's armed conflicts. Admission is free. Bring a chair. For more information, call 262-6525.

■ **Naples Botanical Garden** says thank you to active and retired veterans by offering them free admission from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11. Guests must present a military ID in order to obtain free admission. For more information, visit www.naplesgarden.org.

■ Ty Ernst of **T Michaels** restaurant in the Village on Venetian Bay invites all veterans to enjoy a free meal from 4-10 p.m. on Veterans Day, Friday, Nov. 11. Veterans order whatever they want from the menu. All they have to do is shake Mr. Ernst's hand and give him the opportunity to thank them for their service. Call 261-0622 for more information.

■ **Shula's Steak House** at the Hilton Naples honors all active duty and retired veterans by offering them a complimentary lunch entree with the purchase of a meal of equal or lesser value during lunch service on Veterans Day. Call 430-4999 for more information. ■

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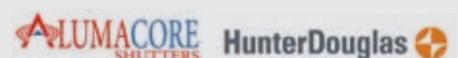
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPHERD

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Religion adapts to technology

A network of freelance Buddhist priests in Japan last year began offering in-home, a la carte services (for those adherents who shun temples) through Amazon in Japan, quoting fixed fees and bypassing the usual awkward deliberation over "donations." And in September, Pastor David Taylor of Joshua Media

Ministries International (St. Louis, Mo.) announced, to great fanfare, that he had "resurrected" a diabetic woman, 40 minutes after her death, by sending the lady a text message — through Facebook (though, of course, neither she nor any family member was available for an interview).

Redneck chronicles

(1) As a dispute escalated between two brothers at their recycling plant in Bow, N.H., in October, Peter Emanuel used his front-end loader to tip over the crane being operated by Stanley Emanuel (who managed to jump out just in time). Peter was arrested. (2) Thousands flocked to the annual Roadkill

Cooking Festival in Marlinton, West Virginia, in September, featuring an array of "tasting" dishes (e.g., black bear, possum, elk, snapping turtle) with a competition in which judges deducted points if the "chef" had not managed to remove all gravel or asphalt.

Fine points of Canadian law

■ Luckily, thought Jamie Richardson of Whitehorse, Yukon, she had medical insurance for her 7-year-old Akita, who had torn a ligament in a hind leg, but it turned out that the policy, written by Canada's largest pet insurer, Petsecure, did not cover dog injuries from "jumping, running, slipping, tripping or playing" — that is, Richardson concluded, injuries caused by "being a dog." (After Richardson protested, Petsecure relented but, it said, only because Richardson had been a longtime customer.)

■ The Way the World Works: Who is

the most at fault when (a) a mother provides beer to her underage son, (b) who then, with a pal, gulps down a bottle of vodka and steals a car from a dealer's lot, and (c) drunkenly crashes, leaving the pal with a catastrophic brain injury? In October, the Ontario Court of Appeal upheld a jury verdict that parceled out "fault," but assigned more to the victim of the 2006 car theft (Rankin's Garage of Paisley, Ontario) than to the mother or the driver (because Rankin's having left the key in the car overnight made it irresistible to "teenage car thieves").

The job of the researcher

Charles Foster, recent recipient of the "Ig Nobel" prize in biology (and a fellow at Oxford University), has recently lived as a badger (inside a hole in Wales), an otter playing in rivers, and an "urban fox" rummaging through garbage bins in London, in addition to a red deer and ("ridiculously," he admits) a migratory bird mapping treetop air currents — all

in order to authentically experience those creatures' lives apart from their physical appearance, which is generally all that humans know. "We have five glorious senses," he told the Ig Nobel audience, and need to "escape the tyranny" of the visual. "Drop onto all fours," he recommended. "Sniff the ground. Lick a leaf."

Awesome numbers in the news

(1) Charles Diggs, facing child pornography charges, was found with supposedly a record haul for New Jersey — 325,000 child-porn images and files at his Roselle home in October. (2) The Justice Department revealed in an October court filing that former National Security

Agency contractor Harold Martin III, 51, had stolen at least 500 million pages of "sensitive government files," bit by bit over two decades. (Bonus questions: How does no one notice, for years, and anyway, how many total pages of "sensitive government files" are there?)

Leading economic indicators

In October (as in supposedly every previous October since the 13th century), some British official arrived at the Royal Courts of Justice in London and paid rent to the queen for use of two properties — for the sum of "a knife, an axe,

six oversized horseshoes and 61 nails," according to reporting by Atlas Obscura. "No one knows exactly where these two pieces of land are," the website reported, but one is in Shropshire County, and the other near the Royal Courts.

Great art

■ New York City sculptor Bryan Zanisnik, operating on a grant from an emerging-artist program of Socrates Sculpture Park in the Astoria neighborhood in Queens, recently created a 10-piece "garden" of concrete Christopher Walken heads to honor the actor, who grew up in Astoria. Said Zanisnik, "Perhaps the project suggests that Walken's DNA was imbued into the soil of Astoria, and now Walken mushrooms are growing everywhere."

■ "To be honest," wrote *New York Times* art critic Holland Cotter in his lead sentence on Oct. 7, "I wonder what a lot of people see in abstract painting." Then, nevertheless, Carter began prais-

ing the current Guggenheim Museum collection by abstract artist Agnes Martin, highlighted by her "Untitled No. 5," which consists of a pinkish horizontal space, on top of a yellowish horizontal space, on top of a bluish horizontal space, exactly repeated underneath except the pinkish and bluish spaces are shortened near the edges of the canvas, but not the yellowish space. Asked Carter, "How do you approach an art empty of ... evident narratives" and "make it your own?" His unrestrained 1,600-word rave did not quite answer that, except to quote Martin's suggestion that the visitor just "sit and look." ■



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AMENDMENTS

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with a petition bearing at least 677,935 signatures.

These four proposed amendments, 1,2,3 and 5 — along with a fifth that was passed in the primary elections on Aug. 30 and will not appear on Nov. 8 ballots (Amendment 4) — are what remains of a total 28 first conceived and put forward. They alone made the cut to give voters a chance to amend Florida's constitution on Election Day.

But not just a simple majority of voters. Since the passage of a 2006 amendment, Florida now requires at least 60 percent of voters to approve an amendment before it becomes law.

No. 1 Constitutional Amendment, Article X, Section 29
Nº 1 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo X, Sección 29
Rights of Electricity Consumers Regarding Solar Energy Choice

This amendment establishes a right under Florida's constitution for consumers to own or lease solar equipment installed on their property to generate electricity for their own use. State and local governments shall retain their abilities to protect consumer rights and public health, safety and welfare, and to ensure that consumers who do not choose to install solar are not required to subsidize the costs of backup power and electric grid access to those who do.

The amendment is not expected to result in an increase or decrease in any revenues or costs to state and local government.

AMENDMENT 1: Rights of Electricity Consumers Regarding Solar Energy Choice.

Arguably the most controversial this year, the bottom line is this: People would be allowed to generate power on their own properties by owning or leasing solar equipment, but they would likely not be allowed to sell it if they generate more power than they need or can use. Local governments would be given the authority to prevent competitors to utility companies from producing renewable-energy-sourced electricity.

The language of the amendment, a tidy 74 words long, also suggests that consumers who don't use solar could be "required to subsidize the costs of backup power and electric grid access to those who do," if this amendment doesn't pass. Critics scoff at that notion but also cite it as a threat by big utility companies.



The amendment was proposed by utility companies who helped form a special-interest group called Consumers for Smart Solar, boosting it with \$20 million in campaign contributions.

An opposing group, Floridians for Solar Choice, has relied on social media and news reports rather than significant money to insist the amendment amounts to a wolf in sheep's clothing designed to protect the utility companies, not consumers.

If one believes residents SHOULD be allowed to sell extra power generated by their solar equipment, then vote NO.

No. 2 Constitutional Amendment, Article X, Section 29
Nº 2 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo X, Sección 29
Use of Marijuana for Debilitating Medical Conditions

Allows medical use of marijuana for individuals with debilitating medical conditions as determined by a licensed Florida physician. Allows caregivers to assist patients' medical use of marijuana. The Department of Health shall register and regulate centers that produce and distribute marijuana for medical purposes and shall issue identification cards to patients and caregivers. Applies only to Florida law. Does not immunize violations of federal law or any non-medical use, possession or production of marijuana.

Increased costs from this amendment to state and local governments cannot be determined. There will be additional regulatory costs and enforcement activities associated with the production, sale, use and possession of medical marijuana. Fees may offset some of the regulatory costs. Sales tax will likely apply to most purchases, resulting in a substantial increase in state and local government revenues that cannot be determined precisely. The impact on property tax revenues cannot be determined.

AMENDMENT 2: Use of Marijuana for Debilitating Medical Conditions.

Unlike a less-well-defined amendment that failed by two percentage points, garnering 58 percent of the vote two years ago, Amendment 2 is more definitive and precisely worded.

Licensed doctors, alone, would be able to prescribe marijuana, and only for certain medical conditions, including cancer, glaucoma, HIV and AIDS, Crohn's disease, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis and a few others. Caregivers would be able to help a patient using marijuana without legal risk. Its sale and use would be regulated by the state Department of Health. But the amendment would not protect any from violations of federal law or possession and production of marijuana in unregulated, non-medical uses.

AMENDMENT 3: Tax Exemption for Totally and Permanently Disabled

No. 3 Constitutional Amendment, Article VII, Section 6, Article XII
Nº 3 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo VII, Sección 6, Artículo XII
Tax Exemption for Totally and Permanently Disabled First Responders

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to authorize a first responder, who is totally and permanently disabled as a result of injuries sustained in the line of duty, to receive relief from ad valorem taxes assessed on homestead property, if authorized by general law. If approved by voters, the amendment takes effect January 1, 2017.

First Responders.

Placed on the ballot in a unanimous vote of both the House and Senate early this year, this amendment would exempt permanently disabled firefighters and police, so-called first responders, from property taxes on homestead properties.

There is no organized opposition to this amendment. Currently, such a property tax exemption exists in Florida only for the surviving spouses of military personnel, police or firefighters killed in the line of duty.

No. 5 Constitutional Amendment, Article VII, Section 6, Article XII
Nº 5 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo VII, Sección 6, Artículo XII
Homestead Tax Exemption for Certain Senior, Low-Income, Long-Term Residents; Determination of Just Value

Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to revise the homestead tax exemption that may be granted by counties or municipalities for property with just value less than \$250,000 owned by certain senior, low-income, long-term residents to specify that just value is determined in the first tax year the owner applies and is eligible for the exemption. The amendment takes effect January 1, 2017, and applies retroactively to exemptions granted before January 1, 2017.

AMENDMENT 5: Homestead Tax Exemption for Certain Senior, Low-Income, Long-Term Residents.

Like Amendment 3, this one also appears on the ballot thanks to the unanimous choice of the state legislature early this year to put it there. It would mean no property tax on homestead properties valued at \$250,000 or less for senior citizens, veterans over 65 who are permanently disabled, and spouses of veterans or first responders killed in the line of duty.

No organizations have acted to oppose this amendment.

AMENDMENT 4 (already passed): Florida Property Tax Exemptions for Renewable Energy Equipment.

Amendment 4 appeared on primary ballots in Florida this year and does not appear on the Nov. 8 ballot because utility companies encouraged the legislature to separate it from Amendment 1, according to Balletopeida. They feared voters might be confused, since Amendment 1 also deals with solar power.

Amendment 4 passed handily on Aug. 30, with 73 percent of the 2.65 million voters giving it the thumbs up.

This amendment provides tax exemptions for people using renewable energy or solar power, in effect cutting taxes for those who move away from non-renewable energy such as oil and coal.

So far, that isn't many: About 12,000 of the state's 9 million consumers of electricity have and use solar equipment, according to a report to the state's utility commission.

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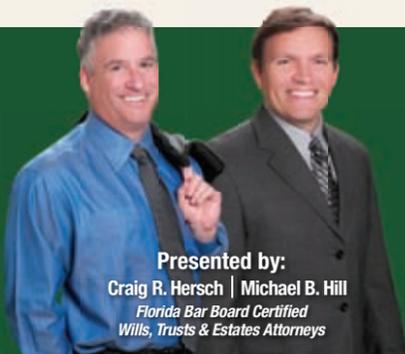
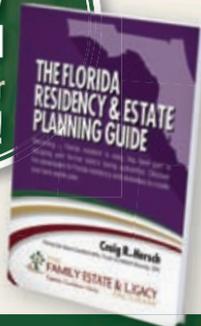
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Avow receives \$795,000 gift from estate

Avow Foundation Inc. has received a gift of \$795,000 from the Nancy L. Weinig estate. Ms. Weinig was deeply touched by the loving care her close friends and family received through Avow's hospice care services, and she wanted to help Avow continue its important work, according to her estate planning lawyer, Bradley Rigor of Quarles and Brady LLP.

Melissa Phillips, vice president of the foundation, says the gift will help cover direct patient care costs and fund special therapies such as music, massage

and Reiki energy treatments, which are funded 100 percent by donations.

Avow was founded in 1983 as Collier County's original, nonprofit hospice. Today, Avow's nonprofit companies provide palliative care consultations for people facing chronic or serious illness and hospice care and bereavement support services for children and adults. The foundation develops and stewards resources that support the organization's mission and its services.

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Consumer sentiment ticks downward before the election

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Consumer sentiment among Floridians declined 1.5 points in October to 90, according to the latest University of Florida consumer survey. That's 1.5 points lower than the current year's average, says Hector Sandoval, director of the economic analysis program at UF's Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

Among the five components that make up the index, three decreased and two increased.

Perceptions of one's personal financial situation now compared with a year ago showed the greatest increase this month, climbing 3.5 points, from 81.0 to 84.5.

Opinions as to whether now is a good

time to buy a big-ticket item such as an appliance plummeted 9.9 points, from 102.1 to 92.2. This outlook, shared by all Floridians independent of their socioeconomic condition, might be influenced by anticipation of upcoming holiday sales, Mr. Sandoval says.

Expectations of personal finances a year from now dropped 3.2 points to 97.6. Expectations of U.S. economic conditions over the next year decreased nine-tenths of a point to 84.4, and expectations of U.S. economic conditions over the next five years rose 3.1 points, from 88.2 to 91.3.

Future expectations might shift following the elections, Mr. Sandoval says.

Since May, the Florida unemployment rate has remained unchanged at 4.7 per-

cent, the lowest level since the last recession.

Florida's economy kept adding jobs statewide in September. Of particular note: The Florida labor force — the number of Floridians with paid jobs or looking for work — increased as well, after five months of declines.

"Contrary to the performance of Florida," Mr. Sandoval says, "the nation's unemployment rate has increased since May, from 4.7 to 5.0 percent in September." Although both the U.S. and Florida have experienced economic growth in recent quarters, a downturn in economic activity might be expected, he cautions.

"The outcome of the presidential elections will clear up much uncertainty, but

a new economic perspective will arise for the nation. November's consumer sentiment reading will be very important to gauge Floridians' perceptions and expectations about future consumption, as the holiday sales season begins," he concludes.

Conducted Oct. 1-23, the UF study reflects the responses of 408 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. For more details of the survey, visit www.bebr.ufl.edu/csi-data. ■

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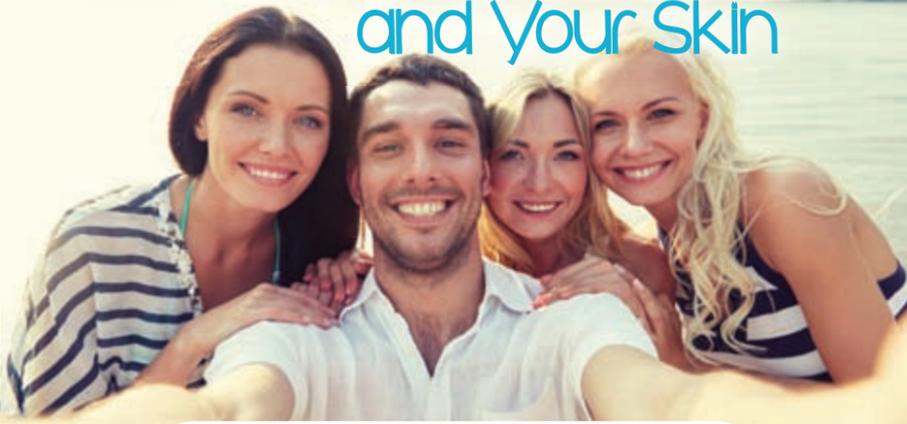
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■ **The Ohio State Alumni Club of Naples** hosts the Buckeyes Care luncheon and fashion show Wednesday, Nov. 16, at the Hilton Naples. Doors open at 11:30. Fashions will be by Casual Connection of Naples. Tickets are \$60 (\$70 for premium runway seating), with proceeds designated for the Compassionate Care Fund at the Lee Health Cancer Center to help pay health insurance premium subsidies and treatments for the non-insured and under-insured and to help them with groceries, rent and utilities. For reservations, call Sarah Smith at 992-8670 or Anne Knouse at 325-8962 or go to www.naplesbuckeyes.com.

■ **The Naples Orchid Society** welcomes members and guests to its monthly meeting Thursday, Nov. 3, at Moorings Presbyterian Church, 791 Harbour Drive. 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. For more information, visit www.naplesorchidsociety.org.

■ Everyone who owns or admires Corvettes is welcome to attend **Corvettes of Naples** meetings at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church in North Naples. For more information, visit www.corvette-sofnaplesfl.com.

■ **Solo Singles of Collier County** was organized more than 25 years ago to create and promote recreational, cultural, charitable and social activities for those persons single, divorced or widowed as a means toward helping them achieve a fuller and better life. Members meet at 5 p.m. for happy hour followed by dinner on the first Friday of the month at different restaurants around town. The next get-together is Nov. 4. For more information, call Carey Hughes at 262-0278 or email careyh@aol.com.

■ **Naples Ship Modelers** is an informal group dedicated to 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 Nov. 5 and 19. Members should 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 Temple Shalom Sisterhood** presents a luncheon featuring a talk by renowned violinist and Neapolitan Max Rabinovitsj on Tuesday, Nov. 8, at Temple Shalom. Mr. Rabinovitsj started studying the violin while he and his family were in hiding from the Nazis in Belgium. He has spent his life as a violinist, chamber music performer, concertmaster of noted American symphonies and conductor of a number of international symphonies. He has led the Naples Orchestra and Chorus for the past two years.



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In addition to sharing stories of his life and extensive career at the luncheon, he will perform on his violin.

Temple Shalom is at 4630 Pine Ridge Road. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Cost is \$26 for members; \$28 for others. For information or to RSVP, call 591-1494.

■ **The Florida Native Plant Society-Naples** chapter invites the public to a presentation about native species and green roof design at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 8, at Naples Botanical Garden, 4820 Bayshore Drive. Guest speakers will be NBG staffer Eric Foht and Brian Bovard of Florida Gulf Coast University. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Bring a snack to share. Admission is free. For more information, email naplesnativeplants@gmail.com.

■ **The Naples Chapter, Florida Society, Sons of the American Revolution** meets for lunch on Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Club at Longshore Lake, 1139 Phoenix Way. Doors open at 11:30 and the meeting starts at noon. Spouses and guests are welcome. For more information, call Tom Woodruff at 732-0602, email naplesSAR@gmail.com or visit www.naplessar.org.

■ The next **"La Table Francaise"** for anyone who wants to enjoy conversing in French over lunch takes place Thursday, Nov. 10, at Café Normandie, 3756 Tamiami Trail N. Seating is at noon. Denyse Jenkins of the Alliance Francaise de Naples hosts. Guests make their own reservations by calling the restaurant at 261-0977. For information about the alliance, call Ms. Jenkins at 592-7576 or email afnaples@comcast.net.

■ Are you new to Naples and interested in making friends? Consider joining the **Naples Newcomers North. Lunch** meetings take place on the second Thursday of every month at country clubs throughout Naples. The next meeting is Nov. 10. Members also get together to explore Naples through a variety of activities and share interests from books to bridge to gourmet cooking. For more information, visit www.naplesnewcomersnorth.com.

■ **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 Nov. 10. 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. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Florida South-Western State College, 7505 Grand Lely Drive. Meetings are open to the public, and all levels of photographers are welcome. For more information, visit www.dpi-sig.org.

■ All **Wellesley University alumnae** are welcome to join in the activities of the club in Naples, starting with a Welcome Back coffee, Friday, Nov. 11, in the party room of Toscana in Bay Colony. RSVPs are required and can be made by calling 591-3888 or emailing CarolGoode9@gmail.com. The season's full schedule of meetings and activities is at www.naples.alum.wellesley.edu.

■ **Kappa Alpha Theta** alumnae in Naples, Marco Island & Bonita Springs meet for lunch at noon Friday, Nov. 11, in the community room at Fine-Mark National Bank & Trust, 800 Laurel Oak Drive. Guest speaker Anne Bare of the United Way will discuss volunteer opportunities with the organization. Attendees will also stuff Christ-

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mas stockings for foster children from CASA. Cost is \$30. For reservations, call Betsy Penzo at 404-3075 or email penzob@aol.com. The chapter holds its holiday party the evening of Sunday, Dec. 11, at the Club at Olde Cypress. For more information about additional chapter activities, visit www.Naples.KappaAlphaTheta.org.

■ **Eastern Airlines Silverliners-Southwest Florida** chapter invites former and present flight attendants from Eastern Airlines as well as other airlines to join the philanthropic organization. The next meeting starts at noon Saturday, Nov. 12, at Bravo Cucina Italianate in Mercato. Reservations are required by Nov. 10 and can be made by calling Darlene Hall Follese at 495-9741 or emailing jdfollese@comcast.net.

■ **The National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution Naples-on-the-Gulf** chapter meets at 6:30 p.m. on the second Monday of the month in North Naples. Meetings begin with a program related to the mission of DAR: historical preservation, promotion of education and encouragement of patriotic endeavor. On Nov. 14, author Donald Miller will discuss his book, "Lafayette: His Extraordinary Life and Legacy."

Any woman 18 years or older who can prove lineal descent from a patriot of the American Revolution is eligible for membership. For more information or to make a reservation, call Juliana Meek at 262-2699 or email julianadar@comcast.net.



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Six sisters from the Pi Beta Phi chapter at Butler University in Indianapolis were among the sorority's many alumnae from throughout Southwest Florida who mixed and mingled at Paradise Wine on Oct. 27. The Butler U. women are: Ginny Spradlin, Beth Johnson, Suzanne Waylonis, Kathy Foster, Mary Lu Pennington and Susie Pleasant.

■ **The Women's Book Group of the Jewish Congregation of Marco Island** starts the new season at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at JCMJ headquarters, 991 Winterberry Drive. Attendees will find a congenial atmosphere, intellectual stimulation and a lively exchange of ideas about Elena Ferrante's "My Brilliant Friend." All are welcome to this and subsequent meetings at 11 a.m. on the third Tuesday of the month through April. For more information, call 642-0800.

■ **The Genealogical Society of Collier County** meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Faith Lutheran Church, 4150 Goodlette-Frank Road. Speaker Ron Benson will discuss research techniques using passenger lists. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the program

starts at 7 p.m. Attendance is free, and all are welcome. For more information, call Madonna Crame at 455-7295 or visit www.thegscc.org.

■ **The Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance** meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at 1455 Pine Ridge Road. 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 www.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. Thursday, Nov. 17, at Naples United Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road. For more information, call 963-4670 or visit www.pflagnaples.org.

■ **The PCBUG** computer and technology club invites all those interested in learning more about computers and mobile devices to its meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. For more information call J. Burke at 659-0659 or email paddyeb@hotmail.com.

■ Members of the **Naples Music Club** perform a "Music from Around the World" recital at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, at First United Methodist Church of Naples, 388 First Ave. S. Admission is free, and all are welcome. For more

information, call 384-9205 or visit www.naplesmusicclub.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 Nov. 21. 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 www.ussvi.org/base/naples.asp.

■ **The Naples Peggers** invite anyone who likes cribbage to play from 6:30-8:30 p.m. every Wednesday at East Naples Community Park, 3500 Thomasson Drive. The annual membership fee is \$10. For more information, call Cathy Keeler at 774-1113 or email cathykeeler8@gmail.com.

■ **Wine Tasters of Naples** is a social club that meets from 5-7:30 p.m. every Friday at different locations around town. More so than wine, members enjoy socializing and working together on philanthropic and service projects to benefit the community. Members pay a \$7 door fee; guests pay \$9. Light bites are served, and attendees pay for their own beverages. The club sponsors other social events throughout the year as well. For more information, visit www.winetastersofnaples.wildapricot.org.

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Here's a look at some community events coming up in the next couple of weeks:

■ **The American Institute of Architects-Florida Southwest Chapter's** fall lecture series continues Friday, Nov. 4, at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. Brian Mackay-Lyons of the Halifax, Nova Scotia-based Mackay-Lyons Sweetapple Architects Ltd. will discuss the firm's award-winning cultural, academic and residential projects that have been featured in more than 300 publications and 100 exhibitions.

The final program of the fall series takes place Friday, Dec. 2, also at the Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club, and features Lawrence Scarpa of the Los Angeles-based firm of Brooks + Scarpa.

All who are interested in the built and natural environment are welcome. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for cocktails, and the programs begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets to each lecture are \$25 for AIA members, \$30 for others and free for students with a college ID. Reservations can be made through Eventbrite. Cash, check, debit or credit will also be accepted at the door. For more information, visit aiaflasw.org.

■ Still dealing with too much Halloween candy? Let **Action Automatic Door & Gate** showrooms in Naples and Fort Myers be the receptacle for the sweets you want to get out of the house. All candy dropped off through Saturday, Nov. 5, will be donated to "Treats for Troops" and sent to veterans, active

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The Naples showroom is at 275 Airport-Pulling Road. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. For more information about Soldiers' Angels, visit www.soldiersangels.org.

■ **Children's Dentistry of Naples** buys back Halloween candy from kids at the rate of \$1 per pound of treats (10 pounds maximum) turned in at the office from 8 a.m. to noon and 2-4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, and from 8 a.m. to noon Monday, Nov. 7. All candy collected will be donated to troops serving overseas. The practice will match the amount it pays out in the form of a donation to the Golisano Children's Museum of Naples. The office is at 3021 Airport-Pulling Road. For more information, call 262-3898.

■ Safely and securely dispose of sensitive papers — old bank statements, bills, checks, legal agreements, etc. — when **Iberiabank** hosts a shred party from 9 a.m. to noon (or until the Shred-It truck is full) Saturday Nov. 5, at the bank branch at 605 Bald Eagle Drive, Marco Island. Cost is \$3 per bag or box of paper, with proceeds going to the Civitan Club of Marco.

■ The **Armenian Church of Southwest Florida**, a mission parish organized in 2001, starts its seasonal services led by visiting clergy at 1:30 p.m.



Naples Preserve

Saturday, Nov. 5, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3901 Davis Blvd. Services will also be held on Sundays, Dec. 4, Jan. 8, Feb. 12 and 26 (with the archbishop of the diocese as honored guest), and March 12. For more information, call 213-0246 or email www.armenian-churchswfl@gmail.com.

■ Free Sunday afternoon nature talks at **Naples Preserve** start at 2 p.m. Nov. 6 and continue through Dec. 4. The family-friendly programs include a boardwalk stroll. Visitors on Nov. 6 will learn about the various insect residents of the preserve. Admission is free. Entrance to the preserve is at 1690 Tamiami Trail N. For more information, call 261-4290 or follow Friends of the Naples Preserve on Facebook.

■ **Greater Naples Leadership** invites the public to learn about Cuba at a luncheon presentation by Jaime Suchlicki, director of the University of

Miami's Institute for Cuban and Cuban-American Studies, at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Naples Botanical Garden. In addition to dining on a Caribbean-cuisine buffet, guests will hear about Cuba's culture, history, politics and future tourism and trade relations with the United States.

"Cuba: Columbus to Castro and Beyond" is part of GNL's alumni and continuing education program. All are welcome. Admission is \$42. For reservations or more information, call the GNL office at 300-7055.

■ **Catholic/Jewish Dialogue of Collier County** invites the community to a commemorative service for the 78th anniversary of Kristallnacht, "The Night of Broken Glass," at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13, at Temple Shalom, 4630 Pine Ridge Road. Kristallnacht is recognized by most historians as the night the Holocaust began. Attendance is free. RSVPs are requested, however, and can be made by emailing cjdialogue@naples.net.

■ Want to dig into your roots? Marie Overman, president of the **Genealogical Society of Collier County**, will teach a free, four-part class in beginning genealogy in November and December. Sessions will meet from 9:30-11 a.m. on Mondays, Nov. 14, 21, 28 and Dec. 5, at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. Participation is limited and registration is required. Call 263-7768 or visit collierlibrary.org. ■

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BEHIND THE WHEEL

Volkswagen builds a better Subaru wagon with the Alltrack



Volkswagen wants to be your Subaru. The 2017 VW Golf Alltrack is tapping into the all-wheel drive station wagon market by combining some of Volkswagen's most attractive components into a tougher-looking package. In the process, it wants to prove there's a niche to fill.

The Alltrack is a version of the Golf Sportswagen. Haven't heard of the Sportswagen before? It's one of VW's lower-volume vehicles in the U.S. that follows an interesting recipe: Combining the face of the Golf and the doors of the Jetta sedan, it's more versatile than both with a full station wagon rear.

The Golf Alltrack uses the same formula, but then adds a small steroid injection. It has tough black body cladding, faux skid plates and headlights that are closer to the sporty GTI. Plus, taller tires and a raised suspension mean it sits about 1½ inches higher than the Sportswagen.

Inside, the largest difference between this and the standard Golf or Jetta is behind the rear seats. That extra space within the rear hatch means it offers nearly 14 cubic feet more cargo room than a standard Golf (66.5 cubic feet total). Beyond that, it's difficult to distinguish the Alltrack from its other VW siblings.

Behind the wheel everything feels well laid out. VW's interiors have traditionally been less gadget-happy than some of the other small cars in the segment. This simplicity is a bonus for parents and seniors on the go who are probably less concerned about apps, but it might be a bit of a letdown for active lifestyle people who enjoy cutting-edge technology as much as their mountain bike.

In fact, finding the ideal market is crucial to the Alltrack. All-wheel drive wagons appeal to pockets of the market

that would like an alternative to everything from hatchbacks to SUVs. Subaru has made a fine niche out of targeting these people, but does that mean there's room for the VW?

On paper, the Alltrack seems like a bad idea. Its closest Subaru competitor is the Impreza Crosstrek, another wagon with added body cladding and ride height. The Volkswagen starts out at \$27,770, which is the kind of money that can check off nearly every option box on the Crosstrek or even buy a WRX.

So why doesn't everyone just buy a Subaru? That's because VW tapped into its best strengths for the Alltrack.

Volkswagen's 1.8-liter turbo is a peppy motor that always seems spooled up and ready for action. It's mated to a dual-clutch automatic transmission (an option on most other VWs but standard here), which makes the shifts almost as much fun as a manual transmission. This combines with exceptionally sharp steering for a great feeling on the road. And since the extra ride height of the Alltrack is less than some people's shoe lifts, there's no detectable added roll in the turns.

When compared to the Subarus available, the VW has a sportier feeling than the Crosstrek, but offers more active lifestyle usability than the WRX (remember, that ultra-hot car is no longer available as a wagon). It gives the Alltrack a foothold of its own unique space.

The fun doesn't stop when the pavement ends. The Alltrack's Off-Road Mode engages hill descent control and



adjusts braking, and the turbo motor is reconfigured to have more torque immediately available at lower speeds. Volkswagen's 4Motion in this application is no match for the capability that Subaru's all-wheel drive offers, but both can handle muddy trails and light sand.

As distinct as this is against the Subaru, it isn't alone in the VW family lineup. Because the standard Golf Sportswagen is so close to the Alltrack, Volkswagen is starting to offer a 4Motion

version of that car, too (it costs about \$2K less). And if more luxury, power and technology are desired, the Audi A4 Allroad sibling is ready today at a premium price.

That means the Alltrack is cutting off a thin slice of a niche market and thus, it's not going to be a high-volume car. Lucky for us, it's up to VW to work out the economics of building a car like this. All you have to figure out is if this Volkswagen is enough Subaru for you. ■



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The ride begins at North Collier Regional Park and travels westbound on Immokalee Road before heading north on Vanderbilt Drive to Bonita Beach Road and continuing to Six Bends Harley-Davidson in Fort Myers.

For more information about the event, visit www.bikersforbabies.org/southwestflorida.

Here's where CCSO deputies will be on traffic detail the week of Nov. 7-11:

Monday, Nov. 7

Glades Boulevard and Airport-Pulling Road: Red-light running

Lakewood Boulevard and U.S. 41 East: Speeding

Naples Boulevard: Speeding

Tuesday, Nov 8

Goodlette-Frank Road and Pelican

Marsh Boulevard: Speeding

Airport Pulling Road and Orange Blossom Drive: Aggressive driving

Vanderbilt Beach Road and Vineyards Boulevard: Speeding

Wednesday, Nov. 9

23rd Avenue S.W. and 49th Terrace S.W.: Speeding

Golden Gate Parkway and Tropicana Boulevard: Red-light running

Immokalee Road at Gulf Coast High School: Speeding

Thursday, Nov. 10

Golden Gate Parkway at I-75 southbound exit: Aggressive driving

Everglades and Randall boulevards: Red-light running

Santa Barbara Boulevard at Calusa Park Elementary: Aggressive driving

Friday, Nov. 11

Vanderbilt Beach Road and Strada Place: Speeding

Golden Gate Parkway and 44th Street S.W.: Aggressive driving

Immokalee Road and Collier Boulevard: Red-light running ■

AARP class tunes up driving skills

AARP offers classes to help older drivers learn about new traffic laws, refresh their driving skills and reduce their risk for tickets and accidents. Drivers over age 55 might be eligible for a discount on auto insurance.

Cost is \$15 for AARP members, \$20 for others. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the number listed with the session you wish to

attend. Here's what's coming up next:

Friday, Nov. 11: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1225 Piper Blvd. Naples; 596-6007.

Thursday, Nov. 17: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Williams Ministry Center 750 Seagate Drive, Naples; (571) 201-9272.

Friday, Dec. 9: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Vanderbilt Presbyterian Church, 1225 Piper Blvd. Naples; 596-6007. ■



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- Everglades City Hall, 102 Copeland Ave. N., Everglades City
- Golden Gate Community Center, 4701 Golden Gate Parkway, Naples
- Immokalee Community Park, 321 N. First St., Immokalee
- Collier County Library Headquarters, 2385 Orange Blossom Drive, Naples
- Marco Island Library, 210 S. Heath-

wood Drive, Marco Island

- The Norris Center at Cambier Park, 755 Eighth Ave. S., Naples
- North Collier Regional Park, 15000 Livingston Road, Naples
- Collier County Supervisor of Elections Office, 3750 Enterprise Ave., Naples

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Planned Parenthood offering HRT to transgender patients

Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida is expanding health services in its 11 centers to include hormonal replacement therapy for transgender patients who are transitioning.

“For nearly 50 years, Floridians have relied on Planned Parenthood of Southwest and Central Florida for comprehensive reproductive health care and information, including life-saving breast and cervical cancer screenings, birth control, vasectomies, HIV/AIDS testing and counseling, STD testing and treatment, and routine gynecological care,” says CEO Barbara Zdravecky. “These new services strengthen our ability to provide the communities we serve with the essential health care services they need to be healthy and strong.”

According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, LGBT individuals often face challenges and barriers to accessing needed health services and, as a result, can more often experience worse health outcomes. One national survey found that of transgender people seeking health care:

- 28 percent were subjected to harassment in medical settings and 2 percent were physically assaulted in doctor’s offices;

- 19 percent were refused medical care;

- 28 percent postponed medical care when sick or injured due to discrimination.

Planned Parenthood will serve as a bridge for many Floridians, providing critical services “in a welcome environment that will allow thousands to feel safe accessing care as their authentic selves,” says Gina Duncan, director of transgender inclusion at Equality Florida.

“We are proud to contribute to improving the way transgender people receive health care in our region,” Ms. Zdravecky says. “Continually working to make our health centers

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Skin patch to treat peanut allergy shows benefit in children

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A wearable patch that delivers small amounts of peanut protein through the skin shows promise for treating children and young adults with peanut allergy, with greater benefits for younger children, according to one-year results from an ongoing clinical trial. The treatment, called epicutaneous immunotherapy or EPIT, was safe and well-tolerated, and nearly all participants used the skin patch daily as directed.

The trial is sponsored by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (part of the National Institutes of Health) and conducted by the NIAID-funded Consortium of Food Allergy Research. The one-year outcomes were published Oct. 26 online in the *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*.

To avoid potentially life-threatening allergic reactions, people with peanut allergy must be vigilant about the foods they eat and the environments they enter, which can be very stressful. One goal of experimental approaches such as EPIT is to reduce this burden by training the immune system to tolerate enough peanut to protect against accidental ingestion or exposure, Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of NIAID, explains.

CoFAR researchers at five study sites randomly assigned 74 peanut-allergic volunteers aged 4 to 25 years to treatment with either a high-dose (250 micrograms peanut protein), low-dose (100 micrograms peanut protein) or placebo patch. The investigators assessed peanut allergy at the beginning of the study with a supervised, oral food challenge with peanut-containing food. The patches were developed and provided by the biopharmaceutical company DBV Technologies under the trade name Viaskin. Each day, study participants applied a new patch to their arm or between their shoulder blades.

After one year, researchers assessed



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The Viaskin Peanut patch used in the NIH-sponsored clinical trial has not been approved by the FDA.

each participant’s ability to consume at least 10 times more peanut protein than he or she was able to consume before starting EPIT. The low-dose and high-dose regimens offered similar benefits, with 46 percent of the low-dose group and 48 percent of the high-dose group achieving treatment success, compared with 12 percent of the placebo group. In addition, the peanut patches induced immune responses similar to those seen with other investigational forms of immunotherapy for food allergy. Investigators observed greater treatment effects among children aged 4 to 11 years, with significantly less effect in participants aged 12 years and older.

“The clinical benefit seen in younger children highlights the promise of this innovative approach to treating peanut allergy,” says Dr. Daniel Rotrosen, director of NIAID’s Division of Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation. “EPIT aims to engage the immune system in the skin to train the body to tol-

erate small amounts of allergen, whereas other recent advances have relied on an oral route that appears difficult for approximately 10 to 15 percent of children and adults to tolerate,” he adds.

Nearly all of the study participants followed the EPIT regimen as directed. None reported serious reactions to the patch, although most experienced mild skin reactions, such as itching or rash, at the site of patch application.

“The high adherence to the daily peanut patch regimen suggests that the patch is easy to use, convenient and safe,” says Marshall Plaut, chief of DAIT’s Food Allergy, Atopic Dermatitis and Allergic Mechanisms Section. The study results support further investigation of EPIT as a novel approach for peanut allergy treatment, he says.

Additional studies in larger groups of children are needed before the therapy could be approved for wider use. For more information, visit www.nih.gov. ■

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Naples Diabetes Conference set for Nov. 6

The second annual Naples Diabetes Conference takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 6, at the Greater Naples YMCA in collaboration with the Naples-based Help a Diabetic Child Foundation and the Health Care Network of Southwest Florida. Attendance is open to the general public as well as health-care professionals. Breakout sessions and continuing education credits will be available. Tickets start at \$10



(need-based scholarships available). Reservations can be made at eventbrite.com (search for Naples diabetes). ■

FGCU invites amputees to free clinic

The Department of Rehabilitation Sciences at Florida Gulf Coast University holds a free clinic for amputees from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 12, at the university's Marieb Hall. Individuals living with amputation and their family members are welcome.

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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."

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.

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. For more information, call 261-5405 or email info@mhaswfl.org. ■

Conference set for survivors of suicide

The 2016 International Survivors of Suicide Loss Day conference takes place from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 19, at Florida Gulf Coast University. Naples resident and mental health advocate Deena Baxter, author of "SURVIVING SUICIDE: Mending the Family Tree with Heartache, Art and Humor," will be the guest

speaker. Everyone who makes a donation to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention will receive a copy of Ms. Baxter's book.

The conference is open to the public. Registration is required. Call Jill Harrington at (561) 392-7877 or email jharrington@afsp.org. ■

Volunteers needed to assist cancer patients

The Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation needs caring volunteers at Florida Cancer Specialists clinics in Bonita Springs and Naples. Volunteers provide nonmedical support and comfort to patients undergoing treatment. Duties include offering a pillow, blanket, snack or beverage to the patient, sharing a magazine and providing companionship. Afternoon and morning shifts are available Monday-Friday.

Volunteers must pass a background check, be 17 years of age, have a valid driver's license and commit to volunteering at least three hours per week.



Clinics are at 9776 Bonita Beach Road in Bonita Springs and at 681 Fourth Ave. N. in Naples. Download the volunteer application at foundation.FLcancer.com/volunteer. For more information, email volunteerprogram@FLcancer.com. ■

LGBT

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PET TALES

Eight puppy-raising tips to help you be successful

BY LIZ PALIKA
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A 9-week-old English shepherd puppy, Hero, recently joined my family. The adorable dark brown-and-white little guy with freckles on his nose immediately stole my heart. At the same time, my brain kicked into “puppy-raising” gear. Having raised a number of puppies over the years, I’ve learned some skills that make the process easier. Here are eight tips that have helped me be successful.

1. Buy lots of inexpensive towels. When I knew Hero was going to be joining my family, I immediately ran to the nearest store for a stack of cheap towels. I don’t think most puppy-raising sources express how important towels are for raising a puppy, but I think they are invaluable. Towels can serve as bedding for your puppy (as long as he doesn’t try to eat them), for cleaning up spills or other accidents and for bathing and drying the puppy. I always have a clean stack ready for use. You can find them new at discount or big-box stores, or even purchase them used at stores such as Goodwill. Just wash them well before using them.

2. Choose toys carefully. Everything goes into a puppy’s mouth, so it’s important to have appropriate toys ready for him to sniff, taste, chew and sometimes destroy. If a toy has hard eyes, a button nose or other parts a puppy could chew off and swallow, remove them. Make sure the toy itself can’t be swallowed.



Offer puppies several different types of toys to learn what they like best.

3. Provide a variety of toys. I like to give some chew toys to gnaw on, toys that can be shaken and tossed, balls of various kinds and toys with different smells and textures. Every puppy tends to develop his own likes and dislikes, but a variety in puppyhood can be great fun.

4. Your puppy is a baby. Puppies grow and develop so quickly it’s hard to remember that they are babies. I consider a puppy younger than four months a baby, although that’s an arbitrary line; many puppies develop faster or slower than others.

5. Baby puppies need extra meals. Hungry puppies get antsy, fussy and grumpy, and they will cry and whine. Toy and small-breed puppies need four to six feedings a day for the first few months, while larger puppies should eat at least three times a day. When

you take your puppy in for his first veterinary exam, you can ask the vet for a specific recommendation for your pup.

6. Puppies know no fear. As with most babies, young puppies don’t consider their own safety and will do things that cause themselves harm. They need to be protected from jumping, climbing or getting stuck. Baby gates, exercise pens and crates can help you keep your puppy safe when you can’t supervise him.

7. Puppies need help with temperature regulation. I quickly discovered that Hero’s fluffy puppy coat kept him warm. It was difficult for him to get comfortable in a crate as he quickly became too hot. I wrapped a frozen water bottle in a towel (another use for those towels!) and he would cuddle up to it, immediately becoming more comfortable. Make sure your puppy can also move away from the water bottle so he doesn’t get chilled.

8. Teach independence. It’s important for puppies to learn to spend some time alone. Although it’s our nature to cuddle a puppy — and we should — puppies also need to learn to be OK when left alone. I started by putting Hero in his crate with a toy for 15 minutes, then half an hour, then while I ran errands. This is an important life skill for dogs, so start it when they’re young. ■

— Guest columnist *Liz Palika* is an award-winning writer and certified dog trainer. For more information, go to kindredspiritsk9.com

Pets of the Week



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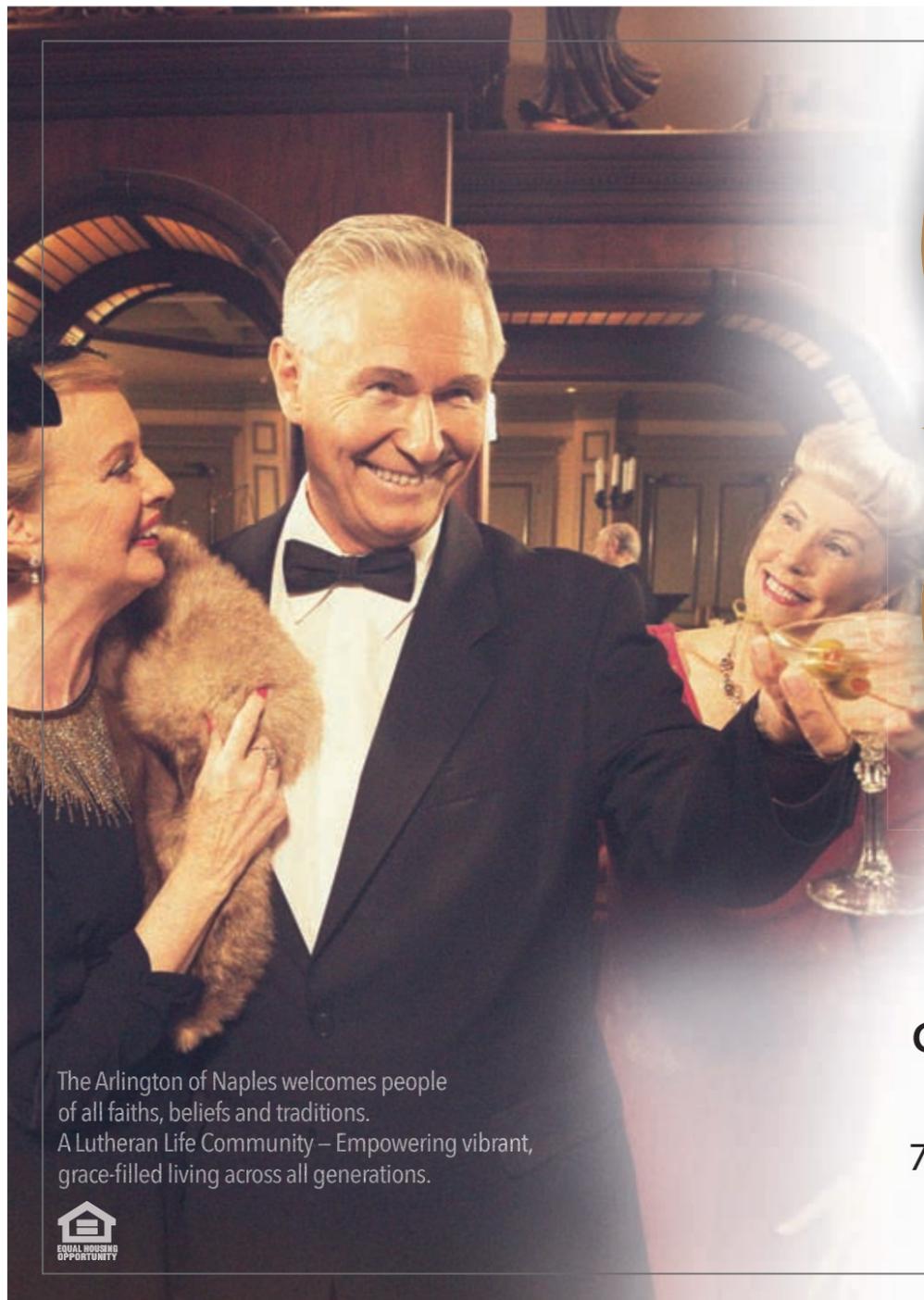
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So last week was just another week. I went to Publix, cleaned out my car — oh, and I saw Adele in concert with some friends and Hillary Clinton.

OMG! I saw ADELE in concert and HILLARY CLINTON was there.

I suppose I should start by telling you, dear reader, that I almost never go to concerts. The first one I ever went to was Heart at the Lee Civic Center. This was back in ancient times when the center was the only place you could see a concert south of Tampa or west of Miami. In fact, the land where Germain Arena now stands was nothing more than a swamp then. Lee Civic Center usually only got a few country acts a year and maybe some '80s hair bands, so Heart was a big deal to my teenage self. But as much as I loved seeing the Wilson sisters perform live, I hated the traffic getting to the show, the lines to get in and the claustrophobia-inducing crowds.

I adore music, but large-scale concerts just aren't my thing. And because I'm way too attached to air-conditioning, I'll never be a music festival kind of girl. As a result, ever since Heart at 17, I've only been to about three concerts. But when my good friend Sunny called recently to tell me that she'd scored a



corporate perk that consisted of four tickets to Adele in Miami, a limo ride there and private box seats — and by the way, would I like to join her? — I instantly and completely forgot about my aversion to concerts. I'm typically not spontaneous, and I rarely leave my comfort zone, but a ride in a limousine to Miami to see Adele sounded pretty comfortable to me.

I was the first guest to be picked up in the limo, and while I thought it might feel awkward to be in a stretch limousine all by myself, I found that it felt perfectly

fabulous and I wasn't at all bored as I took a myriad of selfies to document that I was actually riding in the back of a limo, alone.

We picked up Sunny next, and then Shelley and Dave, her delightful friends from Clive Daniel Home.

And you know how it always seems to take forever to get across Alligator Alley from the west coast of Florida? It takes about 20 minutes when you're in a stretch limo drinking wine with friends. It's like a miracle.

Adele, of course, was amazing (and I

hardly ever use that word). She wore a long black sequined dress that looked incredibly comfy and she eschewed heels for ballet flats. Her cheekbones are even higher than you think they are, and she's more petite than she appears on TV. Between songs she told stories, indulged in lots of girl talk, brought two guys up from the audience who'd just gotten engaged and posed for photos with them, admitted to having stage fright, teased about the fact her boyfriend has yet to put a ring on it and even brought up the election ("I'm British, so I can't vote. I'll just say, don't vote for him.") She delicately did not name names, so I'm not sure whom she meant — ahem.

She closed the show with a rousing rendition of "Rolling in the Deep" as heaps of gold confetti rained down from the rafters.

On the way home, we all agreed that concerts are way more fun if you do them first class. It was only when we checked Facebook and Twitter that we discovered HRC had made a surprise stop at the concert after attending a fundraiser in the area. So I didn't get to spot the candidate swaying in her pantsuit and singing along to "Hello," but I can certainly imagine it.

And that's the story about the night I saw Adele with Hillary Clinton. ■

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



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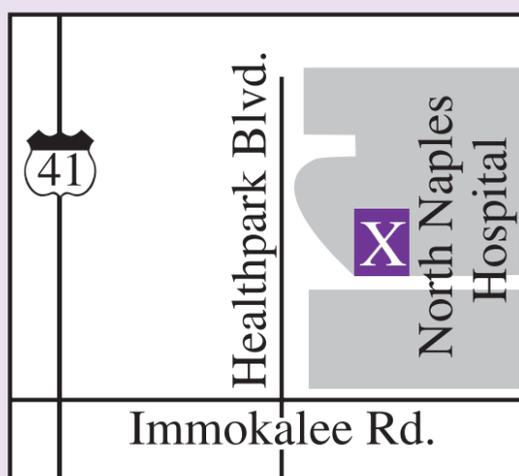


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Revving up

Culinary entrepreneurs gearing up to welcome Florida Culinary Accelerator @ Immokalee

BY AISLING SWIFT

Special to Florida Weekly

Collier County is reaching out to local farmers, chef entrepreneurs, juicers and others who want to take their product or recipe to the next level: a successful business.

To learn the needs of aspiring culinary entrepreneurs, county officials are asking them to take a short survey to help planners and builders design the Florida Culinary Accelerator @ Immokalee, a state-of-the-art kitchen, food processing and packing facility.

“The driving force behind this project is to mentor, train and support food entrepreneurs by leveraging Immokalee’s abundant fruit and vegetable resources,” says Jace Kentner, director of Collier County’s Office of Business & Economic Development. “The accelerator will diversify our economy by providing the facility and resources needed to accelerate food product companies.”

Immokalee, the second poorest municipality in Florida, was chosen as the location because it is Collier County’s agricultural center. It’s also part of a federal Promise Zone with Hendry and Glades counties, which gives Immokalee preferred access to federal grants for economic development, education and infrastructure. The high-poverty area is one of 22 Promise

Zones in the country and the only one in Florida. Collier County also has been named a StrikeForce County, a USDA program that brings economic opportunities to high-poverty rural communities by helping leverage their assets.

Marshall Goodman, director of the county’s accelerators in Naples and Immokalee, calls Immokalee the perfect location due to its farm resources, small local food businesses and proximity to Naples — known for its healthy lifestyle, love of food and the growing locavore movement that favors locally grown and made products.

“I think the locavore movement would

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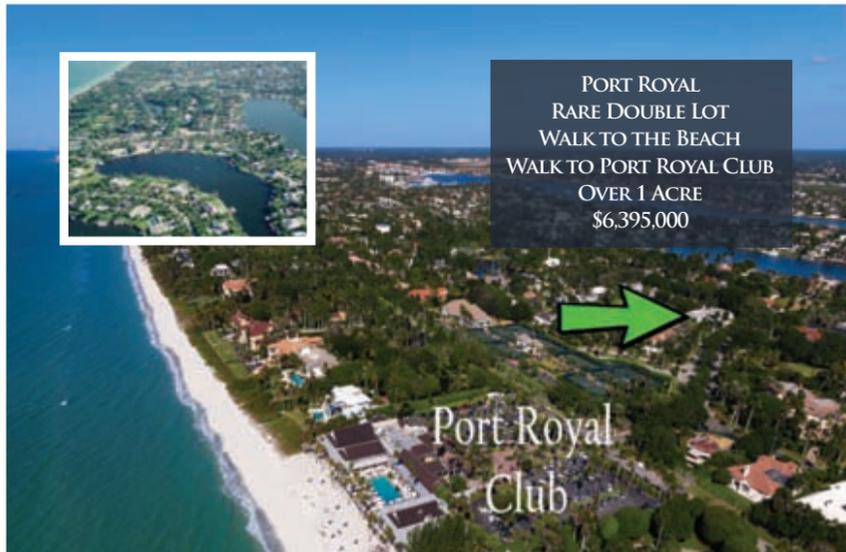
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The Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce challenges its members to donate 1,000 pounds of food and toiletry items at its annual November After Hours “Harvest Night” to benefit the Bonita Springs Assistance Office. It’s from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 10, at the Promenade at Bonita Bay.

Chamber members are asked to bring a donation and a friend — and to tell that friend to bring a donation, too.

Last year’s attendees donated more than 850 pounds of non-perishables to the BSAO; the goal this year is to collect 1,000 pounds of food and toiletry items. Appropriate donations include: bar soaps and

shampoo, cereal, cooking oil, corn muffin/cake mixes, healthy snacks, instant potatoes, juice beverages (all sizes), ketchup, maseca corn flour, mayonnaise, mustard and jarred pasta sauce.

Donations can be brought to Harvest Night or dropped off at the chamber anytime during business hours by end of day Nov, 10. The chamber is at 25071 Chamber of Commerce Drive, Bonita Springs.

Reservations for Harvest Night are required by noon Tuesday, Nov 9. Members should call 992-29434 or sign up online at www.bonitaspringschamber.com. Guests can sign up by emailing Breanne Winter at Breanne@bonitaspringschamber.com. ■

Go ‘Over the Edge’ in the name of Junior Achievement of SWFL

Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida is announcing a call for sponsors for its 2017 Over the Edge rappelling fundraising event that takes place Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Naples Grand Beach Resort. In partnership with Over the Edge USA, the local JA is raising funds to support its mission to bring work-readiness, entrepreneurship and financial literacy programs to students throughout Southwest Florida.

“Sponsors are a vital part to the success of our event,” says Angela Fisher, president and CEO of Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida.

Over the Edge participants, known as

“edgers,” raise a minimum pledge of \$1,000 and experience the exhilaration of rappelling 170 from the top of the Naples Grande.

If you would to be an “edger” and help prepare the next generation for a lifetime of success, register by visiting www.jao-vertheedge.com/selfregister.

Any business, organization or individual interested in becoming an event sponsor can find out more by calling Stephanie Hoffman at 225-2590, emailing info@jaswfl.org or visiting www.jaswfl.org/over-the-edge. Sponsorship packages offering the opportunity to rappel are available as well as non-rappelling packages. ■



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ON THE MOVE

Marketing & PR

Marta VanderStarre has joined Pushing the Envelope Inc. as a communication strategist. Ms. VanderStarre brings more than 20 years of experience in strategic messaging and information design to her new position. She has served as marketing director for local nonprofit organizations including BIG ARTS and Gulf Coast Symphony after starting her career as an accountant with a focus on financial reporting.



VANDER-STARRE

Media

Justin Chase has been promoted to executive vice president-programming for Beasley Media Group Inc., a subsidiary of Beasley Broadcast Group Inc. Mr. Chase has been the company's vice president of programming since 2013, after four years of service as operations manager for Beasley Media Group's radio stations in Las Vegas. He represents Beasley Media Group on several industry boards, including the Media Ratings Council, the Nielsen Advisory Council and the Council for Research Excellence.



CHASE

Bud Knight has been named vice president-programming for Beasley Media Group Inc., a subsidiary of Beasley Broadcast Group Inc., following the completion of, and contingent upon, Beasley Broadcast Group's previously announced acquisition of all of the outstanding stock of Greater Media Inc. As senior vice president-program development for Greater Media, Mr. Knight has overseen content and brand strategies for the company. He started his career there in 2002. He serves on several industry audience measurement advisory boards, including: the Nielsen Audio Advisory Council, the National Association of Broadcasting Committee on Local Audience Radio Audience Measurement and the Council for Research Excellence, where he is chairman of the audio committee.



KNIGHT

Nonprofit Organizations

Renee Davis has joined the David Lawrence Center staff as director of information technology for the mental health and substance abuse treatment facility serving children, adults and families. Ms. Davis will provide management, oversight and direction to the IT team, optimize performance of technology systems, negotiate contracts and agreements with service and product vendors, ensure continuity of

business and disaster recovery plans and lead projects selected for implementation. She has more than 20 years of experience working in and managing IT companies ranging from 200 to 3,000 employees. She earned a master's degree in business administration from Lakeland University in Plymouth, Wis., and also studied medical billing and coding and HIPAA compliance at Gulf Coast State College in Panama City.

Nicole Shannahan has joined the staff at Lighthouse of Collier Inc., Center for Blindness and Vision Loss, as director of the children's program and the daily living skills instructor for the adult program. Ms. Shannahan brings 15 years of experience in special education to her position. She holds a master's degree in special education from Lindenwood University in Saint Charles, Mo.



SHANNAHAN

Sports

Allison Bucci has joined the Boston Red Sox as business development manager-Florida operations. She joins the Fenway South team after spending seven years working for the Red Sox in Boston in ticket and premium sales, overseeing the luxury suites and premium packages at Fenway Park. She holds a bachelor's degree from Marist College and earned her MBA from Northeast-

ern University while working for the Red Sox. In her new position, she will oversee all corporate partnerships for spring training at JetBlue Park as well as implement and manage the year-round rental business for the ballpark and surrounding 20 acres.

Travel

Travel specialists **Connie Moody** and **Donna Christensen** of Preferred Travel of Naples recently completed an in-depth training program with Tauck Academy on Tauck's history, details of the company's extensive product line and what separates Tauck tours and cruises from others. As such, the join the less than 1 percent of Tauck's worldwide network of travel agents who are Tauck Certified and receive exclusive benefits to extend to their clients. Preferred Travel of Naples now has six travel specialists who have received Tauck accreditation.

Wealth Management

John Kinkead has joined Naples Money Managers as vice president of wealth advancement. Mr. Kinkead has worked in southeastern Ohio developing growth and retirement portfolios with Merrill Lynch & Co. He then joined Healthcare IP Partners in Minnesota to raise capital for intellectual property startups and eventually joined Morgan Stanley Wealth Management as an executive director. ■

ACCELERATING

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be well served by putting this facility at residents' fingertips," Mr. Goodman says. "We can keep the costs down and provide equipment and services that normally would be out of the reach of a startup company."

Late last month, U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson, D-Florida, flew to Immokalee Regional Airport to meet with Mr. Goodman and county leaders and learn about the accelerator. Days earlier, celebrity chef Art Smith met with the culinary accelerator team to discuss a partnership that includes his holding a fundraising dinner, mentoring participating chef entrepreneurs and selling his famous fried chicken sandwich at the accelerator's retail store, Woodstock's.

Through a partnership between the county and local nonprofit Economic Incubators Inc., a 5,274-square-foot warehouse at Immokalee Regional Airport will

be transformed into the Florida Culinary Accelerator @ Immokalee. It will offer an 18-month educational and mentorship program in addition to a food lab operated by the University of Florida's Southwest Florida Research & Education Center. Groundbreaking is expected in December, with opening targeted for summer 2017.

The accelerator will be designed for use by farmers and cooperatives, startup food companies and home-kitchen entrepreneurs. It will also be available to mid-size food companies, retail and food service companies and commercial users. The county will offer scholarships, a variety of classes, food testing, certification training and workshops with local chefs.

To help businesses expand to the next level of distribution, Woodstock's will provide space at the Naples Accelerator (off Pine Ridge Road at 3510 Kraft Road) for chef entrepreneurs to sell their products to the public.

Danny Gonzalez, who manages Immokalee's popular Lozano's Mexican Restaurant with his wife, Sandy, plans to expand

the restaurant and salsa business by becoming the first tenant of the new Florida Culinary Accelerator @ Immokalee. The restaurant sources its produce from the Immokalee State Farmers Market, with tomatoes coming from farms in Immokalee, Ruskin and Palmetto nine months of the year.

"I'm excited," says Mr. Gonzalez, who also is president of the Immokalee Chamber of Commerce. "We want to push our sales when the snowbird season gets here. We get tons of customers. They buy salsa by the gallon and want to take it home. We just run out. We have to turn people away."

The founders of Naples-based Joyful Juicing, Hannah Peterson and Nicolas Fina, jump-started the culinary program by joining the Naples Accelerator in August so they could work on new products. Their national food and beverage consulting company, Modiv, focuses on emerging and established brands that want to bring innovative natural products to market.

The couple moved their juicing operation to Miami, but in the past, when production was in Naples, they sourced from Inyoni Organic Farm as well as from Food & Thought. Due to the seasonality in Florida in the summer months, Ms. Peterson says, they source produce nationwide, but buy a lot of produce from local farms in the winter.

"We see this as the perfect bridge and a great way to build up momentum here in town," Ms. Peterson says. "With the rise in the natural food and beverage industry, and consumer trends reporting the demand in craft local products, we truly feel that having access to a versatile facility such as the Immokalee accelerator will bring a lot of that business to Collier County.

"We are excited about the project and all of the growth it will provide to small local businesses," she adds.

The accelerator will offer shared-use food processing space for a broad array of hot and cold products, as well as administrative office space for staff and clients. Future phases will include an alcohol-distillation machine and an HPP machine — a cold, high-pressure process that keeps

foods, juices and beverages fresher and safer longer. In addition to food businesses, the leftover food waste and fiber from the HPP machine creates another possible business venue, transforming that waste into an environmentally friendly compost.

The accelerator is being designed to meet federal regulatory standards (FDA and USDA) as well as local and state regulations.

This spring, the Florida Legislature appropriated \$1.75 million for the Collier County's business and culinary accelerators in Naples and Immokalee. The county also received a \$112,536 USDA grant this year and a \$1 million U.S. Economic Development Administration grant last month. In addition, the county is applying for \$160,000 in grant money under the Promise Zone to purchase two food trucks for the accelerator and \$2.25 million in funding for 20 three-year scholarships for chef participants.

So far, 28 chef entrepreneurs have taken the county survey, including those who make Kombucha, gluten-free, paleo and raw foods, salsa and brisket.

"I don't think there is anything like it anywhere," says Collier County Commissioner Tim Nance, whose district includes Immokalee. "It's going to be great for people who want to get into fresh foods and food production. It's going to give them everything they need. And it's going to be a wonderful synergy between the Collier County economic development office and the University of Florida's Southwest Florida Research & Education Center."

For more information, email: info@NaplesAccelerator.com.

To complete the survey, which is available in English, Spanish and Creole, please visit:

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— *Aisling Swift is the executive coordinator for the Collier County Office of Business and Economic Development.*

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MONEY & INVESTING

When chip company changed focus, revenue and stock price rose

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When someone brings a high-end watch into my jewelry store, the first thing I do is open the back and check what is “under the hood.” After all, when looking at a \$10,000 watch, you shouldn’t find a “made in China” digital quartz movement powering the timepiece. The same thing goes for electronics. When you are paying a premium for high performance devices, consumers expect cutting-edge processors powering them.

Which is why it was so surprising to me that if you look at the chips powering the most advanced products from Apple, Microsoft, Sony and Alibaba, they are manufactured by Advanced Micro Device. The same AMD that was trading at \$1 per share a few years ago, was on the verge of bankruptcy and was mostly considered a poor man’s Intel.

So what is going on with this chip company and is it a good investment going forward?

AMD made headlines last week as part of Apple’s release of its new Mac Book Pro. Many people not directly following the company may have been surprised that AMD chips were powering the graphics in Apple’s newest high-end computer but they shouldn’t have been.

After all, it is an AMD chip that powers Sony’s PS4 and Microsoft’s new-

est X-Box. And AMD just last month announced that Alibaba was going to use its technologies in its cloud computing applications.

Just a few years ago, these major wins were unimaginable for AMD. This was a company that was focused on one thing: Making the main processors that powered PC computers. And it wasn’t doing it very well. Every time the chip manufacturer put out a new product, Intel would put out a better one. So it was forced to discount its prices to compete.

At the same time, PC sales were dropping as people favored notebooks and tablets rather than desktops and laptops. So the company was producing an

inferior product at money-losing prices in a shrinking market. No wonder the stock traded between \$1 and \$4 a share between 2013 and 2016.

But then the company changed its focus. Instead of manufacturing chips, it focused on designing them, thus eliminating significant capital expenditures and cash outflows. It also intensified its focus on graphic chips, creating a market-leading competency in that area. Slowly, its revenue starting to shift from 75 percent of its sales coming from traditional PC sales to now less than 50 percent. And for the first time in years, revenue started to increase.

Wall Street has started to take notice

of AMD’s turn-around story and the stock is now trading at over \$7 per share compared with around \$2 at the start of the year. Even more exciting for the stock is that 2017 is anticipated to be another strong year for the company, as it is finally rolling out Zen, its most anticipated chip yet. This processor is supposed to be ahead of its peers and can enable the company to win major market share in high-margin areas like server markets and cloud computing.

But despite all of these high-profile wins, AMD is no safe investment. The company is not profitable and has not been for a number of years. It pays no dividend. And it plays in a very competitive industry where its competition has more resources and capital.

However, I like the stock and have owned it for a few years already.

I tend to like value and “underdog” stocks and AMD is certainly that.

In addition, I feel like the current management team has really racked up some marquee wins, which gives me confidence in its critical Zen release in a few months. And the bar is so low for the company at this point that any positive news causes the stock to soar. If only the company could turn a profit. Now that would be something to truly celebrate. ■

— Eric Bretan, the co-owner of Rick’s Estate & Jewelry Buyers in Punta Gorda, was a senior derivatives marketer and investment banker for more than 15 years at several global banks.

Legal Aid Service breakfast will benefit Immokalee outreach

Legal Aid Service of Collier County holds its second annual fall breakfast to benefit its Immokalee outreach office from 7:30-9 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Hilton Naples.

Sister Maureen Kelleher, the Legal Aid staff attorney who heads the Immokalee office, has been serving the Immokalee community for more than 20 years

as an immigration attorney, representing approximately 500 clients each annually.

Many of her clients include women and children who have been victims of domestic violence or other violent crimes. She also assists



human trafficking victims, minors and others seeking asylum and legal residents seeking to secure citizenship.

Funding from The Florida Bar for such humanitarian work has been cut drastically over the last five years.

Funds raised at the breakfast help Legal Aid Service continue such work.

Breakfast sponsorships for \$100 include recognition at the event and on Legal Aid’s website and social media. Individual tickets are \$75. For reservations or more information, call Logan Meester at 298-8138, email lmeester@leagalaid.org or visit www.legalaid.org. ■

Four early-stage entrepreneurs will vie for ‘Most Investible’

T2, the Tamiami II Florida Angel Fund, and the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce present “VenturePitch SWFL 4Q16” from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Conservancy of Southwest Florida.



Four early-stage entrepreneurs will



compete for the title of Most Investible in this “Shark Tank”-style event by

pitching their business plans to a panel of judges. The audience will also participate by voting one company as the Audience Award recipient.

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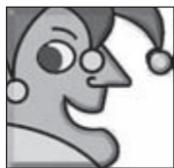












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Smart Value Investing

Many of the most successful investors, such as Warren Buffett, Tom Gayner and Seth Klarman, are value investors. They aim to buy stocks that are trading for less than they are worth. There's more to it than that, of course, so here are some tips on how to be a good value investor.

- First off, keep your emotions in check. Taking actions based on fear or greed often leads to subpar results. Fear keeps us away from good companies encountering temporary rough patches, while greed gets us into surging stocks that may be overvalued. Be skeptical of market darlings and stocks that are viewed as sure things. Look into what their risks are and weigh them against upsides.

- Prepare to be a contrarian investor, looking for value in promising stocks and sectors that others are ignoring or avoiding. Out-of-favor stocks with beaten-down prices can offer attractive dividend yields, too. Following the crowd is likely to lead to average results at best.

- Don't avoid boring stocks. Companies specializing in insurance or paint or garbage collection can outperform companies in exciting and developing

new industries. One of the best long-term performers has been Altria, the tobacco giant. (Being a value investor doesn't mean you give up growth.)

- Don't be a speculator, grabbing shares of high-flying stocks that you know little about and not hanging on for very long. Instead, invest in great companies with the aim of holding for many years, understanding that you're a part-owner in them. Get to know the companies well before investing and then keep up with their progress.

- Pay attention to a company's valuation. A stock's price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio is a good place to start. P/Es vary by industry, so don't compare apples and oranges. Instead, compare peers, and also compare a company's current P/E to its five-year average, to see whether it seems relatively undervalued or overvalued. Look beyond the P/E, too, as it doesn't tell you everything.

Above all, keep reading and learning. The more you know, the better your investment results are likely to be. ■

My Dumbest Investment

Golden Regrets

My dumbest investment was investing in gold after I left the Navy. I did so through a company that charged me storage and handling fees that ended up offsetting my price gains.

— M.S., online

The Fool Responds: Many people like investing in gold, seeing it as a defensive move against possible economic downturns and a good way to diversify a portfolio.

Gold is generally far from a great investment, though. As finance professor Jeremy Siegel has shown in his book "Stocks for the Long Run" (McGraw-Hill, \$40), between 1802 and 2012, a dollar invested in gold would have grown to \$4.52 (adjusted for inflation). It would have grown to \$281 in Treasury bills, \$1,788 in bonds and \$704,997 in stocks.

Over shorter periods, of course, gold can soar. About a decade ago it was around \$600 per ounce, and it recently topped \$1,200. But in 2011, an ounce went for more than \$1,900. Gold can be more volatile than safe.

If you're set on investing in gold, perhaps limit it to a small portion of your portfolio. You can invest in it in several ways — such as buying actual gold (which you'll need to safely store), investing in gold-mining companies or opting for mutual funds focused on gold.

Remember that portfolios also can be diversified by holding domestic and foreign stocks, bonds and real estate investments. You can do well without gold. ■

Last week's trivia answer

I trace my roots back to 1905, when the creator of the Oldsmobile car formed a new company that morphed into the Nuclear Corp. of America. That company bought Vulcraft, a steel joist and girder company, in 1962. In 1965 my new president helped me avoid bankruptcy by selling off some of my businesses and turning me into a steelmaker. My mini mills took off, and as I grew, I shortened my name. Today I'm the largest steelmaker in the U.S., and North America's biggest recycler. Among other things, my products include carbon and alloy steel in many forms. Who am I? (Answer: Nucor) ■



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Inflation's Effect

Q How can I find out what inflation's effect has been over time?

— T.W., Strasburg, Virginia

A Try the handy inflation calculator at westegg.com/inflation. It can show you, for example, that something that cost \$100 in 2000 would cost \$139 in 2015.

To learn the average inflation rate over a period, visit measuringworth.com/inflation. (Between 1980 and 2015, for example, it averaged 3.07 percent annually in the U.S.) That site also shows the inflation rate for specific years. Inflation averaged less than 1 percent in 2015 — but topped 13 percent in 1980!

Q What's a "payout ratio"?

— G.N., Biloxi, Mississippi

A It's the percentage of a company's earnings (net income) that's paid out to shareholders as a dividend. For example, McDonald's trailing earnings per share (EPS) was recently \$5.24, and its annual dividend was \$3.76 (\$0.94 per quarter). Divide \$3.76 by \$5.24, and you'll get 0.72, or a payout ratio of 72 percent.

A payout ratio above 100 reflects a company paying out more than it's earning, which is not sustainable over the long run. (A single bad year can give a company a temporarily high payout ratio, though.) Companies with high payout ratios often have little flexibility regarding what they can do with their cash. That can be OK for big, established companies that don't need to reinvest much in their businesses. Reinvested earnings can sometimes return less than shareholders could get investing the payout on their own.

Consider a very steep payout ratio a red flag, as the company may have to reduce its dividends. Low payout ratios suggest lots of room for dividend increases. To see our recommended dividend-paying stocks, try our "Motley Fool Income Investor" newsletter for free (at fool.com/shop/newsletters). ■

Want more information about stocks? Send us an email to foolnews@fool.com.

Name That Company

I trace my roots back to the 1936 founding of a meatpacking company in Virginia. Today I'm a global food giant and the world's biggest pork processor and hog producer, with revenue of \$14 billion in 2015. I process more than 30 million hogs annually and have processing plants in the United States, Poland and Romania. My brands include Nathan's Famous, Armour, Carando, Cook's, Curly's, Eckrich, Farmland, Gwaltney, Kretschmar,



John Morrell, Healthy Ones, Margherita and more. I was acquired by a Chinese company for close to \$5 billion in 2013. I employ about 50,000 people around the world. Who am I?

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

The Motley Fool Take

Reading Facebook

Facebook (Nasdaq: FB) has been outperforming Wall Street analyst expectations for revenue and earnings during the past few years, and analysts expect the company to grow its earnings by about 35 percent annually over the next five years. It's not unthinkable, as the social network has grown earnings by an average of 69 percent a year over the last five years, while sales have increased by 55 percent annually. That's impressive!

Many of Facebook's numbers are staggering. It boasts more than a billion daily active users around the world. It has been quite successful at monetizing its heavy traffic, as its annual revenue of more than \$20 billion attests. Its net profit margin top-

ping 30 percent is also impressive.

Facebook is getting better at milking more ad revenue out of its users. Advertisers are seeing the social hub as crucial to their marketing campaigns, and they're paying more to use it. In its last quarter, monthly active users may have risen by a modest 15 percent over the past year, but Facebook's ad revenue soared 63 percent.

Facebook's stock doesn't look like a bargain, with its price-to-earnings (P/E) ratio recently near 61, but rapid growers tend to have steep P/E ratios. Its growth is likely to slow as it gets more immense, but the stock is poised to reward patient risk-tolerant believers. (The Motley Fool owns shares of and has recommended Facebook.) ■

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 www.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.

■ **The Southwest Florida Regional Technology Partnership** holds a CIO Roundtable for chief information officers from 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, at Hodges University in Naples. Jose Ruggero of Gartner will facilitate a panel discussion with: James Sampel of Alico Inc., Andrew Hunter of Lee County Government, Carl Stringer of US Sugar, Dave Massey of Bealls, Shawn Buskey of Arthrex and Kevin Barnhill of The Smart Company. Admission is free for SWFRTP members, \$25 for others. Sign up at www.swfrtp.org. For more information, call 229-8030.

■ **Wake Up Naples** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 7-8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the Hilton

Naples. The morning's program will include presentation the 2016 Distinguished Public Service Awards. Reservations are required by Nov. 4 and can be made at www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ **The Leadership Collier Foundation Alumni Association** invites all LCF alumni to a behind-the-scenes event to learn about common issues facing local veterans from 3-5:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Fred W. Coyle Freedom Park, 1515 Golden Gate Parkway. Attendees will learn how they can get involved to support veterans in the community. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ **The East Naples Merchants Association** meets for networking from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10, at Ideal Fitness and Weight Loss Center, 8595 Collier Blvd. \$10 for members, \$20 for others. Visit www.eastnaplesmerchantsassoc.com for more information.

■ **Business After Five** for members and guests of the Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at Zing Casual Living, 15495 Tamiami Trail N. \$10 for chamber members, \$25 for others. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events. ■

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Experts will share insights on emerging trends

The Urban Land Institute-Southwest Florida presents the 2017 Emerging Trends Local Market Outlook forum Tuesday morning, Nov. 15, at Vyne House in Talis Park in North Naples. Doors open for breakfast at 7:45 a.m. and the program starts at 8:45 a.m.

The keynote speaker will be Anita Kramer, senior vice president of ULI's Center for Capital Markets & Real Estate.

Ms. Kramer will discuss real estate investment and development trends, real estate finance, capital markets and property sectors as seen in the ULI Emerging Trends in Real Estate 2017 report.

Lesley Deutch, principal of John Burns Real Estate Consulting, will discuss shifting demographics in Southwest Florida and how they will affect buyers' choices and preferences.

Ms. Deutch will also share her insights about the current state of the Southwest Florida housing market, with a focus on Collier and Lee counties. John Burns Real Estate Consulting is a national firm that provides independent research and consulting services related to the U.S. housing industry.

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Tickets to the Nov. 15 program at Talis Park are \$35 for ULI-Southwest Florida members, \$55 for others.

Reservations are required by Nov. 11 and can be made by calling (800) 321-5011 (reference #8118-1703) or by going to www.swflorida.uli.org. ■



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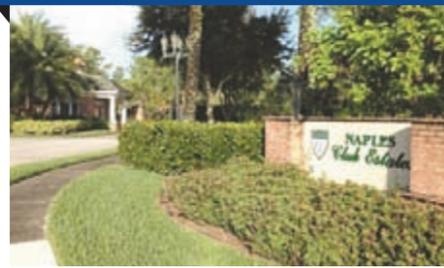
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Joseph Abood has joined KOVA Partners LLC as lead listing coordinator for KOVA Commercial of Naples LLC. His responsibilities include assisting the brokerage team with new and active listings, maintaining the customer relationship management platform, managing various marketing platforms for company listings as well as being responsible for weekly email newsletters and monthly owners' reports to insure landlords are well-informed on activity with regards to their properties. A native of Rhode Island, Mr. Abood holds a bachelor's degree in finance from the College of Business Administration at the University of Rhode Island. Prior to joining the team at KOVA Commercial of Naples, he was employed by Merrill Edge.



ABOOD

Ms. Pascal earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Massachusetts. She has eight years of experience as a property manager for residential communities and three years as an office manager for a local nonprofit organization.



PASCAL

Domain Realty welcomes the following new agents to its sales team: **Annie Jaquet Bently, Rusty Van Buskirk, Laurent Dubuc, Burt Goldstein, Sherry Holland Janes, Bruce Jorgensen, Mike Kuebel, Tyrone Morgan Jr., Tanya Oosterhous, John Rodda, Patrick Taylor and Maureen Wetzel.**

Top producers for September at Domain Realty were as follows: **Dominick Tascher**, closed sales, top overall agent; **Jonathan Burg**, closed sales, top agent; **Lucia Dillard**, closed sales, top listing agent; **Debbie Pappas-Burback**, top agent, pending sales; **Lucia Dillard**, No. 2 agent, pending sales; and **Adam Ruud**, No. 3 agent, pending sales.

KW Property Management & Consulting has added four Southwest Florida communities with more than 4,000 homes to its portfolio in the last six months. The communities are **Tiburon Estates** in Naples, **Island Walk Naples** and **Paseo Condominium Association** and **Paseo Master Association**, both in Fort Myers. Saturnia Lakes in Naples and Residences at Coconut Point are also under the company's management.

SPM LLC has added Belvedere at Quail Run to its portfolio of properties.

Suffolk Construction has broken ground on new residential Building R at **Moorings Park**. Building R will include three floors over parking with 18 residences ranging from 2,219 to 3,325 square feet under air. Features include two- and three-bedroom open floor plans with large, wrap-around terraces on select floors, wet bars, eat-in kitchens, master suites with walk-in closets and master baths with enclosed water closets and dual vanities. Residents can personalize their units through the Moorings Park Design Center.

Building R is expected to be complete in late 2017. It is the continuation of a partnership between Moorings Park, Suffolk Construction, teaming partner Morton and Wasmer Builders and Perkins-Eastman / BSSW Architects. ■

Carrie Horner has joined BUILD as marketing coordinator. Ms. Horner has more than 11 years of experience in marketing in the building industry, most recently handling member events and communication for the Collier Building Industry Association for seven years.



HORNER

Budge Huskey has been named president of Premier Sotheby's International Realty as part of the organization's leadership succession plan. Reporting directly to CEO Judy Green, Mr. Huskey is responsible for operational management of the \$4 billion sales volume brokerage company, allowing Ms. Green to focus on strategic initiatives and continued growth of the firm. He brings to the role 33 years of real estate brokerage and franchising experience, most recently serving as global president and CEO for Coldwell Banker Real Estate LLC.



HUSKEY

Laura Pascal, a licensed community association manager, has joined KOVA Partners LLC as a property manager for KOVA Property Management LLC, overseeing the daily operations of 10 commercial properties throughout Lee and Collier counties. A native of Massachusetts,

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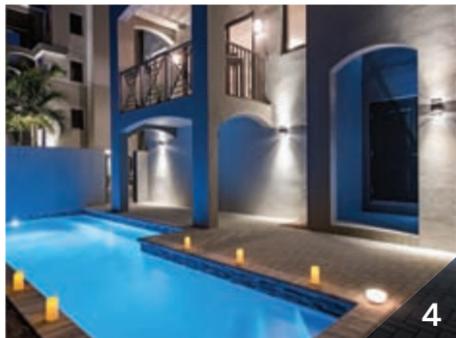
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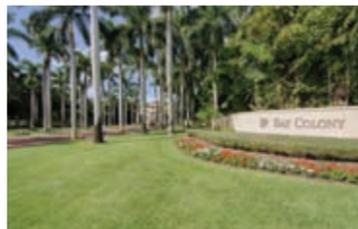
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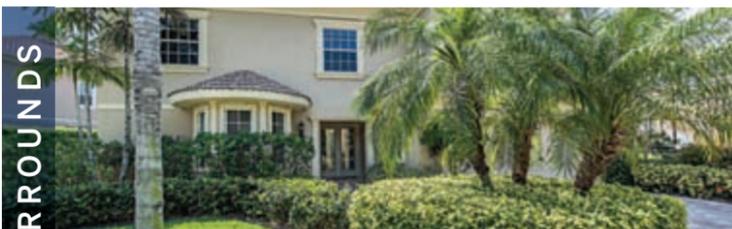
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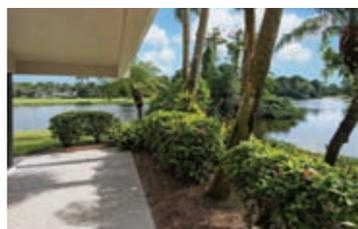
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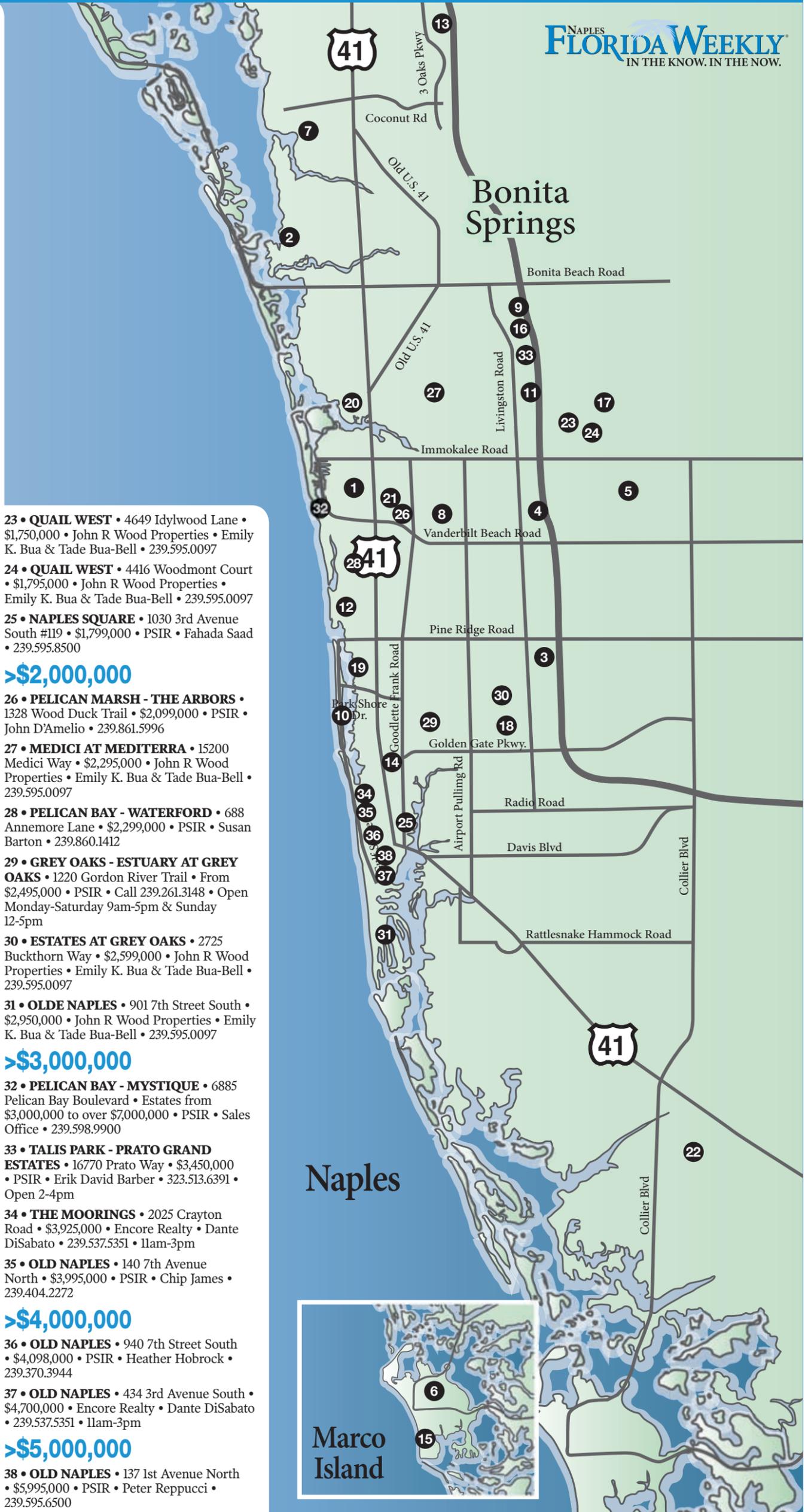
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NAR: Pending home sales are edging up

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Pending home sales shifted higher in September following August's notable dip and are now at their fifth highest level over the past year, according to the National Association of Realtors. Increases in the South and West outgained declines in the Northeast and Midwest.

NAR's Pending Home Sales Index, an indicator based on contract signings, grew 1.5 percent to 110.0 in September from a slight downward revision of 108.4 in August. With last month's gain, the index is 2.4 percent higher than it was in September 2015 (107.4) and has now risen year-over-year for 22 of the last 25 months.

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says a robust increase in the West and a healthy bump in the South pushed pending sales upward in September. "Buyer demand is holding up impressively well this fall, with Realtors reporting much stronger foot traffic compared to a year ago," he says. "Although depressed inventory levels are keeping home prices elevated in most of the country, steady job gains and growing evidence that wages are finally starting to tick up are encouraging more households to consider buying a home."

The report on September existing-home sales shows many positive indicators that the housing market's overall health continues to improve as 2016

draws to an end, Mr. Yun says. In addition to sales matching their third highest pace (5.47 million) since February 2007 (5.79 million), distressed sales (foreclosures and short sales) fell to their lowest share (4 percent) since NAR began tracking them in October 2008. Furthermore, sales to first-time buyers reached 34 percent, which matched the highest share since July 2012 and was up convincingly from September 2015 (29 percent).

"The one major predicament in the housing market is without a doubt the painfully low levels of housing inventory in much of the country," Mr. Yun adds. "It's leading to home prices outpacing wages, properties selling a lot quicker

than a year ago and the home search for many prospective buyers being highly competitive and drawn out because of a shortage of listings at affordable prices."

The PHSI in the Northeast fell 1.6 percent to 96.5 in September, but is still 7.7 percent above a year ago. In the Midwest the index declined modestly (0.2 percent) to 104.6 in September, and is now 1.0 percent lower than September 2015.

Pending home sales in the South rose 1.9 percent to an index of 122.1 in September and are now 1.7 percent higher than last September. The index in the West jumped 4.7 percent in September to 107.3, and is now 4 percent above a year ago. ■



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The power of stories

Band of siblings shares vision with Storytellers Creative Arts, prepares for second benefit concert

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"APART FROM STORY, WE HAVE NO MEANING," DECLARES ANNIE WOLAVER DUPRE, a Nashville-based violinist and lead singer of the Annie Moses Band.

"I feel that the power of the story and the narrative element is honestly the source of the meaning itself," she says. "Whether you're a visual artist, a filmmaker, a storyteller, a songwriter — we are always looking for the transformation that is inherent within a story, the movement from darkness to light."

Artists, she adds, have the unique task of taking a creative medium and making it "a conduit for truth," sometimes through their own personal stories. "It can be our

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A reception for 'Reflections in Batik'

The Naples Depot Museum hosts a reception for "Reflections in Batik," an exhibit by Neapolitan artist Natalie Guess, from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3. Admission is free, and all are welcome.

The exhibit, which hangs through December, has been on display since Oct. 5. The original opening reception was postponed when Hurricane Matthew threatened.

Ms. Guess is one of the few fine art batik artists in the United States. She has worked in the ancient Egyptian technique of "wax writing" for more than 30 years.

Batik involves the painting of hot clear wax on silk or cotton, then immersing the cloth in vats of dye, one color at a time, layering the effect until a painting is formed.



"Sunday at the Beach"

The true colors appear once the wax is ironed out between stacks of paper.

"I revel in the opportunity to create



"Sunset Silhouettes, Naples Beach Hotel"

images in batik, which captures scenes in a way unlike any other fine art medium," the artist says. She focuses on recognizable subject matter, such as wading birds, mangroves, shadows on the beach, reflections in the bay and various imagery that distinguishes Southwest Florida from anywhere else.

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A guide to understanding and addressing sea level change



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■ **“Sea Level Rise in Florida: Science, Impacts, and Options” by Albert C. Hine, Don P. Chambers, Tonya D. Clayton, Mark R. Hafen, and Gary T. Mitchum. University Press of Florida. 176 pages. Hardcover, \$34.95.**

Easily accessible to most readers with a scientific background and tougher sledding for the rest of us, this compact, well-illustrated volume clarifies the forces that cause sea level change and the consequences of such change.

Since we tend to use sea level as a basis for measurement, we assume it's a constant. However, it is not a constant. The fact of sea level variation is true everywhere, yet Florida has its own unique variations to complicate the decisions of policy-makers. Yes, sea level is and has been rising, the pace of the rise has been accelerating, and there is reason to believe this pattern will continue for centuries.



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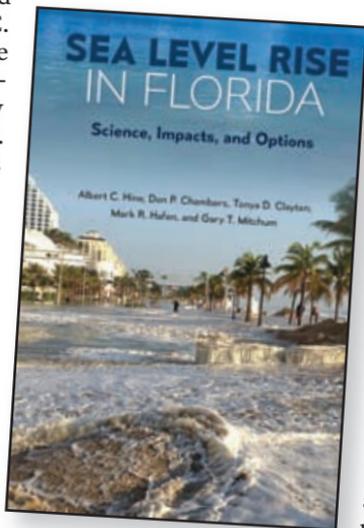
The opening chapter, simply and clearly titled “Sea Level Has Always Been Changing,” introduces the evidence regarding sea level fluctuation both globally and in our largely peninsular state. Graphs, charts and photographs support the lucid explanations by Albert C. Hine as he presents the consensus understandings about how and why sea level changes occur. Geologic changes always have and always will affect sea level. Tides have an influence as well. Florida's stressed coastal system factors into the sea level change equation, and the rise in sea level in turn adds to that stress.

Mr. Hine presents an abundance of scientific information on the technology and record keeping that bears witness to sea level change.

The second chapter, by Don Chambers and Gary Mitchum, connects research on recent sea level rise with methods of predicting the future. The authors handle such topics as how the natural movement of water and human enterprises, globally and regionally, affect the storage and release of water. The warming of the oceans is a significant factor in sea level change: “Warmer water is less dense than cooler water,

so if the amount of mass stays the same then the volume must be larger, since density is mass divided by volume.”

Glacial melting has been and will continue to be a major factor in sea level rise.



Various charts assist the authors' discussion of “direct sea level observations” and what scientists have learned from such observations.

The third chapter, by Tonya Clayton, focuses more specifically on Florida. The author discusses Florida's underwater stratum of limestone, its coral and oyster reefs and its relatively recent emergence from being an undersea habitat. As an “ocean state, it has a unique history.” She also explains the phenomena

of saltwater intrusion, inundation and sediment redistribution.

Many readers will find this chapter the most exciting, with its detailed cause-and-effect analyses of all the stressors that interact with sea level rise. Also, this chapter is the most effective in employing maps and other helpful illustrations.

Like the other chapters, this one ends with a round-up list of “Essential Points to Know.” All in all, this skilled science

writer provides an exceptional exploration of coastal system attributes and their influence on a habitat's plants and animals.

In the final chapter, Mark Hafen looks forward, enumerating and examining the issues Floridians must confront and the changes in public policy that need to be negotiated among private, nonprofit and governmental interests. He reminds us of the inevitable conflicts among the many players and how politics can handicap progress. Local elected officials, he says, may be “reluctant to take any action that may be perceived as hurting the local economy or as deferring growth.” But he argues the need for developing a resilient master plan, and he examines the methodologies required to develop such a plan.

“Sea Level Rise in Florida” is a marvelous resource that brings together the thinking of committed experts in an attractive, coherent and positive manner. Each chapter gives a list of essential points, important references and a glossary of essential terms. The epilogue offers this crucial observation: “It is likely time to shift some of the debate away from what is causing climate change toward what we need to do to respond to its impact.” ■

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Lawrence Goldstone, acclaimed author of "Birdman," headlines the Monday, Feb. 20, lecture with a discussion of his "Drive! Henry Ford, George Seiden and the Race to Invent the Auto Age." In his illuminating account of the birth of the automobile, Mr. Goldstone chronicles the visionaries, hustlers and swindlers who came together to transform the world.

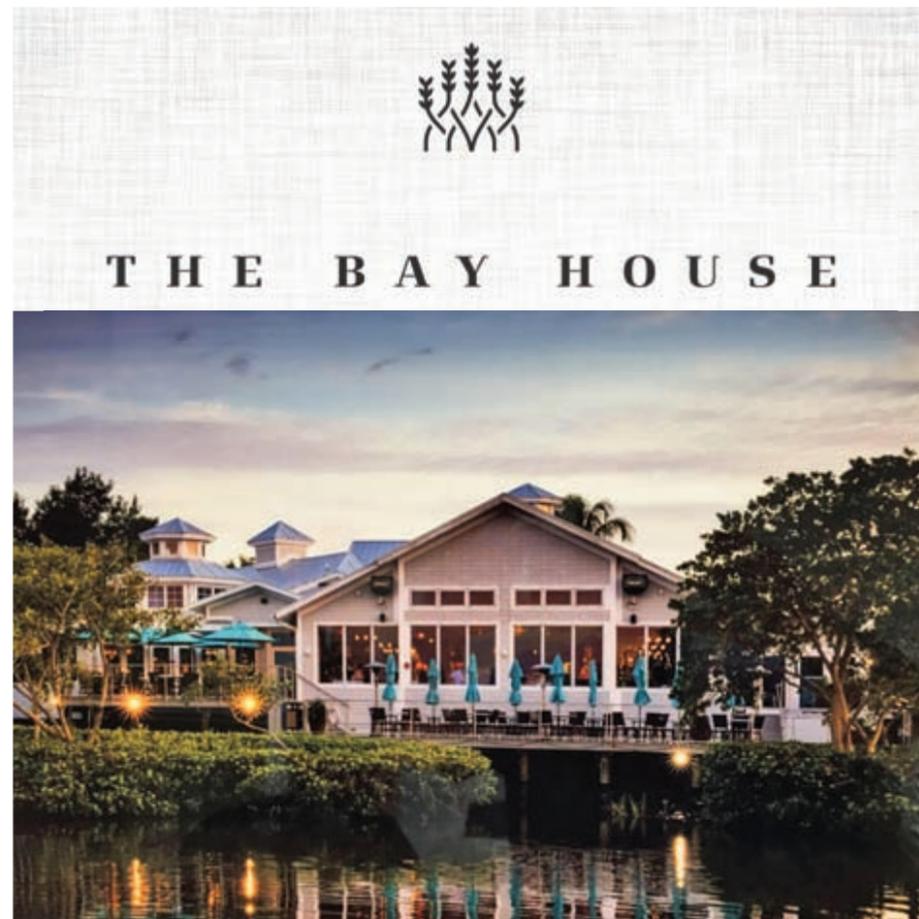
The series ends Monday, March 20,



with marine scientist Ellen Prager, Ph.D., who is recognized for her expertise and ability to make science understandable and entertaining for people of all ages. In "Sex, Drugs and Sea Slime: The Oceans' Oddest Creatures and Why They Matter," Ms. Prager reveals that hidden beneath the sea's waves are a staggering abundance and variety of active creatures engaged in the never-ending struggles of life: to reproduce, eat and avoid being eaten.

All three programs take place at the Country Club of Naples. Doors open for continental breakfast at 9 a.m. and the lectures start at 9:30 a.m. Series tickets are \$125 for Friends members, \$155 for others. Individual tickets are \$45 and \$55, respectively. To buy tickets or for more information, call Marlene Kern at 262-8135, email mkern@collier-friends.org or visit www.collier-friends.org.

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life experience, or the things that we have deduced from the world in which we live. But that's the power that the artist wields on the stage: It's the power to take a truth that we have learned through experience and communicate that to the audience so that we come to a common conclusion through our shared experience."

Ms. Dupre and her five younger siblings — Alex, Benjamin, Camille, Gretchen and Jeremiah — are the Annie Moses Band. They will perform a benefit concert for the Naples-based Storytellers Creative Arts at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.

Their music combines classical with bluegrass, folk, jazz and Americana. Ms. Dupre describes them as a crossover ensemble that uses traditional classical instrumentation in a commercial music setting.

The siblings play a variety of instruments: violin, viola, cello, electric guitar, harp, Hammond B3 organ, banjo and mandolin. They've performed onstage at the Grand Old Opry and Carnegie Hall and have appeared numerous times on PBS.

The Nov. 11 concert also includes performances by child prodigy and international award-winning concert pianist Noah Waddell of Fort Myers.



WADDELL

Storytellers Creative Arts

"I think stories keep us living and keep us going and give us hope," says Bill Barnett, executive director of Storytellers Creative Arts. (Though he shares the same name, he is not the mayor of Naples.) "When we tell stories, it helps us understand better who we are."

And we need to keep telling them, he believes.

Mr. Barnett's nonprofit, faith-based organization uses the arts as a tool for transformation in our culture, focusing on three areas.

The first is arts outreach, providing art and music therapy to children and adults. SCA programs currently serve all the shelters of St. Matthew's House and the Crossroads Recovery Program at the David Lawrence Center.

"We're like a key that's unlocking their creative souls and helping them to once again use those musical talents or artistic talents," Mr. Barnett says.

He and a team of SCA volunteers also provide arts mentoring for underprivileged kids.

"We use the arts for healing, but in the process, if we come across someone who's talented with pottery or music or painting, we pursue that further, and invite them to be part of the mentoring program," he says.

The second area of SCA's focus is what he calls "creative expression community groups," where like-minded creative people come together to share the gifts of their art and to build a sense of community. "We want to encourage artists to brainstorm about how they can serve the community, how they can give back," he says.

The third focus is what Mr. Barnett



BARNETT



Alex Wolaver started on the violin when he was 4 and at 9 years old switched to the viola. As a student, he served as principal violist with the Juilliard Pre-College Symphony.



Annie Wolaver Dupre plays violin and cello. She was named after her grand-grandmother, Annie Moses.



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Cellist Benjamin Wolaver earned a bachelor's degree in English literature from the University of London in 2012.



Gretchen Wolaver joined the family band fulltime when she was 11 years old.



Harpist Camilla Rose Da Silva also plays piano and the Hammond B3 organ.



Jeremiah Wolaver, the youngest member of the band, is a prolific songwriter as well as a vocalist and guitarist.

calls "equipping" and consists of workshops, conferences and roundtable inspirational talks to help artists hone their craft. For example, a recent storytelling workshop was designed to help businesses, nonprofits and individuals learn how to tell their corporate or personal stories.

A life of music

"It's an incredible mission that they have, in encouraging, helping, counseling artists and enabling them to be the best that they can be at their craft," Ms. Dupre says about SCA. She feels that the Annie Moses Band's mission dovetails nicely with that of SCA, making it the ideal band to perform the benefit concert.

"The vision of the Annie Moses Band speaks to the heartbeat of our vision," Mr. Barnett says, "because they truly believe in instilling the arts and training children when they're young to use their gifts and talents to impact culture."

The band performed its first benefit for SCA in Naples last year, when the nonprofit was brand new.

"That's why we're bringing them back," Mr. Barnett says. "We resonate with their vision and they resonate with ours as well."

The band is named after the siblings' great-grandmother and Ms. Dupre's namesake, Annie Moses, a sharecropper who lived a difficult life during the Great Depression and died of cancer at age 49.

"From the perspective of the earth, she was an insignificant person," Ms. Dupre says. "But from the perspective of eternity, she invested everything. Her daughter, Jane, had great musical ability and grace and elegance. Jane looked like a brunette Grace Kelly. She was beautiful and sang like Julie Andrews."

Although Jane had few musical opportunities herself, she determined that no matter what, her own children would have music in their lives. So Jane's daughter, Robin (the siblings' mother), grew up with music and went to college to study vocal performance. She met her future

husband there, and together they started all six of their children in studying music and playing instruments.

"This legacy of music and faith and family was now four generations deep," says Ms. Dupre, who began playing the violin at age 4. (She is now married and the mother of two. The only other married band member is Alex Wolaver; he also has two young children.)

"Music was like an athletic pursuit," Ms. Dupre says about their childhood. "We competed. My mother was an incredible partner in music. She walked that fine line between pushing and loving. Part of the job is to prepare a child for the authentic pressures of life."

The three oldest siblings studied for three years at the Juilliard School's pre-college division.

It's all about love

The band's most recent album, "The Art of the Love Song," was recorded at the Grand Ole Opry on the Warner Classic Label. It was also a PBS special released in March this year.

They'll perform many of the songs from that album at their upcoming concert in Fort Myers.

The album's based on a simple idea, says Ms. Dupre: "They don't write love songs like they're used to."

So they're performing Don McLean's "And I Love You So," Al Green's "Let's Stay Together" and a medley of Nat King Cole songs, among many others.

"A lot of these are classic, timeless and beloved," she says, adding, "It's going back to the Great American Songbook and pulling through the great canon of folk writers in the '60s and '70s."

Why don't composers write love songs the way they used to?

"I think we live in a time in which love is very misunderstood," she says. "I think we now have a more cynical view of love than we ever had. There was a time in which the concept of forever was inseparable from the concept of love ... What

we see in the pop culture now is the hook-up culture. It's not what love was intended to be. We know instinctively that the best that can be considered in life is loving, long-term relationships built on mutual respect and dignity.

"Those songs of the past beautifully conveyed that, and were based on that view of the world." With its most recent album, the Annie Moses Band wanted to reignite those ideals in the minds of listeners.

The songs explore the various seasons of love, she says, noting that love can take different forms, depending upon your season of life.

"Both of my widowed grandparents live with my parents, and I see them on a daily basis," she says. "I see what their love meant in the winter of life, and what that looks like. I think that's a powerful image to see in music."

The siblings take their performances very seriously, but they also have fun onstage, she says.

"We make music because we believe we're made in the image of God," she says. "... and part of being His people is to be a creative people.

"It's a great responsibility to know: We live short lives, and someone is going to sit down in a seat and listen to me for two hours. Money is one thing, but the value of people's time is perhaps the greatest investment they give you. We better make it worth their while." ■

in the know

The Annie Moses Band

- >> **What:** A benefit concert for Storytellers Creative Arts
- >> **When:** 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11
- >> **Where:** Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers
- >> **Cost:** \$25-\$67
- >> **Info:** 481-4849 or www.bbmannpah.com
- >> **Also performing:** Piano prodigy Noah Waddell

Theater begins groundbreaking cultural exchange with Cuba

Although Key West sits 90 miles north of Havana, Cuba, sometimes in the Florida Keys it feels as if Cuba is more of a sibling than just a neighbor. Many of the oldest families in Key West are Cuban transplants, having come to the United States either before the two countries' relations became strained or after, when it was a far more difficult and arduous journey. As a result, the island is imbued with a distinctly Cuban spirit and the Cuban cultural influence on local art and artists is strong.

One such artist is Michael Marrero, a playwright of Cuban descent who was born and raised in Key West and has resided on the island for much of his life.

In 2013, looking for a venue to produce local work (including his own), Mr. Marrero acquired the lease to a long-defunct theater in the heart of downtown Key West and a play long in the works finally got to see the bright lights of the stage. "Locura" began as a one-act short in a local production at the Key West Theater in the winter of 2014. The play is a colorful account of Key West in the lawless days of the mid-20th century, when cockfighting was a nightly occurrence and Monkey Island

was (allegedly) infested with genetically altered chimpanzees who could tear you limb from limb if you accidentally happened upon their territory.

Mr. Marrero's short play ignited significant local interest and spawned a longer feature that premiered at the Key West Theater in 2015 to much critical fanfare. "Locura" is now the subject of one of the first-ever theatrical exchanges between the United States and Cuba of its kind. Although cultural exchange has been one of the few avenues permitted under the American economic embargo, this production is unique in that it is truly bilateral.

"Locura" will be performed in Havana by a Cuban theater troupe and, in exchange, "Eclipse," a play by the famed Cuban playwright Jazz Vilá, will be performed at the Key West Theater by American actors. As Juliet Gray, the executive artistic director of the Key West Theater explains, "This particular endeavor is unique because we are working together with Cuban artists, translators and actors to make this exchange happen artistically and creatively."

Since the spring of 2015, "Locura" has been translated into Spanish and is

currently being produced by a Cuban theater troupe in Havana.

"We are not transplanting our production," Ms. Gray says. "We are translating 'Locura' so that all of the people of Cuba can understand the production in their native language — including Cuban idiosyncrasies and colloquialisms. And Jazz (Vilá) is doing the same with 'Eclipse' and his translators. This is a huge collaborative effort for all of us."

Staged readings of "Eclipse" begin at the Key West Theater later this month; the theater will feature a full run of the play in May.

Mr. Marrero and Ms. Gray are both quick to emphasize how revolutionary this program is — not just for Key West, but also for American and Cuban theater on a broad scale.

"For us to be invited to participate in this exchange and to be among the first ones to do something like this with Cuba is beyond anything I ever imagined for the theater at this point in our development," Mr. Marrero says. "We are so proud and excited to be a part of what we hope will be a much larger cultural exchange not only for Key West but for the American theatrical community at large." ■

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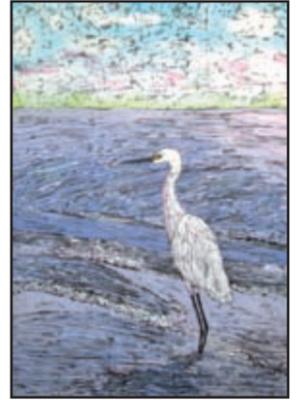
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Set in Naples' first passenger train station, the restored Naples Depot Museum

takes visitors back to Florida's railroading heydays of the Roaring Twenties and tells how technology and transportation helped Naples

grow from a village of 300 souls to today's glittering Gulf Coast resort.

The reception for "Reflections in Batik" is sponsored by Friends of the Collier County Museums. For more information, call 262-6525 or visit www.colliermuseums.com/exhibits. ■



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Seussical, Jr. – By the Naples Performing Arts Center at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at Naples High School. 597-6722 or www.naplesperformingartscenter.com.

The Rocky Horror Show – By The Naples Players through Nov. 6 at the Sugden Community Theater. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

Outside Mullingar – By The Naples Players through Nov. 20 in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theater. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

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

Erma Bombeck: At Wit's End – By Florida Repertory Theatre through Nov. 6 in the ArtStage Studio Theatre, Fort Myers. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org.

The Nerd – By the Off Broadway Palm Theatre through Nov. 12. 1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

Evita – By the Broadway Palm Theatre through Nov. 19. 1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers. www.BroadwayPalm.com or 278-4422.

Junie B. Jones – By the Broadway Palm Children's Theatre on select dates through Nov. 18. 1380 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers. 278-4422 or www.broadwaypalm.com.

Over the River and Through the Woods – By Florida Repertory Theatre through Nov. 16 at the Historic Arcade Theatre, Fort Myers. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org. See review on page C10.

The Secret Garden – By Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs Youth Players Nov. 11-13 at Hinman Auditorium. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

The Tempest – By FGCU's theater department on select dates Nov. 11-20 at the university's theater lab. 745-4268 or fgcu.edu.

My Fair Lady – By Gulfshore Playhouse Nov. 12-Dec. 11 at The Norris Center. 755 Eighth St. S. (866) 811-4111 or www.gulfshoreplayhouse.org.

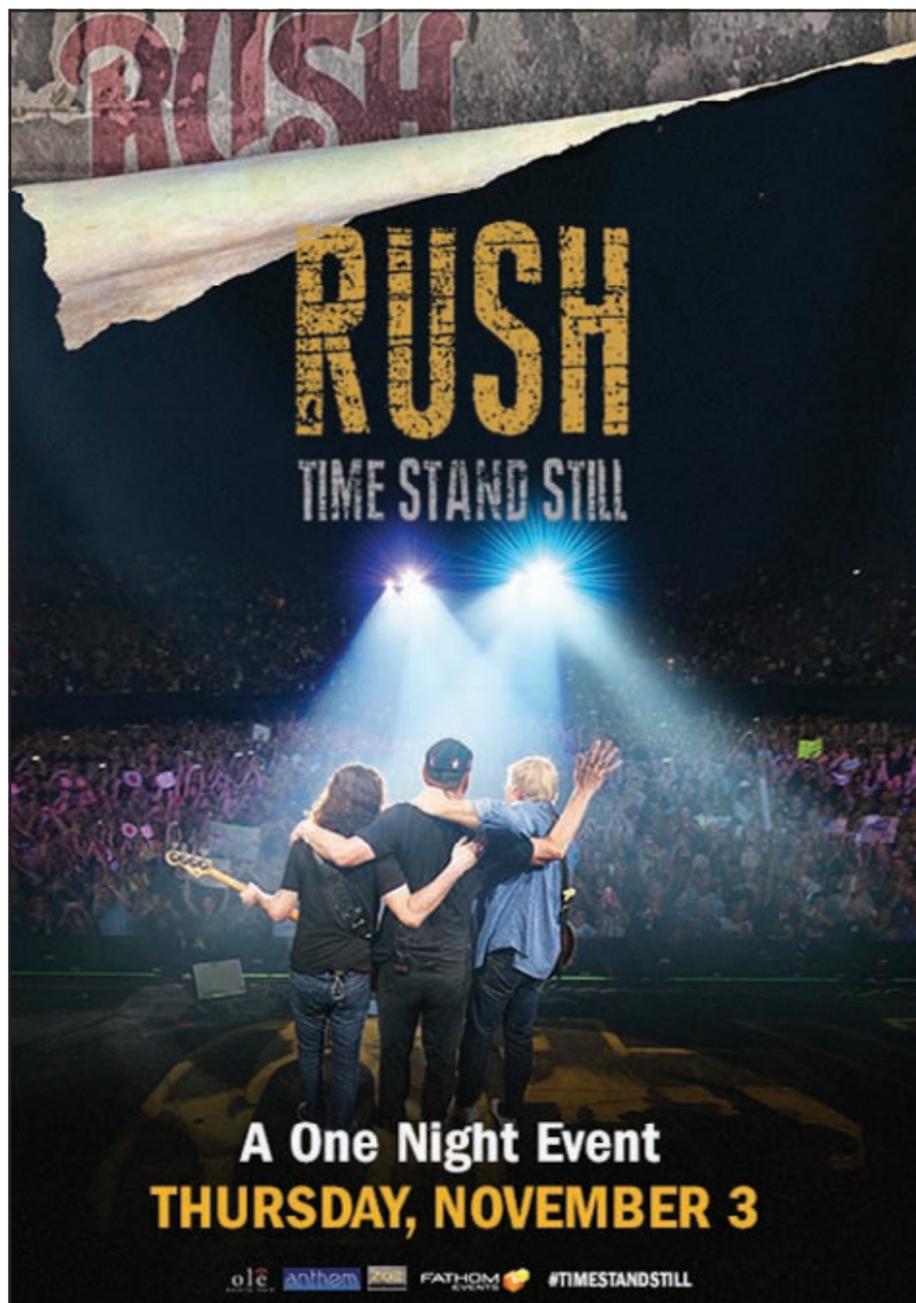
THURSDAY 11.3

Holiday Fare – Shop 'til you drop at the Naples Woman's Club's annual Holiday Artisan Boutique from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. today and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at club headquarters, 570 Park St. Free admission. www.gfwnapleswomensclub.org.

Desperate Times – FGCU's Renaissance Academy hosts a lecture about how U.S. presidents have managed difficult times from 1930 through the present from 10-11:30 a.m. at the university's Naples campus. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or www.fgcu.edu.

Art Reception – Naples Depot Museum hosts an opening reception for artist Natalie Guess' exhibition, "Reflections in Batik," from 5-7 p.m. Free. 1051 Fifth Ave. S. 262-6525 or www.colliermuseums.com. See story page C1.

Stress Less – Shangri-La Springs hosts a workshop about directing stress toward positive channels from 5:30-6:30 p.m. \$25. 27750 Old 41 Road, Bonita Springs. 949-0749 or www.shangrilasprings.com.



Watch a performance from powerhouse band Rush's "Time Stand Still" tour on the big screen at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3, at Silverspot Cinema. www.silverspot.net.

Full Hearts – East West Fine Art hosts a fashion show and silent auction to benefit Harry Chapin Food Bank from 6-8 p.m. 2425 Tamiami Trail N. 821-9459 or www.eastwestfineart.org.

Free Concert – Blair Crimmins and The Hookers perform from 6-9 p.m. outdoors at Mercato. 250-1080 or www.mercatoshops.com.

Show 'em What You Got – Marco Island Center for the Arts hosts an "Antiques Roadshow"-style appraisal event with experts from Gannon's Antiques & Art from 5:30-7 p.m. \$10. 1010 Winterberry Drive. 394-4221 or www.marcoislandarts.com.

Rock Concert – Silverspot Cinemas screens a concert by legendary rock band Rush at 7:30 p.m. \$15. 592-0300 or www.silverspot.net.

FRIDAY 11.4

Cultural Celebration – Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum hosts its 19th annual American Indian Arts Celebration from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. today and Saturday, Nov. 5. Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation. (877) 902-1113 or www.ahtahthiki.com.

Art Night – Michael Monroe Art hosts an art show with Michael Monroe painting to live music from 6-9 p.m. 5405 Taylor Road. 572-3277 or www.michaelmonroeart.com.

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

Architecture Lecture – The American Institute of Architects-Florida Southwest chapter welcomes Brian MacKay-Lyons of the Halifax, Nova Scotia-based Sweetapple Architects Ltd. for a lecture from 6:30-9 p.m. at Naples Beach Hotel & Golf Club. \$25-\$30. www.swf.aiafla.org.

Survivorman – Les Stroud, a musician best known for his Discovery Channel program "Survivorman," performs at 8 p.m. at Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, Fort Myers. 481-4849 or www.bbmannpah.com.

SATURDAY 11.5

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

I Love A Parade – The Swamp Buggy Parade steps off from Coastland Center at 10 a.m. and proceeds to Third Street South. 774-2701 or www.thefloridasportspark.com.

Wonder in the Garden – Kids can learn all about trees with themed activities from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. each weekend through November at Naples Botanical Garden's Smith Children's Garden. Free with regular admission. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

Making It Up – Barnes & Noble hosts a mini-makers fair where guests can experience the latest advances in virtual reality, augmented reality, 3-D printing, robotics, programming and more in hour-long sessions all day starting at 11 a.m. 598-5800 or www.bn.com.

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

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

Autoberfest – Naples Pelican Bay Rotary Club hosts a car show featuring exotic autos, food trucks, craft beer, wine tasting, prizes at raffles from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Galleria Shoppes at Vanderbilt. \$5. autoberfest@gmail.com.

Family Fun – Collier Child Care Resources celebrates the grand opening of its new early childhood program, Little Wonders, with a bounce house, educational activities, face painting, a fire truck and more from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. 777 Mooring Line Drive. 643-3908 or www.collierchildcare.org.

Theater Lunch – The Marco Players present "Second Lady" at noon. Box lunch included. 1089 N. Collier Blvd. 642-7270 or www.themarcoplayers.com.

Dress Down – The Naples Players opens its 15th season of Etc ... Readers Theatre with four plays at 2 p.m. in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre. \$10. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.com.

Fall Fun – Bonita Springs Charter School hosts its seventh annual Harvest Fest from noon to 5 p.m. with food, games, rides and music. 25380 Bernwood Drive. 992-6932 or www.bonitaspringscharter.org.

Youth Concert – Naples Philharmonic Youth Orchestra performs a chamber concert at 7 p.m. at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

The Love Master – Craig Shoemaker takes the stage at tonight and Sunday, Nov. 6, at Off the Hook Comedy Club. 2500 Vanderbilt Beach Road. 389-6901 or www.offthehookcomedy.com.

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

SUNDAY 11.6

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 www.fnpscoccoloba.org.

Beach Treasures – Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park hosts a volunteer-led talk about beachcombing at 9:30 a.m. Free with regular park admission. 597-6196 or www.floridastateparks.org.

Cruisin' – Custom, exotic and vintage rides find places to park at Miromar Outlets from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 948-3766 or www.miromaroutlets.com.

Rockin' for Babies – Country singer James Otto performs at the 16th annual Bikers for Babies concert to benefit the March of Dimes from 1:30-3 p.m. at Six Bends Harley-Davidson. \$15-\$75. 9501 Thunder Road, Fort Myers. (844) 749-2363 or www.sixbends.com.

Foreign Film – FGCU's Renaissance Academy screens "Seduced and Abandoned" (Italy, 1964) at 2 p.m. at the university's Naples campus. When a 15-year-old Sicilian girl is impregnated by her sister's fiancé, the girls' father is forced to rectify the situation. \$5 for members, \$7 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. S. 434-4737 or www.fgcu.com.

WHAT TO DO, WHERE TO GO

Free Concert – Gulf Coast Big Band performs at 2 p.m. in the bandshell at Cambier Park. Free. 877-6090 or www.gulfcoastbigband.com.

Winds Concert – The wind orchestra of FGCU's Bower School of Music performs at 3 p.m. at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Meet the Composer – Lecturer Anne McLean leads a multi-media presentation on Bach from 3-5 p.m. at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org

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

MONDAY 11.7

Film for Film Lovers – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs screens “El Crimen Perfecto” (Spain, 2004) at 7 p.m. An ambitious salesman will do anything for the promotion he’s been chasing, but he learns there’s no such thing as the perfect crime. \$10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Baseball Chat – FGCU’s Renaissance Academy hosts a lecture about Joe DiMaggio from 10-11:30 a.m. at the university’s Naples campus. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 1010 Fifth Ave. 434-4737 or www.fgcu.edu.

TUESDAY 11.8

Lifelong Learning – Naples Botanical Garden hosts a workshop on photographing flowers from 8-10:30 a.m. \$35 for members, \$40 for others. 643-4737 or www.naplesgarden.org.

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

Trad Seisiuns – 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.

WEDNESDAY 11.9

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 www.greenmonkey.com.

Simplify – Learn from a pro about paring down when the FGCU Renaissance Academy hosts professional organizer Marla Ottenstein and “Simplification + Organization = Peace of Mind” from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Moorings Park Center for Healthy Living. \$20 for members, \$25 for others. 120 Moorings Park Drive. 425-3272 or www.registerra.fgcu.edu.

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

COMING UP

Yarn Spinning – Bramble’s English Tea Room hosts an evening of storytelling with The Storytellers of the Round Table and a special high tea menu from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10. \$28, reservations required. 340 Fifth Ave. S. 262-7894 or www.bramblestearoomnaples.com.



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■ The inimitable 2016 Nobel Prize in Literature winner **Bob Dylan** performs at 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20, at the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall.

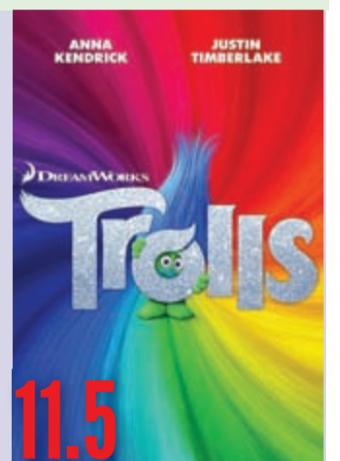


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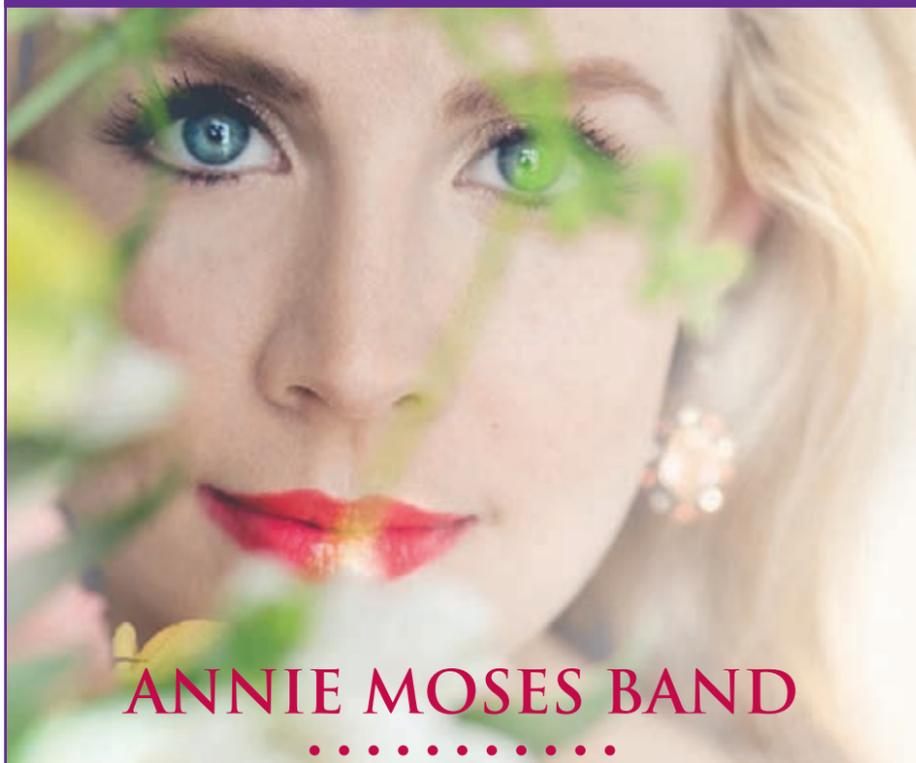
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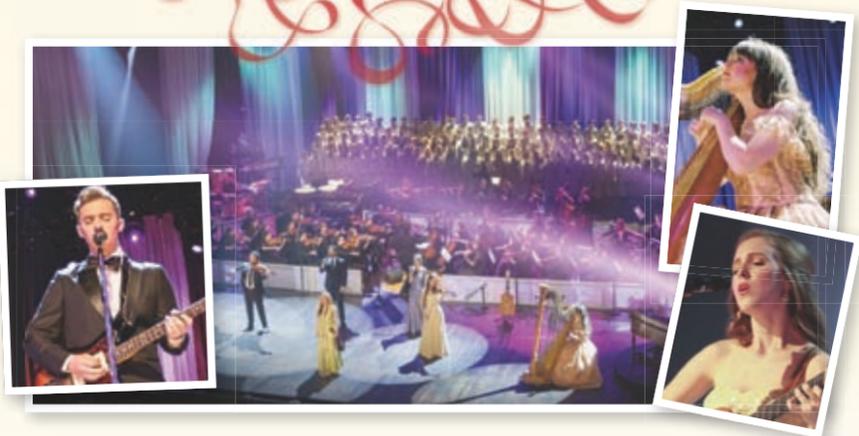


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Magical Mystery Tour – The Naples Philharmonic performs the music of The Beatles at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 11, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Yard Sale – Hope for Families hosts a yard sale from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, to support its efforts to help local families in need. Spaces available for \$25. 3001 Santa Barbara Blvd. (804) 307-3151.

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Fall Festival – Longshore Lakes hosts a car show, raffle, bake sale, community yard sale, kids activities and more from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, at the community's clubhouse. Free, proceeds will be donated to local charities. tariecurtiss@gmail.com.

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Live & Local – Patchouli and Terra Guitarra perform at 6:30 and 9 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Celebrating American Song – By Gulfshore Opera on Sunday, Nov. 13, at Naples United Church of Christ. 5200 Crayton Road. 529-3925 or www.gulfshoreopera.org.

Youth Performance – Naples Philharmonic Youth Orchestra performs at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Film for Film Lovers – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs screens “The 100-Year-Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared” (Sweden, 2013) at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 14. After living a long and colorful life, Allan Karlsson escapes from his nursing home on his birthday and begins an unexpected journey. \$10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Lit Talk – Hodges University hosts a lecture about Jane Austen and her work from 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15. \$25. 2647 Professional Way. 598-6143 or www.hodges.edu.

Movie Discussion – Film critic Elaine Newton discusses Disney’s “Queen of Katwe” at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Artis—Naples. Guests should see the film independently before presentation. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Edible Art – Naples Art Association pairs local artist Muffy Clark Gill with Veranda E Executive Chef Bryan Sutton for an unforgettable dining experience from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Hotel Escalante. 290 Fifth Ave. S. \$125. 262-6517 or www.naplesart.org.

Critic’s Choice – Artis—Naples and Elaine Newton present a lecture about the novel “Our Souls at Night” by Kent Haruf at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, and Saturday, Nov. 19. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

New Age Concert – Daniela de Mari & Breath of Life perform at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

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ARTS COMMENTARY

Hanging out with the grandparents at Florida Rep

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Family. You're stuck with what you get, and there's nothing you can do about it. Well, that's not exactly true. In "Over the River and Through the Woods" on the main stage at Florida Repertory Theatre, Nick's parents moved from New Jersey to Florida to get away from *their* parents' constant "interference, judgment and criticism." (Grandfather Frank's hilarious but accurate summation of Florida: "a bunch of old people who love humidity.") And Nick's sister moved clear across the country to San Diego. Or, you can appreciate them and make the most of the time you have together. Nick (Jason Parrish) faithfully visits both sets of Italian grandparents every week for Sunday dinner in Hoboken, N.J. (the birthplace of Frank Sinatra). On this one particular Sunday, he has an announcement to make: He's been offered a promotion.

Andrea Gallo, Jon Freda, Jason Parrish, John LaGioia, and Viki Boyle star in "Over the River and Through the Woods."



But accepting it means he'll have to move to Seattle. His grandparents are appalled. They plot to keep him to keep him in the area, if not the Garden State itself. The two couples are loud and boisterous, set in their ways. (A guest kindly calls them "passionate.") To them, family is everything; they don't want to see their grandson move. Their lives are ruled by what Nick refers to as the three F's: family, faith and food. Grandma Aida (Viki Boyle) scurries about, always offering everyone a meal or a sandwich. Her two favorite phrases seem to be: "Is anyone hungry?" or "Let's eat!" Kind-hearted and maternal, she seems to be the heart of the family. She's married to taciturn Grandpa Frank (John LaGioia), who rules from his easy chair. Nick's paternal grandparents are louder and crazier: Grandpa Nunzio (Jon Freda) and wise-cracking Grandma Emma (Andrea Gallo), who reminded me of an older Andrea Martin. She buys so many mass cards it's as if she's single-handedly financing the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Freda and Ms. Gallo play off of each other very well, and you believe they've been married for decades. Director Robert Cacioppo has made sure the actors portray these characters

as people, not as caricatures. We laugh at them, yes, but we also believe that they have lives that continue on when we're not watching. They possess heart and depth. And as irritating as they can be, we fall in love with them all. While playwright Joe DiPietro has given us an Italian family, they surpass ethnicity and are universal, doing what all grandparents do: slipping us money, plying us with food, telling us to ring twice when we get home so they'll know we've arrived safely. Their quirks and foibles are

ones we readily recognize. (For example, keeping the house as hot as the tropics, and refusing to turn on the air conditioning until after the Fourth of July.) Mr. Parrish turns on his boyish charm and is at his comedic heights here, playing Nick with a light but sure hand. We laugh at Nick, but we also care about him. Mr. Parrish has played in a variety of

shows at Florida Rep, performing farce and slapstick and morphing into different characters within a second. He's ruled Christmastime year after year with the one-man show "The Santaland Diaries." He just keeps getting better, growing and deepening as an actor. This is a great ensemble, with strong acting all around. Mr. Parrish has some moving moments with each grandfather, as well as some tender scenes with Caitlin (Florida Rep acting intern Sarah Katherine Zanotti), who visits the house. She's the epitome of gentleness and tact, with a soft, lilting Irish accent. One of the best-written (and best-acted) scenes is when Nick and his grandparents all play a game of Trivial Pursuit. The convoluted way some of the participants arrive at an answer is mind-boggling but also comedic gold. Ms. Boyle, a Florida Rep favorite, seems a little underutilized, but that's the way her role is written. She also seems a little lost in the large white wig she wears. She plays nurturing grandma to Ms. Gallo's smart-mouthed but well-meaning one. Set designer Bert Scott's Hoboken house is filled with family photos on the staircase and decorative plates on the dining room wall.

Some of the playwright's jokes about VCRs and phone message machines seem a little stale, but they can be overlooked in this play that's just brimming with love and goodwill. The audience at the Arcade Theatre, many of them most likely grandparents themselves, took this journey with these characters as the elders struggled to determine if they could love their grandson enough to let him go and make his own life. You can't choose the family you're born into. But you can hold them close and love them as best you can and make every moment count while you're all still alive. And share as many laughs as possible. ■

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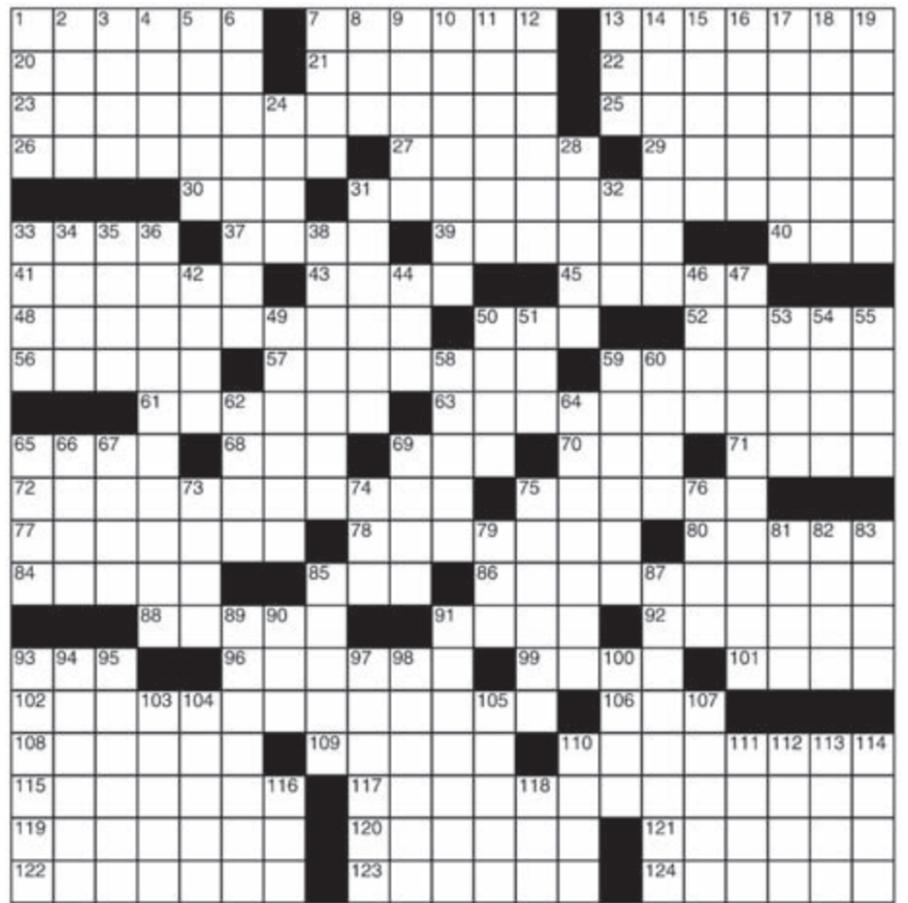
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Like humans
 - 7 Turn about
 - 13 Bundt holder
 - 20 Extreme folly
 - 21 86-Across in eastern Kansas
 - 22 Constructed in advance
 - 23 Site of many a yoga class
 - 25 Fiji's part of the world
 - 26 Like some braking systems
 - 27 Freezing cold
 - 29 One adding seasonings
 - 30 Gentle — lamb
 - 31 Mumbai, vis-à-vis India
 - 33 "Blow" co-star Johnny
 - 37 Bicolor whale
 - 39 Reprieve
 - 40 Clearasil competitor
 - 41 Selfishness
 - 43 Forget to include
 - 45 Papyrus plants, e.g.
 - 48 Bit attached to a cob
 - 50 Civil War prez
 - 52 Fictional Scarlett
 - 56 Pitch-perfect
 - 57 Science also known as
 - 59 Fire on
 - 61 Comic actor Kevin
 - 63 What melts in a meltdown
 - 65 Lawyer's assignment
 - 68 Airport rental
 - 69 Stir in, say
 - 70 "Listen up!"
 - 71 Patella site
 - 72 Like the social class that includes managers
 - 75 Move beyond
 - 77 Prepared
 - 78 Razor brand
 - 80 Subs in offices
 - 84 Give a coil to
 - 85 Comic actress Charlotte
 - 86 San Rafael, vis-à-vis Marin
 - 88 Invest (with)
 - 91 Furnace fuel
 - 92 Different: Prefix
 - 93 Slap cuffs on
 - 96 Actor/singer Jerry
 - 99 Enchilada kin
 - 101 Gumbo, e.g.
 - 102 Proton's place
 - 106 Drillmaster's syllable
 - 108 Rent payer
 - 109 Hogs' pens
 - 110 Simple exercise to work the abs
 - 115 Coils
 - 117 Card that's an apt alternate title for this puzzle
 - 119 "Swing Time" co-star Fred
 - 120 Lifelessness
 - 121 Totally ripped
 - 122 Least sloppy
 - 123 Brook, e.g.
 - 124 Passed quickly
- DOWN**
- 1 Notes following re
 - 2 Major Norse deity
 - 3 Film director Martin
 - 4 Literature Nobel
 - 5 Fast Amtrak offering
 - 6 Enzyme-filled cell organelle
 - 7 U2's genre
 - 8 Flamenco dance cry
 - 9 Dance from Buenos Aires
 - 10 Take a stab at
 - 11 Louise's film sidekick
 - 12 More weird
 - 13 "— Sharky" (old sitcom)
 - 14 Inverse trig function
 - 15 — cool head
 - 16 Online missives
 - 17 Mexico's — Villa
 - 18 Farewells, to François
 - 19 Close
 - 24 Wound result
 - 28 Producer for Eminem
 - 31 Began airing
 - 32 Runner-turned-baron Sebastian
 - 33 Erté's genre
 - 34 Designer von Furstenberg
 - 35 Bacon, e.g.
 - 36 Certain evergreen dropping
 - 38 Capital of New Hampshire
 - 42 Terrier type
 - 44 With 94-Down, restless
 - 46 Mail-slot spot
 - 47 Evaluations of resistance to sudden impact
 - 49 Adjusted, as floor tiles
 - 50 Up in years
 - 51 Win — hair
 - 53 Oodles
 - 54 One-in-a-million
 - 55 Suit to —
 - 58 Mandate
 - 59 Climb aboard
 - 60 Oscar de la —
 - 62 Vertex
 - 64 Count — (cereal brand)
 - 65 Snarly dogs
 - 66 Adopt- — (kennel program)
 - 67 Fix, as a dog
 - 69 Balm plant
 - 73 French for "nothing"
 - 74 Biotech material
 - 75 Says "I told you so!"
 - 76 Eyelid woe
 - 79 Writer Umberto
 - 81 Satisfy
 - 82 Trim (down)
 - 83 Pack away
 - 85 Puzzle with pictures
 - 87 Ideas
 - 89 "ER" extras
 - 90 Samovar
 - 91 "The Swimmer" author John
 - 93 Detroit of "Guys and Dolls"
 - 94 See 44-Down
 - 95 "La Isla —" (Madonna hit)
 - 97 Pretends to be
 - 98 Patron
 - 100 Master cook
 - 103 "—/Sade" (1967 film)
 - 104 Not from a major studio
 - 105 "Please, I'd like to help"
 - 107 Before-surgery
 - 110 Potting soil
 - 111 Swiss river to the Rhine
 - 112 Made angry
 - 113 Ticket leftover
 - 114 Notice
 - 116 In position
 - 118 Vardalos of the screen



◀ SEE ANSWERS, C11

HOROSCOPES

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) It's been a hectic time for you, and you might want to take a break to restore both body and soul. You'll then be set to face new challenges later this month.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) It's a good idea to take a more conservative approach to your financial situation right now. Some plans made earlier this year might need readjusting.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a fine time to move boldly into those new opportunities that were promised for you. Check them over, and then choose the best one for you.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Congratulations. Your self-assurance is growing stronger, and you should now feel more confident about making that long-deferred decision about a possible commitment.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You're very close to reaching

your goal. But be wary of distractions that can lure you off-course and leave you stranded far away from where you really want to be.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Some changes might seem confusing at first, especially to an Aries whose impatience levels are pretty shaky this week. Take it one step at a time, Lamb, and soon all will be made clear.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) That difficult situation you've been dealing with continues to call for careful handling. Avoid quickly made choices that might not stand up when they're finally put to the test.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You still have lots of evaluating to do before you can consider making a commitment. It's better to move cautiously than to risk stumbling into a major misunderstanding.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A previously peevish partner offers to be more helpful with your problems. But remember: The final choice is

yours. Be guided by what you feel is the right thing to do.

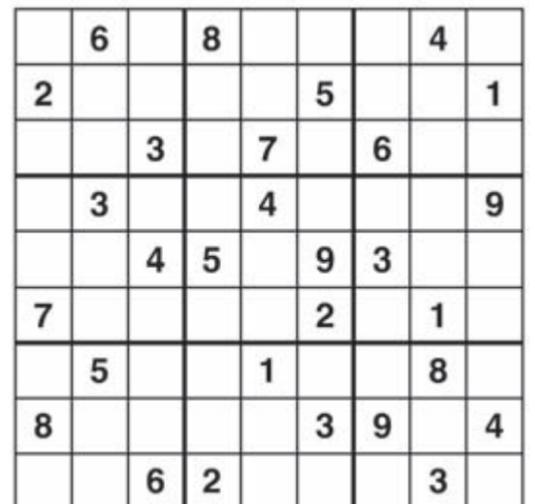
LEO (July 23 to August 22) As the Big Cat, you sometimes can be pretty rough on those you suspect of betrayal. The best advice is to pull in those claws and listen to the explanation. It might surprise you.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Your inner voice usually guides you well. But a note of caution: This is a period of mixed signals for you, so be careful that you don't misunderstand the messages you're getting.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Cupid's call beckons both single Librans looking for a new love, as well as couples hoping to strengthen their relationships. A workplace problem is quickly resolved.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have an inner sight that helps you see into people's hearts. You would be an excellent psychologist or social worker. ■

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Hidden chance

BY STEVE BECKER

It is obviously better to give yourself two chances to make a contract rather than just one. It is important to keep this in mind before settling for the most straightforward line of play.

Take this case where you're in five diamonds and West leads the queen of hearts. You certainly can't relax when dummy appears, since you have only 10 sure tricks.

However, you should not pin all your hopes solely on the 50 percent chance that East was dealt the ace of clubs. Instead, you should seek an approach that might give you a better chance than that.

One possibility is to win the heart lead, draw trumps, cash the A-K of spades and exit with a spade. If the suit is divided 3-3 and West wins the third spade, you are home free.

This line of play is better than relying exclusively on the location of the ace of clubs, but it is still not the best approach. A superior play is to let West's queen of hearts hold the first trick.

This unusual maneuver offers you by far the best chance to make 11 tricks. It is clearly better than playing the A-K and another spade, because it avoids the risk of East winning the third spade lead when the suit is divided 3-3.

In the actual case, once you let West win the queen of hearts at trick one, nothing can stop you from making five

West dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ A 8 5 3
♥ A K 4
♦ A J 8 2
♣ 10 3

WEST

♠ 10 7 6
♥ Q J 9 6
♦ 7 4
♣ A 7 4 2

EAST

♠ Q J 9
♥ 10 8 5 3
♦ 5
♣ Q J 9 8 6

SOUTH

♠ K 4 2
♥ 7 2
♦ K Q 10 9 6 3
♣ K 5

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
Pass	1 NT	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	5 ♦

Opening lead — queen of hearts.

diamonds, whatever West does next. You win any return, draw trumps, discard a spade on one of dummy's high hearts and establish an extra spade trick by cashing the K-A of spades and ruffing a spade. If the spades don't divide 3-3, you can still fall back on the possibility that East has the ace of clubs. ■

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FILM CAPSULES

Jack Reacher: Never Go Back ★★

(Tom Cruise, Cobie Smulders, Danika Yarosh) Ex-soldier Jack Reacher (Mr. Cruise) teams up with Major Susan Turner (Ms. Smulders) after they're both framed for murder. A mediocre sequel to the 2012 hit, it's predictable and strains to create interest. Even the action is boring. Rated PG-13.

Keeping Up With The Joneses ★

(Jon Hamm, Gal Gadot, Zach Galifianakis) Suburbanites Jeff (Mr. Galifianakis) and Karen (Isla Fisher) are thrown for a loop when spies (Mr. Hamm and Ms. Gadot) move in next door and need Jeff to complete their mission. It's not funny, the story is nonsense and the directing is lethargic. It's one of the worst movies of the year. Rated PG-13.

The Accountant ★★

(Ben Affleck, Anna Kendrick, J.K. Simmons) An autistic accountant (Mr. Affleck) is secretly a highly trained killer in this action drama from director Gavin O'Connor ("Warrior"). The role is perfect for Mr. Affleck, the story is gritty in a good way and the action is solid. Rated R.

American Honey ★★

(Sasha Lane, Shia LaBeouf, Riley Keough) At 18 years old, Star (Ms. Lane) leaves her dysfunctional family to join a travelling magazine sales team.

It's not quite a testament to American youth, and it doesn't have the arc of a typical coming-of-age tale. Did I enjoy watching it? At times. Will I ever watch it again? No. Do I think other people will like it? Probably not. Is it a good movie? No. Rated R.

The Birth Of A Nation ★★★

(Nate Parker, Aja Naomi King, Armie Hammer) A literate slave (Mr. Parker) becomes a preacher and leads an uprising in 1831 Virginia. It's well told, but killing in the name of religion might rub some viewers the wrong way. Based on a true story. Rated R.

The Girl On The Train ★★

(Emily Blunt, Haley Bennett, Rebecca Ferguson) Alcoholic stalker Rachel (Ms. Blunt) is knocked out, battered and bruised at the same time and in the same area that a local woman (Ms. Bennett) goes missing. The suspense is flat, largely because Rachel is such a head case that we can't believe anything she thinks or says. Based on the Paula Hawkins novel. Rated R. ■

Deepwater Horizon ★★

(Mark Wahlberg, Kate Hudson, Kurt Russell) Negligence and avarice lead to the explosion of the Deepwater Horizon oilrig off the coast of Louisiana in 2010. Based on the true story of the biggest oil spill in U.S. history. The visual effects are fine, but the story strains for emotion and audience investment. Rated PG-13. ■

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Is it worth \$10? Yes

In "Inferno," a billionaire mad scientist (Ben Foster) believes overpopulation will engender the end of mankind in 40 years, so he strives to restart civilization by creating a virus that could wipe out half the world's population. Not sure about you, but I'd rather have 40 more good years than be dead — or living in a world full of corpses. And how does he know the virus will stop spreading at only half the world's population?

Logical fallacies aside, "Inferno" is briskly paced and smart, keeping your mind and visceral senses fully engaged.

Based on the novel by Dan Brown and following "The Da Vinci Code" (2006) and "Angels & Demons" (2009), Professor Robert Langdon (Tom Hanks) wakes in a Florence, Italy, hospital with no memory of the last two days, but jarring headaches and visions he can't explain. His doctor, Sienna Brooks (Felicity Jones), is a fan of his work and helps him escape after he's attacked in the hospital.

They discover a tube in Langdon's pocket that only his fingerprint can open, and it contains a painting of Italian poet Dante's interpretation of Hell. In the painting are clues to the next clue, which lead to the next clue, etc. A wild goose chase ensues, all in an effort to find the virus within 12 hours and stop it from being unleashed into the world. Trying to find Langdon and Brooks — and maybe help, or maybe kill them — are World Health Organization officials Bouchard (Omar Sy) and Sinskey (Sidse Babbett Knudsen), a private security honcho (Irrfan Khan) and a villainess on a motorcycle impersonating Italian police (Ana Ularu).

Ron Howard ("A Beautiful Mind"), who also directed the first two films in the trilogy, keeps our mental wheels spinning as he unspools one twist after another. Clearly he learned his lesson from the tedious pace of "The Da Vinci Code," which took a dynamic page-turner of a book and turned it into a visual slog that fans endured rather than enjoyed. Like "Angels & Demons" only better, "Inferno" deftly mixes the lore of history



with Langdon's intelligence and ability to wiggle out of perilous situations. This is probably the only trilogy in which the films get progressively better deeper into the series; usually it's the opposite, i.e., all downhill after the first movie.

A few weeks ago, I complained that Rachel (Emily Blunt) in "The Girl On The Train" was not a reliable protagonist because her memory issues and alcoholism distorted truth from reality. The argument was if we can't trust what we're seeing, it's hard to get emotionally invested in the characters. It's different here with Langdon, though. His "visions" are clearly in his head, never perceived as his currently reality. What's more, they're part of a phase he goes through and are soon an afterthought as the plot surges forward. Plus, after two movies, Langdon has earned enough credibility with the audience to be believed, regardless of how dubious his thoughts might seem.

Admittedly, when you get home you might find yourself asking questions that start with "How did Langdon ... ?" And that's fair, because it's a complex puzzle of a story. As you're watching it, though, it makes perfect sense. And more importantly, it's perfectly satisfying by the time the end credits roll. ■

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>> The third book in Dan Brown's Robert Langdon series, "The Lost Symbol," has yet to be made into a movie. "Inferno" is the fourth book in the series.



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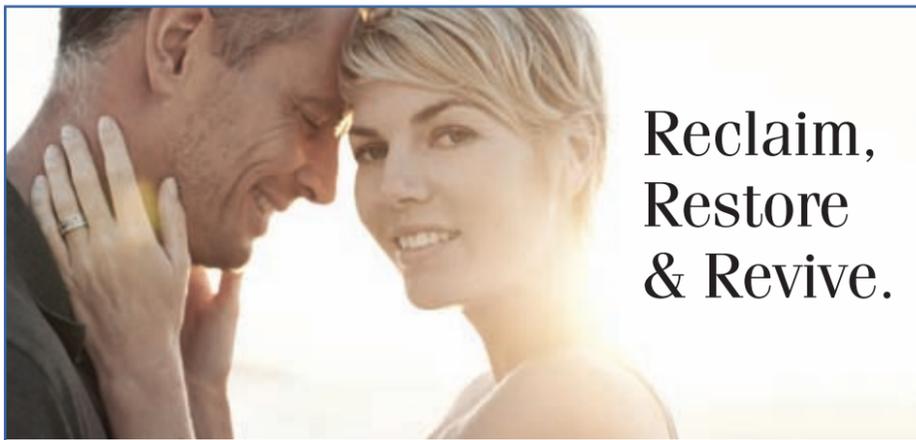
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CELEBRITY EXTRA

'Curse' returns, 'Extant' axed

BY CINDY ELAVSKY

Q: Can you tell me if and when "The Curse of Oak Island," "Under the Dome" and "Extant" will return to TV?

— Ann S., Rochester, N.Y.

A: I have good news and bad news. "The Curse of Oak Island" returns to The History Channel for its fourth season Tuesday, Nov. 15. The show follows brothers Marty and Rick Lagina, originally from Kingsford, Mich., and their efforts to find the speculated treasure or historical artifacts believed to be on Oak Island. Many have tried and failed before them, some even losing their lives investigating the site. Unfortunately, "Under the Dome" has ended after a successful three-year run. And "Extant," which centered on astronaut Molly Woods (Halle Berry), who returned home to her family inexplicably pregnant after 13 months in outer space on a solo mission, has also been canceled. Steven Spielberg was an executive producer of the two-season, 26-episode sci-fi/drama on CBS. Along with Ms. Berry, the all-star cast included Grace Gummer, Goran Visnjic, Jeffrey Dean Morgan, Camryn Manheim and Michael O'Neill.



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A: CBS has canceled the family drama centered on an affluent Boston family who must redefine themselves following the discovery that their recently deceased patriarch might have been a serial killer. Another summer series getting the ax is the political-horror satire "BrainDead." Neither series performed as well as expected, and both paled by comparison to "Under the Dome," which had a successful three-season summer run on CBS a few years back.

Q: I heard on the news that Journey is up for induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Who else is nominated for the honor?

— Leslie G., via email

A: The 2017 nominees: Bad Brains, Chaka Khan, Chic, Depeche Mode, Electric Light Orchestra, The J. Geils Band, Jane's Addiction, Janet Jackson, Joan Baez, Joe Tex, Journey, Kraftwerk, MC5, Pearl Jam, Steppenwolf, The Cars, The Zombies, Tupac Shakur and Yes. This year might be the toughest class yet, and I have no idea how they will be able to narrow them down to anywhere from five to seven inductees. If I had my way, I'd choose Journey, Depeche Mode, The Cars, Janet Jackson, Pearl Jam, ELO and Yes. Fans can vote for five artists once each day until Dec. 5. Go to www.rockhall.com/vote for more information. ■

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BY CINDY PIERCE

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More than 50 people stepped up to the 2016 *Florida Weekly* Writing Challenge, sending us their original prose inspired by photographs printed early this fall in our Naples, Bonita Springs, Fort Myers and Charlotte County editions. Entries came from as far away as St. Augustine and even Tennessee, but our editors' top two favorites were homegrown.

First-place winner Santiago De Choch owns and operates a small organic farm on Pine Island. His wife brought the Writing Challenge to his attention and urged him to enter.

"It was kind of like a challenge from her," Mr. De Choch says, adding "Marcela's Awakening" is his first piece of fiction to be published.

Now 45 years old, he worked as a reporter covering arts and entertain-



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Santiago De Choch with his laptop and his lapdog on Pine Island.

ment for a newspaper in La Paz, Bolivia, when he was in his early 20s. Farming keeps him very busy now, he says, but whenever he can find time, he enjoys writing as a way of relaxation.

Second-place winner Alyssa Telgenhoff, 21, lives in Port Charlotte, where she works as a grocery clerk and is



about to switch jobs and become a barista. She took a creative writing class as a sophomore in college and is working on a Young Adult novel.

Although she has had some poetry and short stories published online at www.spillwords.com and www.101words.com, Ms. Telgenhoff says "113" is her first piece to appear in print.

"As soon as I saw the photo prompt in the paper, I knew exactly what I was going to write about," she says about entering the *Florida Weekly* Writing Challenge. She adds it took her about 45 minutes to write "113," in longhand, while she was sitting in a bookstore.

Thanks to all who entered the 2016 challenge. We hope you watch for next year's contest to begin in early August. ■

Alyssa Telgenhoff at home in Port Charlotte with her longhand draft of "113."

Marcela's Awakening

By Santiago De Choch

They were loud, excited about the South American adventure planned for so long. The driver left them at their gate in the Miami airport and they breezed through the muggy heat, the three of them — Ashley and Corinne blond and curvy, Marcela the dark, flat chested one — already shedding all the advice and warnings from their parents and their Spanish teacher, Ms. Rivera.

As the departures board with "American Airlines to Buenos Aires" inched to the top of the list, scholarly goals gave way to the excitement of the trip itself, cool things to see and share, boys, men and fun so far from the gated communities where they had whiled away their last few summers, bored, endlessly browsing phone screens to see if everybody had better things to do than hang around the pool while Dad grilled. Not this year. This year they were going somewhere, doing something, and the vapors of this realization, that they were on the cusp of something exotic and memorable, intoxicated their young brains like wine.

The long flight tamped down their excitement some, and when Marcela awoke from her uncomfortable sleep, she stared out of the window to see this sea of lights, this living, pulsating thing inhabited by millions.

"Damn," she thought, "Does this place ever end?"

It was in a state of exhausted shock that they arrived, the bitter cold making them, in their Florida rags, shiver, barely able to speak, while drivers peppered them with "Taxi, señoritas?"

In a blur, they made it to the room they had booked, staring out the windows at people catching buses and trains in the half-light of a grim, freezing morning. Not knowing any better, they paid too much for the ride, checked in, got blasted on duty-free liquor and passed out.

They spent the next few days attending classes, meeting people, seeing sights. Ash and Cory, lightheaded, sparkly, looking so obviously "yanki" — that's what they call us down here, they laughed, not "gringa" — had no trouble getting party invitations right away.

But as the days passed, Marcela started feeling something was missing.

The lessons at the Universidad were good enough, and Buenos Aires was fascinating. The place was so big. This troubled Marcela. There's no way you can grasp it. She was terrified, para-



lyzed. It was like at college, when she'd get an impossibly fat book for an assignment, and she'd know she had to read it, understand it, distill it.

Her friends didn't mind. They didn't care about getting to know the city, as long as someone showed them the best shopping, restaurants and parties.

That was the other thing, the parties. "God," Marcela thought, "so many fashion victims." It was even worse than her college crowd. Hipsters all, only around here they seemed a little more artsy, going to installations and performances before the discotheque, but in all other respects identical to youngsters elsewhere, furtively glancing at reflections of themselves in windows as they walked, constantly online.

"College, techno music and hip hop. I've met a few of these clowns before, only they spoke American, not this sort of Italian Spanish they have here. Cowards. They want you in their bed, and then they don't know what to do with you. They'd rather look at themselves on Facebook than live the moment fully. When they finally come around to doing it, you wish they hadn't."

The weeks were passing fast, and she knew that she longed for something else.

It came in the form of just another fashionable boy, this one blonde, as blond as Ash and Cory, in fact, something like their masculine version. He explained his grandparents were German, charmed Marcela with smooth talk and a cute accent, offered to walk her home and buy her "un cafecito," and

when they got there, she invited him in. The result was predictably disappointing, but the interesting thing happened after sex. The boy mentioned he had been to Uruguay, a small country across the Rio de la Plata, last summer. He said pot was legal there, he was going again tomorrow, and would Marcela come?

Some unquiet or discontent that had been brewing inside her the last few weeks or perhaps years made her say "sure" without much thought. Next, she was aboard one of the River Plate ferries, walking up and down the decks despite the freezing cold and flying surf that hit her face like needles. Alejo was the boy's name, and he stayed inside, drinking bad lattes from the machine. But she loved it outside, despite the cold, looking at the endless brown river and gray sky.

Alejo had done his homework, and within minutes of landing in Montevideo they had a cheap hotel room and a chunk of homegrown cannabis wrapped in newspaper. They went out to eat along what seemed to be the main drag of an old decaying city that had been grand once. They had beers and good steaks.

Marcela knew that Uruguay had been a strong economy, mostly based on wheat and cattle, for decades, until its decline started sometime in the '60s. She could see that past in stately buildings, some well preserved, most falling to pieces.

The people seemed OK. They drank a sort of hot tea called mate constantly, followed soccer with a passion. By 4

p.m. all lights were on, and it was so cold.

Suddenly, a strange sight: at a small public square, a crowd of mostly older men and women, dancing the tango on the broad sidewalk. Others were sitting on the sidelines, chatting and waiting for their turn on the dance floor. Some younger people stood a distance away and pretended not to care, smoking joints and laughing while two unarmed policewomen surveyed the area calmly, ignoring the smokers.

They sat down and watched. The dance was like a sort of elegant walking. There was very little of the showy stuff she had seen in films. It was more like oscillating with the music, keeping control but letting go at the same time, couples perfectly coordinated, sending each other subtle messages about tempo and direction in ways Marcela couldn't figure out.

Alejo was getting restless. He wanted to go talk to the younger people yonder. He'd try to score some more pot. But Marcela wasn't interested. She was hypnotized by the music and the dance, by the strangeness of it all, people coming out on this freezing, harsh day, to do ... this? Dance the tango?

C'mon, this is boring, nena... let's go do something else. Vámonos.

- Nope. I'm staying. You do whatever you want.

- Quit that, c'mon, let's go...

- No. Stay or go away, I don't care — just shut up.

He left, and she sat there a long time, absorbing the sights and the sounds, mesmerized. She can't remember when exactly it was that she found herself on the dance floor, trying to read the signals of different partners, trying to let go.

As dusk darkened, a new gentleman, roughly twice her own age, with a composed demeanor, casual and manly, extended his hand in an invitation to dance. "My God," she thought, "like a man, not a boy. This man knows exactly what he wants. I like men, I like men so much better than boys." As they walked toward the gyrating couples and the breezy, sad music, she said in her bad Spanish:

This is my first time. I'm not any good.

The man took a moment to consider this, and replied:

No problem.

He then held her, took a second of

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113

By Alyssa Telgenhoff

In my small town we only had two rules: Go to church on Sunday, and don't touch The Dead Tree. These two rules contradicted each other, you see.

The first was a small town's staple. All the good people of Burning, S.C., went to listen to the Lord's good word, and read the good book.

The second rule was based on a myth, or a curse. That depends on whom you asked. My great-grandma was the one to tell me, against my parent's wishes. I never really put much stock into the curse. What sane person would believe that 86 years ago a witch cursed the town that had sentenced her to death, and the 113th person to touch The Dead Tree where she was hanged would die?

My great-grandma had been alive and swore she saw the whole thing herself. Sure, maybe a superstitious town hanged an innocent woman. But magic doesn't exist. It can't. This was my mantra as my friends and I walked into The Field.

No one came here except drunk high-schoolers who wanted to touch The

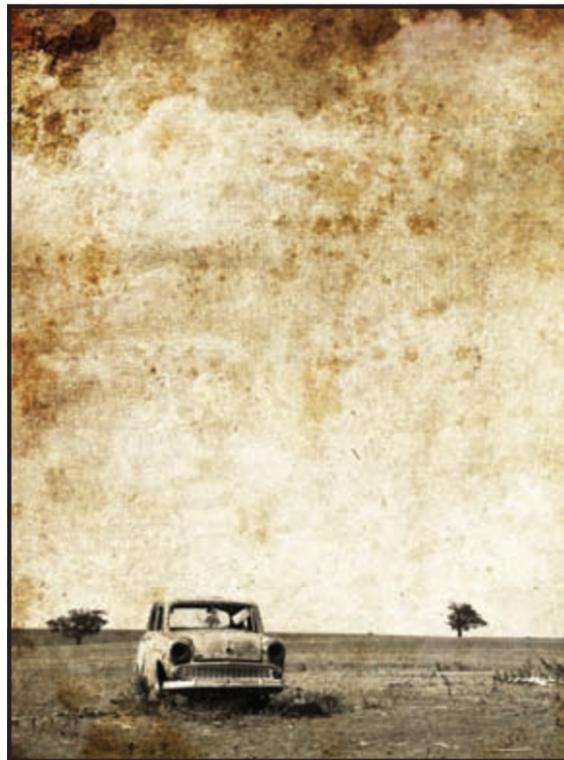
Dead Tree. Which, right now, I was, minus the drunk part.

I looked around thinking they should just call it The Dead Field. From the always-yellow crunchy grass to the rusting car parked smack dab in the middle of it. No one knew how it got there. It just showed up. And no jumper cables or tow trucks could move it.

The people of Burning ignored it. Because that's what you did when something weird happened in our town. You pretended that every town had cars that couldn't move and nearly 100-year-old curses.

We walked up to The Dead Tree. It was massive. The peeling bark, twisting, turning, leading up to branches full of brown leaves. The tree itself was shaped like an arrow pointing to something unknown. It was almost like a warning. A warning no one could decipher.

All five of us looked up at it, probably thinking the same thing. Am I going to be the unlucky 113th? I



shook off that silly thought. This had been my idea. I should be the one to touch it first. I stepped forward, reaching my hand out, ignoring the fact it was shaking. I let each finger touch at a time.

Finally, my whole hand was on the tree. Nothing happened. I let out a sigh of relief. I turned back to my friends. The scene I was met with stole my breath away. I was looking at my friends and ... and *myself*. They were laughing, each of them taking turns touching the tree. With each touch, I felt it. Like they were putting their hands on *me*.

After five more minutes of this scary, confusing sight, they all turned to leave. Even me, or the me I was staring at. I wanted to scream, but I was paralyzed. The new me looked back and waved. She looked like she had just gotten out of jail. That's when I realized The Dead Tree had a new prisoner. ■

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stillness for both to dig the music, and started moving, carefully and slowly, showing her how, when, if, to let go.

There was a whole story to this dance, she started to realize. A whole new way to look at things. The illusions of college, of social media, of a planned-ahead life were dismantling, falling to bits in front of her eyes. She knew she would have to stay longer than planned, knew she had found what she truly wanted to do with this part of her youth, and damn the consequences. "Let me stay here awhile and figure this out. This is

what I want to understand. Well, this and Spanish. And life. This is a beautiful man. I'll bet he spans me if I give him the chance. Maybe even if I don't." The man spoke at the end of the piece, when they were walking back to the park bench:

What were you thinking?

- That I don't have the right kind of shoes for this. I'll use the money for the return ferry and buy a decent pair

instead. For next time. Will you dance with me again next time?

The man's eyes twinkled as he lit up a cigarette before speaking again, giving her a piercing look through the cloud of smoke.

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- Then I will. ■

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KOVEL: ANTIQUES

Iron doorstops remain a hot go-to item for collectors

BY TERRY KOVEL AND KIM KOVEL

Iron doorstops became a hot collectible with rising prices about 1990. A 1985 book picturing doorstops and several auctions, which included rare doorstops, sent collectors searching for examples of the 1930s and '40s collectible. They became so popular that thousands of copies were made, many from the original molds. Bright new paint identifies many recent doorstops, but some, with artificial wear and tear, are good enough to fool collectors today. One original Uncle Sam doorstop has the words "For the Open Door" on the base. The words had a political meaning. A complicated "Open Door" policy was promoted by the U.S. in 1899. It suggested that all countries should allow China and other countries to trade with no tariffs, no special harbor charges, and with no interference or attempts to divide China. There was another Open Door political discussion in 1922, and this discussion probably is the one mentioned on the doorstop. China opened special investment zones in 1928. There were more international discussions and changes in 1978 concerned with China's industry, trade and foreign investment.

Q: I have a wooden table that is marked "Larkin Soap Company." Does that mean it was used in the company office or was it made by a soap com-

pany? How old is it?

A: John D. Larkin (1845-1926) worked for a soap factory in Buffalo in the 1860s. He started his own company, John D. Larkin, and sold "Sweet Home" soap. By 1881, he had a full line of related products and gave a free colored picture card with each bar of soap. He started giving better premiums including handkerchiefs, towels, dishes and furniture. The desk was the gift with \$10 worth of soap. Soap sales changed by the 1940s, premiums were no longer popular and the company closed in 1962. Your table was made from 1899 to 1904 when the company name matched the label on your table.

Q: We have a 10-inch antique plate and would like to know its value. It is by Sarreguemines, signed by L. Moux, and dated late 1800s. There are well-dressed 19th century men and women in a room. Can you help?

A: Sarreguemines is the name of a French town that is used as part of a china mark. Utzschneider and Co., a porcelain factory, made ceramics in Sarreguemines, Lorraine, France, from about 1790. In the 19th century, the factory made majolica and transfer-printed wares picturing peasants. When a local innkeeper ordered a table service with local scenes, a local artist Henri Loux (1873-1907) designed a series of 56 illustrations that depicted the daily lives of

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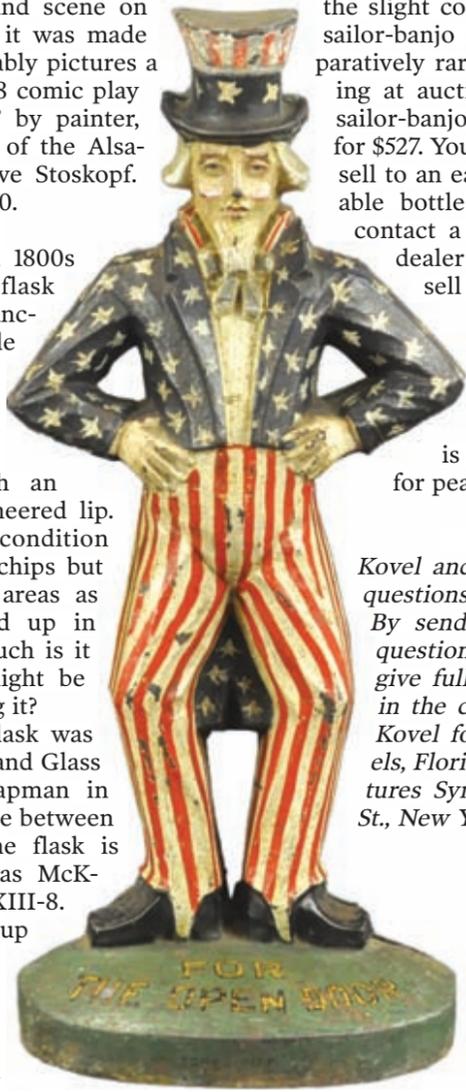
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the people of the Alsace region. Sarreguemines ceased production in 2007. The marks and scene on your plate suggest it was made about 1898. It probably pictures a scene from the 1898 comic play "D'er Herr Mayor" by painter, writer and creator of the Alsatian theater, Gustave Stoskopf. It is worth about \$50.

Q: We own a 1800s free-blown glass flask embossed with a dancing sailor on one side and a banjo player sitting on a bench on the other. It's a half pint and is greenish-blue with an open pontil and sheered lip. It's in excellent condition with no marks or chips but it's dark in some areas as if something dried up in the bottle. How much is it worth and who might be interested in buying it?

A: Your sailor flask was made by the Maryland Glass Works of J.L. Chapman in Baltimore, sometime between 1849 and 1860. The flask is listed in catalogs as McKearin number GXIII-8. It can be looked up online or in libraries in the McKearin book. It was made in amber, aquamarine, golden amber, olive-amber,



olive-green and yellow-tone green. Collectors are very concerned with the slight color differences. This sailor-banjo player flask is comparatively rare and has been selling at auctions. A yellow-olive sailor-banjo flask sold recently for \$527. Your flask probably will sell to an eager and knowledgeable bottle collector. You can contact a bottle auction or a dealer at a bottle show to sell your bottle.

Tip: Apply your makeup, wash your hands, then put on your jewelry. This is especially important for pearls. ■

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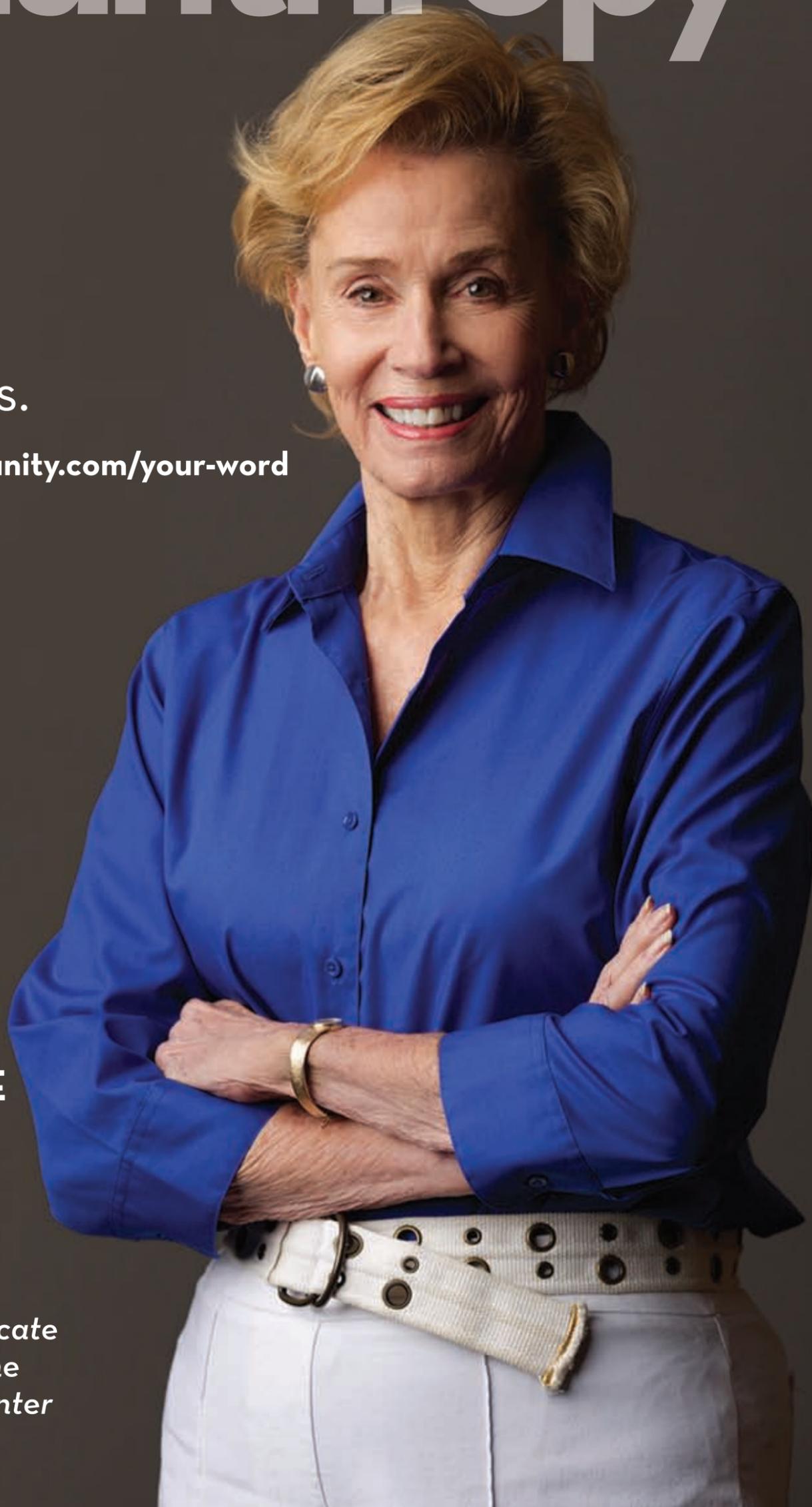
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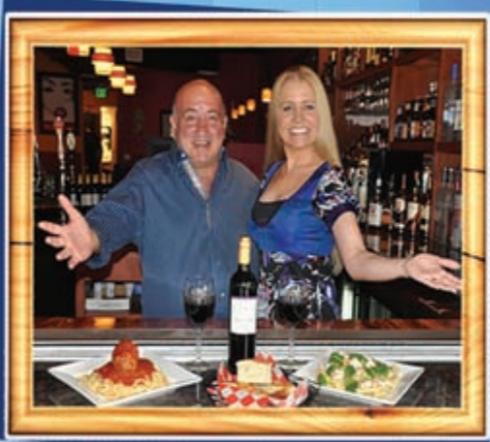
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The Full Menu: www.thaithainoodlebar.com

The Details: A few days ago — Halloween to be precise — my beloved and I shared an extremely rare day together that had us hunting down last-minute accoutrement for our kids' costumes. Trunk-or-treat had provided us with a trial run, so luckily we discovered that no matter how enthusiastic a 6-year-old is about a big purple wig, she will inevitably hate it within minutes. After elbowing our way through the seeth-

ing horde at a local pop-up store, we were hungry. Thai Thai Noodle Bar was just different enough to count as a lunch date. I closed my sales pitch with the promise that he could have dim sum, and it worked.

The tuna yuki I ordered consisted of diced ahi tuna, sliced avocado and cucumber served on a bed of spinach and dressed in masago. It was a light, tasty meal that satisfied my craving for cold, pungent protein and provided the fuel I needed when we loaded two punchy kids into the car who were hopped up on Halloween and treats.

One More Thing: Although I didn't order dim sum this time, I've had the pleasure of enjoying the pork stomach. It was a dreamy, chewy mouthful that featured the aforementioned organ spiced with star anise and swimming in a thick broth. Yum. ■

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PAST REPASTS

Here are some capsule summaries of previous restaurant reviews:

■ **C Level Bistro & Wine Bar, 4450 Bonita Beach Road, Bonita Springs; 221-7046**

The menu mixes modern twists with some Old World classics. Think steak au poivre and crepes Suzette, but factor in microgreens and nasturtium garnishes. The presentation of dishes is thoughtful, precise and just lovely. Start with the C Level sampler trio of zesty ceviche, lush and airy paté and spinach-artichoke spread that's less heavy than most versions. C Level offers a fair amount of lighter seafood options, but it's hard to pass up perfectly cooked herb-crusted rack of lamb and classic tournedos Rossini (twin filets of tender beef topped with thin slices of paté de foie gras and draped in Périgourdine sauce, a silky demi-glace sauce enriched with truffles). Four years ago, C Level was still trying to find its footing. The bistro has since achieved clarity in its concept and menu. Full bar.

Food: ★★★★★
Service: ★★★★★
Atmosphere: ★★★★★
Reviewed July 2016

■ **Fernandez the Bull-Midtown, 3375 Pine Ridge Road, Naples; (239) 653-9097**

Local lovers of Cuban food have twice as much to thank the Fernandez family for now that there's a second Fernandez the Bull to patronize. For 25-plus years, the first one has existed in various locations. Now a chic-looking sibling is operating on Pine Ridge Road



with indoor and outdoor seating, a full bar and a terrific staff. Start with a well-chilled and minty guava mojito. Savor some beef empanadas (one dish of eight serves two or more) or crisp fried calamari and then move on to an entrée like the chicken with mojo and garlic sauce or shrimp and mussels in white wine and tomato sauce. Sides of moros (rice and black beans), fried yucca or fried plantains are all great choices. And don't skip dessert. We loved the guava mango mousse cheesecake. Full bar.

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

■ **Flaco's Mexican Specialties & Steak House, 2371 Vanderbilt Beach Road; Naples; 431-8733**

This long-time purveyor of Mexican fare recently relocated to spacious new digs at the Shoppes at Vanderbilt. While the space is large and bright, it's also extremely noisy. Mercifully,

there's an outside patio for those who need a more tranquil setting. The menu remains wide ranging, with an array of combo dishes as well as ceviche, mole and other Mexican favorites. Zesty salsa came with fresh chips as soon as we arrived. The ceviche and drunken shrimp appetizers, however, could have used some more heat. A cheese enchilada and beef burrito combo was a good choice, while the seafood taco turned soggy when combined with a chicken enchilada with green tomatillo sauce. A gluten-free cake made of nuts with chocolate icing and Nutella was a good finish to the meal. Service was on the brusque side throughout the meal, giving us the impression that we should eat up and move on. Full bar.

Food: ★★★
Service: ★★
Atmosphere: ★★ 1/2
Reviewed April 2016

■ **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 Pisco-jito (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; order whatever sweet features the caramel-flavored lucama fruit.

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

■ **Ristorante Farfalla, 21301 Tamiami Trail, Estero; 495-9912**

Chef-owner Michael Fattah has maintained his commitment to top-shelf ingredients, freshly made pasta, lighter sauces and handmade desserts since opening Farfalla in 1998. No garlic knots or meatball subs here; calamari and penne alla vodka are the closest things to culinary clichés. Chef Fattah's fresh pasta is a must-have, and it might be as dazzling as a special of squid ink and saffron fettuccine with littleneck clams, green mussels, shrimp and lobster. From the regular menu, you can't go wrong with one of the half-dozen veal dishes, the risottos or the handmade gnocchi. And don't pass on desserts, which are served with chilled forks; the cannoli and cheesecake both are filled with an ethereal blend of ricotta and triple-cream mascarpone. Beer and wine.

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CUISINE REVIEW

Café Lurcat offers weekend brunch with first-rate bloody Marys

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If your weekdays are like mine, breakfast (and too often, lunch as well) can be something you hold in your hand and bolt down at your desk. It is more like refueling than dining.

But on weekends, it's nice to kick back and enjoy a leisurely midday meal with family, friends or that special someone. For many people, it's also the big meal of the day following church.

While Sunday brunches are somewhat difficult to find during the summer, they crop up like multi-colored license plates this time of year.

At Café Lurcat, you have the option of brunching on Saturday or Sunday, which is especially nice along Fifth Avenue South for those who want to make a day of shopping on a Saturday and still enjoy a nice meal.

Well known for its stylish bar downstairs and more luxurious restaurant upstairs, Café Lurcat offers brunch in its downstairs space, which looks out on Fifth Avenue (and, unfortunately, the construction zone across the street). But never mind that. Settle into a comfortable table inside in front of the tall doors that open onto the covered patio, or sit on the patio itself and enjoy the weather and the people watching.

The only decision you have to make at this meal is how you'd like your bloody Mary. You receive a little sheet of paper that allows you to construct one just the way you like it. You can choose from three types of vodka, regular or spicy mix, salt or Cajun salt, and several garnishes, including pickled onions, blue cheese olives, queen olives, scallions, celery, baby corn, aged cheddar cheese and asparagus. The generously sized beverage runs \$10. For an upcharge of \$3 you can add shrimp, and for \$4 you can also add house-made sausage. If you aren't careful, the drink could become the meal.

I created a most satisfactory bloody with Tito's vodka, spicy mix, blue cheese olives, pickled pearl onions, asparagus, cheddar cheese and a long, crisp stalk of celery. It was very spicy; in retrospect, I probably should have chosen the less zesty version for a better complement to the dishes served.

The set menu is served family style. The first dish to arrive was a plate



Salmon rillettes are served with herbed cream cheese and bagel crisps.

with two warm salted caramel sticky buns drizzled with vanilla bean frosting. They were tender and tasty, although they weren't the best pairing with the fiery bloody Marys.

There was a fairly long interval between the sticky buns and the next course, which turned out to be almost everything else that was being served: smoked salmon rillettes with garden herb cream cheese and bagel crisps; farm egg Benedict with buttermilk biscuit, Newsom's ham and béarnaise; buckwheat pancakes with poached pear chutney, fresh ricotta and sea salt; caramelized Brussels sprouts with Lurcat maple bacon; and golden potatoes with smoked brisket hash.

All the dishes were delivered at once, which caused a sense of urgency to try the warm items as quickly as possible. I'd have preferred breaking this course into two, perhaps bringing out the smoked salmon rillettes and the pancakes, then the eggs, Brussels sprouts and hash. I think such a division would have enabled the kitchen to ensure that the hot dishes were indeed hot when they arrived. Instead, the eggs and pancakes were lukewarm at best. Considering we were the only party in the sprawling restaurant at the time, it wasn't a question of being overtaxed.

The smoked salmon rillettes, a creamy concoction atop bagel quarters, were nicely done, the smoked salmon flavor mingling well with the herb-studded cream cheese atop a not-overly-crisp bagel.

We liked the pancakes as well, with

their mound of ricotta cheese, delicate pear chutney and syrup, although I'd have liked the pancakes to be somewhat warmer.

The eggs were the disappointment of the meal. Besides being lukewarm, they were bland, the ham lending surprisingly little flavor to this classic combination.

The Brussels sprouts were studded with chunks of maple bacon, something of a trend these days and one of which I'm not enamored. There are plenty of seasonings with which Brussels sprouts shine; one doesn't need meat mixed in, especially when the potato hash served along with it has smoked brisket in it.

The sprouts were good, although I ate around the somewhat fatty ham bits, and the hash was excellent, a delicious melding of potatoes, assertive but tender meat and peppers.

The finale was what our server described at Lurcat's "world-famous doughnuts." Doughnuts after sticky buns and pancakes? Definitely not a dieter's meal, but we did not say no and we weren't sorry when he delivered four, small warm doughnuts all enrobed in sugar and cinnamon. They were simple and elegant. We left not a crumb.

Service throughout our meal was excellent, which you would expect considering only two other tables were occupied by the time we left on a Sunday around 12:30 p.m., which should be prime time. Brunch just started here a few weeks ago, so perhaps word has yet to get out.

One element that might increase



Bloody Marys are serious business at Café Lurcat's weekend brunch.

patronage is brightening up the dining room a bit. From the street, it looks dark and uninviting. And even from inside, it felt somewhat gloomy. A few more lights would go a long way toward giving it a sunny daytime vibe.

This is certainly not a meal you'd eat on a regular basis, but it could be a pleasant break from the routine. ■

in the know

Café Lurcat

494 Fifth Ave. S., Naples; 213-3357

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

- >> **Hours:** Brunch is served 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday-Sunday
- >> **Reservations:** Accepted
- >> **Credit cards:** Accepted
- >> **Price:** \$24.95 per person
- >> **Beverages:** Bloody Mary menu and full bar
- >> **Seating:** Banquettes, conventional tables, communal high top and bar seating indoors, standard tables on the covered patio out front
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Kalea Bay's community amenities popular with buyers

Residential tower celebrates topping off



If the clubhouse is the social and recreational centerpiece of a community then Kalea Bay's will surely be one of the busiest places in the gated, luxury residential high-rise community located on Vanderbilt Drive in North Naples.

"There are several reasons buyers have decided to purchase at Kalea Bay," said Inga Wilson, Vice President of Sales & Marketing for Kalea Bay. "The first is the beautifully designed three-bedroom plus den/three-and-a-half-bath and four-bedroom/four-bath tower residences with Gulf views. The other is our spectacular community clubhouse. Not only will it be a dramatic sight as residents and visitors drive into the community, but it will also be the envy of every community in the Naples' area."

Kalea Bay's 88,000-square-foot clubhouse is located on the north side of the large lake at the community's entrance and is currently under construction.

The clubhouse 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.

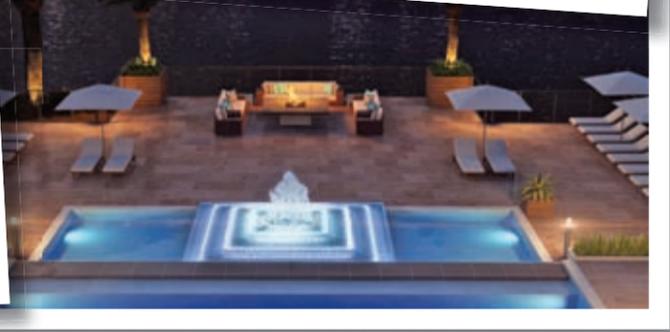
Expansive sun decks with lounge chairs and native, tropical plants separate each of the three pools for the ultimate in privacy.

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



Above: This aerial of Kalea Bay shows the first tower as it marked its Topping Off. Kalea Bay's first tower was designed with rooftop amenities, including a sky lounge, spectacular pool and open-air fitness center. The 88,000-square-foot clubhouse features three separate pools, a deck bar, an indoor/outdoor restaurant and an Internet cafe. One of the three pools at the Kalea Bay clubhouse (on right) is for adults only. Kalea Bay residences will enjoy their clubhouse day and night.

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. "Rather than putting their guests up in hotels throughout the Naples and Bonita Springs area, they can vacation within the community. It's a real convenience."

There will also be a shuttle service, originating from the clubhouse, to the beach.

"Two of the top rated beaches in the country are only minutes away from Kalea Bay," stated Wilson.

Construction on the clubhouse is slated for completion in the fall of next year and will coincide with the anticipated move-in of the residents in the first tower.

The 22-story tower, with 120 residences, has 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking. In late September the tower hit a milestone in its construction phase - its topping off.

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. 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, and wood floors throughout.

The custom kitchens have Wolf and Sub-Zero 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 said spectacular views are available to every resident, no matter which floor they live on. That's because the tower's amenities are located on the rooftop, including the sky lounge, pool and open-air fitness center.

"From the rooftop our residents can enjoy daily views of the Gulf of Mexico, the nature preserves that surround us, and of course, the beaches," said Wilson.

For more information regarding Kalea Bay visit the onsite sales center. It is located two-tenths of a mile north of Wiggins Pass Road, on Vanderbilt Drive, at 13910 Old Coast Road in North Naples. Additional information is available by calling (239) 793-0110 or online at KaleaBay.com. ■

Limited purchase opportunities remaining at TwinEagles

With sales at TwinEagles expected to exceed \$100 million for the third consecutive year, The Ronto Group announced that purchase opportunities are becoming increasingly limited. Eighty carriage home and single-family home opportunities priced from the mid-\$200's to \$1 million remain available. The community was recognized by Boardroom magazine as a Distinguished Emerald Club. A golf membership is included with every newly constructed home.

Six buildable home sites and two unfurnished residences under construction remain available in TwinEagles' Lockford neighborhood. The completed Prestwick Grand and Turnberry Grand models are available for viewing. Lockford features one and two-story floor plans by Minto Florida ranging from 2,600 to 3,800 square-feet. Homes on 60-foot sites are priced from the low-\$500s to \$1 million. A \$35,000 builder incentive is available for new-build residences in Lockford.

An unfurnished, move-in ready Prestwick Grand residence will be completed by the end of December. The 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, a lanai with an outdoor kitchen, and a two-car garage. The home's great room opens to the lanai.

An unfurnished Turnberry residence is expected to be completed by early 2017. The 2,842 square foot Turnberry features two bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths, a study, formal dining room, great room, island kitchen, an outdoor living area prepped for an outdoor kitchen, and a three-car garage with a space that could serve as an air conditioned room. The move-in ready Turnberry includes upgraded finishes and a pool and spa.

Thirty-five sites are available in Minto's Dundee neighborhood. Dundee offers a final opportunity to purchase a 2,600 to 3,800 square foot residence in the \$600,000 to \$800,000 price range. Dundee single-family residences on 62 x 135-foot home sites. The secluded Dundee neighborhood features

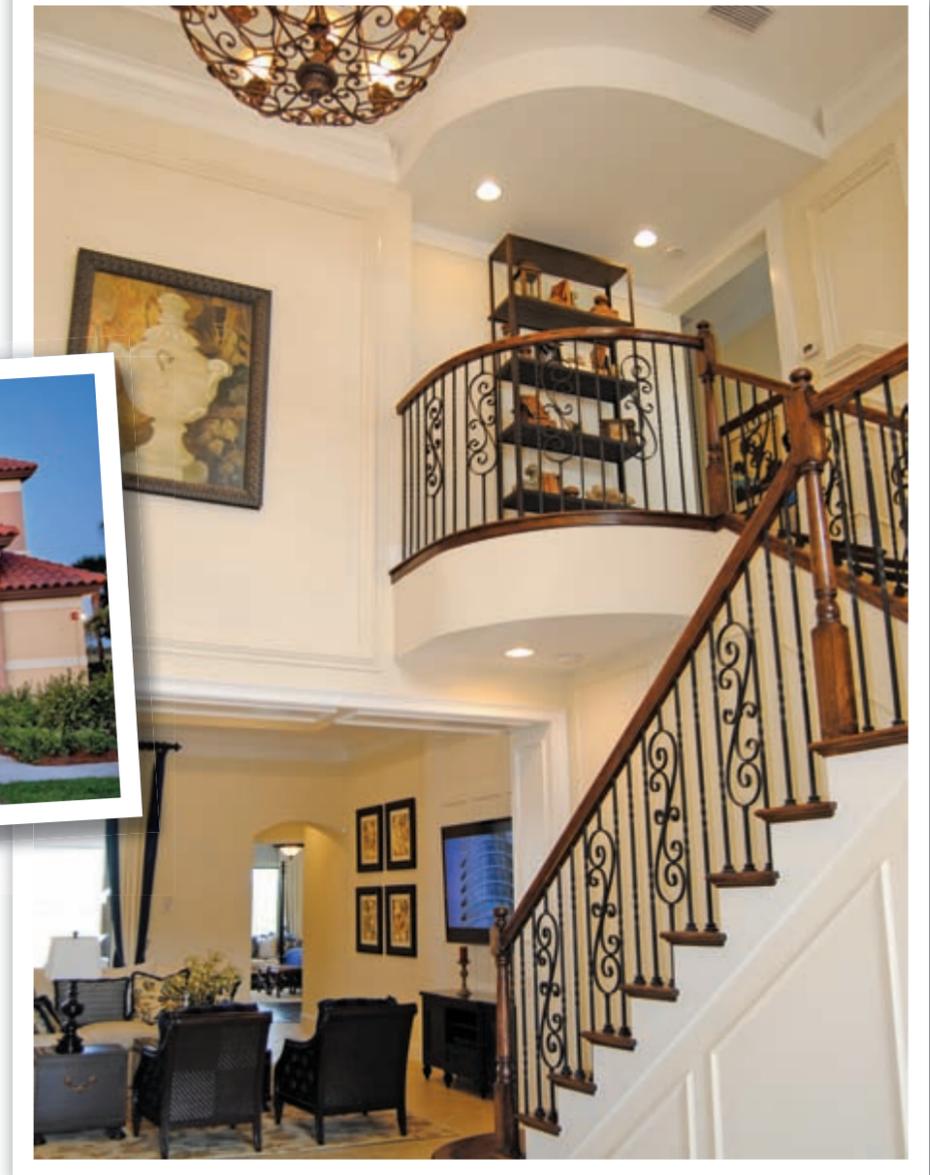
captivating views. A \$25,000 builder incentive is available for new-build residences in Dundee.

Minto's seven floor plans in Dundee include the Prestwick Grand, Turnberry Grand, Turnberry, and Inverness plans. The 2,899 square foot Inverness plan offers three bedrooms plus a study, two baths, a great room and island kitchen, a formal dining room, a covered and screened lanai, a two-car garage, and a one-car garage. A fourth bedroom, media room, and a cabana bath are also available.

Minto's choices in Dundee include the St. Andrews, Birkdale, and Prestwick plans. The 3,180 square foot St. Andrews plan features a formal living room, dining room, family room, island kitchen, a covered and screened lanai, three bedrooms, a study, three baths, a two-car garage, and a one-car garage. The 2,840 square foot Birkdale plan offers formal living and dining rooms, three bedrooms, three baths, a study, island kitchen and family room, a screened and covered lanai, and a two-car garage. The Prestwick great room plan includes 2,642 square feet with two bedrooms, two-and-a-half baths, a study, a formal dining room, an island kitchen, a two-car garage, and a one-car garage. The great room opens to the lanai.



Above: Lennar Corporation's Maria model is one of two furnished model residences open for viewing in TwinEagles' Kinross neighborhood. Completed unfurnished residences are available for immediate move-in. **Right:** Minto Florida's 3,811 square foot, two-story Turnberry Grand floor plan is one of seven plans offered in TwinEagles' Dundee neighborhood. **Below:** A Pulte Homes neighborhood, Covent Garden at TwinEagles offers thoughtfully designed carriage homes measuring 1,654 and 2,297 square feet under air priced from the mid-\$200's to the high-\$300's.



Lennar Corporation's Kinross neighborhood presents a final opportunity to purchase a single-family home at the high \$400's to the low-\$600's price point. Six floor plans from 1,850 to 2,828 square feet priced from the high \$400's to the low-\$600's are available. Home sites 52-feet wide and 145-feet deep or deeper showcase exquisite views. Two models are open for viewing and 32 home sites remain available. Seven unfurnished homes are available, three of which are completed and the remainder of which will be completed by late January or early February.

Lennar's 2,061 square foot Angelina model features a great room, island kitchen, formal dining room, two bedrooms, a den or third bedroom, two full baths, and a two-car garage. The great room and owner's bedroom open to a covered lanai. The Angelina plan is base-priced at \$543,094.

The 2,247 square feet Maria plan includes a great room and island kitchen, dining area, three bedrooms, a den or fourth bedroom, three full baths, a covered lanai, and a two-car garage. The Maria floor plan is base-priced at \$558,094. A furnished Maria model is open for viewing.

Lennar's Catalina plan is base-priced

at \$643,094 and offers 2,828 square feet with a great room, bonus room, owner's suite and three guest bedrooms, four baths, island kitchen, a covered lanai, and a two-car garage. Base-priced at \$532,094, the 2,246 square foot Isabella great room plan includes three bedrooms and a den or fourth bedroom, two full baths, a formal dining area, an island kitchen, and a lanai with an outdoor kitchen.

The 2,032 square feet Sophia plan base-priced at \$522,094 includes a great room, owner's suite, three guest bedrooms, three baths, an island kitchen, a covered lanai, and a two-car garage. A two-car courtyard garage is included with the Victoria plan base-priced at \$510,094. The 1,850 square foot plan offers a great room and island kitchen,

two bedrooms, a den, two baths, and a covered lanai.

Just 12 opportunities remain available in Pulte Homes' Covent Garden carriage home neighborhood. Residences are priced from the mid-\$200's to the high-\$300's. The 1,654 square foot Cheshire floor plan offers two bedrooms, a den or third bedroom, a great room and island kitchen, two baths, a screened lanai, and a two-car garage. The 2,297 square feet Tourmaline plan includes three bedrooms, a fourth bedroom or den, two-and-a-half baths, a great room that opens to a screened lanai, a formal dining room, a kitchen and breakfast nook, and a two-car garage.

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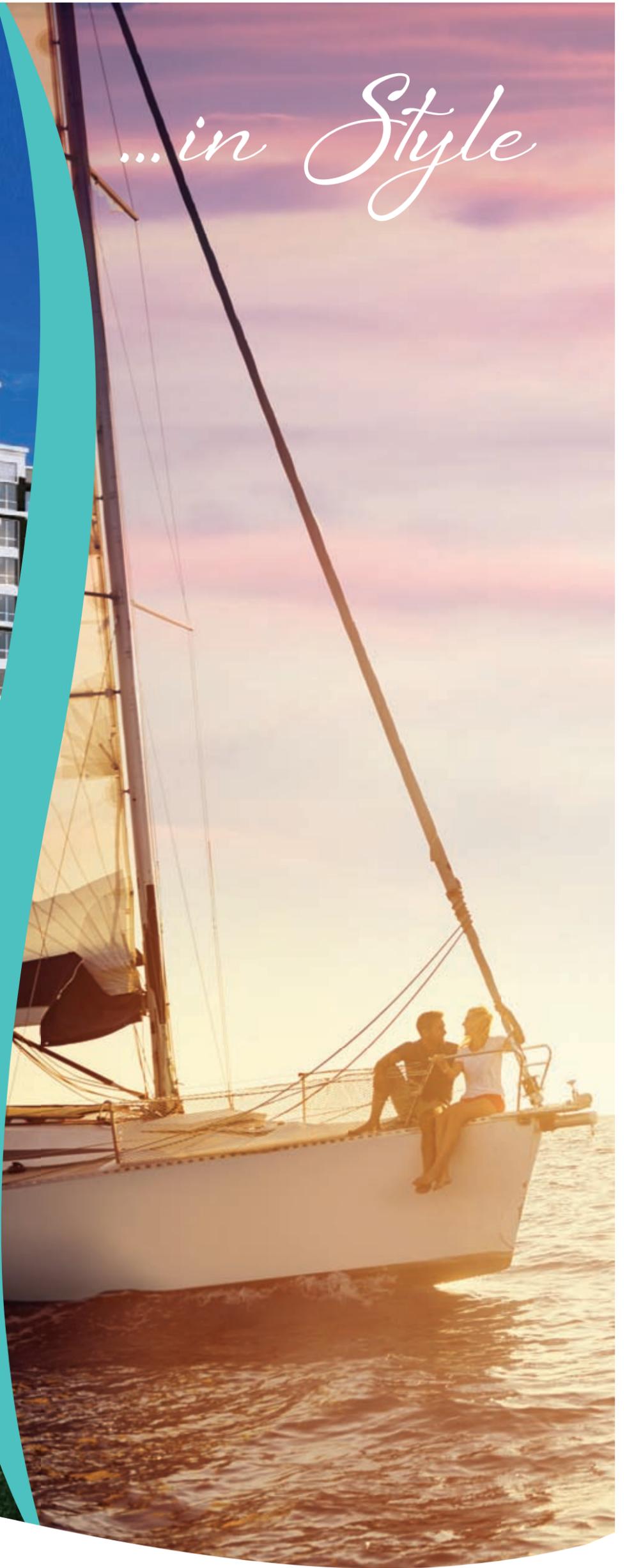
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Immersed in nature: Mediterra's Caminetto luxury estate home neighborhood debuts

Natural immersion. A special place that feeds the mind, body and soul with its focus on nature's tapestry of greens and the sapphire sparkle and serenity of fountained lakes within a community admired for its have it all lifestyle.

It's here: Caminetto, a boutique neighborhood of only 15 homes in Mediterra, Naples' premier golf and beach club and 10-time community of the year. Woven into the natural landscape of Mediterra's nature preserves and lakes, this intimate enclave by London Bay Homes was unveiled this summer and is now open for sales.

Surrounded by nature, Caminetto is just a leisurely stroll to the Parterre Garden, a peaceful sanctuary in Mediterra's Garden Neighborhood where former gardens, statues, fountained lake views and water features are waiting to be explored.

So too are the community's Tom Fazio-designed championship golf courses nestled along nature preserves, conservation areas and lakes. With Mediterra's membership waiting list now spanning nearly a year, London Bay Homes is offering an exclusive opportunity for new homebuyers to purchase a golf membership now.

The award-winning homebuilder has created five one- and two-story floor plans for Caminetto, offering 3,500 to 5,000 square feet of living space, luxury options for personal expression, and a selection of three architectural styles, including transitional interpretations of Mediterranean and coastal styles with bungalow-inspired siding, shutters, blockwork and courtyard entries. With an emphasis on outdoor living, the homes also feature large outdoor areas to enjoy breezes, the warmth of a fire table or the sun, and the soothing melody of moving water.

In the Carmela and Sonoma, two model homes currently under construction, master suites are elevated to sanctuaries, enjoying the unfolding beauty of nature and lakes and featuring either an outdoor shower or a yoga garden that's perfect for morning sun salutations or unwinding before bedtime.

The Carmela introduces a fluid, flowing sense of spaciousness between formal dining room, kitchen and great room that continues outside. The three-bedroom luxury home offers 3,835 square feet of living space, one- and two-car garages, and an entry framed by two fountains.

Its alfresco areas beckon with a fire table, infinity-edge pool and spa and covered living and dining spaces with a fully equipped outdoor kitchen.

Inside, the cafe enjoys pool, lake and nature preserve views through its pocketing sliding glass doors. The gourmet kitchen has it all, including an oversized freestanding island and adjoining pantry closet and butler's pantry with a wine refrigerator.

The Carmela also offers a study, a powder bath, three full baths, and private wings for bedrooms.

A French door in the master suite opens to the pool area; another in the spa-like bathroom to the yoga garden. The suite also offers oversized dual walk-in closets, a separate tub and shower.

The Sonoma, a four-bedroom, four-and-one-half bath luxury model, offers several special places throughout its



Above: The Carmela's alfresco spaces includes a fire table and infinity-edge pool. Right: London Bay Homes' Sonoma model will offer four bedrooms and 4,421 square feet. Below: A three-bedroom luxury estate, the Carmela offers an open floor plan. The Caminetto neighborhood at Mediterra is located within walking distance of the Parterre Garden.



4,421 square feet: a bonus room set within zero-corner doors opening to the wrap-around outdoor living and dining areas, a second-floor lounge with a wet bar, and a garden shower from the master bath that's also accessible from the pool deck.

It, too, features an open floor plan and offers a great room, one- and two-car garages and a custom pool with a spa and large sun shelf, with flowing water providing a calming soundtrack. The dining room in the kitchen opens to a

covered terrace.

The bonus room inspires the imagination with its many possibilities: a study or home office, a hobby room or an artist's studio sure to stir creativity with its views.

The master suite offers double French doors just steps to the spa plus dual walk-in closets and a relaxing bathroom.

The Sonoma also offers the option of an elevator to the second floor with a lounge, large guest suite and full bath.

Both models are scheduled for completion in fall 2017.

The Carmela and Sonoma will showcase interior design by award-winning Romanza Interior Design and London Bay Homes' commitment to Private Label Living, ensuring quality, attention to detail, an enjoyable building process, and homes that are a unique expression of their residents.

For more information about Caminetto, visit www.MediterraNaples.com, call 239-949-8989, or visit Mediterra, located on Livingston Road, two miles north of Immokalee Road and west of I-75. ■

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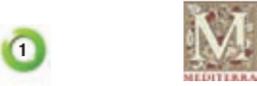


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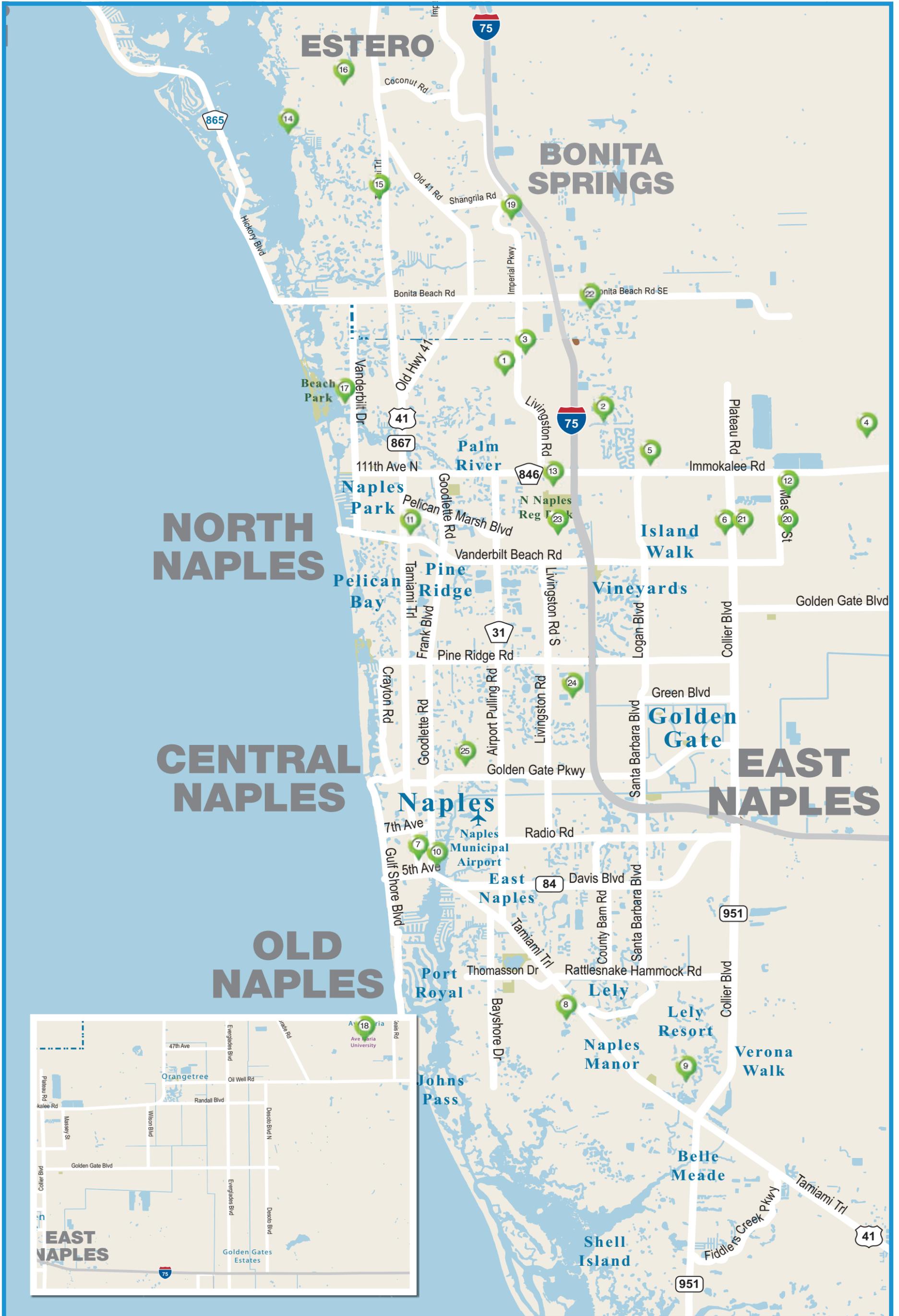
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New building released in Signature Club at Lely Resort: New amenities are open

New homes and new amenities continue to be unveiled at Lely Resort, winner of seven Community of the Year Awards from the Collier Building Industry Association.

This fall, Stock Development is nearing sell out of the legendary community and residents and guests will notice several new additions. Stock has added new lifestyle amenities with the debut of The Players Room at the award-winning Players Club & Spa.

On the residential front, Stock has released for sale another building at Signature Club, one of the final two neighborhoods of coach homes that will be built at Lely Resort.

"Lely has been one of the Naples real estate market's biggest success stories for more than a decade and we pride ourselves on addressing the changing needs of our residents and providing them with the best possible amenities," said Brian Stock, CEO of Stock Development, the developer of Lely Resort Stock. "The Players Room is a wonderful addition to an amenity complex that has won numerous Best Clubhouse Awards over the past 10 years."

The Players Club & Spa is located adjacent to Signature Club.

According to Stock, each coach home building at Signature Club offers four residences. The neighborhood features an array of stunning lake and golf course views across The Classics Championship Golf Course and the new building offers the longest lake views available. These homes offer extraordinary value with numerous standard features that are upgrades in similar homes. Two furnished models are open and prices for inventory homes begin at \$460,170.

"Signature Club is a beautiful neighborhood of coach homes that live like single-family residences," said Stock. "This new building offers a premium location with amazing water views across the widest part of the lake."

The new building includes two floorplans. The St. Andrews is a three-bedroom, three and one-half bath coach home offering an island-style kitchen with breakfast nook, a study, a two-car garage and 2,738 square feet under air. This second floor unit also offers an elevator option.

Also available is The Wentworth, a ground floor home offering two-bedrooms and two-and-a-half baths, a great room and a dining room. With 2,096 square feet under air, it features a den, a gourmet kitchen with a breakfast nook and a two-car garage.

Signature Club has a beautiful private, gated entry with water features, beautiful landscaping and a stone entry monument.

Lely also has amazing single-family homes.

The exquisitely designed and beautifully furnished Majestic II model is perfectly suited to take advantage of The Lakoya neighborhood with its extraordinary lakes and fairway views along the Gary Player-designed Classics championship golf.

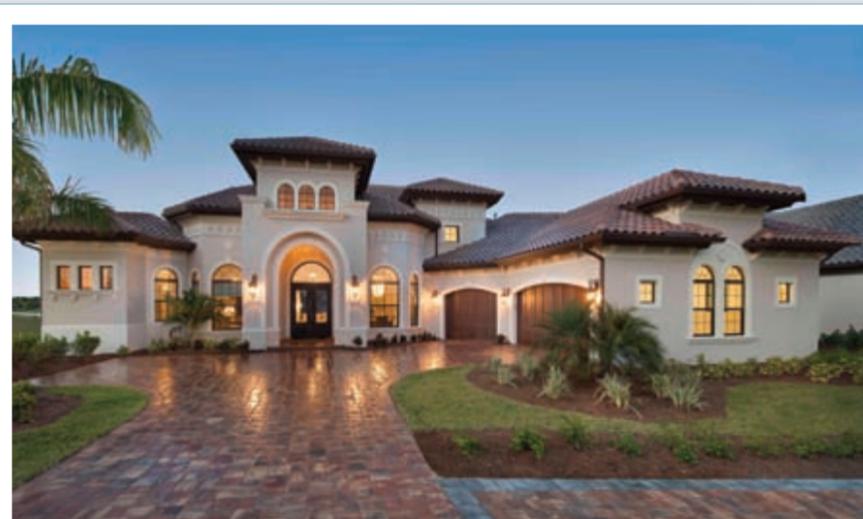
This four-bedroom, four-bath home offers 3,843 square feet under air and a total of 5,735 square feet. The spacious floor plan features a formal living room and an informal family room, both of which provide direct access to the covered lanai via stacked sliding glass doors. The home melds the outdoors and indoor living areas to provide homeowners with a large, open environment for entertaining. An

outdoor kitchen and an elaborate pool and spa package complete the idyllic scene.

Raised tray ceilings throughout the living areas add to the homes spacious feel. There is a large island style kitchen, and a formal study with French doors. Stunning Interiors by Beasley & Henley add to the appeal. The attached three-car garage offers an air-conditioned storage area. It is priced at \$1,849,990 fully furnished.

Stock Development is one of the area's most successful and innovative developers. The lifestyle it creates is as amazing as its residences.

Lely residents have access to three championship golf courses and a



spectacular club facility. The Player's Club & Spa is an amazing 30,000 square foot club that is both elegant and highly functional for its

lighting. The 6,000 square foot Fitness Center now includes a spectacular second exercise room with state-of-the-art equipment, a huge aerobics studio that

has nearly tripled in size and a "spin" room. Personal training is available, as is onsite physical therapy treatment.

The beautiful Spa Wing includes four treatment rooms, a relaxation room, a manicure and pedicure salon, facial and skin care treatment rooms, as well as opulent shower and changing rooms.

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Above: Majestic II model; St. Andrews interior. Left: The Signature Club is a beautiful neighborhood of coach homes that live like single-family residences. Below: The Players Club & Spa.

members. It has earned a Sand Dollar Award for best clubhouse.

The new Players Room is multi-purpose building located adjacent to the main clubhouse. It offers a Movie Theater with seating for 72. There is also a kitchenette, bathrooms and ten tables for card play and games. The lobby features elegant banquet seating.

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New models, amenity enhancements generating activity at Quail West

As construction of Phase I of a two-phase clubhouse and golf course renovation initiative continues to progress at Quail West, the community by Stock Development announced that new furnished models and unfurnished move-in ready homes are available to homebuyers intent on enjoying the amenity rich lifestyle at Southwest Florida's premier private residential country club. Projected to include 678 single family residences at build-out, Quail West is expected to reach 500 completed homes by the end of this year.

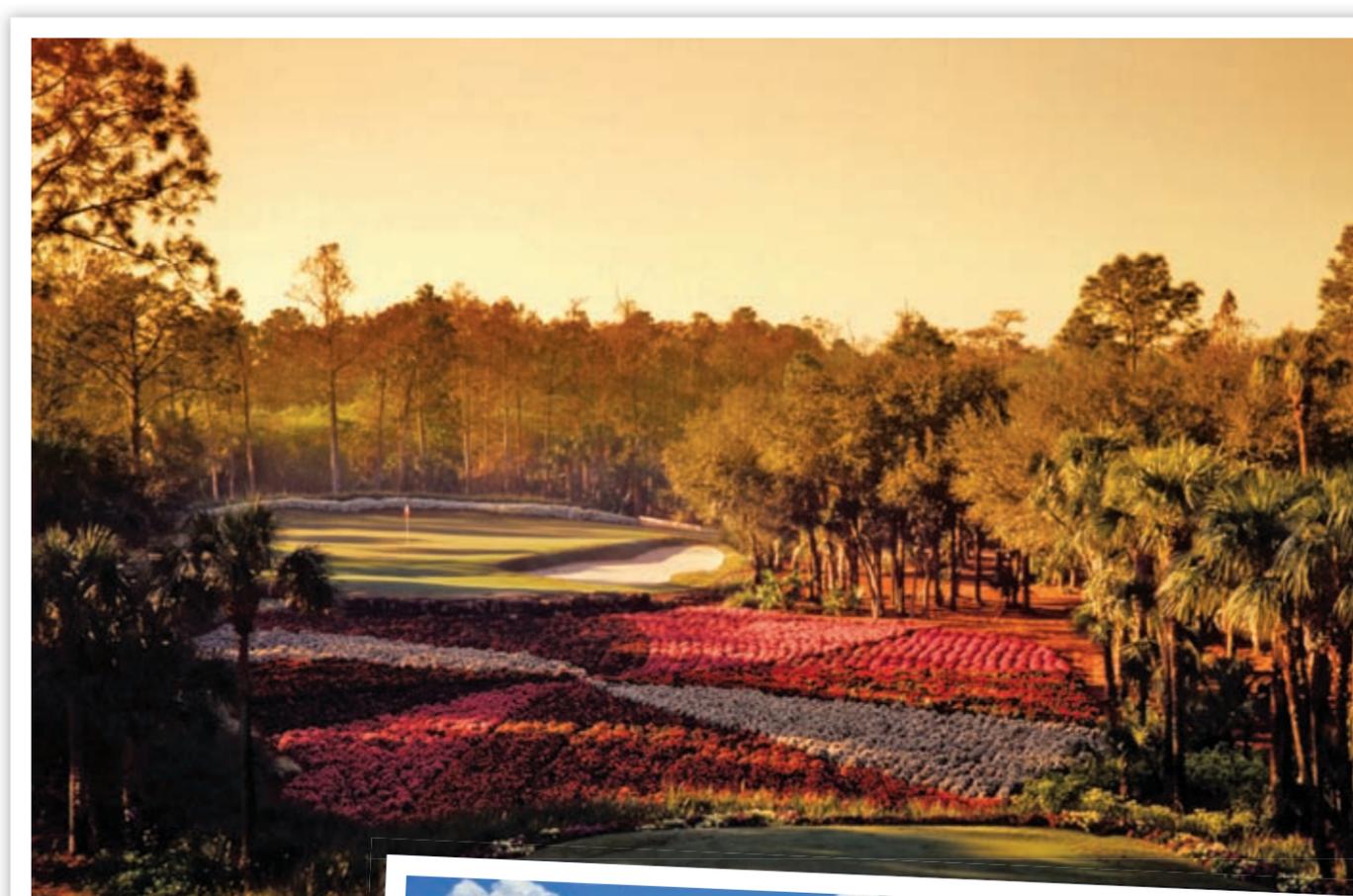
The renovation initiative will provide residents and members the finest in high-end amenities and services, including formal and casual dining, a glass enclosed, heated swimming pool, fitness, wellness, golf, tennis, and salon and spa services. Phase I improvements are expected to be completed between mid to late December and late first quarter, 2017. Renovations to Quail West's two golf courses will address enhancements to the irrigation systems, green complexes, adjacent grass areas, and fairways. The golf practice area will be enlarged. Improvements to the Preserve course are underway and expected to be completed in December. Work on the Lakes Course will begin in spring, 2017, and the course will re-open by the end of next year.

The renovation initiative and the availability of completed furnished models and unfurnished, move-in ready residences has created a surge in sales at Quail West. Three opportunities remain in McGarvey Custom Homes' La Caille villa neighborhood. Priced at \$1,175,000 furnished, McGarvey's completed Cadera model presents a 2,702 square foot floor plan with a great room, island kitchen, a dining area, three bedrooms, three-and-a-half baths, a study, and a three car garage. An outdoor living area features a fireplace, an outdoor kitchen, and a pool. A second furnished Cadera model and a model featuring McGarvey's Gallina plan are in development.

Three unfurnished villas remain in Stock Signature Homes' Escala villa neighborhood. A 3,239 square foot Marlowe villa priced at \$1,244,535 was completed in October and is available for purchase and move-in. A 2,822 square foot Palmhurst villa is scheduled for completion in November and priced at \$1,089,445. A second Palmhurst is priced at \$1,063,830 and slated for completion in early first quarter, 2017. Each of the unfurnished, move-in ready Escala villas offers optional features and upgraded finishes.

One buildable home site and five unfurnished residences remain available in the Tamworth neighborhood. Tamworth offers residences ranging from 3,000 to over 4,000 square feet base-priced from the \$900's by Stock Signature Homes and Florida Lifestyle Homes. Stock and Florida Lifestyle have also created 3,000 to over 5,000 square foot residences on estate-sized home sites base-priced from the \$900's in Newlands. Priced at \$1,749,990 with furnishings, Stock's 3,800 square foot furnished Hamilton model in Newlands is the last residence available in the neighborhood.

North Lake presents 3,000 to over 5,000 square foot residences by Stock and Florida Lifestyle on 120-foot home sites with base-pricing from \$1,129,990. Stock is offering three unfurnished, move-in ready homes in North Lake, including the 4,155 square foot Windsor III priced at \$1,975,160. A second unfurnished Windsor III and the 3,921 square foot Dorval are being built in North Lake. Pricing for



Above: Renovations to Quail West's two golf courses will address enhancements to the irrigation systems, green complexes, adjacent grass areas, and fairways. Improvements to the Preserve course are underway and expected to be completed in December. Right: McGarvey Custom Homes 5,141 square foot Mon Paradis grand estate model at Quail West is priced at \$4,150,000 fully-furnished and was named recipient of CBIA's 2016 Sand Dollar Award for Product Design of the Year – Single Family Homes \$4,000,001 - \$4,500,000.



Left: Priced at \$2,317,125 Stock Signature Homes' 4,124 square foot furnished Normandy II model is open in Quail West's Cortland neighborhood. Cortland includes nineteen 95-foot home sites with golf course and water views.

both residences will be announced soon. Priced at \$2,317,125 Stock's 4,124 square foot furnished Normandy II model is open in Cortland. Cortland includes nineteen 95-foot home sites with golf course and water views. The neighborhood offers thirteen floor plans by Stock Signature Homes. The four-bedroom plus study floor plans range from 3,504 to 4,239 square feet and are base-priced from \$1,019,990 to \$1,199,990. Two additional furnished models are expected to debut in Cortland in January and February. Five buildable home sites remain available.

Estate homes at Quail West are built by Stock Signature Homes, McGarvey Custom Homes, Seagate Development Group, LLC, Diamond Custom Homes, Fox Custom Builders, and London Bay

Homes. Custom estate home and home site packages are priced from \$2.5 million to over \$7 million. A collection of 15 furnished and unfurnished estate residences that are completed or scheduled for completion during the 2017 winter season is available. Stock's furnished Aqualina and Carlisle II estate models are now open. Priced at \$3,860,275 fully-furnished, the 4,937 square foot Aqualina showcases an interior by Marc Michaels Interior Design. The 4,420 square foot Carlisle II estate presents an interior by Soco Interiors and is priced at \$3,367,755 with furnishings.

Furnished estate models by Seagate, Diamond, and McGarvey were named recipients of the Collier Building Industry Association's (CBIA) 2016 Sand Dol-

lar Awards for Product Design of the Year in their respective pricing categories. Seagate's Oakmont estate is priced at \$4.7 million including furnishings. The Oakmont's 5,524 square foot floor plan conveys the grandeur associated with refined estate living and includes an additional 2,931 square feet of outdoor spaces under roof. The Oakmont received CBIA's Sand Dollar Award for Product Design of the Year – Single Family Homes \$4,500,001 - \$5,000,000. Diamond's two-story, 5,541 square feet under air Magnolia estate is priced at \$3,895,000. The Magnolia won multiple Sand Dollar Awards, including Product Design of the Year – Single Family Homes \$3,500,001 - \$4,000,000. McGarvey's 5,141 square foot Mon Paradis grand estate model is priced at \$4,150,000 fully-furnished. The Mon Paradis was named recipient of CBIA's 2016 Sand Dollar Award for Product Design of the Year – Single Family Homes \$4,000,001 - \$4,500,000.

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. ■

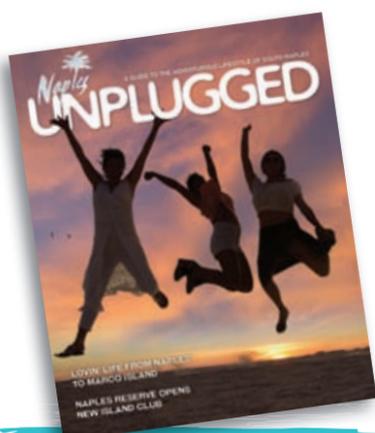


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The Isles of Collier Preserve by Minto named Community of the Year

The Isles of Collier Preserve in Naples by Minto Communities recently received Collier Building Industry Association (CBIA) 2016 Sand Dollar Awards for Community of the Year, Best Special Event for Residents for the Isles Club Grand Opening, and Best TV commercial. Minto's ultra-luxurious Tamarind Grande model at The Isles of Collier Preserve also won for Best Specialty Feature for its unique guest casitas.

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 \$50,000 incentive towards purchase. Featured homes include

the Orchid two-story coach home priced at \$607,150, and the Petunia villa home priced at \$523,890. The Pimento single-family home, available in December, is offering a \$50,000 incentive priced at \$884,638.

The Orchid coach home is 2,011 square feet under air, and includes two bedrooms, two baths, den, sun room, two-car garage, private elevator and a water view. The Petunia villa home is 1,616 square feet under air, and includes two bedrooms, two baths, den, pool and spa with water view and two-car garage. The Pimento single-family home also includes a pool and spa with a beautiful water view. It is 2,333 square feet under air, and features two bedrooms, den, two-and-a-half baths, and three-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 minto.com. ■



Above: The Isles Club, The Isles of Collier Preserve and Pimento interior.

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Allure caters to environmentally-conscious buyers



Developers of Allure, the new, luxury condominium planned for the Historic Downtown Fort Myers River District, are incorporating amenities and conveniences that utilize natural resources and are important to environmentally-conscious buyers. Situated on the scenic Caloosahatchee River, the two-tower, 32-story condominium will feature amenities such as natural gas and electric car charging stations.

"We are the only development on the river here offering natural gas," says Allure Sales and Marketing Director Barbara Bengochea-Perez. "Many buyers have expressed that they prefer cooking on natural gas ranges over electric," she adds.

There are many benefits to using natural gas including the significant savings on the cost of electric. In addition to natural gas ranges, the water is also heated by natural gas. This means there are no in-residence hot water heaters to take up space, have to repair or replace, or worry about leaking and flooding the owner's residence or another in the building. It's also a great benefit during power failures. "If there is a hurricane or power outage, residents will still have hot water for showering and can still cook," says Bengochea-Perez.

Allure will also feature electric charging stations for those buyers who have electric vehicles. "So, if you drive a Tesla, Allure makes it convenient to charge your car in the building's garage, right at home," says Bengochea-Perez.

To maximize enjoyment of the natural beauty just outside Allure residents' doors, the property will feature a beautiful river-front promenade with lush landscaping, a covered gazebo, picnic benches, and a meandering, brick-paved walking path along the glistening river behind the condominium. Whether going for an invigo-

rating morning jog or just a relaxing, afternoon stroll, residents of ALLURE will be able to enjoy the best that Mother Nature has to offer, right in their own backyard.

In addition, luxurious residences at ALLURE feature floor-to-ceiling glass that maximizes views and lets the owners enjoy the outdoors in the comfort of their own home. Breathtaking, colorful, panoramas from sunrise to sunset are part of daily life for residents of ALLURE.

ALLURE'S prime location in the Historic Downtown Fort Myers River District puts residents in the middle of a vibrant urban community. With over 50 cafes, bars and restaurants, the pedestrian and pet-friendly historic downtown offers unlimited options for dining and nightlife to suit any taste. Arts and culture abound in the River District where the cobblestone-streets are lined with eclectic boutiques and art galleries, historic landmarks and architecture, museums, and even a professional theater.

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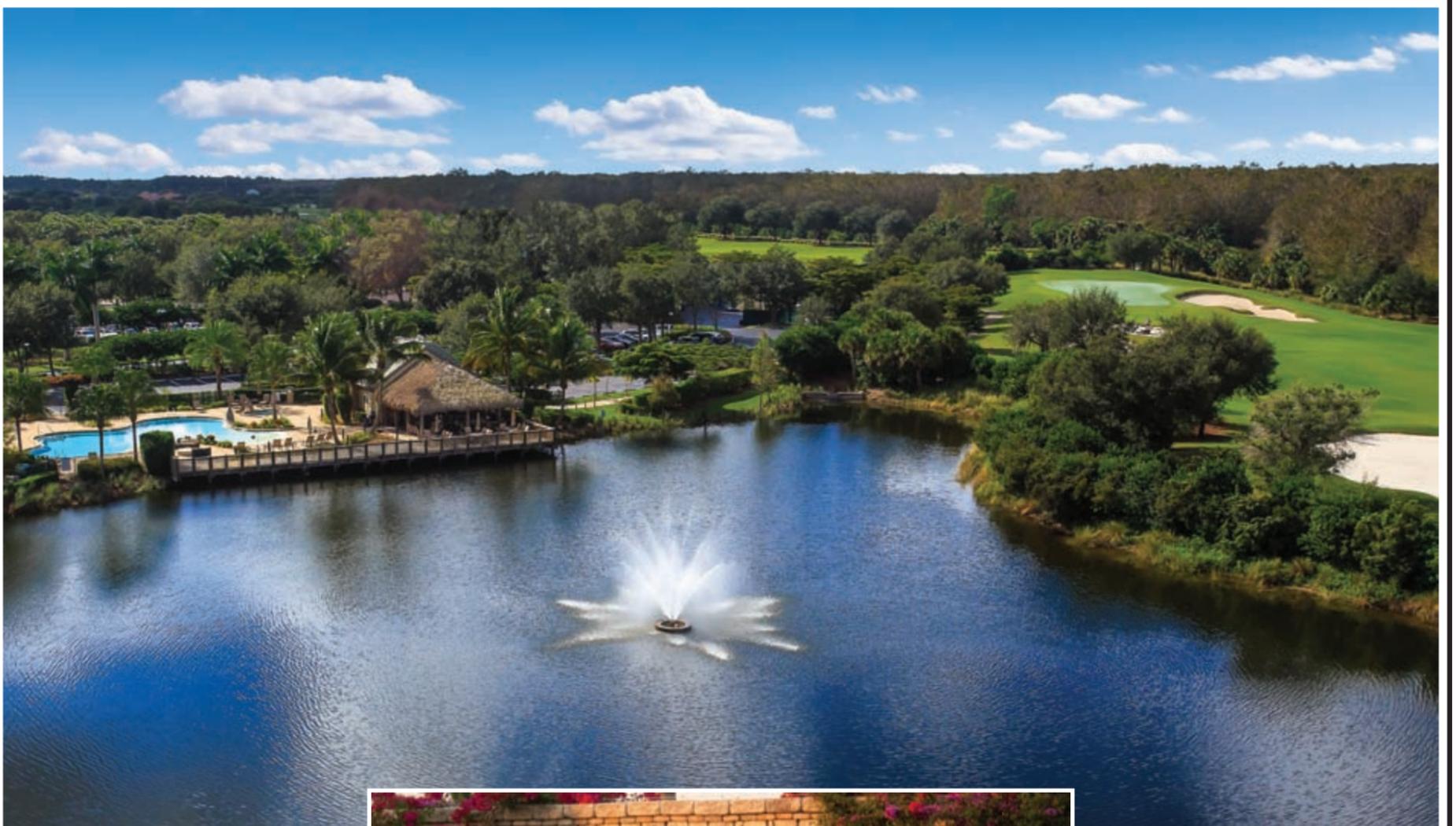
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Whiskey Creek Villa
All ages welcome here! Amazing updated 2 bed/2 bath/+ den + oversized single car garage. Open concept kitchen. **\$195,000**
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Highland Woods
2 bedroom/2 bathroom located in Highland Woods. Well maintained w/newer AC. Private golf membership included. **\$189,900**
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Spacious (1642 sq. ft.) villa featuring wood kitchen cabinets/stainless feel appliances. Master bath has wood cabinets. **\$184,900**
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Gated Community, 2 Car Garage
Beautifully maintained condo with 2 car garage, 2 bedrooms, in quiet gated community. Back faces East so you can enjoy. **\$184,000**
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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**
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2 Bedroom 2 Bathroom In Desirable North Naples
Gorgeous lake and pool view 2/2 light, bright, updated and immaculately clean. Being sold turnkey. **\$175,000**
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Bella Terra 2+2 with Carport and Storage
Bella Terra 2+2 with carport and storage. **\$175,000**
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Gulf Access Condo in Downtown Cape Coral
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Nice 2/2 Home with Large Pool
Must come & see this nice 2/2 home w/ large pool Laminated wood flooring throughout the house w/exception of bedroom & bath. **\$149,900**
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LEHIGH ACRES



Great Listing - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Home
Screen porch, security system, 2 car garage. Close to 82. 3 bedroom, 2 bath unit for the perfect homeowner to move in. **\$145,000**
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PORT CHARLOTTE



Beautiful 3/2 Home with Pool
3/2/2 pool home for sale! Minutes from Port Charlotte Town Center and 10 miles from Port Charlotte Beach! **\$140,000**
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CAPE CORAL



Salt Water Access in a Great Neighborhood
Located in a over 55, well maintained complex on a quiet street, this 2 bed, bath condo offers all the amenities you expect **\$140,000**
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Spacious Townhome
Sandalwood Estates is centrally located in the exclusive South Point area and close to restaurants, beaches, Rutenberg. **\$136,000**
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Banyon Trace
Best Buy on the market in Banyon Trace! 2 bed 2 bath rear condo with screened balcony overlooking trees & storm shutters. **\$134,900**
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PUNTA GORDA



2/1/1 Single Family Home in Tropical Gulf Acres
Cute 2 bedroom 1.5 bath 1 car garage home in Tropical Gulf Acres! Newer A/C. Perfect retirement home or starter home. **\$129,000**
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Beautiful Corner Home. Fast Response to Offers
Beautiful corner home. Fast responses to offers. This is a perfect starter home, or investment for a rental. **\$120,500**
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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
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Gulf Access North Naples
Clean 2 bed 1.5 bath home in 55+ community, low fees. Boat dockage available. Close to beaches.
\$114,900
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2 Bedroom Gates 55+ Bundled Golf
Enjoy Florida as a snowbird or make this your permanent home. Spacious 2 bedroom unit located close to shopping.
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Lehigh Acres
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2/1 Waterfront Home in Port Charlotte
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Gulf Access Condo with Pool
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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.
\$899,995
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CAPE CORAL



Better Than New Construction
Gorgeous gulf access home located on 200+ ft canal in popular neighborhood south of Cape Coral Pkwy. Stunning views!
\$899,900
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BONITA SPRINGS



Gorgeous & Stunning Sandpiper Floor Plan
3 bed 3 bath 3 car garage home in Bonita Lakes. Hardwood & tile flooring. Tray ceilings & granite countertops in kitchen.
\$799,000
1-866-657-2300 800BS060850.

BONITA SPRINGS



Brand New Construction Home
Brand new construction home in the development of Oak Ridge. This gorgeous home will feature 2197 sqft and high ceilings.
\$489,000
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CAPE CORAL



Stunning Views on the Rubicon
Over 2400 sqft of what's not to love! 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath 2 car garage gulf access home! Updated kitchen & bath. Boat lift.
\$479,900
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Belle Lago Tiena Model 4 Bedrooms
Belle Lago Tiena model 4 bedrooms 3 full baths. Tandem garage. Formal living and dining rooms.
\$479,900
1-866-657-2300 800FM064695.

CAPE CORAL



Immaculate Gulf Access Pool Home
Beautiful 3/2/3. Fully screened pool w/new pump/heater! New ac unit, new water heater, captain's walk w/10k lb. lift.
\$465,900
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NAPLES



Foxfire Bundled Golf Community
3/2 single family, lakefront home. Awesome clubhouse and golf with pro shop. Community tennis, pool, & fitness center.
\$464,900
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ESTERO



Lakefront 5/3/2 Bella Terra 2863 sqft
Lovely two story house, Stockton floor plan, in Bella Terra. 5 bed/3 bath, 2 car garage, heated pool. Plenty of upgrades.
\$445,000
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Car Lover's Dream Estate is a Must See
Set back in a gated drive with a pond, huge steel frame shop building with screened porch and hydraulic car lift!
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New Listing In Olde Hickory G&CC
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