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Pop a top toward teacher's goal of 1 million

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Fourth-grade teacher Donna Treiser started collecting pull tabs/flip tops from aluminum cans 15 years ago. When her daughter was a patient at the Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida (now Golisano Children's Hospital), Ms. Treiser learned of the wonderful assistance Ronald McDonald House provides for families of sick children. This inspired her to start collecting flip tops for the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Florida's fundraising drive.

The initial goal was to have 8,000 flip tops by the time her father turned 80, which she achieved in eight months time.

Then the project expanded. "If a little is good, more is better," Ms. Treiser reasoned.

So she reset her sights to collect 1 million flip tops for RMHC by the time of her retirement from teaching. Her idea was to develop a math lesson for her students in counting and keeping a running total of flip tops as they amassed more and more — and more. In the process, she's also teaching her students a lesson in caring for others.

The collection process has become a mission in itself.

Ms. Treiser's students, year after year, have expanded the effort, embracing the

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Donna Treiser in her classroom at Big Cypress Elementary School, where 20 bins hold 883,174 flip tops for donation to Ronald McDonald House. Just 116,826 to go before the 40-year educator retires in June.

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COMMENTARY

For President



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For some time now, many Americans have recognized that presidential candidates often drift like rudderless yachts away from the row-boat experiences of ordinary citizens.

Since a conservative Supreme Court has established campaign finance laws that allow billionaires to unduly sway elections, many Americans also recognize that something has to change.

It won't be the campaign finance laws — not in time for the 2016 election, which is only 18 months away. And probably not anytime soon thereafter.

So that means the temper and quality of the candidates themselves must change. If we as a people cannot inure ourselves to the propagandistic influence of huge wealth, perhaps we can require our leaders to inure themselves.

From now on in the United States, presidential candidates should be required to demonstrate new levels of competence, experience and understanding, as well as resistance to big-bucks influence.

How? By entering and graduating from a demanding United States Presidential Academy.

Such an elite academy would require the discipline, brains and toughness that our military academies demand of their graduates, but without some of the martial trappings.

In loose terms, the education of a president would be based on sharing and understanding the experiences of his or her fellow Americans. USPA graduate goals should include:

- Understanding the mindsets of working people and non- or under-working people.

- Acquiring a strong education in history, literature and the sciences, especially earth sciences.

- Mastering the old virtues of our greatest presidents, to develop the characters of Washington and Adams, Lincoln and the Roosevelts, Truman, Eisenhower and Kennedy.

April, so far, has been a particularly pointed reminder of the need for such an academy. Florida alone has now offered up two of the three candidates Most Likely To Succeed in their quest for the White House in 2016: Jeb Bush and Marco Rubio.

The third newly announced and Most Likely candidate is Hillary Clinton, who has very little to do with Florida judging by her sultan.

As for Jeb Bush, who grew up rich and privileged, and Sen. Rubio, who escaped his working-class roots in West Miami as fast as he could and began (in 2010) spending nights partying on a yacht anchored in the Hamptons and owned by one of the Fanjul brothers (owners of Domino Sugar, Florida Crystals, C&H Sugar and so on), both are in desperate need of the hard training and preparation implicit in a USPA education.

So is Mrs. Clinton, along with the likes of Ted Cruz, Rand Paul and Scott Walker on the right, or Elizabeth Warren and Bernie Sanders on the left. All of them need the hard training, since each of them has been caught eyeballing the White House and drooling.

Upon reporting for duty, every USPA candidate would be sent out alone to buy his or her clothes at Goodwill, then find a car for less than \$2,000, then pay for gas, insurance and repairs at the nearest used-car lot, then secure an apartment with at least one bedroom, and then work 35 to 40 hours a week at a job paying minimum wage, while supporting two children alone, for a year.

Since the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals might complain about the hardship of such training on children, they could be wind-up dolls, as long as they cried every three hours during the night, defecated regularly into their diapers, and passed their colds to the candidates, while also demanding a lot of attention after day-care — which, by the way, each candidate would have to pay for at a rate of \$280 a week, per child.

The second and third years at the USPA would be devoted almost solely to academic education, punctuated at great length by steady work as ditch-diggers, tomato pickers, Walmart clerks, nurses aides, truck drivers, factory-line workers, janitors, restaurant servers and fry cooks.

Reading in literature would include The Constitution, the Bill of Rights and the Federalist Papers; several histories of the United States; and the novels, stories, poems and essays of such writers as Cooper, Melville, Twain, Stowe, Alcott, Bellamy, Chopin, Baum, James, Wharton, Sinclair, Wolfe, Cather, Cummings, Dreiser, Fitzgerald, Hemingway, Faulkner, Percy, Porter, Sargoyan, Penn Warren, Salinger, Berry, Baldwin, Chandler, Kerouac, Lee, Styron, Porter, Malamud, Morrison, Welty, Erdrich, Allende,

Hijuelos, McCarthy, Hilliard, McMurtry, Cisneros, Kingsolver and a few hundred others.

Training in science would include short expeditions to points ranging from the North Pole to the equator, along with both lab and academic work focusing in particular on climate change and its causes and consequences. Science, by the way, is spelled, S-C-I-E-N-C-E (for the benefit of Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz).

Finally, each candidate would be required to master several of the skills of America's greatest elected leaders, starting with combat.

In the tradition of George Washington, who had a number of horses shot out from under him — and since the U.S. typically has a war or two going somewhere (and if not, we can always start a small one for the candidates) — each aspirant would be trained at the U.S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning and then dropped into a front-line combat unit.

In addition, and in the tradition of Abe Lincoln, the Roosevelts, Truman, Eisenhower and JFK, candidates would have to hold an axe at arm's length for an hour, charge up a hill under fire, smoke a long cigar, fire field artillery, plan the invasion of Europe and drive a PT boat (but better than Kennedy, who managed to get his sunk).

Only then would candidates be allowed to place their names in that sacred sanctuary: the American voting booth.

And only then could they list their names under those hallowed words: "For President." ■

— Roger is away. This column first ran on April 15, 2015.

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OPINION

True lies



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It was a spectacular find, really. The public announcement of the discovery had a certain je ne sais quoi, too. It occurred during National Women's History Month. During the month, thousands of schools, organizations, and communities host events nationwide in celebration of women's history. It is a teach-in broadly supported by dignitaries of all stripes. Everyone, it seems, can't say enough nice things about women's historical contributions to this country.

It wasn't always so. It took decades for the menfolk to warm up to the idea that women as historical figures were worth celebrating. But wouldn't you know it, President Jimmy Carter broke the ice.

Back in March 1980, he declared National Women's History Week with a presidential proclamation. In it, he wrote, "I urge libraries, schools, and community organizations to focus their observances on the leaders who struggled for equality — Susan B. Anthony, Sojourner Truth, Lucy Stone, Lucretia Mott, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Harriet Tubman and Alice Paul. Understanding the true history of our country will help us to comprehend the need for full equality under the law for all our people."

This is the same man, now 93, who said recently he believes the mistreatment of women and girls is the No. 1 human rights abuse in the world — because, he said, "In general, men don't give a damn."

After Carter's proclamation, it wasn't clear the celebration would stick. Each year required a renewed effort to get it on the president's desk, and the date kept changing. It was also obvious that a single week hardly did justice to achievements of American women.

By 1987, popular momentum grew and the short course gave way. A monthlong celebration replaced it, to be held in perpetuity. Since then, every president, including President Trump, has honored the tradition.

Thus was the stage set for the University of Rochester's announcement that it had acquired a newly found collection of hundreds of letters and documents, written between 1869 and 1880 by the movers-and-shakers of the suffrage movement, the most prominent being Susan B. Anthony.

Isabella Beecher Hooker was the correspondent who, back in the day, tucked the documents away for safekeeping. The battered crate holding the cache turned up in a barn almost 140 years later.

The university's rare books librarian, Lori Birrell, said Hooker was from a family of reformers and half-sister to abolitionist Henry Ward Beecher, educator Catharine Beecher and novelist Harriet Beecher Stowe.

The large volume of materials covers a critical time in the suffrage movement. Said Birrell, "With the 14th Amendment just passed, newly enshrining a host of citizenship rights, and the debate raging over granting black men the right to vote, the time was very contentious." The movement's leaders suffered from deep angst as they watched their chances slip away of women's inclusion in the 15th Amendment.

Hooker's communications capture the intersection between dueling factions. The internal politics threatened to tear the movement asunder. The archive is expected to provide new insights into the movement's struggle to move forward in the face of daunting barriers to its success.

In reflection, Birrell said, "Something that I've been really struck by is just how exhausting it must have been to try to keep going for this long. You get to this period in the 1870s and they've tried everything — state, national, they tried voting and then got arrested for it

in 1872. They've tried all of these things and they just kept at it. To read that year after year after year in these letters is simply amazing."

Well, Ms. Birrell, here we are in 2017. The modern women's movement is no less amazing nor the struggles any less exhausting than those our predecessors encountered in decades past.

For example, Vice President Mike Pence recently cast the tie-breaking vote in the U.S. Senate to approve legislation that allows states to deny federal family-planning funds to more than 650 Planned Parenthood clinics because they provide abortion counseling and legal, safe abortions.

Federal law already bars the use of tax dollars for abortion services, except in the case of rape, incest and risk to the woman's health. Once President Trump signs the bill into law, millions of poor and low-income women are at risk of losing their access to family-planning and reproductive healthcare services.

Just last month, President Trump signed something else: his proclamation declaring March as National Women's History Month. In it he said, "America will continue to fight for women's rights and equality across the country and around the world. Though poverty holds back many women, America cannot and will not allow this to persist. We will empower all women to pursue their American dreams, to live, work and thrive in safe communities that allow them to protect and provide for themselves and their families."

He added, "America is also mindful of the fight that continues for so many women around the world, often not protected and treated disgracefully as second-class citizens."

Truer lies were never spoken. ■

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The Crisis of Trumpism



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Trumpism is in crisis.

This isn't a function of poll numbers, or any melodrama of the past months, but something more fundamental: No officeholder in Washington seems to understand President Donald Trump's populism or have a cogent theory of how to effect it in practice, including the president himself.

House Speaker Paul Ryan isn't a populist and doesn't want to be a populist. He has spent his adult life committed to a traditional limited-government agenda. He crafted his own platform during the campaign, the so-called Better Way agenda, to differentiate congressional Republicans from Trump.

Trump, for his part, has lacked the knowledge, focus or interest to translate his populism into legislative form. He's deferred to others on legislative priorities and strategies, and his abiding passion in the health-care debate was, by all accounts, simply getting to a signing ceremony.

In light of all this, the product of the Ryan-Trump partnership was a health-care bill bizarrely at odds with a national election Republicans had just won on the strength of working-class voters. Under the GOP replacement, fewer people would have had coverage, and workers further down the income scale would have been particularly hard hit. Neither of these facts seemed to exercise the White House enough to try to do anything to fix them.

Maybe Ryan doesn't "get" the new political reality created by Trump's victory, as the president's boosters like to say. But what excuse does the president himself have for evidently not getting it, either?

A President Trump acting more in keeping with his free-floating reflex to take care of people, as expressed in speeches and interviews, would have pushed the health bill to the left. But Trump so far hasn't followed the logic of his own politics.

His path not taken would have been to give an inaugural address with less carnage and more kumbayah. Immediately invite Chuck Schumer to the White House and tell him, "Chuck, you're not leaving this building until we agree on an infrastructure package." Take the resulting big-spending proposal and dare the GOP leadership to defy him. Pass it with a bipartisan coalition.

Now that the initial health-care bill has gone down, there's loose talk from the White House of wooing Democrats, but a lot has transpired the past few months that makes this much harder. Most importantly, the left-wing "resistance" to Trump is fully activated and prepared to exact punishment on any quislings.

If things continue to go badly over this first year, it's easy to see Trump turning to the New York Democrats in his White House. This would entail less emphasis on trade, immigration and fights with the mainstream media, and more emphasis on a nonideological economic boosterism. The loose antecedent for this scenario is Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, who swept into office in California as a drain-the-swamp reformer after winning a populist crusade, and then recalibrated to accommodate the system after suffering politically damaging setbacks.

The range of possible outcomes of the Trump presidency is still wide. Unexpectedly, one of them is that his most die-hard populist supporters will eventually be able to say that Trumpism, like socialism, hasn't failed, it's just never been tried. ■

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

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Similar marches and rallies are planned in more than 120 U.S. cities in 42 states, and in six cities overseas.

In Naples, the "Release Your Taxes" march sets out from the park at 10 a.m. and will follow Eighth Avenue across Third Street to Fifth Avenue and back to the park. Before re-entering Cambier Park, marchers will file in front of the Downtown Naples Post Office and drop postcards with a message demanding that President

Trump release his tax returns.

After the march, the rally will include speakers Mark Cohn, a white-collar criminal defense attorney whose expertise covers tax evasion, financial crimes, securities fraud and bank fraud; and Yudy Barbera, chair of the Collier Democratic Party. Tamara Paquette, president of the Democratic Women's Club, will serve as emcee.

Participants are encouraged to "dress like an accountant" (white shirt, black vest, armband and visor). Visors will be available for purchase, and armbands will be distributed free of charge. Live music and a children's Easter egg hunt will also take place in the park following the march. ■

Make yours 'A Face in the Crowd'

Collier Freedom and the Collier County Democratic Party present two 60th anniversary benefit screenings of the landmark film "A Face in the Crowd" on Tuesday, April 25, at the Sugden Community Theatre.

Naples resident K.C. Schulberg, nephew of the film's screenwriter, Budd Schulberg, will introduce the screenings and conduct a Q&A after each one. The screenings at 5 and 8 p.m. will be preceded by cocktail receptions at 4 and 7 p.m., respectively.

The elder Mr. Schulberg teamed with director Elia Kazan on the 1957 film that focused on the transformative power of a new medium — television — to usher in an era where politics and entertainment would become seamlessly and irrevocably intertwined.

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“The technology is being used more and more for production parts, and so because of that you have an industry that’s been around for 30 or so years but it’s almost like it’s a new industry.”

— **John Hornick**, Washington, D.C.-based intellectual property attorney and author of “3D Printing Will Rock the World.”

3D

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Some of the capabilities of this emerging technology as it is being used across the region:

■ Students at Florida Gulf Coast University are printing out prosthetic hands for a local elementary school boy.

■ A Riviera Beach-based design and manufacturing company, RGF Environmental, has made its own 3D printers to create high-definition parts for air and water purifiers.

■ Libraries in Charlotte County are just starting to test out new 3D printers that will be available to the public in the fall.

■ And 3D Printing of Florida, a design and print shop in Naples, helps entrepreneurs create just about whatever they can imagine. We purchased a custom designed 7-inch-tall print of *Florida Weekly’s* Paper Boy mascot (\$249.10 including tax) to get a better idea of how the printing process works.

As 3D printing becomes more common both by consumers and businesses, with printers capable of producing a vast array of sizes, shapes and materials, there are also big implications for manufacturers, designers and intellectual property rights issues.

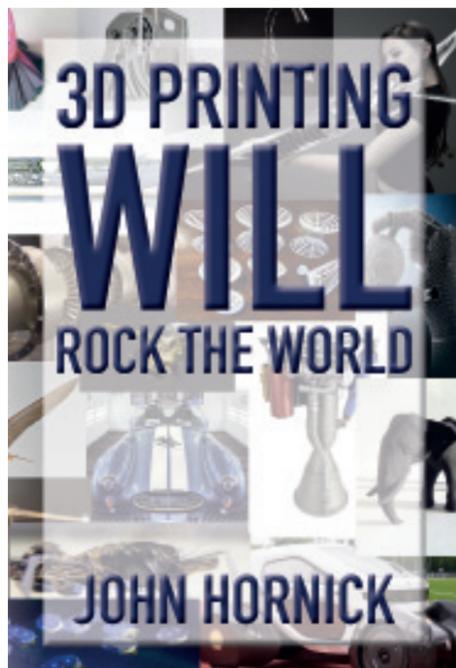
Companies that make things capable of being printed cheaply in 3D may in the next decade start to deal with circumstances similar to what the music industry faced as file-sharing became common on a massive scale, suggested John F. Hornick, a Washington, D.C.-based intellectual property attorney and author of “3D Printing Will Rock the World.”



HORNICK

While there is little case law regarding 3D printing at this point, he believes it will probably not ultimately be feasible to try to sue everyone who prints out products protected by intellectual property rules. Mr. Hornick quotes MIT professor Neil Gershenfeld who said, “You can’t sue the human race.”

As a result, he envisions as one possibility something like an “iTunes for things” business model for purchasing files with 3D objects.



John Hornick is a Washington, D.C.-based intellectual property rights attorney.



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Jimmy Tillman, here with his mom, Tina, is working with FGCU bioengineering students to improve and customize a prosthetic hand that is available for downloading at www.enablingthefuture.org.



After being printed off one of FGCU’s midline desktop 3D printers, the hand requires some assembly.

“The way the music industry used to police itself was with copyrights,” he said. “If they saw that you were downloading music, they might come after you. But then they started to realize there was so much of it happening and it was so easy that copyright wasn’t really adequate any longer to protect artists’ rights. So they came up with the iTunes business model which made it cheaper and easy enough to get music that you were unlikely to steal it.”

He pointed out that big brand-name companies such as Toshiba and Canon are developing desktop machines, and believes that in the next decade, a variety of 3D printers will be common in homes to print convenient things — whether a small kitchen gadget or a tool for the woodworking shop in your garage. Now, hobbyist desktop printers generally cost anywhere from less than \$500 to \$5,000.

The printers are becoming more common in the business and industrial world as well, with costs that top out at about \$5 million, Mr. Hornick said.

“The technology has been around for over 30 years but I view it as not being a mature industry,” he said, with it mostly being used for prototypes and design. “But over the last several years the technology is being used more and more for production parts and so because of that you have an industry that’s been around for 30 or so years but it’s almost like it’s a new industry.”

How a basic 3D print job works

To print out an object, computer software slices it up and sends it to the



FGCU biomedical engineering major Tony Grippo and other students use feedback from young Jimmy, at top, to improve the printed hand.

printer to be printed one small layer at a time. And instead of ink onto paper, plastic is fed through a heated nozzle onto a build plate.

First, you create a 3D design on your computer or download one off the Internet, explained Aaron Blumberg, who helps provide training on how to use 3D printers for the Southwest Florida Library Network.

There are many design programs, such as CAD software, which is what architects use to create blue prints.

Tinkercad is a good one for starters, for kids or adults, Mr. Blumberg said. It walks you through the process of making pretty much any object (though the quality of the print can vary widely).

“You’re really limited to your imagination, usually,” he said.

Or instead of creating your own thing-amajig, you could download a file from an open-source 3D library of things such as MakerBot’s Thingiverse with designs the company has created.

Then you save your work as an STL file and use the printing software that came with the printer or an open-source software to send it to the printer. You get a print page preview, kind of like with an Adobe or Word document, and at that point you can manipulate the print to some extent, such as sizing or adding scaffolding that pops off when you’re done.

“Then once that’s taken care of, you pretty much hit print,” Mr. Blumberg said.

The file goes to the printer, which starts heating up the extruder nozzle. Once heated it grabs the filament from a spool and starts pushing it through onto the build plate a layer at a time. Depending on the quality, size and density, items could take anywhere from 20 minutes to 36 hours, Mr. Blumberg has found.

At FGCU, printing prosthetics

If the internet is full of 3D toys and trinkets you can download and print for your amusement, there are also greater possibilities emerging. A website called enablingthefuture.org is an open-source site and volunteer network dedicated to making 3D printed prosthetics for children.

It has enabled undergraduate students in Florida Gulf Coast University’s bioengineering department to download for free copies of a prosthetic hand, which they custom fit to a patient. Then they can test it out and make modifications such as improving its gripping strength or adding friction between fingers and objects.

North Fort Myers resident Tina Tillman’s 8-year-old son, James Tillman IV, or Jimmy, is getting the chance to test out the hand and help the students improve it both for himself and potentially other patients. The Tillmans were

referred by their orthopedist to FGCU's Dr. Derek Luca, an assistant professor in bioengineering, and some of his students.

Tony Grippo, a 23-year-old biomedical engineering major who is finishing up his junior year at FGCU, has helped lead the extracurricular project. Jimmy, who was born without a fully formed left hand — his dominant one — controls his new printed one by flexing his wrist muscles to open or close the fingers.

Besides making changes to the hand such as adjusting the placement of the thumb to make it easier to pick things up, Mr. Grippo has also considered changes such as adding Lego bumps to the surface so James can build on it.

"I want it to be not only as good as a hand but I want it to be something he can boast about as well," he said.

One of the benefits of 3D printing technology is the ability to make tweaks easily and cheaply, or print replacement parts if Jimmy breaks them during an activity such as bike riding or climbing trees — or if he grows an inch and needs a size adjustment.

Mr. Grippo and his classmates used Solidworks software to render the hand, and printed it out on an Ultimaker 2 Extended, one of FGCU's midline desktop 3D printers available to students. It takes about 10 hours to print out.

The hand is an affordable option for Jimmy while he's growing up, Ms. Tillman said. Later he can decide if he'd like a more permanent prosthetic hand or would rather go without one, as he has already been able to do most activities other kids can do without it. It's also less expensive and less bulky than a traditional prosthesis, and it can be worn while swimming.

Jimmy likes working with Mr. Grippo and the other students.

"It's very exciting when you're a 7-year old boy and you get to work with these really, really, really big kids, and you get to tell them what to do," Ms. Tillman said. "That's really cool. But he also likes that he's going to be able to help one of his friends."

He tells his mom, "I can make it better for someone like me."

While FGCU has long had 3D printing capability, Dr. Lura said, "Our ability for students to have access to it and the cost has gone down substantially in the last few years."

The department plans to add another higher resolution printer soon that will also allow them to print in different plastics. While students enjoy using the printers, attempting to make smaller or intricate parts expose their limitations, a useful learning experience, Dr. Lura said:

"The initial reaction is always, 'hey, that's really cool.' But then once they use it for a while they get frustrated by the fact that it doesn't work perfectly every time.

"At some point, they start trying to push the limits of what the machines can do and they realize that this, like all things, is not a miracle magic printing machine. It has its own limitations."

Inside a 3D print shop

In a Naples business district, 3D Printing of Florida is a shop and design studio that prints out all kinds of objects for clients, such as lifelike wedding cake toppers of the bride and groom. Owner Michael Carufe, 32, is a former BMW technician who grew up in Naples.

"I'm an electronic whiz kid, as they say," said Mr. Carufe, who has always loved inventing and design. "(3D printing) was just a way to express my thoughts in a real space. It's one thing to draw something and another to make it."

There are few limits on forms he can print, he says, for instance a model of a Tyrannosaurus Rex he's working on for



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We sent 3D Printing of Florida in Naples a few photos and employees recreated our "Paperboy" mascot using computer-aided drafting software and a 3D printer. At left is Michael Carufe, owner of the shop, who used to be a BMW technician.

a local school. He is able to print avionics as well as medical products, such as a 3D replica of an MRI that could help doctors better fix a shattered bone. The shop also often combines traditional or CNC machining, such as fabricating soft metal or wood, with 3D printing.

"People always ask me what can we make," he said. "The list is easier to tell you what we can't make. We don't make firearms ... and nothing that can be launched to the moon."

They created and printed Florida Weekly's Paper Boy mascot on a computer system built by Mr. Carufe, which includes virtual reality goggles to help visualize an object in full-life size and fine tune small details. They also have the capability to scan in and print replicas of people or large objects on site like pictures come to life, expressions on faces complete. For now, full-color 3D printing is outsourced and needs to be ordered well in advance. It requires

a different printer and material, made mostly of gypsum powder.

The shop usually turns out two prototypes per week or more, original inventions from local designers or entrepreneurs. One common use of 3D printing is creating models of products to help attract investors, or sometimes the end product itself, whether a fishing lure or your idea for a new ergonomic computer mouse.

3D print manufacturing

Over the last decade, a Riviera Beach-based company that designs and manufactures systems to purify air, water and food, has built its own 3D printers.

RGF Environmental Group Inc. started making the printers over the last decade as a cost-effective way to manufacture intricate shapes for products that, for instance, clean air in a car or a home, or reduce odors and bacteria in water using advanced oxidation systems.

"They're finally getting commercialized to the point where the prices are down and a lot of the companies could afford them, but initially we did it ourselves," said Walter Ellis, executive vice president and general manager. "We're using them every day now. Initially it was just for new product development and design concepts and things like that."

The company now has four printers and its latest, under development, will print with ceramics and metal. They print both for design, to test items, and to create final, patented products.

Mr. Ellis describes the ceramic material as "almost like a very thick toothpaste. It is actually pushed out with a piston down through the nozzle, layer by layer." Then it's air dried and fired off in a kiln.

For metal printing, one method uses a printer that sets down a thin metal layer in powder form, then melts layer after layer over it using a laser.

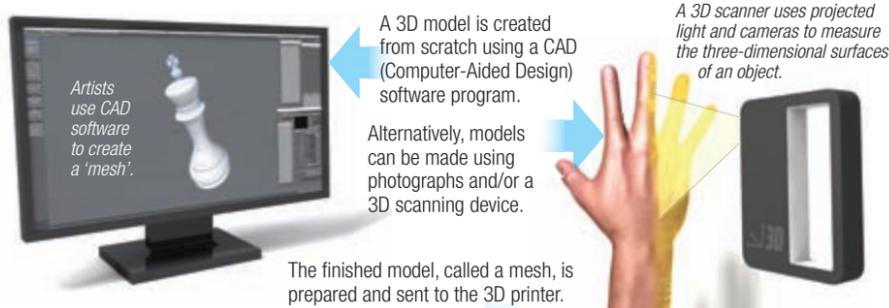
Designing their own printers also allows them to print larger objects as well as optimize tiny details in high resolution for an optimal look and fit.

"We can do layers now that are one micron thick," Mr. Ellis said. "That took a long time to get."

3D printing process

The applications of 3D printing are endless. From simple figurines and objects to prosthetic limbs and organs to entire houses. The technology is advancing rapidly. The star in the creation of 3D printed objects is, of course, the 3D printer, but the process begins with an idea and computer software.

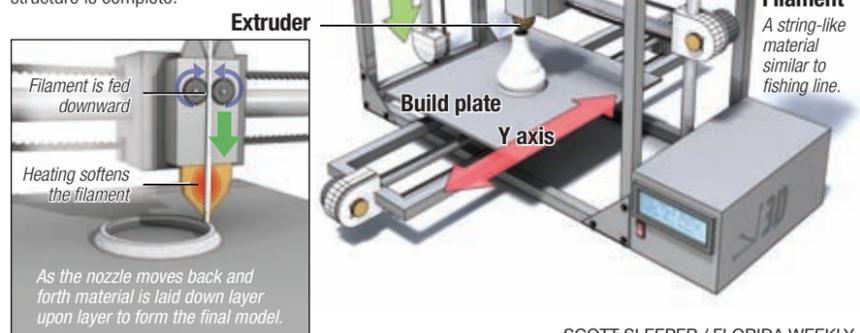
Preparation



Printing

Similar to common office and home printers the 3D printer's head moves back and forth (X) and side-to-side (Y).

Enter the Z axis (up and down). The 3D print head, called the extruder, pulls in the filament material, heats it and distributes it to the build plate in thin layers measuring about 20 microns. It continues stacking layers until the structure is complete.



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Coming to area libraries

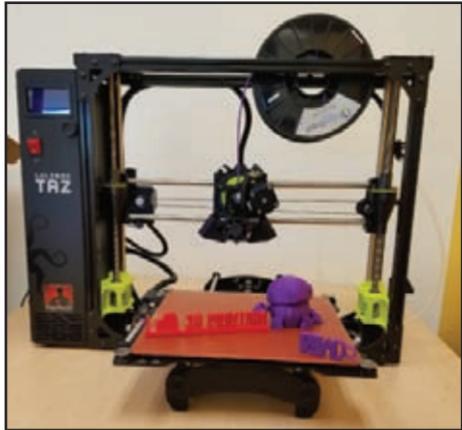
The Southwest Florida Library Network, a cooperative that provides resources to Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Hendry and Monroe counties, got its first 3D printer in 2014.

Aaron Blumberg helps train members who borrow the printers for use for programming or outreach.

They have three printers, a MakerBot, Afinia H800, and a CubePro Trio, a larger, higher-end printer.

"I call MakerBot my workhorse because I can do large quantities on it and I don't usually have to worry about it clogging or something," said Mr. Blumberg, SWFLN's continuing education coordinator.

Fixing a clog can be as simple as popping some parts off and removing plastic to unscrewing the entire extruder, taking plastic out, and reassembling.



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Some local libraries are just getting started with 3D programs, including the Charlotte County Library System, which recently purchased printers for each of its four branches.

"Some of the printers we have there are actually pieces in it that were printed on another 3D printer," Mr. Blumberg said. "So if you have a part broken you actually have the files to print out the parts and fix your printer."

PLA and ABS are the most common types of biodegradable plastic for 3D printing.

"You can get a lot of print jobs out of one spool," Mr. Blumberg said.

MakerBot advertises a 1 kilogram natural colored ABS spool for \$43 which the company says is enough to print 392 chess pieces (12 complete sets but only in one color). Another color spool costs \$48.

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"We'll be launching the service for the public in September, offering a range of workshops for all ages and the ability for members of the public to reserve the printers in order to work on their own creations," wrote Lanette Hart, libraries and history division manager in Charlotte County.

She added there are volunteer opportunities to assist staff in creating "makerspace labs" where the printers will be used, and to contact your local Charlotte library branch for more information.

Mid-County Regional Library in Charlotte just got a LulzBot TAZ 6 printer set up in the last month.

Employees have printed a few items like "Rocktopus," a sort of LulzBot mascot that comes with the printer.

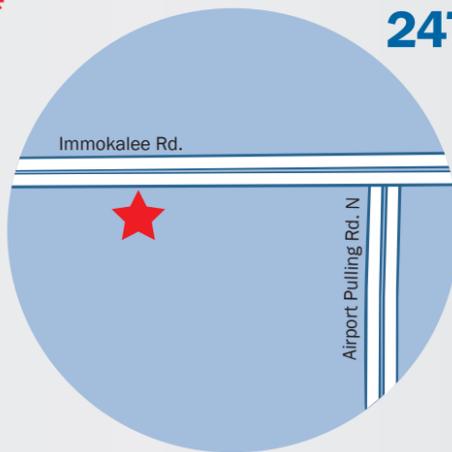
"It's definitely pretty cool but it can take a long time (to print) depending on how large your piece is so you wouldn't stand there and watch it the whole time," said Hana Brown, youth services librarian. "... We may use it just to show the kids, the technology is out there, to give them ideas for things they want to create in the future." ■



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Michael Carufe, owner of 3D Printing of Florida, with a miniature he printed of himself.

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Almost 2,300 low-income seniors in Collier, Lee and Charlotte to lose food

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Almost 2,300 low-income seniors in Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties will no longer receive supplemental food from a government program operated by the Harry Chapin Food Bank starting July 1, according to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

The state's decision cuts off 2,284 low-income seniors in Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties from receiving nutritious food through the Commodity Supplemental Food Program, a federal program administered by the state agriculture department. The department is eliminating the program in the three counties because the state says its new state "distribution model" has determined they are no longer among Florida counties where the program will have the most impact.

Richard LeBer, president and CEO of the Harry Chapin Food Bank that serves the counties, wants the state to reconsider.

"This change is unnecessary and will cause suffering," said Mr. LeBer. "The (state) Department of Agriculture's decision arbitrarily eliminates a critical source of food to many of our poorest seniors. We hope they will reconsider."

The program was implemented in Florida in January 2015, with Harry Chapin Food Bank as the only sanctioned provider in the state. The food bank currently serves 2,580 seniors through CSFP in its five-county service area of Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Glades and Hendry counties. About 300 seniors are on a waiting list. Additionally, the state is requiring the food bank to expand the program in Hendry and Glades counties, agricultural communities with smaller senior populations.

In part because the pilot program at the food bank has been so successful, the federal government is now allowing CSFP to be expanded across the state, to nearly 10,000 cases, except in Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties, the food bank's three largest distribution areas.

The state's decision will affect clients receiving CSFP food at 36 of the food bank's 150 partner agencies, including Jewish Family and Community Services of Southwest Florida.

"This program is vitally important to ensure the seniors who suffer from food insecurity will get healthy food," said Jaclynn Faffer, president/CEO of JFCS, a non-sectarian human service agency serving Collier and southern Lee counties. "For many of them, this program is the only way they can get staples like beans, rice, canned vegetables and fruit, and other nonperishables."

Seniors can get food assistance else-



where, such as Harry Chapin Food Bank mobile pantries, pantries at food bank partner agencies in their area, and SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly called food stamps). But many of the seniors participating in CSFP have few practical alternatives: Many of them are isolated, not physically mobile, ill or lack transportation. Some see a stigma in having to accept food.

Carroll Thomas, a longtime Naples senior who lives alone and has no relatives nearby, signed up for the program because she needed the assistance. She said the food she receives "is a very big help." Without it, Ms. Thomas said she would likely do what other seniors do, "don't eat. What else is there? (I) can't afford to order food in, and can't afford to go anywhere."

While gutting the program in the counties where the food bank serves the most CSFP clients, the state's new model also calls for the food bank to increase the number of clients receiving CSFP in Glades and Hendry counties from 296 to 1,450 people. If 95 percent of that the increase is not achieved by July, the food bank will face stiff penalties.

How CSFP works

To qualify for CSFP, an applicant must be at least 60 years of age and must earn a gross income at or below 130 percent of the federal poverty line. For example, a two-person household with an annual gross income of \$21,172 would qualify.

Harry Chapin Food Bank volunteers pack the CSFP food into bags totaling about 30 to 35 pounds. Seniors collect the food at the 40 agencies in the food

in the know

By the numbers

>> **2,580:** Current Harry Chapin Food Bank CSFP clients

>> **2,284:** Harry Chapin Food Bank CSFP clients losing food

Breakdown

>> **Lee County:** 17 agencies and 1,302 clients

>> **Collier County:** 12 agencies and 620 clients

>> **Charlotte County:** 7 agencies and 362 clients

Local agencies urge residents to ask the state to keep funding for Lee, Charlotte and Collier, by contacting:

Adam Putnam
Commissioner
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Office of Communications
(850) 617-7737
Communications@FreshFromFlorida.com

Janella Johnson
Assistant for the Chief of Staff Mike Joyner
850-617-7701

bank's five-county service area. The agencies include churches, community centers and senior housing complexes. The upcoming cut will take 36 agencies off that list.

Seniors receive the bags per month that include fruits, vegetables, cheese, milk, peanut butter/dry beans, cereal, juice, protein and potatoes/grains. The Harry Chapin Food Bank supplements this government food with fresh produce and other food donated by other sources. ■

in the know

>> **What:** 2,284 low-income seniors will no longer receive nutritious food from the Commodity Supplemental Food Program, a program administered through the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

>> **When:** July 1

>> **Where:** Lee, Collier and Charlotte counties

>> **Why:** CSFP program will be expanded in Florida; state has determined the three counties are no longer among the counties where the program will have the most impact.

>> **Other:** 296 CSFP clients remain in Hendry and Glades counties. If the food bank doesn't increase that number to 1,450 by July 1, the food bank faces stiff penalties.

Here is an email sent by Richard LeBer, Harry Chapin Food Bank president and CEO, on March 21 to the state agriculture department regarding the proposed loss of CSFP, along with the state agriculture department's response.

From: Richard LeBer
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2017 11:31 AM
To: Herman McBride
Cc: Mallory Reeves
Subject: CSFP program for Southwest Florida Herman,

My team at the Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida are very pleased that the Federal Government has authorized such a large increase in the allocated CSFP cases for the state of Florida, and take some pride that our work in creating a pilot program over the past couple of years helped build the case for that increase. However, as I have expressed to you, we are concerned that the proposed changes to the distribution of CSFP cases in our territory may create hardship as well as practical problems with distribution.

- Unlike other programs such as TEFAP, CSFP food is designated for specific individuals. Here in Southwest Florida, we have 2,580 such seniors who are eligible and who have been receiving this food for some time – more than a year in some cases. The proposed changes will halt distribution to 2,284 of them, causing them clear and unavoidable personal hardship

- We work with 40 other organizations that act as distribution points for CSFP food, 36 of which are in areas where there would no longer be any distribution at all under the new allocation and where the eligible individuals will not have any other options for food. Because of this, we are aware that it will be immediately obvious and public that many seniors are no longer receiving assistance.

- CSFP distribution, unlike other USDA programs, is complex and challenging to manage efficiently. It took us several months to figure it out here in Southwest Florida – and we have been praised at the national CSFP convention for figuring it out so quickly. The proposed changes will force us to start anew, expanding in rural communities that have additional challenges due to lack of infrastructure, and learning new lessons about how to meet those communities' particular distribution challenges.

- This is going to be particularly difficult in Hendry and Glades Counties. As rural counties, those are more challenging than most because of the lack of infrastructure and community organizations that are suitable distribution points. We will not have much time to get it right. USDA will do their evaluation beginning in July, immediately after we increase distribution into both Hendry and Glades. Given that they evaluate performance of CSFP using a stringent 95% minimum standard and apply stiff penalties for missing that standard, we have concern over the ability to grow from 296 cases to 1,450 cases so quickly.

We understand the desire to match distribution with need, however we hope you will reconsider the transition plan for Southwest Florida in light of the above.

We understand from your staff that you would like notices regarding the proposed changes to be distributed beginning with April distributions. We will

begin building those kits next week, and will need to insert notices at that time.

We will need to notify our partners and community leaders of the coming changes, including the staff of the 36 organizations who will lose distribution, prior to the seniors receiving notice of the change in their April kits.

We look forward to your guidance and continuing to work with you to make the CSFP program successful. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
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Here is the state agriculture department's response

From: McBride, Herman [mailto:Herman.McBride@freshfromflorida.com]

Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 5:01 PM

To: Richard LeBer

Cc: Reeves, Mallory

Subject:

Good afternoon Mr. LeBer,

This is a follow-up to our telephone conference on March 10, 2017 as well as this afternoon. As mentioned, FDACS determined a need to develop a CSFP distribution model which would identify Florida counties where CSFP distribution will have the most

impact. As a result of this model, three counties (Charlotte, Collier, Lee) in which Harry Chapin Food Bank currently distributes CSFP caseloads will end effective June 30, 2017. As shared with you and your staff, to assist in this transition, FDACS has created a communications notice for your agency to provide to CSFP recipients impacted by this direction. This notice will inform recipients when the program will be ending in their county as well as provide them with a listing of other food resources available in their community. Along with the standard monthly newsletter, your agency should expect to receive these notices no later than April 4, 2017.

Within the next few weeks, you should expect to receive an amendment to your contract. The amendment will reflect the removal of the aforementioned counties and will only list counties in which Harry Chapin will be contracted to distribute CSFP caseloads as well as contractual services expectations.

As we move into this new CSFP distribution model, FDACS staff are here to assist your agency to help reduce any challenges your agency may encounter. Therefore, please feel free to contact me or our Household Programs Director, Mallory Reeves at (407) 888-8751.

Respectfully,
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FLIP TOPS

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lesson and enlisting friends, family and neighbors to also aim for the goal. Even Ms. Treiser's father, until his passing at age 94, was still collecting for her.

A three-time cancer survivor, Ms.

Treiser never lost her determination or focus on flip tops for RMH, always asking her doctors and nurses to collect for the cause.

After teaching for 40 years, she retires in June from Big Cypress Elementary School.

As of press time earlier this week, the flip-top count was 883,174.

Do the math.

Ms. Treiser and her fourth-graders still need 116,825 flip tops, and they're counting on everyone in Collier County to help them get there before it's time to deliver what they've amassed to RMHC, which will exchange them for cash at its recycling center partner.

According to Ms. Treiser, 1,552 flip tops equal 1 pound, and the recycling value per pound ranges from 40 to 60

cents. Do the math and it's clear that the charity won't reap millions of dollars. But the value of the lessons learned for Ms. Treiser's hundreds of students over the years? Priceless.

To contribute to the collection, send an email to donnastreiser@gmail.com. Ms. Treiser will gladly pop a top in your honor and arrange to pick up your contribution to the cause. ■



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Last chance to Lunch 'n' Learn at Rookery Bay learning center

The Rookery Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve hosts the season's final Lunch 'n' Learn program from noon to 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 18, at the Rookery Bay Environmental Learning Center.

In celebration of the partnership between the research reserve and Florida International University, this year's series of lunch lectures has focused on research underway by scientists at the university. For the final program, Jim Fourqurean, director of the FIU Marine Education and Research Initiative and professor at large at the University of Western Australia in Perth, will discuss his research on green sea turtles.

Green turtle conservation measures over the last few decades have been successful in increasing the number of green sea turtles hatching and entering the ocean. But the world these turtles will grow up in is very different than the one that existed even a century ago. Mr. Fourqurean's team is studying green sea turtles in Bermuda to better understand



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Florida International University researchers, including Dr. Jim Forqurean at right, are studying the feeding and migration habits of green sea turtles in Bermuda.

their connectivity to feeding areas off Florida's coast.

Admission is \$10 for Friends of Rookery Bay, \$15 for others. The learning center is at 300 Tower Road, off Collier Boulevard on the way to Marco Island. For reservations or more information, visit www.rookerybay.org. ■

Learn tactics for surviving an active shooter situation

Iberiabank and the Collier County Sheriff's Office host a program about what to do in an active shooter situation on Thursday evening, May 11, at the Iberiabank branch at 1905 Pine Ridge Road. CCSO Sgt. Neal Bohannon will provide instruction and discuss tactics to help improve your chances of surviving an active shooter scenario.

Sgt. Bohannon attended Florida State

University and joined the CCSO in 1998. He is the lead instructor for the CCSO Civilian Response to Active Shooter program and has a background in police tactics, training and S.W.A.T. that spans nearly 20 years.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. and the program starts at 6 p.m. Although attendance is free, reservations are required and can be made by calling 403-5170. ■

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

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World's coolest city

Recently, in Dubai (the largest city in the United Arab Emirates), Dubai Civil Defense started using water jetpacks that lift firefighters off the ground to hover in advantageous positions as they work the hoses. Also, using jet skis, rescuers can avoid traffic altogether by using the city's rivers to arrive at fires (and, if close enough

to a waterway, can pump water without hydrants). Even more spectacularly, as early as this summer, Dubai will authorize already tested one-person, "Jetsons"-type drones for ordinary travel in the city. The Ehang 184 model flies about 30 minutes on an electrical charge, carrying up to 220 pounds at about 60 mph.

Latest human rights

■ Convicted murderer Philip Smith (a veteran criminal serving life for killing the father of a boy Smith had been sexually abusing) escaped from prison in New Zealand with the help of a disguise that included a toupee for his bald head — before being caught. Prison officials confiscated the toupee, but Smith said a shiny head behind bars made him feel "belittled, degraded and humiliated" and sued for the right to keep the toupee. (In March, in a rare case in which a litigant succeeds as his own

lawyer, Smith prevailed in Auckland's High Court.)

■ In March, star soccer goalkeeper Bruno Fernandes de Souza signed a two-year contract to play for Brazil's Boa Esporte club while he awaits the outcome of his appealed conviction for the 2010 murder of his girlfriend. (He had also fed her body to his dogs.) He had been sentenced to 22 years in prison, but was released by a judge after seven, based on the judge's exasperation at the years-long delays in appeals in Brazil's sluggish legal system.

Awesome

The Cleveland (Ohio) Street Department still had not (at press time) identified the man, but somehow he, dressed as a road worker, had wandered stealthily along Franklin Boulevard during March and removed more than 20 standard "35

mph" speed limit signs — replacing all with official-looking "25 mph" signs that he presumably financed himself. Residents along those two miles of Franklin have long complained, but the city kept rejecting pleas for a lowered limit.

Mating strategies

■ The Apenheul primate park in Apeldoorn, Netherlands, is engaged in a four-year experiment, offering female orangutans an iPad loaded with photos of male orangutans now housed at zoos around the world, with the females able to express interest or disinterest (similar to swiping right or left on the human dating app Tinder). Researchers admit results have been mixed, that some males have to be returned home, and once, a female handed the iPad with a potential suitor showing, merely crushed the tablet. (Apps are not quite

to the point of offering animals the ability to digitally smell each other.)

■ Peacocks are "well known" (so they say) to flash their erect, sometimes-6-foot-high rack of colorful tail feathers to attract mating opportunities. However, as researchers in Texas recently found, the display might not be important. Body cameras placed on peahens at eye level (to learn how they check out strutting males) revealed that the females gazed mostly at the lowest level of feathers (as if attracted only to certain colors rather than the awesomeness of the towering flourish).

Spectacular errors

(1) In March, jurors in Norfolk, Va., found Allen Cochran, 49, not guilty of attempted shoplifting, but he was nowhere to be seen when the verdict was announced. Apparently predicting doom (since he had also been charged with fleeing court during a previous case), he once again skipped out. The jury then re-retired to the jury room, found him guilty on the earlier count and sentenced him to the five-year maximum. (Because of time already served,

he could have walked away legally if he hadn't walked away illegally.) (2) In March, Ghanian soccer player Mohamed Anas earned a "man of the match" award (after his two goals led the Free State Stars to a 2-2 draw), but botched the acceptance speech by thanking both his wife and his girlfriend. Reportedly, Anas "stumbled for a second" until he could correct himself. "I'm so sorry," he attempted to clarify. "My wife! I love you so much from my heart."

Leading economic indicators

It turns out that Layne Hardin's sperm is worth only \$1,900 — and not the \$870,000 a jury had awarded him after finding that former girlfriend Tobie Devall had, without Hardin's permission, obtained a vial of it without authorization and inseminated herself

to produce her son, now age 6. Initially Hardin tried to gain partial custody of the boy, but Devall continually rebuffed him, provoking the lawsuit (which also named the sperm bank Texas Andrology a defendant) and the challenge in Houston's First Court of Appeal.

Competent criminal

An astonished woman unnamed in news reports called police in Coleshill, England, in February to report that a car exactly like her silver Ford Kuga was parked at Melbicks garden center — with the very same license plate as hers. Police figured out that a silver Ford

Kuga had been stolen nearby in 2016, and to disguise that it was stolen, the thief had looked for an identical, not-stolen Ford Kuga and then replicated its license plate, allowing the thief to drive the stolen car without suspicion. ■

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The life that conquered death and after three days arose from the grave. It is this life we celebrate at Easter. A God that is not dead but alive. This is one of the most important differences in Christianity from other religions. Muhammad is dead, Buddha is dead, but Jesus Christ lives! We serve a living God, a God that loved us enough to die for us, but who is mighty enough that not even death can defeat Him.

This Easter, we at Cornerstone want to share with you the new life that Jesus offers each and every one of us. He loved you enough to die for you and now He calls you into relationship with Him. Each of us are dead to our sin, but Jesus died so that we can have forgiveness and a new life following Him! This Easter recognize your need for life.

Don't look for life in this world, you will come up empty. For true life, full life, eternal life, is found only in Jesus Christ. We wish you not a Happy Easter, but a Happy Resurrection Day!

CORNERSTONE BUILDERS OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

TV show not just child's play for Naples toy inventor

SPECIAL TO FLORIDA WEEKLY

ABC and Mattel Creations, the content creation and distribution division of Mattel Inc., have partnered to launch a primetime television series about the drama and creativity of the toy invention process.

"The Toy Box" premiered at 8 p.m. Friday, April 7, on ABC. In the Friday, April 14, episode, Naples resident Michelle Lennane Gorman presents her Butterfly Book, a whimsical, non-electronic book with pages that rotate automatically, to the mentors and judges.

Ms. Gorman's invention will be shown alongside a ballerina doll, pocket-sized cars, sweet-smelling fruit plushes and a piñata in a backpack.

She came up with the first double-sided display in 1997 and patented it in 2001.

Ms. Gorman says the Butterfly Book prototype seen on "The Toy Box" was originally sent to clinical psychologist and autism/Asperger syndrome expert Tony Attwood for review almost 10 years ago. If it weren't for his endorsement of the book and his extensive knowledge of very early signs and symptoms of autism in infants, she adds, "I would have given up years ago."

"Modern Family"'s Eric Stonestreet hosts "The Toy Box." Each episode features inventors from around the world as they compete for the opportunity to present their toy creations in the season finale. The winner will get the opportunity to bring their creation to market, with marketing, design and manufactur-



COURTESY PHOTOS

Naples resident Michelle Lennane Gorman walks on the set of ABC Television' "The Toy Box" with her Butterfly Book invention. The episode airs from 8-9 p.m. Friday, April 14.

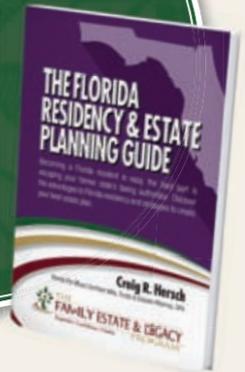
ing support from Mattel. The winning toy design will be available for purchase at retail as the season finale airs.

Ms. Gorman is having a viewing party for friends and family starting at 7 p.m. Friday, April 14, at Under The Shady Palm Pub, 210 Ninth St. N. For more information, follow Prescribe A Book on Facebook. ■

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BEHIND THE WHEEL

Ram 1500 — the more you pay, the more vehicles you can replace



What happened to trucks? It wasn't too long ago that the rear bumper was a premium option. Now, ones like the Ram 1500 Sport Crew Cab 4x4 feature a button on the key fob to lower the suspension so that it's easy to hop inside. Is this progress? Or are our tough pickups just going after people who need coddling?

The answer might be both. Trucks like this one are quite striking. The extra ride height of the 4x4 chassis gives it a beefy first impression. Plus, the Sport model line eliminates brightwork from places like the grille, bumpers and door handles for a sleeker and more aggressive appearance.

This one goes a step further with the optional Night Package that blacks out the grille and large 20-inch wheels. It also gets the bold R-A-M letters on the tailgate. It not only reminds everyone that Ram has separated from Dodge as its own brand, but also it's a feature only shared with the up-market Limited and off-road Rebel trim levels.

Creating a truck that looks like it could eat the streets also can eat a hole in wallets. A Ram 1500 Sport Crew Cab 4x4 starts around \$41,890. Add in some extra aggressiveness with the Night Package (\$395) and a Sport Performance Hood (\$775) that borrows its design from the Challenger sports cars. Plus, there's genuine performance features like the Hemi V8 (\$1,950), and air-ride suspension (\$1,715) that bows to welcome passengers.

And those utilizing their pickup for real work might enjoy the factory tonneau cover (\$595) and the Ram Box (\$1,295) that turns both bed sides into lockable tool boxes (or coolers with a drain if it's time to tailgate.) Now it's a vehicle that's approaching \$50K, even before adding in conveniences like leather seats or parking sensors.

But there's a different side to this, too. When a pickup is this loaded, it can pretty much do everything.

The aggressive appearance is great for a night on the town, and the 4x4 chassis ensures it can go to the jobsite the next day with ease (and those flashy black wheels show less dirt than mirror alloys.) It even fits in the company's



parking garage on the weekday, and can be handy for the weekends.

Inside, the Crew Cab is exceptionally roomy. Sure, (Dodge) Ram's marketing loves to show how three hard-hat adults can comfortably ride out of the oil fields in the back seat. But the real benefit of this space means the after-school pickup is a breeze. So where the old idea of a truck was the household's second vehicle, the new generation has the ability to move up in the family pecking order.

If this pickup is going to haul more children than cinderblocks, there will be many who will likely opt for the 5.7-liter V8. It might seem counterintuitive that carrying less weight would require the extra 90 more horsepower. But the real reason why it will be popular is the Hemi badging on the side and extra rumble from the dual exhaust. After all, there needs to be maximum machismo redemption if a pickup is going to be used as a minivan.

On a more practical side, Ram's available air-ride suspension is the true win-

ner for a family style truck. Besides adding versatility, this feature is directly taken from the premium car/crossover playbook for adding comfort to the long journeys.

But what about those of us who remember the days when a velour seat and manual sliding rear window were what distinguished an upper-class pickup? The bare-bones work truck is available. Ram, Ford and Chevrolet all have single cab V6 pickups that can be purchased for around \$25K if buyers are willing to wait for the best factory incentives. Adjusted for inflation, that's about the same price a base pickup was three decades ago.

So the old-school style truck is still out there, but they aren't as plentiful as before. Taking the front row at your local dealer now is the 4x4 that can be cross-shopped with a BMW X5. While it's unlikely that the Ram 1500 will win over any premium import buyers, it is there to remind you that your boss goes hunting on the weekends. ■

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Monday, April 17

Collier Boulevard and Tuscan Cove Drive: Speeding
 Bayshore Drive and Botanical Place Circle: Speeding
 Immokalee Road and Juliet Boulevard: Red-light running

Tuesday, April 18

Airport-Pulling and Vanderbilt Beach roads: Red-light running
 Pine Ridge Road and Naples Boulevard: Aggressive driving
 White and Weber boulevards: Aggressive driving

Wednesday, April 19

Radio Road and Santa Barbara Boulevard: Speeding
 Collier and Green boulevards: Aggressive Driving
 Tollgate and Beck boulevards: Speeding

Thursday, April 20

Davis Boulevard and Country Barn



Road: Speeding
 Tamiami Trail East and Airport-Pulling Road: Red-light running
 Pine Ridge Road at I-75 northbound exit: Aggressive driving
Friday, April 21
 U.S. 41 North and Vanderbilt Beach Road: Red-light running
 11th Avenue North at Naples Park Elementary School: Speeding
 Golden Gate Parkway and Livingston Road: Speeding ■

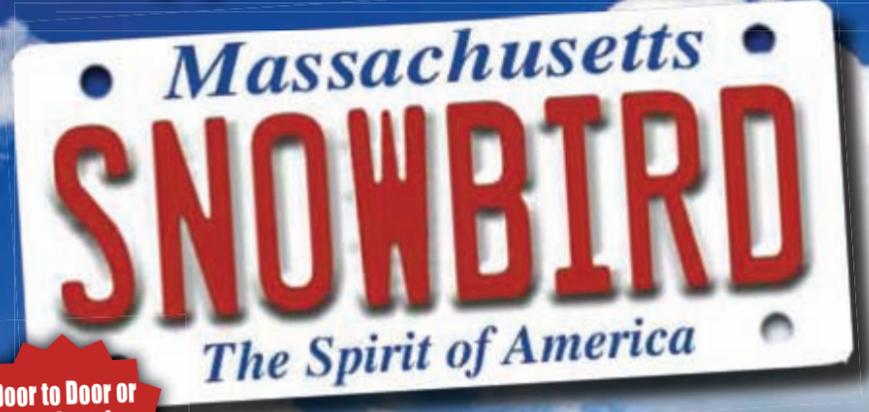
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by calling the number listed with the session you wish to attend.
Thursday, April 27: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Williams Ministry Center, 750 Seagate Drive, Naples; 947-1727.
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GET OUT FOR A GOOD CAUSE

■ **Wellfit Girls and Gulf Coast Runners** host the second annual **To(tu) Peru 5K & Yoga Event** at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, April 15, at North Collier Regional Park. Participants can do the 5K or a 1-mile walk and also enjoy a free yoga session, refreshments and more. Registration is \$12-\$40, with proceeds going toward Wellfit Girls' annual trip to Peru for local teenaged girls. To sign up or for more information, visit www.gcrunner.org.

■ The third annual **Guadalupe Center Golf Classic** tees off at 1 p.m. Friday, April 21, at the Vineyards Country Club. The event starts with a buffet lunch at 11:30 a.m. and wraps up with awards, cocktails and dinner. Sponsors to date include Arthrex and Gulfshore Life. To register or for more information, email mbecker@guadalupecenter.org or visit www.guadalupecenter.org.

■ **Friends of Foster Children Forever** invites people of all ages and abilities to take part in the first-ever **Sunshine 5K Run/Walk** on Saturday, April 22, at Vineyards Community Park, 6231 Arbor Blvd. W. Registration starts at 7 a.m. and the walk steps out at 7:30 a.m. Family fun and entertainment will go on from 9-11 a.m. Registration for the 5K, which is organized by Gulf Coast Runners, is \$35 by April 21, \$45 on the day of the event; registration to run/walk a 1-mile route is \$10. To sign up or for more information, visit www.friendsoffosterchildren.net.

For information about sponsorship opportunities, call Gisela Estrada at 262-1808 or email gisela@friendsoffosterchildren.net.

■ **Lipman Family Farms** hosts the **Run for Backpacks 5K & Junior Fun Run** at 8 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at Immokalee High School. Proceeds will provide backpacks filled with school supplies for local children. Participants will receive a bag full of Immokalee produce after the 8 a.m. 5K and 9 a.m. junior race. Registration is \$25 for adults, \$15 for children before the event, \$30 on race day. For more information, call 657-4421 or visit www.lipmanfamilyfarms.com.

■ The seventh annual **Shark Frenzy** golf tournament to benefit Gulf Coast High School starts at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at Vineyards Golf Club. Registration for \$110 includes a barbecue lunch, goodie bag and coupons to play area courses. For more information or to register, call 353-0505.

■ **South Florida Canoe Kayak Club** and **College of Life Foundation** host the second annual **Calusa Palooza** with kayak, canoe and stand-up paddleboard races starting at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 22, at Koreshan State Historic Site. Participants can compete 4- and 8-mile races (1-mile courses for ages 10 and younger). Registration in advance is required. Call 992-2184 or visit www.collegeoflifefoundation.org.

■ **Grace Place for Children & Families** hosts its sixth annual **A Swing of Grace** golf tournament Saturday, April 22, at Wyndemere Country Club. The day starts with a luncheon followed by a 1 p.m. tee time. A light dinner, silent auction and cash bar end the event. Registration is \$225 per person, \$900 per foursome. Dinner only is \$50. For more information or to register, call 234-2400 or visit www.graceplacenaples.org.

■ **The Stroke Recovery Foundation** holds its inaugural **Stroke Victor**



The Annual Walk the Talk for Epilepsy took place at North Collier Regional Park earlier this month as a way to raise funds and awareness about epilepsy. This year's Clayton Feig Youth award went to Antonio Garcia, who has dealt with epilepsy all his teenage life.

1. Antonio Garcia, winner of the 2017 Clayton Feig Youth Award

2. Michael Weinstein and Hetty Weinstein

3. Sadie Scardino and Bryana Reyes

4. Front: Mary Gomez, Bernice Delgado, Maury Phillips and Andres Gonzalez. Back: Edwin Delgado and Dan Rosenfeld

golf scramble Saturday, April 22, at Quail Village Golf Club. Registration starts at noon and the shotgun start is at 1 p.m. Registration is limited to 100 golfers and includes dinner and an awards ceremony. Sign up for \$80 per golfer (dinner for non-golfers is \$30). To register or for more information, call 598-2815 or email membership@Quail-VillageGolfClub.org.

■ **Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida** hosts its **Breaking Par** charity golf tournament starting at 8:30 a.m. Sunday, April 23, at The Club at Grandezza. The day includes a full game, lunch and awards ceremony. Registration is \$175. To sign up or for more information, call 225-2565 or visit www.jaswfl.org.

■ **The Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida Inc.** holds its **Augusta on the Gulf** golf tournament Monday, April 24, at Vineyards Country Club. Registration is \$250. To sign up or for more information, call 417-3465 or

email office@pasfi.org.

■ **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its annual golf tournament at 1 p.m. Friday, April 28, at Quail Creek Country Club. The event includes a pre-game lunch, a hole-in-one contest with a \$10,000 cash prize and an awards dinner. Registration is \$175. To sign up or for more information, visit www.napleschamber.org.

■ **Great Strides Naples/Fort Myers** chapter hosts a 5K walk to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation stepping out at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 29, at Estero Community Park. Participants can register as individuals or teams to fundraise prior to the event. To sign up or for more information, call (813) 374-9041 or visit www.fightcf.cff.org.

■ **The 12th annual Royal Palm Academy Golf Classic** takes place Saturday, April 29, at Vineyards Country Club. Golfers will enjoy breakfast, lunch and an award presentation. Registration

is \$200. To sign up or for more information, call 594-9888 or email lgiroard@royalpalmacademy.com.

■ The 14th annual **EWGA Ladies Charity Pro-Am** tournament takes place Sunday, April 30, at Wyndemere Golf Club to benefit PACE Center for Girls. The event is preceded by a dinner at the club on Friday, April 29. Registration is \$185 for amateurs, \$85 for pros and \$640 for teams. To sign up or for more information, call 304-0579 or email loridrumm@hotmail.com.

■ **Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs** hosts a golf tournament starting with a continental breakfast Friday, May 5, at Spring Run Golf Club. Tee-off is at 9 a.m. An awards luncheon wraps up the day. Registration is \$100 and benefits the organization's programs for at-risk youth. For more information or to register, call 495-8989 or visit www.artcenterbonita.org.

■ **Redlands Christian Migrant Association** holds the annual **Lipman Golf Classic** at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 6, at Naples Heritage Golf Club. Registration is \$225, with proceeds to benefit Immokalee migrant farm workers. For more information, call (800) 282-6540 or visit www.rcma.org.

■ **The Brandi Tramazzo Hero House Foundation** hosts its second annual **Crazy Pants charity golf tournament** Saturday morning, May 6, at Hammock Bay Golf & Country Club. Lunch follows at The Speakeasy Marco Island. For registration details and more information, call 404-4228 or email marcosandi@comcast.net.

■ **Noodles Italian Café and Sushi Bar** hosts the eighth annual **Stand Up Paddle & Luau Races** with competitive, family and Special Olympics races starting at 9 a.m. Sunday, May 7, at Vanderbilt Beach. Registration is \$25 and includes paddleboards. Proceeds benefit Collier County Special Olympics. For more information or to register, call 370-6577 or visit www.supspecialolympicsnaples.org.

■ **Youth Haven** hosts its 30th annual **Fairways for the Future golf tournament** at 1 p.m. Monday, May 8, at Grey Oaks Country Club. All golfers will receive one ticket to the organization's gala on May 7, a boxed lunch, two muligans, entry into all on-course contests and admission to the post-tournament awards reception. Registration is \$500. Raffle tickets for a European river cruise are available. To sign up or for more information, call 687-5155 or visit www.youthhavenswfl.com.

■ **Hodges University** hosts its 14th annual **Scholarship Spring Golf Classic** on Wednesday, May 10, at Grey Oaks Country Club. The day starts with a luncheon where guests can win a variety of golf-related items. Tee-off is at 1:15 p.m. Registration is \$250. To sign up or for more information, call 598-6153 or visit www.hodges.edu.

■ **Seacrest Country Day School** hosts its 11th annual **Stingray Golf Tournament** on Saturday, May 13, at TwinEagles. Registration for \$200 includes continental breakfast, luncheon and awards. For more information or to register, call 793-1986 or visit www.seacrest.org. ■

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The National Alliance for Mental Illness-Collier County invites caregivers and anyone who sometimes feels overwhelmed by their compassion for others to “Coping with Compassion Fatigue,” a workshop with George Drobinski, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at NAMI headquarters, 6216 Trail Blvd. in Naples.

Mr. Drobinski is a licensed mental health counselor in private practice specializing in relationships, substance abuse, anxiety, depression, teen issues and trauma. He has extensive experience in successfully providing cognitive behavioral therapy to individuals, families and groups. He is a board-certified practitioner in rapid trauma resolution and hypnosis. He is also a partner in Quantum Team Builders, a company assisting organizations and groups with raising their level of energy and collaboration to maximize satisfaction and productivity.

He is a past chairman of the Collier County Hunger and Homeless Coalition and has also served on the boards for NAMI-Collier County and the Children’s Advocacy Center. He is also past president and a co-founder of the Gulf Coast Mental Health Counselors Association.

Attendance at the workshop is free, but registration is required. Call NAMI at 260-7300 or email alex@namicollier.org. ■



Older adults, caregivers can help manage the risk of falling

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Every second of every day an adult aged 65 or older falls in the United States. Every 12 seconds, one of these older Americans is admitted to the emergency department for a fall; and every day, 74 of those will die from a fall.

More than half of those who fall do not tell their doctors or health-care providers about it. These numbers have contributed to making older adult falls the leading cause of injuries, both fatal and nonfatal, among Americans 65 and older. Aside from causing injuries that can affect a person’s overall health and quality of life, falls are also the most costly of injuries incurred by this age group.

In 2015, the Medicare costs of falls requiring medical treatment were more than \$31 billion, and the average cost of a nonfatal fall was nearly \$10,000. Falls aren’t just a normal part of aging. Older Americans and their caregivers can take steps to prevent them.

■ **Speak up.** Older adults can talk to their doctor or health-care provider about their risk of falling and what they can do to help prevent falls. They should tell their health-care provider right away if they have fallen, if they are afraid of falling or if they feel unsteady when walking or standing.

■ **Activities** that strengthen legs and help with balance, such as tai chi, can help prevent falls. These exercises should get more challenging over time to continue increasing strength and balance.

■ **Check with** health-care providers about recommending an exercise program appropriate for the person.

■ **Get an annual physical exam.** Some health issues can increase the risk of falling.

■ **Have a vision screening** once a year and update eyeglasses as needed.

■ **Consider having a medication review** conducted by a pharmacist or other health-care provider. Health-care providers can help older adults determine which medications might be stopped, reduced or switched if side effects are putting them at risk for falls. Additionally, ask the health-care provider if taking Vitamin D supplements might help improve nerve, muscle and bone health.

■ **Discuss any side effects** like feeling dizzy or sleepy.

■ **At home, keep floors clutter-free.** Remove small throw rugs, or use double-sided tape to secure them to the floor.

■ **Add grab bars** in the bathroom — next to and inside the tub and next to the toilet.

■ **Have handrails and lights** installed on all staircases, and make sure there is adequate lighting throughout the home.

With more than 10,000 older Americans turning 65 each day, the number of fall-related injuries and deaths is expected to surge unless preventive measures are taken. ■



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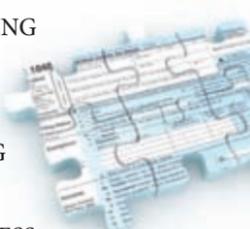
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For more information, call 252-7575. ■

Hodges schedules information sessions about LPN program

Hodges University invites those who are interested in becoming licensed practical nurses to learn about the school's LPN certificate program by attending one of two information sessions set for 5-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, April 18 and 25.

Holly Madison, Ph.D., director of nursing at the university's School of Allied Health, will discuss what entry requirements and the course plan as well as career and salary opportunities for LPNs. Information about the Test of Essential Academic Skills exam will also

be provided.

Hodges' 12-month LPN certificate program is completed on evenings and weekends at the Naples campus and includes lectures, laboratory procedures and clinical experience. The program is designed to interface with other degree

programs, allowing graduates to seek professional growth opportunities.

May 5 is the last day to register for the next program session. For more information, call Ms. Madison at 598-6163, email hmadison@hodges.edu or visit www.hodges.edu/soah/. ■

Visually impaired invited to meetings

Lighthouse of Collier Center for Blindness and Vision Loss invites all who are blind or visually impaired to attend a support group from 10-11:30 a.m. every Wednesday at the center, 2685 Horseshoe Drive in Naples. Facilitator Rick Hart encourages attendees to share the challenges they face and the techniques they find helpful in managing those challenges. Attendees feel less isolated as they make connections with others who can relate to their situation. Friends and family members who care for a blind or visually impaired friend or loved one can also benefit from the group and are welcome to attend.

The nonprofit also hosts a brown bag lunch and program at 11 a.m. on the third Tuesday of every month. On April 18, guest speaker Dr. Stephen Schwartz will discuss the latest advances in ophthalmology. An associate professor of ophthalmology at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine and the also medical director at the university's Bascom Palmer Eye Institute in Naples, Dr. Schwartz specializes in macular diseases, vitreoretinal diseases and surgery, diabetic retinopathy, macular degeneration and related disorders and retinal vascular



of Medicine, Cullen Eye Institute at Baylor College of Medicine and J.L. Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University.

Attendance is free. Guests should bring their own lunch and will be able to ask questions of the speaker after his presentation. Social hour will follow. Visually impaired people and their caregivers are welcome. Reservations are appreciated.

For reservations or more information, call Lighthouse of Collier at 430-3934 or visit www.lighthouseofcollier.org. ■

disease. He is a graduate of Cornell University, New York University School

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PET TALES

Purr therapy

BY KIM CAMPBELL THORNTON
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When their patient received a terminal cancer diagnosis, the staff at the Oregon nursing and rehabilitation facility where he was cared for offered him anything he wanted: cupcakes and ice cream for every meal, a pile of puppies to play with or anything else he could name.

"All I want is to have a cat on my lap again," he said.

Basil to the rescue. The orange-and-white tabby, one of only 100 or so therapy cats recognized by therapy animal organization Pet Partners, made regular visits to the man for the last four weeks of his life.

"That was really special to me," says Tina Parkhurst of Beaverton, Oregon, who fostered and then adopted Basil and her brother, Mac, after they were found in a field when they were about two weeks old.

Though not as numerous as therapy dogs, therapy cats throughout the country provide people of all ages and health conditions with unconditional love and comfort. Their visits can help improve patients' mobility, memory, communication, pain management and self-esteem, or simply make them smile and laugh. Often, people reminisce about previous cats in their lives.

Parkhurst was familiar with the concept of therapy cats when she began fostering Basil and Mac. She recognized special qualities in their personalities



Cats who make therapy visits must meet stringent requirements by registering organizations.

that made her wonder if they would be suitable for the work. They connected easily with people and had calm natures. Basil seemed a little more fearless than Mac, so Parkhurst began training her first, teaching her to wear a harness and leash and taking her on visits to a big box pet supply store. Eventually, they went through the Pet Partners training program, earning a perfect score in the evaluation.

Now Basil and Parkhurst make visits to facilities two or three times a week. Basil gets a bath before every visit, and she's trained to sit on a towel that is placed on a bed or someone's lap. To entertain residents, she sits up on her hind legs and gives a high-five. But her best "trick" is her ability to help people relax. Parkhurst recalls one woman suf-

fering from dementia whose daughter had invited them to visit.

Because of her dementia, the woman had become increasingly aggressive and agitated, unable to sleep despite heavy doses of medication. When Basil came to visit, the woman was sitting in a recliner, her daughter at her side.

"We started to talk, and I asked if she would like to have Basil on her lap," Parkhurst says. "She said, 'That would be nice.' I put Basil's blanket on her lap, put Basil down and in three minutes this woman who would not sleep unless she was heavily medicated was crashed out like a light. Basil was out like a light, too. Her daughter sat there and quietly cried. She said, 'My mom hasn't slept like this in weeks and weeks.'"

Because they are people-friendly in a variety of settings, many active or retired show cats make therapy visits, but any cat with a friendly, calm nature can become a therapy cat with the right training. Appropriate handling and socialization in kittenhood, with exposure to many different people, places, sounds and experiences, can help cats develop a therapeutic personality.

Taking Basil to visit people brings special rewards, Parkhurst says. One woman told her, "I wake up smiling on Sundays now because I know I'm going to get to see Basil."

Parkhurst adds, "To see their faces light up and the love in their eyes when they say something like that, it touches your heart and changes the way you walk through the world." ■

Pets of the Week



>> **Cotton** is a sweet, calm adult male mix who loves to be with people.



>> **Dicory** is a young neutered mix who has a sweet disposition. He's ready to learn from his forever family.



>> **Hawk** is a neutered adult domestic shorthair who loves to "talk" to anyone who will listen.



>> **Irresistible Ivy** is a spayed female mix with beautiful green eyes. She is waiting to fall in love with you, and visa versa, at Petco Naples.

To adopt or foster a pet

This week's adoptable pets are from **Brooke's Legacy Animal Rescue**, an all-volunteer, foster home rescue organization. For more information, call 434-7480, email Admin@BrookesLegacyAnimalRescue.org or visit www.brookeslegacyanimalrescue.com.

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THE DIVA DIARIES

Just say no to 'jorts' and other fashions that never worked anyway

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It all started with a conversation about "jorts."

Jorts are a form of jean shorts that fall somewhere between Daisy Dukes and clam diggers: right at the very top of the knee, cutting the leg off at the middle. Think Bermuda shorts, only inexplicably denim. But Bermuda shorts are typically a cotton-blend, with a comfortable fit and a bright, festive pattern —shorts that one might sport on a hot day in, say, Bermuda.

Jorts, however, are thick jean material, more form fitting — and make no sense.

My friend Caryn stumbled upon a rack full of jorts while shopping at TJ Maxx a few days ago and was shocked that the unflattering short pants were back in style. (Jorts enjoyed a brief popularity in the early '90s when teenage TV stars with side pony-tails and Reebok high-tops wore the stone-washed



versions on "Saved By The Bell.") I told Caryn she must have been shopping in the juniors section, because there was no way any actual grown woman would pay \$40 for a misguided garment that made her look short and stumpy

while also widening her butt. But Caryn, who's in her 40s, swears she was in the ladies section.

It seems like every spring, fashion designers and retailers take it upon themselves to "reintroduce" a style that never worked, even when it was in its heyday, and this year is no exception.

What sadistic fashion editor decid-

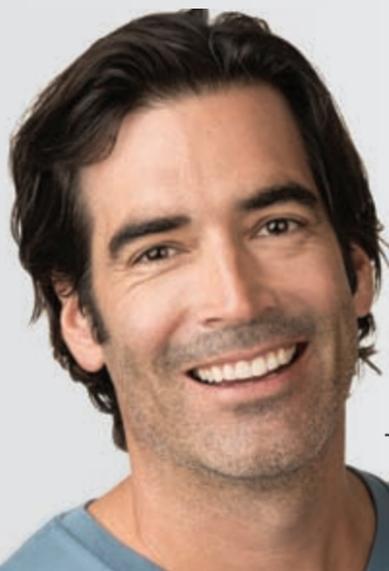
ed it was OK to bring back French-cut swimsuits? I don't care how young and slim and tall you are, having the leg opening of your bathing suit cut so high on your body that it reaches a rib just doesn't work on anyone. (These suits gained popularity in the '80s, which tells you everything you need to know. A decade that was known for enormous shoulder pads and hairstyles sprayed 10 inches high is not a decade we should trust today to make us look pretty.)

In Target recently, I came face-to-face with racks of one-piece jumper/pantsuits that kind of resembled the outfits my mom would wear as the hostess at bridge parties at our house back in the '70s. Way back 40-some years ago, they only looked good on Cher — and in 2017, they STILL only look good on Cher. What are they doing back in stores — especially Target, where Cher has never shopped?

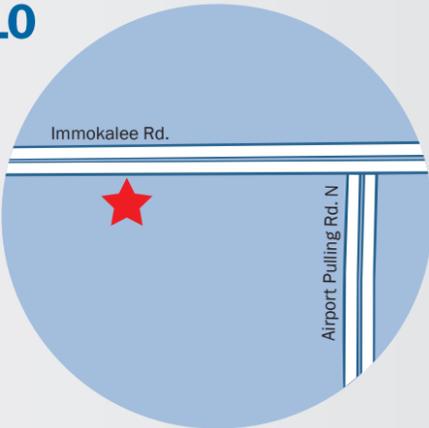
Are these styles like ex-boyfriends that we broke up with long ago and are suddenly texting, asking for a second chance? We knew they were bad for us in the first place, but would it hurt to just get together for one little drink?

That, ladies, is what dressing rooms are for — sort of like just having one glass of wine with your ex to remind you why you broke up in the first place. ■

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



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FROM THE TOP

Satisfaction comes from helping people

BY DON MANLEY
Florida Weekly Correspondent

Timothy Cartwright wears many hats in his professional life.

He is a partner and co-founder of Fifth Avenue Advisors, a wealth management, mergers/acquisitions and angel investing management firm. He's also managing director of the FAA subsidiary he founded in 2003, Compass Advisory Group, a consultancy that completes business transactions and corporate restructurings for mid-market companies.



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Add to that his chairmanship of Tamiami Angel Funds, which are member-managed investments in promising young companies, and his service as president of the Gulf Coast Venture Forum, a Southwest Florida-focused, nonprofit, angel investment network.

These professional pursuits, as with his life, are infused with the teachings of his Christian faith, something he has in common with his partners in FAA, Craig Lyon and Gary Price. He says they share philosophies, ethics and an appreciation for serving customers.

"It really emanates from our core value of using our Judeo-Christian beliefs and implementing them in our business: respect for every individual, a servant-leadership mentality that we take into our business every day, recognizing the talents we have been given and determining to use those talents to their highest and best use in serving others," Mr. Cartwright says.

"I think it's equally important that you recognize that everyone has talents and gifts, so no one person has all the skill sets required. That's why we've

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The skill of giving

Donating to charity takes expertise, says Expos founder and philanthropist Charles Bronfman

BY MARY THURWACHTER
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PALM BEACH IS RICH WITH HIGH NET-WORTH FOLKS who share their wealth with those less fortunate. Seagram heir Charles Bronfman is one of them — one who took up the pledge initiated by Bill Gates, Melinda Gates and Warren Buffett to give more than half his wealth to charity.

He took that pledge, he said, because he noticed there weren't any other Canadians on the list.

"I think there are a few more now," said Mr. Bronfman, who spends most of his time in Palm Beach, but also has homes in Montreal and New York.

"I've been a philanthropist all my life," Mr. Bronfman, 85, said. "When I was 17, I raised money for the Combined Jewish Appeal by collecting 50-cent pieces from my peers."

He was talking about his book, "Distilled: A

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Free-falling Valeant Pharmaceutical still can't get itself turned around



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In 2015, I wrote an article about the fall of a little known drug company named Valeant Pharmaceutical International. This once up-and-coming company was the darling of Wall Street for a brief while as it gobbled up companies using its high-flying stock as currency. The stock had traded as high as \$250 per share — at the time of my article it had plummeted to \$75 per share due to reports of fraudulent sales, overpriced drugs and crushing debt burden.

I urged investors to use caution — even at that depressed stock price — as the company attempted to turn itself around. So what has happened to Valeant in the last couple of years? Are there other lessons to be learned by examining this company in further detail?

The past year has not been kind to Valeant. Currently the stock trades at \$9.50. After I wrote my last article on this company, the stock did jump from \$75 to around \$110, but since that time it has been steadily falling. And it is not as if Valeant has not tried extremely hard to turn itself around.

First, it hired a well-respected and highly qualified CEO, Joseph Papa. Mr. Papa previously was the CEO of the profitable health care company Perrigo. In addition, the company pledged to sell non-core assets in order to cut its debt load and stabilize its income. And finally, Valeant is attempting to grow its revenues through partnerships with companies like Walgreens.

Clearly, investors are not convinced that Valeant has turned the corner. The stock is being punished as a result. The most worrisome problem is the company's massive debt. While the company did sell

\$2.1 billion in assets in January, since then it has been struggling to find buyers for its non-core brands. For example, Valeant recently announced that its Australian iNova unit, which was expected to sell for \$1 billion, had bids for only \$680 million. If the company cannot find buyers, many fear the company will not be able to service its debt and it may collapse.

At the same time, the company is negotiating with its creditors to refinance some its debt in order to push off near term interest payments. And while it has been successful in accomplishing this recently, each refinancing adds a little to the company's interest rate, or increases fees, which makes it just a little harder to

pay back the loans down the road.

As far as revenue growth goes, unfortunately Valeant has been heading in the wrong direction. In its latest quarterly earnings, the company's branded sales actually fell by 17 percent and even its core Bausch & Lomb unit's sales fell by 1 percent. Valeant will need to quickly turn these brands around if it wants to regain investor trust.

And finally, Valeant's main cheerleader, Bill Ackman of Pershing Square Capital Management, announced that he was selling his entire holding of Valeant stock. Mr. Ackman lost over \$4 billion because of Valeant, but many thought he would hold the stock; he was quoted many times

as saying that he believed the company would turn itself around. Clearly even he has given up hope.

I think there are a few lessons we can learn looking at Valeant's stock over the last year. First, investing in a turnaround story is a very risky play. The risk of these situations often outweighs the potential rewards. I would much rather miss the first 10 percent upside of a stock's upswing than experience the 80 percent downswing of a failed turnaround. I would advise waiting for the first evidence that management is successful, rather than investing in speculation that it will be.

Second, Valeant is a warning that getting out from under a significant debt burden is not an easy task for any person or company. Banks and bondholders can be your best friends when things are good, but often form a vicious negative cycle when things turn bad. Difficulty in repayment leads to higher rates and fees, which makes it even harder to repay the debt, which leads to higher rates and fees and so on. Breaking from this cycle is extremely difficult.

Lastly, Valeant shows that relying on Wall Street research may not always be the best guide to investing. We all know that almost all analysts were extremely bullish as the company peaked. But very few analysts recommended selling even as the company's problems became public and the price started to free fall.

Even today, many top tier investment banks have Valeant rated a "neutral."

As for me, I wouldn't touch this stock with a 10-foot pole — even at a single-digit price — until the company has proven that it can repay its debt and stabilize revenues. ■

— 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.

Boot camp sessions for prospective entrepreneurs

The RocketLounge, Ingenuity Lab and InspireLink invite budding entrepreneurs to free boot camp sessions about starting a business. Workshops take place at The RocketLounge from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Tuesdays, April 18, May 16 and June 20. All are welcome.

Dave Fleming of Ingenuity Lab, also referred to as iLab, engages organizations, which he also refers to as "tribes," of all types in order to infuse more ingenuity into their daily execution.

"If you work to achieve an important mission, you always need to, 1) find more usable ideas, 2) maximize available resources and 3) adapt fast and smart," he says. "These three actions form the core of ingenuity for any group."

"Startups need ingenuity from day one." InspireLink founder Brian Benson says his Naples-based company is excited about

the potential of the boot camp program. "The sessions will be rare experiences for entrepreneurs and for those who have the desire to start an entrepreneurial venture," he says. "Through the boot camp program, InspireLink can maximize the value of its already existing content by plugging it into the boot camp framework."

Recordings of the boot camp sessions will be edited and curated into online content and courses.

Additional boot camp series will follow to address various groups of entrepreneurs and/or startups. Mr. Fleming's work and the boot camp material will also be applied to more extensive programs such as vertical and special accelerators.

Dave Fleming, Ph.D., speaks, writes and works with teams across the country to help them transform what they have into what they need. He holds a

doctor of management in organizational leadership and a Ph.D. in human and organizational systems and is an assistant professor in the department of psychiatry in the College of Medicine at the University of Arizona. He is the founder of the Ingenuity Lab, a place to learn about and practice ingenuity, and also serves as the coach-in-residence at The RocketLounge.

The RocketLounge is a high-tech co-working space with active mentoring and coaching. Monthly learning, pitching and networking events connect freelancers with developers, investors and entrepreneurs.

InspireLink provides real business experiences to aspiring entrepreneurs, intrapreneurs and business-bound students by obtaining their personal business stories in their own words. ■

Application deadline nears for Leadership Bonita

Applications are being accepted through April 21 for Leadership Bonita, a nine-month professional development program created for the community's most promising leaders and managed by the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce. Applications are available at www.BonitaSpringsChamber.com, or by request from Cindy Burgess at cindy@bonitaspringschamber.com.

This is the 19th year of Leadership Bonita, a hands-on, behind-the-scenes program that is open to the community. The class begins in June with a two-day team-building retreat, and full-day sessions run twice a month through the first Friday in February. Sessions include tours, speakers and class projects related to regional economic development, arts and culture, health care, tourism, education, workforce, crime and justice, environment, government and infrastructure.

There are more than 300 graduates of the Leadership Bonita Program, which fosters lifelong friendships, business partnerships and a connection with Bonita Springs and its growing surrounding area. ■

Start gathering your papers for secure shredding

Iberiabank has paper-shredding events set for Saturday, April 15, at the branch on Marco Island at 605 Bald Eagle Drive and Saturday, April 29, at the branch at 775 Airport-Pulling Road in Naples. Both events are from 9 a.m. to noon.

Residents and small business owners are invited to dispose of outdated bank statements, checks, contracts, junk mail and other documents in a safe and secure manner. Shredding services will be complements of Shred-It secure document

destruction services.

At the Marco event, music will be provided by Steve Reynolds of Island Paradise DJ Services. Representatives of Step-Smart Collier will be on hand.

While their papers are being shredded at the Naples event, attendees will be able to visit with Humane Society Naples dogs and cats available for adoption at the Paws Around Town adoption mobile.

There is a limit of 10 boxes per person, and a donation of \$3 per box is requested

for donation to Step-Smart Collier and HSN.

The bank is also holding a pet supply drive for HSN through April 28 at all branches in Collier County. Items needed include canned pet food, cat litter, gently used towels, leashes and collars, pet toys and cleaning supplies such as paper towels and bleach. Pet supplies can be dropped off at any Iberiabank location during business hours Monday-Friday.

For more information, call 430-1639. ■

ON THE MOVE

Awards & Recognition

Andrew Hill, president and co-founder of Andrew Hill Investment Advisors Inc., was recently inducted into the Canisius College DiGamma Honor Society at the school in Buffalo, N.Y. Founded in 1925 under the name of the Coffin Club, the DiGamma Honor Society honors alumni, students, faculty and administrators who have distinguished themselves through outstanding service to both Canisius College and the community. Through a written nomination process, up to eight alumni, two administration and faculty members and 30 student members can be selected for membership and induction in DiGamma each year. Mr. Hill is a chartered financial analyst and a former certified public accountant. He earned an MBA from Syracuse University. He has been involved in organizations that conserve the environment and foster education, including the Regional Advisory Committee for the National Parks Conversation Association, the Hodges University President's Council, the Collier County Medical Society Foundation and the Conservancy of Southwest Florida. He also is a past president and current board member of the Naples Financial Analysts Society.



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Board Appointments

Mary Henrikson and **Hina Sanghvi** have joined the board of directors for Books for Collier Kids. Ms. Henrikson brings an extensive background with national and global charities in Connecticut, including the National Child Labor Committee, AmeriCares, A Better Chance and Center for Hope to her role with BCK. Ms. Sanghvi, a financial advisor with Morgan Stanley, is a 26-year resident of Naples. Her non-profit involvement also includes the India Association of Fort Myers and

Naples Woman's Club. BCK board members are responsible for coordinating the selection, purchase and distribution of new, age-appropriate books to 6,500 children a month in Title I and Head Start pre-K programs in Collier County, as well as ensuring teachers have access to supportive curriculums. Other board members are: **Erika Aron, Donna Eskra, Ray Kalich, Nora Kolmer, Mary Polizzotto, Marcie Poulos-Charles, Emily Watt, Sallie Williams** and **Joanne Wyss**.

Attorney **Adam Gross** of Wollman, Gehrke & Solomon, P.A., has joined the board of directors for Collier Senior Resources. Mr. Gross' areas of practice include estate planning; elder law/guardianship; estate and trust administration; estate, gift and fiduciary income taxation; and real estate law. He is a 2011 graduate of Vanderbilt University and received his JD from Emory University School of Law in 2014. Other CSR board members are: **Jim Barton, Bill Buchanan, Tom Gleason, Mark Hahn, Sheila Harris-Schutz, Mike Isermann, Rick Jennewine, Bethann Kassman, Lavi-gne Ann Kirkpatrick, Jim Klug, Harriet Lancaster, Tom O'Reilly, Sheriff Kevin Rambosk, Richard Rogan, Dr. Joan Sehdev** and **Allan Stikeleather**.

Lending

Brad Butrum has been promoted to senior vice president-credit manager for the Naples-based First Florida Integrity Bank. Mr. Butrum has 14 years of experience in the banking industry. He joined First Florida Integrity Bank in 2008 as a vice president-credit manager and has been responsible for all the risk modeling for the bank and working with regulators to explain the handling of credit risk. Under his management, the credit department ensures consistency through strong core processes for building and documenting loan packages, underwriting procedures, appraisal processes, annual review processes and all of the tools necessary to price and mitigate risks represented with each loan.

Lori Teague has joined Lake Michigan Credit Union as a commercial lender for the Southwest Florida region. Ms. Teague attended Tobé-Coburn School in New York, earning a degree in marketing and management, and has more than 15 years of financial experience. Previous positions include branch manager and senior licensed business financial specialist with Wells Fargo and, since 2005, vice president with Regions Bank in Naples. She belongs to Rotary Club of Naples and is a past president of Business Networking International. She also is active with the National Alliance on Mental Illness.



TEAGUE

Higher Education

John Meyer has returned to Hodges University as executive vice president of academic affairs. Mr. Meyer earned a doctorate of business administration in management from Argosy University and an MBA and a bachelor's degree in accounting from Hodges. He has spent nearly 20 years in public and private education. Most recently, he served as the dean of the School of Business and Technology at Florida SouthWestern State College. He has practiced managerial consulting, owned and operated private automotive ventures and conducted corporate trainings. As an academician, his interests include person-organization fit and the relationships that occupational cultures have on human behavior and, by extension, the success of organizations. He will continue in his role as researcher and author for Workforce Now, a regional research initiative that identifies current and future workforce talent requirements for the five counties of Southwest Florida.



MEYER

Law

Noel Davies has joined the Naples office of the national law firm of Quarles & Brady LLP as a mid-level associate in the Real Estate Law Group. Mr. Davies previously practiced land use and real estate law in the Fort Myers office of Roetzel & Andress LPA. His practice includes representation of developers in all facets of development, from due diligence for acquisitions to public hearing representation, including state and local government relations with respect to site plan approvals, permitting, zoning, wetlands and environmental issues. He also has a transactional commercial and residential real estate practice, including closing and title services. A native of Southwest Florida, he received his law degree from the Florida State University College of Law and his undergraduate degree from the University of Florida. Prior to his career in law, he was an international concert pianist with performances around the world.



DAVIES

Marketing & PR

Amy Court has joined Spiro & Associates Marketing, Advertising, Public Relations & Brand Architecture in Fort Myers as a media director, working with clients, the account management team and the creative department in planning, purchasing and evaluating media buys, including online, print, cable and TV broadcasting, radio and outdoor. Ms. Court earned a bachelor's degree in communications-radio/television from the University of Central Florida. She began her career in Atlanta, where she held various sales positions with Landmark Communications Inc., and then moved up to account executive and regional sales manager for The E.W. Scripps Co. She moved back to Southwest Florida in 2007 and for eight years was the digital media manager at Waterman Broadcasting. ■

CARTWRIGHT

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come together in a partnership; we've found that a team approach to serving clients is much better than an individual approach."

He and Mr. Lyon formed FAA in 2006, bringing their individual businesses, Compass Advisory Group and Magnus Capital, together in a one-stop shop.

"He was a regular investment advisor who managed family wealth and I had a merger and acquisition advisory firm that helped people sell their companies and become liquid," Mr. Cartwright says.

Mr. Price, a former vice-mayor of Naples, added his wealth management skills to the mix in 2008.

A native of suburban Chicago, Mr. Cartwright has a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Wisconsin and a master's of management in finance and accounting from Northwestern University. College was followed by two years with Arthur Andersen, a holding company and former Big Five accounting firm, in Chicago.

Next, Mr. Cartwright dove into entrepreneurship by starting a supply chain consulting company, Benchmark Solutions, which grew to have locations in four Midwest cities. After leaving that



COURTESY PHOTO

Tim Cartwright at a Venture Pitch Southwest Florida presentation.

company in 1999, he started Byproducts Interactive, an internet marketplace for food and agricultural byproducts, which was victimized by the economic downturn that occurred after 9/11.

He and his wife, Amy, visited Naples in 2002, as he considered his next move. A beachfront lunch at Lowdermilk Park helped prompt their decision to move their family, which included three young children, from suburban Chicago to Collier County.

After the move, Mr. Cartwright became involved in organizing and educating angel investors and facilitating the funding of small businesses to diversify the region's economic development through investment in innova-

tive industries. This led to the creation of Tamiami Angel Funds in 2008.

He describes the impact of the Tamiami Angel Funds as one of his major sources of pride, citing the company Taste of Immokalee as a prime example behind that feeling.

Taste of Immokalee was launched in 2014 by Immokalee High School students. The company sells hot sauces, spices, salsa and barbecue sauces the students create in stores such as Publix and Winn-Dixie. With mentoring provided by Naples-area business leaders, students from the economically challenged community gain hands-on experience in various aspects of running a business.

Tamiami Angel Funds has raised \$12,000 from its members for the company, in a partnership with the non-profit Community Foundation of Collier County. Investors are working to raise a total of \$250,000 to enable Taste of Immokalee to bring manufacturing and distribution of its products to Immokalee from Sarasota.

"The greatest satisfaction comes out of serving people and helping them achieve their dreams and their goals," Mr. Cartwright says. "That goes across the board, whether it is serving high net worth families and helping them accomplish their goals of charitable giving or paying grandchildren's tuitions, whether it's working with entrepreneurs and angel investors, all the way to the public service and volunteer roles that we play in various organizations." ■

Interview with Tim Cartwright

- Business mentors:** My partners.
- First jobs:** Delivering the newspaper and detasseling corn.
- Business words of wisdom:** Operate at the intersection of professional drive and personal humility.
- Favorite business book:** Donald Trump's "The Art of the Deal."
- Two things you look for when hiring:** People who are confident but coachable.
- Any job openings?** No.
- Last time you had to fire someone, and reason?** Sorry, that's confidential.

GIVING

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Memoir of Family, Seagram, Baseball and Philanthropy" (HarperCollins), which will be published May 2 in the U.S. (The book is already out in Canada).

"People think philanthropy is easy," Mr. Bronfman said. "It's not, at least to do it well and effectively. One of the big problems with getting involved with philanthropic work is that there's generally been no career-development process for philanthropists. A lot of people jump into philanthropy figuring the combination of their fat bank account and their know-how from accumulating their fortune are the only ingredients they need to make it work. Not so."

Partnerships, management skills, risk assessment, an ability to spot the right projects and accountability from recipients is needed, as well, he said.

After Seagram was sold to Vivendi in

2000, Mr. Bronfman doubled down on his philanthropic efforts.

"Those investments have perhaps been my best, paying dividends to my soul, and I hope they continue to do so for many years after I'm gone," he said.

His charitable endeavors tapped into both his Canadian and Jewish heritage.

Mr. Bronfman and his late wife, Andy, (his current wife, Rita, was Andy's good friend) started "Heritage Minutes," 60-second TV commercials that taught young Canadians about their history and culture.

In Israel, the Bronfmans founded an informal education program to teach children photography and about the environment and projects that bridge the gap between Jews and Arabs.

Mr. Bronfman said one of the most fulfilling efforts of his life was Birthright Israel, which sponsored trips to Israel for young people.

"You go to Israel and see if you like it," he said. "If you don't, you go a different way."

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— Charles Bronfman
philanthropist and Expos founder

more than 500,000 teens have participated.

A lifelong baseball fan, Mr. Bronfman brought professional baseball to Canada, launching the Expos in 1968. He sold the team in 1989 for \$110 million.

"But that was just the economic return, not the personal return," he said. "I had also had a success that was all my own, with nothing inherited about it."

Mr. Bronfman remains a devoted baseball fan, but his team is the Mets now, as it was before he founded the Expos. "I used to go to 66 games a year, now I

watch on TV."

Besides philanthropy and baseball, his book reflects on his tumultuous personal and professional life.

"I had a good collaborator (Canadian author and broadcaster Howard Green)," Mr. Bronfman said.

"We met during an interview and the chemistry was good," he said of Mr. Green. They spent two years working on the book.

"I wrote the book not to enhance my ego, but to indicate to others the possibilities that we all have, whether entrepreneur, inheritor or whatever," he said. "It was time to reflect on all these and other conditions and influences that have shaped, and will continue to shape, my life."

Books sales have done well in Canada and he hopes for a similar reception in the U.S.

Writing his memoirs wasn't painful, Mr. Bronfman said.

"My sister said 'you got rid of all your devils (in writing the book),' " he said. "It was therapeutic." ■

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.

■ **Goal Setters BNI (Business Networking Inc.)** meets at 8 a.m. every Wednesday at St. Monica's Episcopal Church, 7070 Immokalee Road. For more information, call Carolyn Hoover 239-263-2021 for information.

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

■ 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.

■ A welcome reception for new members of the **Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce** takes place from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at chamber headquarters, 25071 Chamber of Commerce Drive. Sign up at www.bonitaspringschamber.com/events or call 992-2943 for more information.

■ **The East Naples Merchants Association** holds its next meeting and networking event from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at LIFEstrength Health Center, 4280 Tamiami Trail E. \$10 for members, \$20 for others. RSVP required. Email info@eastnaplesmerchantsassoc.com.

■ **Business After Five** for members and guests of the Bonita Springs Area Chamber of Commerce takes place from 5-7 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at GameTime Mega Arcade, 10037 Gulf Center Drive. Sign up at www.bonitaspringschamber.com/events or call 992-2943 for more information.

■ **Young Professionals of Naples** get together for Sunday Brunch from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sunday, April 16, at the Wine Loft in Mercato. Members say farewell to another season with a "Season Sunset" evening from 6-8:30 p.m. Friday, May 5, aboard the Sweet Liberty catamaran. For reservations or more information about either event, email events@upnaples.com.



■ **Business After Five** for members and guests of the **Marco Island Area Chamber of Commerce** takes place from 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, at the Marco Island Yacht Club. Call 394-3061 or visit www.marcoislandchamber.org for more information.

■ **The Gulf Coast chapter of the Public Relations Society of America** meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at Vi at Bentley Village, 701 Retreat Drive. Guest speaker Sarah Owen, president of the Southwest Florida Community Foundation, will discuss crisis communications and share how the nonprofit organization worked with local partners, municipalities and victims' families to assist in the aftermath of the Club Blu shooting in Fort Myers. Cost is \$27 for members, \$35 for non-members and \$20 for students. Reservations are required by April 21 and can be made at www.gulfcoastprsa.org.

■ **Italian Interiors** hosts a members-only mixer for members of the Col-

lier Building Industry Association from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 26, at 2670 Horseshoe Drive. \$15. No walk-ins. RSVP by calling 436-6100 or emailing nancy@cbia.net.

■ Collier County Public Schools holds a **Building and Trades Career Fair** from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, April 27, at Collier County Fair and Exposition Inc., 751 39th Ave. N.E. Construction and carpentry students from Lely, Immokalee and Palmetto Ridge high schools will learn about job opportunities buy visiting booths set up by local builders and construction trades businesses. For information about reserving a booth, call 436-6100 or email nancy@cbia.net.

■ **The Leadership Collier Class of 2017** and the GAIN Class of 2017 celebrate their respective graduations Thursday evening, April 27, at Artis—Naples. For more information, visit www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** holds its annual golf tournament (shot-gun start, scramble, three flights) Friday afternoon, April 28, at Quail Creek Country Club. Registration for \$175 includes green and cart fee, bag handling, professional scoring, contests and lunch and dinner. CenturyLink Business is this year's main sponsor. Sign up at www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ **The Greater Naples Chamber of Commerce** hosts its annual dinner Thursday, May 11, at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Resort. For more information, visit www.napleschamber.org/events.

■ **The Collier County Medical Society** holds its annual meeting and 60th anniversary celebration Saturday evening, May 13, at Quail Creek Country Club. For more information, email info@ccmsonline.org or visit www.ccmsonline.org. ■

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Bonds and Bond Funds 101

For long-term money, it's hard to beat the growth potential of the stock market. Still, investing in bonds for income can be smart — especially when we're in or near retirement. Learn more about them first.

For starters, know that interest rates, which have long been near record lows, have begun inching up. That's not good news for bonds, as there's typically an inverse relationship between bond prices and yields.

If interest rates rise, the prices of existing bonds drop, and vice versa. Why? Imagine owning a bond yielding 3.5 percent. Then rates rise, and a new bond with the same terms yields 4.0 percent. If you want to sell your now-less-attractive bond, you'll have to offer a discount to compensate for the lower yield.

This isn't necessarily a problem for investors in individual bonds. As long as you hold the bonds until maturity, the issuer should return your entire principal.

If you invest in bond mutual funds, though, as many do, results can vary. In 2013, for example, interest rates moved up and the stock market surged more than

30 percent, but bonds generally lost value. Rising rates in 1994 also led to a bad bond year — and a lackluster year for stocks, too. Still, bond funds do have advantages. They offer diversification and the potential for capital appreciation, and they let you invest small amounts in bonds.

If, above all, you want to preserve your principal, be wary of bond funds and consider individual bonds instead. It's easy to invest in Treasury securities, including the inflation-indexed I Bond. Many brokerages offer government and other bonds, and you can buy government bonds at treasurydirect.gov, too, commission-free.

Consider short- or intermediate-term bonds or bond funds. Long-term bonds can be more volatile, with any extra yield not worth the risk. Understand that the lower the risk, such as with government bonds, the lower the return. The highest rates are offered by risky junk bonds.

Learn about alternatives for short-term savings at fool.com/personal-finance/index.aspx and elsewhere. ■

My Dumbest Investment

A Bad Grade

My dumbest mistake was buying a gold coin that was supposedly graded 63. I didn't understand at the time that there are different grades — and a lot of ways to be taken advantage of in gold investments.

Turns out my "investment" may really be a 55, making it worth a lot less than I paid for it. I still own it. I'll let the kids inherit it, along with the lesson not to invest in something you don't know enough about.

— T.B., online

The Fool Responds: Gold is a tricky kind of investment. For starters, understand that although many people think of it as a safe financial refuge, especially in uncertain markets, it's quite volatile. An ounce recently cost about \$1,245, but that's significantly lower than levels a few years ago. Gold closed at nearly \$600 per ounce in 1980, and then didn't close above that until 2006.

In many years, gold is not your best investment choice. According to economist Jeremy Siegel, between 1802 and 2012, gold averaged an inflation-adjusted annual return of just 0.7 percent, versus 6.6 percent for stocks and 3.6 percent for bonds.

Still, if you want some of your overall portfolio in gold, remember that not only can you buy the physical metal, you can also invest in the stock of gold mining and production companies, and in mutual funds and ETFs that are invested in the metal and/or gold companies. Learn more before investing in gold. ■

Last week's trivia answer

I trace my roots back to 1997, when my founder launched a "Name Your Own Price" service. Two years later I went public, ending my first trading day valued at nearly \$13 billion. My market value was recently \$87 billion. Over the years, I've tried selling groceries, gas, long-distance phone service, mortgages, cars and used goods. My focus today is on flights, hotels, car rentals, vacation packages and cruises. I bought Booking.com in 2005, KAYAK in 2013 and OpenTable in 2014. I rake in more than \$10 billion annually and sport a net profit margin near 20 percent. Who am I? (Answer: The Priceline Group) ■



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Ask the Fool

Dividend Detective

How can I tell whether a company pays a dividend, and how big it is?

— C.B., Muskegon, Michigan

You can always just call it and ask — start with the Investor Relations department. It's also easy to look it up online or in newspaper stock listings. Instead of the dividend itself, many stock listings include the dividend yield, which is the percentage of the current stock price being paid out annually in dividends. If there's a yield, it means there's a dividend.

To figure out the dividend from the yield, multiply the yield by the stock price. Imagine that Whoa Nellie Brake Co. (ticker: HALTT) is trading at \$80 per share with a yield of 2 percent (which is 0.02). Multiply 0.02 by 80, and you'll get 1.60, meaning that the company is currently paying out \$1.60 each year in dividends per share. (Companies often pay dividends quarterly, so this would be \$0.40 per quarter.)

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I know that spending money can spur the economy. Does saving hurt it?

— R.D., Saratoga, New York

Spending does boost the economy, as the demand for products and services increases, helping businesses grow and prosper. The economy can also benefit from increased national savings, though, because more money in banks means more money is available to be loaned out to buy homes, cars and educations. Companies can borrow, too, to grow their businesses.

So go ahead and save — for retirement and other financial goals. Be sure you have three to 12 months' worth of living expenses saved in an emergency fund, too. ■

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Name That Company

I trace my roots to 1916, when my founder, who shares my name, established the Aero Products Company. A year later, during World War I, I was building "flying boats" for the U.S. Navy. That led to more offerings for the military. In the 1920s, I expanded into airmail services and also bought companies such as Sikorsky and Pratt and Whitney. Soon after, antitrust laws made me break up. I'm a commercial



and military aerospace giant and have built spacecraft for NASA, too. My order backlog features thousands of airplanes, and my market value tops \$100 billion. Who am I?

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

The Motley Fool Take

A Money Mouse

If you went to the movies last year, you likely contributed to Disney's (NYSE: DIS) record box-office haul. Four films ("Star Wars: The Force Awakens," "Captain America: Civil War," "Zootopia" and "Finding Dory") crossed \$1 billion in global receipts, with "Jungle Book" falling just short of that. Each of its major studios — Disney Pictures, Marvel, Disney Animation, Lucasfilm and Pixar — helped Disney rake in more than \$7.5 billion in total box-office receipts.

That's how Disney overcame weakness in its core media business and posted fiscal 2016 earnings up 12 percent over year-ago levels and revenue up 6 percent. It was the sixth straight year that Disney's deep portfolio of global brands has powered record operating results.

Still, the company faces challenges, such as falling subscriber counts at ESPN, Disney Channel and its other cable properties, and Disney's ABC has been losing viewers to streaming services. Domestic theme park attendance has also declined in recent quarters.

On the other hand, Disney World is getting an "Avatar"-themed expansion, and Star Wars Land will open at both Disneyland and Disney's Hollywood Studios in 2019. The eighth installment of the "Star Wars" franchise hits screens in December, and millions have been visiting China's new Shanghai Disneyland. Disney offers patient believers a growing dividend that recently yielded 1.4 percent. (The Motley Fool owns shares of and has recommended Walt Disney.) ■



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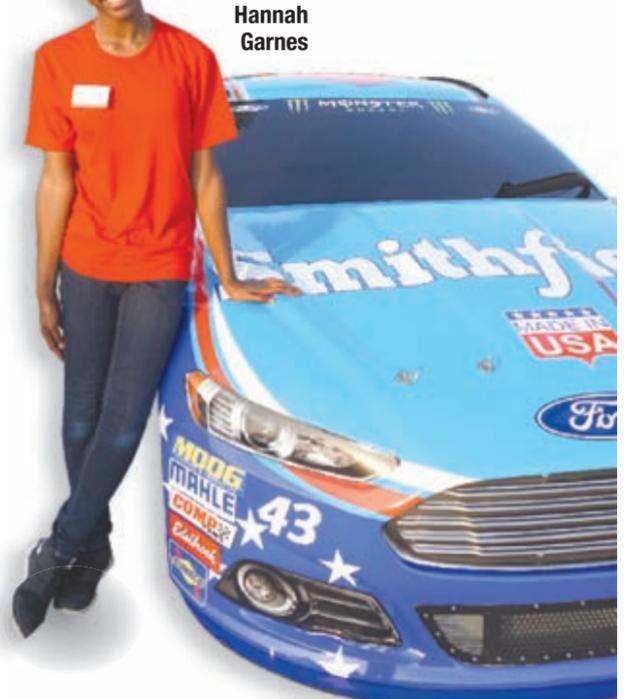


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FGCU Wanderlust culinary and travel gala at Six Bends Harley-Davidson



1. Kayla Siwiec and Jessica Tavares
2. Patrick Hutton, Jason Babel and Anne Whittenborn
3. John Naylor, Cecil Pendergrass, Jodi Pendergrass, Scott Fischer, Mary Fischer, Gary Tasman, Denise Vidussi and Karen Tasman
4. Leigh Pudwill, Stacey Deffenbaugh and Laura Merritt
5. Tehjan Prendiville, Shelley Hobbs and Diana Willis
6. Kat McElligott, Karen Locke and Colleen Moore
7. Fred Hirschovits and Bill Oleksinski
8. Lauren Gomes, Jordan Barham, Morgan Rossi and Rebekah Pfaff
9. Jennifer Starner and Jennifer Pfenninger
10. Crystal Coleman, Tara McKenna, Marty Hall and Donna Perkins
11. Anne Whittenborn, Wendy Tooley, Todd Tooley and Mindy Roosa
12. Ben Allen Band



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REAL ESTATE

NEWSMAKERS

Thomas Bryan has been named managing broker for Premier Sotheby's International Realty's office at 390 Broad Ave. S., Naples. Mr. Bryan brings more than 30 years of experience in residential sales, relocation, sales and development to the position. Over the course of his career he has founded and operated a Washington, D.C.-based residential real estate firm and achieved top-producer status as a principal broker, most recently for Douglas Elliman Real Estate's Miami office. He is a licensed broker in Florida and a member of the Miami Association of Realtors. He has served on the board of governors for both the Florida Association of Realtors and the Miami Miami Association of Realtors.



BRYAN

Cameron Rahe has been hired as the executive director of business development for Moorings Park Inc. His duties will include analyzing, developing and implementing comprehensive projects that will be take place within Moorings Park's various campuses. Mr. Rahe spent the past 15 years managing and leading cross-functional teams in commercial and residential construction projects totaling over \$1 billion in Florida. Prior experience includes WCI Communities, where he was a regional director of construction, and Manhattan Construction, where he was in the estimating and project management division. He earned a bachelor's degree in building construction from the University of Florida.



RAHE

Terri Peterson has joined Florida Lifestyle Homes as a sales and marketing representative at Naples Reserve. She has 22 years of experience as a licensed Realtor for 22 years, including experience as an independent agent and a builder's representative. She moved to Florida in 2011 from Colorado.

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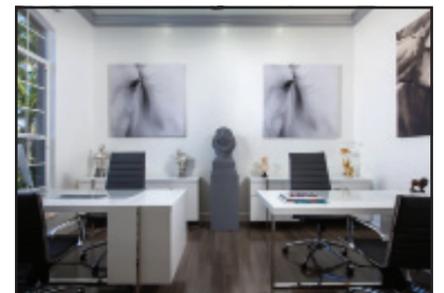
House Hunting

1405 Via Portofino, Pelican Marsh

Perfectly positioned within the intimate enclave of Portofino in Pelican Marsh, this three-bedroom-plus-office home has desirable southeastern exposure with tranquil lake and golf course views. Interior design throughout the 3,141 square feet under air is by Allan Hendy Designs. The gourmet kitchen adjoins the family room that opens onto a private lanai with pool, sun shelf and water feature. Total size is 3,863 square feet. The master suite is on the main living level, as are the formal dining room, private den/office and laundry. Upstairs are two generous guest en suites and a sitting area overlooking the main living area.

Pelican Marsh amenities include a community center, aerobics studio, recreation facilities and acres of nature and walkways. Private memberships are available.

James Bates of Premier Sotheby's International Realty has the listing for \$1,295,000. For more information, call 961-3973, email james@jwbates.com or visit www.jwbates.com. ■



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NEWSMAKERS

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Al Beatrice has returned to American Eagle Mortgage Company as a loan originator in the Naples Galleria Court office. He has more than 15 years of experience in the mortgage industry.



BEATRICE

Christi Moran has joined American Eagle Mortgage Company as a loan originator in the Naples Mercato office.

She has 12 years of mortgage and related industry experience, plus four years of experience in customer relations, public relations and sales with The Ritz-Carlton.



MORAN

Nu World Title has opened its first Southwest Florida location at 9911 Corkscrew Road, Estero.

Keith Moyer has joined Rockford Construction in the newly created role of senior estimator. He is responsible for coordinating and managing preconstruction and estimating for Florida and the Southeast region of the

United States. Mr. Moyer brings more than 40 years of experience in the construction industry to his new post. He has been part of key projects including office buildings, condominiums and multi-family homes, K-12 and higher education, senior living facilities, historic renovations, sports facilities, retail and industrial projects. He previously worked for Manhattan Construction as vice president-preconstruction.



MOYER

Royal Shell Real Estate announces the following top producers for the month of March:

Naples Parkshore office - Top listing producers and top sales producers team The Boeglin Team; top listings producer individual, Liz Biswurm; and top sales producer individual, Larry Bell.

Naples Fifth Avenue office - Top listing producers and top sales producers team, The Fischer Team; top listings producer individual, Roger Stening; and top sales producer individual, Katie Brady.

Bonita Springs office - Top listing producers team, The Lewis Team; top listings producer individual, Sue Ellen Mathers; top sales producers team, The Lummis Team; and top sales producer individual, Bob Nemeec.

Sanibel-Captiva office - Top listing producers team and top sales producers team, McMurray & Nette; top listings producer individual, Andre Arensman; and top sales producer individual, Cindy Sitton.

Fort Myers office - Top listing Producers team, is The Ricca/Mulino Team; top listings producer individual, Tina

Tusack; top sales producers team, The Yergens, Miller & Welsh Team; and top sales producer individual, Patti Testa.

Cape Coral office - Top listing producers team, Stoutenburgh International Group; top listings producer individual, Ron Eck; top sales producers team, Koffman & Associates; and top sales producer individual, Jennifer Morrow.



COURTESY PHOTO

Shadow Creek at Hibiscus will have nine two-story buildings, each with six residences.

Sales have started for **Shadow Creek at Hibiscus**, a gated condominium community being developed at the entrance to the Hibiscus Golf Club on Rattlesnake Hammock Road.

Developer Hibiscus Land of Naples has tapped NM Development Group to assist in the planning and development of the project that will consist of nine two-story buildings, each with six residences for a total of 54 homes.

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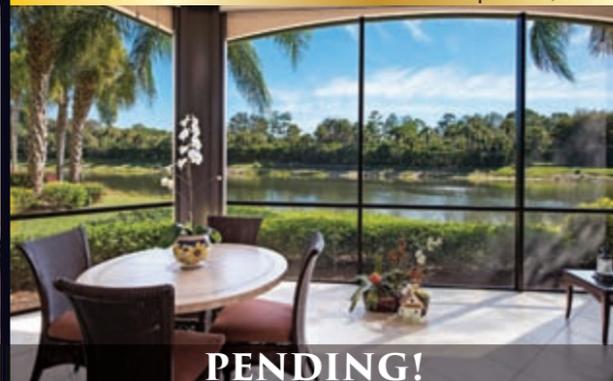
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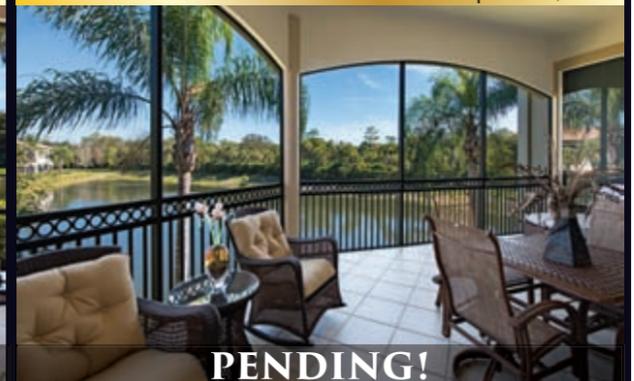
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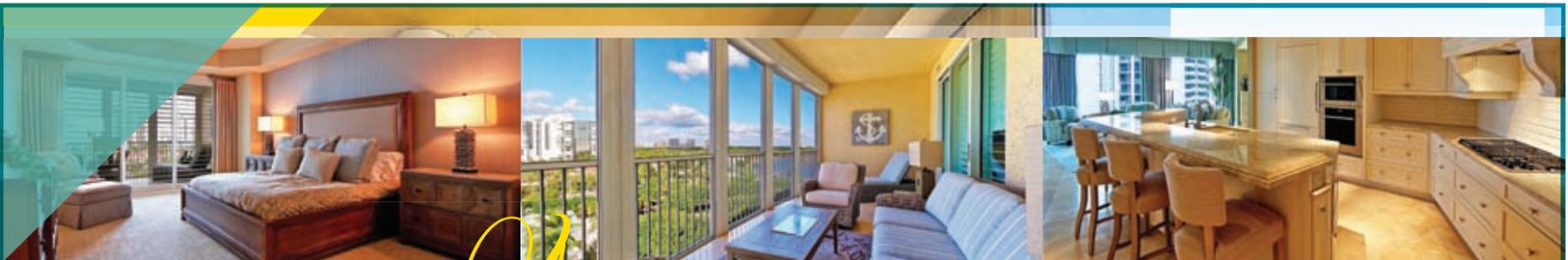
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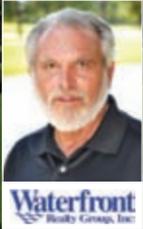


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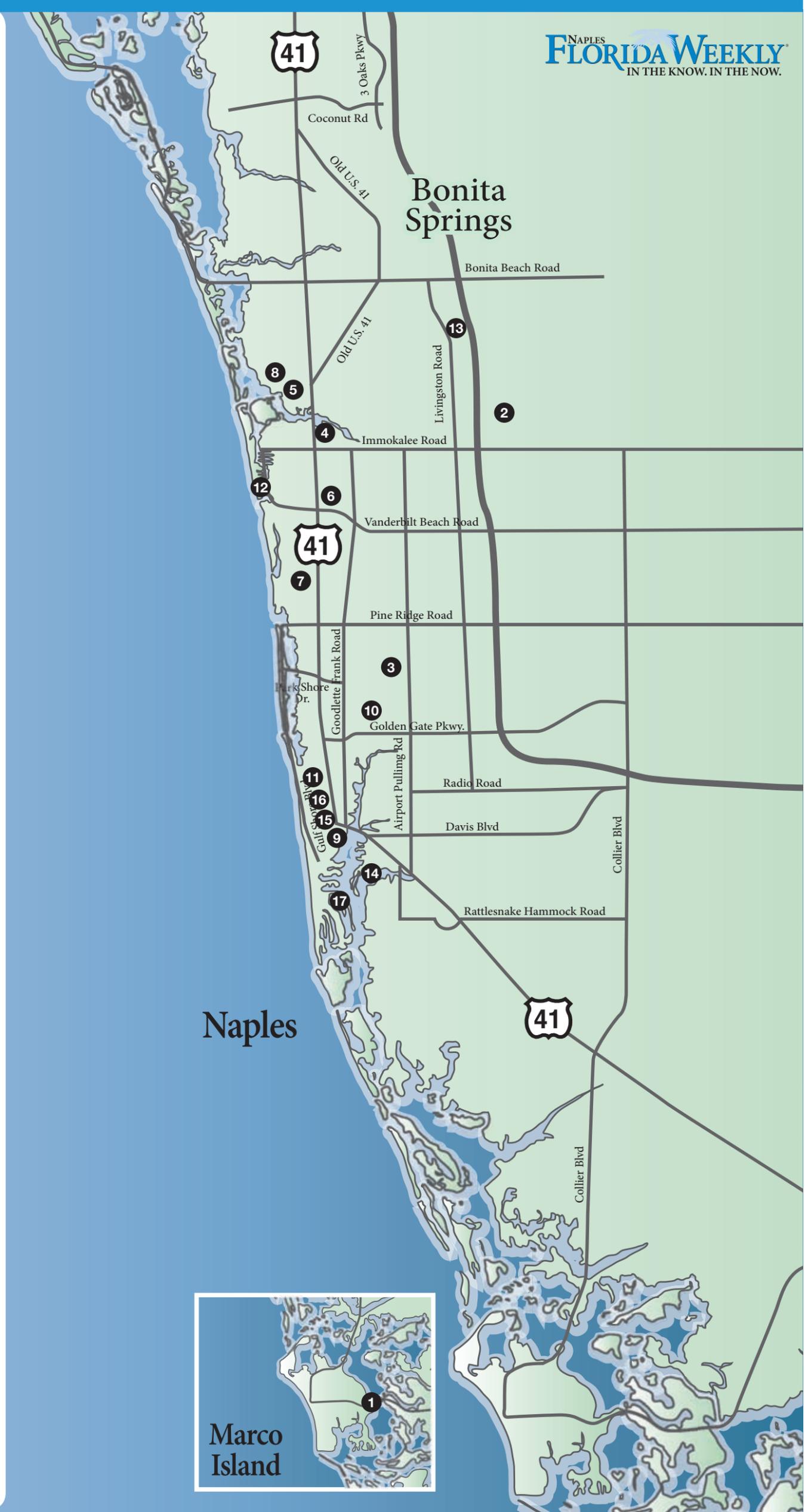
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Self-portrait, Rachel Siegrist, 2.75-by-2.25 inches

'Exquisite Miniatures' fill the spotlight at Bonita arts center

BY NANCY STETSON

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Looking like Sherlock Holmes wannabes searching for clues, visitors to the Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hold up magnifying glasses to the paintings in "Exquisite Miniatures," the exhibition on display through April 29.

The creations of husband-and-wife Wes and Rachel Siegrist, most of the paintings are slightly bigger than a driver's license, and all of them are definitely much smaller than a breadbox. Some are the size of a large stamp, and there are some circular ones the size of a quarter.

Gallery visitors are afforded magnifying glasses to inspect the works.

"Miniatures should reward you for close inspection," says Mr. Siegrist. "Most artwork, you appreciate from across the room and then from three feet away. You generally don't get that close to a painting."

But miniatures are different, he adds. "They draw you in. You get close and closer, and if they're done properly ... you're not disappointed."

Not counting the "Exquisite Miniatures" show, the couple, has exhibited in front of more than 50,000 people.

And typically, Mr. Siegrist says, they'll hear two reactions.

A person will turn around and say to the artists, "I was not expecting this to look this good!" Or, they grab a person nearby and say, "Look at this! You're not going to believe all the detail that's in there."

At the Bonita exhibition, the general reaction to the exhibit has been "a lot of excitement and awe," says Ehren Gerhard, director of art exhibitions for the center. "You could blow up any of them to a large-scale format and they'd hold up really well," he says. "It's a feat of grandeur or astonishment in the capability of what they can capture in such a small space."



"Me and My Books," self-portrait, Wes Siegrist, 2.75-by-2.25 inches

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WE'VE GOT 'LEGS'

TheatreZone presents an original take on Peter Allen's colossal Broadway flop

BY KATHY GREY

Florida Weekly Correspondent

Peter Allen was the first to portray Depression-era gangster Legs Diamond in the world-class Broadway flop that some believe was lost in its own time and deserves a comeuppance. One such person is Artistic Director Mark Danni, who is bringing "Legs Diamond" — an "almost totally fictitious musical" — to TheatreZone for its first fully staged and choreographed production since it closed on Broadway in 1989.

The TheatreZone production features 12 performers, including seven actors who comprise the male and female ensembles and the supporting characters of Flo (Becca McCoy), Kiki (Dawn Lebrecht), Madge (Jennifer Crews) and AR Rothstein (Wayne Morton).

The Naples production also presents the bold nuance of narration by the character of Peter Allen,



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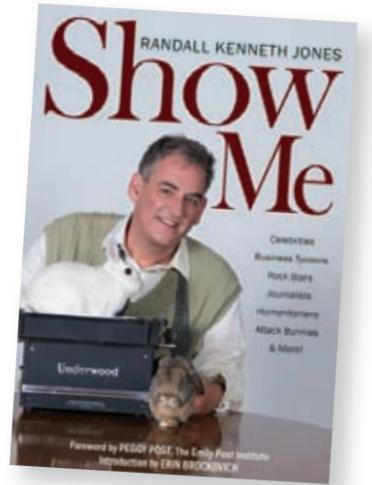
It's complicated, but this is Larry Alexander starring as singer-songwriter Peter Allen in "The Boy from Oz" for TheatreZone last year. Mr. Alexander plays Peter Allen (whose "Legs Diamond" was a colossal Broadway flop in 1988-89) again in TheatreZone's version of "Legs Diamond" coming up April 27-May 3.

INSIDE



At the Sugden

Theater critic Nancy Stetson advises catch "These Shining Lives" while you still can. **C10** ►



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Book reviewer Phil Jason enjoys a highly unusual self-help book. **C10**



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■ **“Show Me” by Randall Kenneth Jones. Smart Business Books. 376 pages. Hardcover, \$24.95.**

This thoroughly entertaining and highly unusual self-help book is not embarrassed to carry the subtitle “Celebrities, Business Tycoons, Rock Stars, Journalists, Humanitarians, Attack Bunnies & More!” That’s truth in packaging from a marketing and public relations guru turned business practices columnist. Southwest Florida readers will know Randall Kenneth Jones from his “Business Class” column in the *Naples Daily News* and from his community theater stage appearances. The profiles and life lessons (business and otherwise) in this book grow out of that column — or, more accurately — the relationships built with the people Mr. Jones interviewed.



JONES

Be prepared. A manic joy is in the air. With so much material from which to choose, Mr. Jones has organized his chapters by putting together delightful

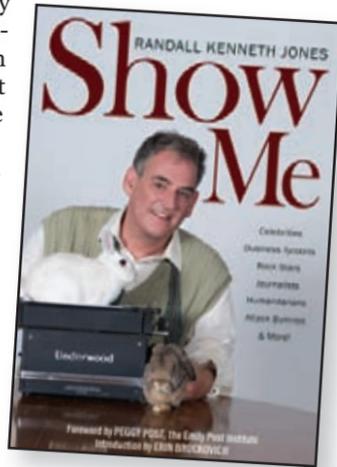
commentary on people whose natures or accomplishments just seem to make them good company. Some groupings are obvious: sports figures, professional communicators, entertainers. Others are more intuitive: people with shared or overlapping visions of how to conduct one’s self effectively, honestly, and ethically in a complex world. The many resting places the plan provides are welcome, as each vignette bears abundant wisdom that needs to be absorbed.

The author simplifies the task in two ways. He begins each major section with material from his own life, especially the lessons of his early years in the Show-Me State. These memories thrum like a tuning fork, its vibrations setting in motion the mini-profiles of his admired interviewees.

The second way Mr. Jones focuses a theme is by offering quotations from his subjects that underscore that theme. Some are indeed pithy. From columnist Heloise we learn that “Housework is genderless,” a bit of wisdom with powerful social implications. From Hall of Fame quarterback Sonny Jurgensen we learn to “Make sure everyone on your team is given the chance to play to their strengths.” The sports metaphor rings true in life’s many arenas. Carly Fiorina asserts that “One woman

can change the world because one woman changes the lives of everyone around her.”

Throughout the book, Mr. Jones treats serious issues like a man on a tightrope hovering between extreme delicacy and laugh-out-loud astonishment. He positions himself as a fellow who can’t quite believe he has managed to find himself in the company — and with the friendship — of the many leaders whose contributions to the “can-do” part of our culture he celebrates.



He’s thankful for the situation in which he finds himself. His own successes in writing and other ventures are a result of the kind of risk-taking that many of his subjects’ successes illustrate.

While “Show Me” applauds the values and discovered truths of people from many walks of life, readers might find the author category particularly interesting. Represented here are Randy Wayne White, Sue Monk Kidd and Janet Evanovich. Show business celebrities include Pat Benatar, Tommy Tune, Shirley Jones, Eddy Mekka and Vanessa Williams.

Mr. Jones is alert to honor the role of supportive spouses, especially those who have had life successes independent of their loving relationships. Glenn Campbell’s wife Kim is a fine example here.

Women? No one will accuse Mr. Jones

of under-appreciating them. His examples of focused, determined success include Peggy Post, Susan C. Bennet (the voice of Siri), Cynthia Rhodes (“Dirty Dancing,” “Flashdance”), Kathy Griffin, Suze Orman, Erin Brockovich and Barbara Corcoran.

Because the author is a media person, there’s a special place in his heart for those who bring us news, opinion, advice and dependably engaging personalities. Say hello to Hoda Kotb, Willard Scott, Sean Hannity, Candice Olson, Peter Thomas, Bob Orr and Neal Conan.

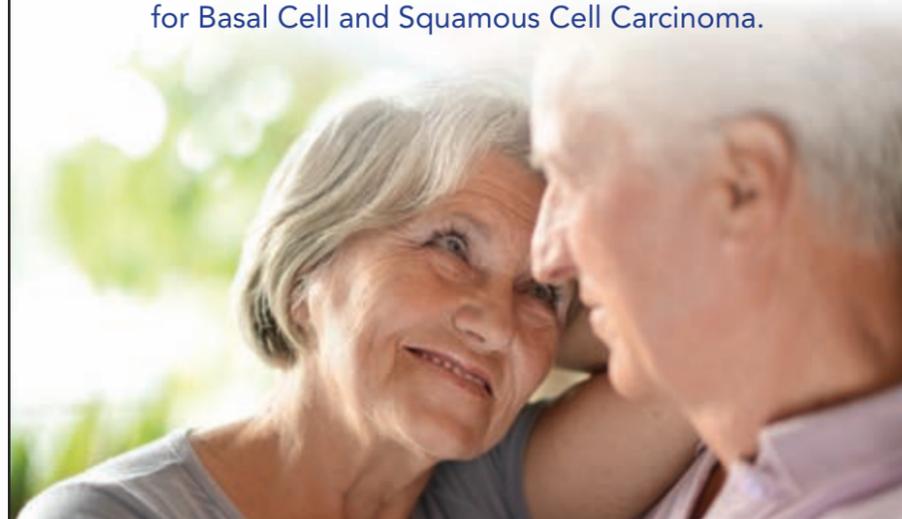
“Show Me” is a great gift book, the gift being Randall Kenneth Jones’s honestly uneasy celebration of his own life and those of many others. The fortune cookie inserts help: “You always get a second chance to make a first impression” (Robert Green Jr., dynamic greeter at Florida Gulf Coast University’s main information booth) and “Every single person you meet knows something you don’t know” (Ms. Kotb). But they are just a few of the hangers in Mr. Jones’s spacious closet.

While the appeal of this book depends in good part on unabashed name-dropping (just like this review), it has the staying power of a vital friendship rooted in values, choices and accomplishments revealed and respected. ■

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

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Wellfit Girls set to welcome 'Wild' author Cheryl Strayed

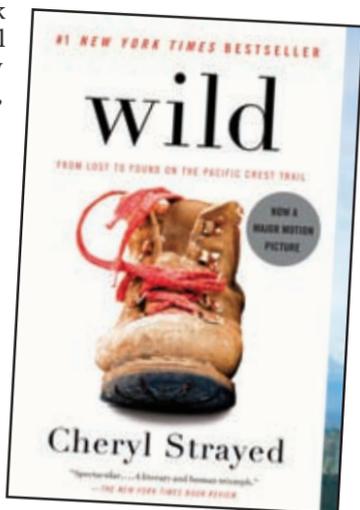
Wellfit Girls, a Southwest Florida nonprofit dedicated to empowering teen girls, brings best-selling author Cheryl Strayed to town for a benefit at 7 p.m. Monday, April 24, at Venue Naples. Ms. Strayed will share harrowing and hilarious stories of her trek on the Pacific Crest Trail and her personal journey of healing and acceptance, which led to her memoir "Wild" and a subsequent movie starring Reese Witherspoon.



STRAYED



ing. A silent auction will raise additional funds for Wellfit Girls' leadership, fitness and empowerment programs dedicated to challenging and inspiring teen girls to climb high in all areas of life.



General admission is \$50, with ticket sales ending April 23. VIP tickets are \$150 and include a cocktail reception catered by CRAVE Culinaire and a meet-and-greet with Ms. Strayed from 5:30-6:30 p.m. VIP ticket sales end April 20.

Tickets can be purchased at www.cherylstrayednaples.eventbrite.com.

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"Wild" was chosen by Oprah Winfrey as the first selection for Oprah's Book Club 2.0. Ms. Strayed's books have been translated into 40 languages, and her essays have been published in *The Best American Essays*, *The Washington Post Magazine*, *Vogue* and *Salon*, among others. The Portland, Ore., resident also co-hosts the WBUR podcast "Dear Sugar Radio."

Copies of "Wild," which went to No. 1 on *The New York Times* Bestseller List, and some of Ms. Strayed's other books will be available for purchase and sign-

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played by the same actor who portrays Jack Diamond. TheatreZone veteran Larry Alexander takes on the two roles. Interestingly, Mr. Alexander performed the role of Peter Allen in TheatreZone's 2016 production of "The Boy From Oz," which chronicles Peter Allen's life with music written by him, including numbers from the musical "Legs Diamond."

The Peter Allen connection

He was married to Liza Minelli for seven years. That's how some people remember Peter Allen, the flamboyant Australian singer-songwriter who entertained the world's glitterati for more than two decades until his death in 1992 of AIDS-related illness.

Peter Allen, who wrote the music and lyrics for "Legs Diamond," also starred as Jack "Legs" Diamond in its late-1988 to early-1989 Broadway run. Because of its substantial backing, exhaustive previews and celebrity names — Harvey Fierstein and Charles Suppon/book; Peter Allen/music and lyrics; Joseph Landon/screenplay; and Robert Allan Ackerman/director — the musical based on a 1960 Warner Bros. film was expected to be a surefire hit.

But everyone's a critic, and one critic's blistering review in particular — that of Frank Rich from *The New York Times* — panned the musical, calling it, among other awful things, "a sobering interlude of minimum-security imprisonment..." Other reviews cited Mr. Alexander's inability to convincingly portray a womanizing gangster. And in a day in which theater newspaper reviews were gospel, the critically scalded "Legs Diamond" closed after 64 performances.

Giving it new legs

Following a performance of "The Boy From Oz" last year at TheatreZone, lead actor Mr. Alexander and artistic director Mr. Danni chatted with David Spicer, who owns the rights to the musical and flew in from Australia to see the TheatreZone production. With its Peter Allen con-



nection, the subject of reprising "Legs Diamond" came up, and thus began Mr. Danni's quest to stage the musical with full production values at TheatreZone.

"The Boy From Oz" was sold out," Mr. Danni says. "So I knew we needed to have Larry (Alexander) do the role (of Jim "Legs" Diamond)."

As it turns out, Mr. Alexander will portray both Peter Allen, a character that's singular to TheatreZone's production of "Legs Diamond," and the lead role of Jim Diamond.

As Peter Allen, he says, "I narrate how the show came to be."

The trick for him, the actor adds, "is to find some sort of physical switch" between the two characters. Jack, for instance, will have a Brooklyn accent, and Peter was from Australia. "It's a great acting challenge," he says, "and a lot of fun."

As TheatreZone's artistic director, Mr. Danni took some risk to have this version of "Legs Diamond" staged. "This is a totally original version," he says. "We have the rights and permission (to stage this) original piece. You're not just getting the Legs Diamond story; you're getting Peter Allen taking you on the journey of creating 'Legs Diamond.' It's behind-the-scenes insight, with a fantastic score and great costumes and dance. I don't know

where else you're going to see anything like this done."

Mr. Alexander concurs, saying, "You'll not only know the show, you'll know all about the creation of it."

One could call it a "concert version," but this production is anything but music stands with orators and singers performing from behind them. Although "the real focus is on the score," Mr. Alexander says, "you will see the characters ... and there will be a band." The seven-piece ensemble includes piano/conductor, drums, reeds and brass instruments. "It's fully choreographed and fully staged, with (the character of) Peter Allen narrating the process of writing and putting on a big Broadway show."

The TheatreZone production, he says, embraces the humor and wit of Peter Allen providing "a lot of historical data."

Historically speaking

There was a real Legs Diamond. He was a Depression-era gangster, and defining him as unkind would be of inflammatory great service to his legend. Between killing sprees, the womanizing entertainment-club devotee was involved in show business, though the musical's focus on his aspirations to break into show business is somewhat questionable. Of note, Jim Diamond earned the nickname "Legs" in one of two ways: He was either a great dancer or he excelled at running away from trouble, including a half-dozen unsuccessful attempts on his life. The real Legs Diamond eventually succumbed to murder. Having returned from a late-night tryst with his mistress, he was lying alone in his boarding-house bed when he was ambushed. This would be perhaps the first time — and certainly the last — that his legendary "Legs" would be of no use to him.

"He was a brutal murderer in his Hotsy Totsy Club," Mr. Alexander says, noting that the club figures prominently in the musical with the show's cast of characters.

"From Peter (Allen)'s point of view, Legs Diamond was a really, really bad

guy, a murderer who wound up getting murdered himself." But, he adds, "This is a musical comedy version, so (the character is) tough, a gangster, but he's a musical comedy guy, and all he wants to do is be in show business."

Mr. Alexander says he's "not sure how Peter Allen found an obsession with Legs Diamond, but the score is really beautiful." And the experience he says, is "like a really big Carol Burnett sketch. As the show's two leads, he adds, "I'm trying to make a huge difference between Peter Allen and Jack Diamond ... That's the only way Jack can be believable."

Two for one

With almost 20 TheatreZone productions under his belt, Mr. Alexander welcomes another challenge. "For me, it's not just doing a show, it's doing two shows, as I'm playing two characters. And I'm the second person in theater history to play Jack Diamond," he says. "It's a tremendous pleasure, since the show's never been done since it closed on Broadway." And this particular production has never been done before.

The musical's Broadway run "was an infamous bomb," Mr. Alexander says. Tony Awards were going to "big, dark spectacles" in the late '80s, he notes. And "Legs Diamond" was very expensive to produce. "The costumes alone were in the millions of dollars. It should have been a big, old-fashioned show like 'No No Nanette.' Had it been given a chance, it should have had a life, because it's a really fun piece with a magnificent score. It's just a gorgeous production." ■



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— Source: *El Dorado Loaf-O-Bread, Florida Weekly Correspondent*

in the know

'Legs Diamond'

- >> **Who:** TheatreZone of Florida
- >> **When:** April 27-May 3
- >> **Where:** The G&L Theatre at Community School of Naples
- >> **Cost:** \$48-\$53
- >> **Info:** (888) ZONE-FLA or www.theatrezoneflorida.com

The Naples Players promise you'll love 'I Hate Hamlet'

The Naples Players present Paul Rudnick's comedy "I Hate Hamlet" April 19-May 14 on the main stage at the Sugden Community Theatre.

When his prime-time hit TV show "L.A. Medical" is canceled, Andrew Rally (Jesse Heindl) reluctantly agrees to star in "Hamlet" in Central Park. His dreamy but chaste girlfriend, Deirdre (Madeline Leon), and real estate agent Felicia (Mary Anne McKerrow) are thrilled about the gig and the amazing New York City apartment they've found for him that once belonged to the great John Barrymore (John McKerrow).

In addition to having to deal with his short-lived success in L.A., Andrew has a major issue with his once-in-a-lifetime theatrical opportunity: He hates "Hamlet."

Andrew's agent, Lillian Troy (Mary Wallace), a one-time fling of Barrymore, attempts to summon her former par amour by way of her departed mother, who picks up when Lillian reminds her it is after 10 p.m. and the rates are down. The séance is successful and the haughty and hammy Barrymore returns in Shakespearean tights, making a beeline for the closest bottle of champagne.

Having led the local troupe Shakespeare in Paradise, Mr. McKerrow has more than a great understanding of the material. As Barrymore, he imparts lessons on life, love and seduction to the discontented young Andrew. The laughs are nonstop as the rakish Barrymore introduces the ambivalent Andrew to the joys of fame, dames and melancholy Danes with some finely orchestrated dueling.



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John McKerrow as the ghost of John Barrymore and Jesse Heindl as a disenchanted young actor in "I Hate Hamlet" by The Naples Players.

Just when we think the ghost of Barrymore has gotten through to Andrew, his crass and calculating L.A. agent Gary Lefkowitz (Paul Polomsky) turns up to offer him a million-dollar TV deal if he drops out of "Hamlet."

Visiting director D. Terry Williams, professor and longtime chair of the theater department at Western Michigan University, directs The Naples Players' production with the good-natured lightness it deserves. ■

in the know 'I Hate Hamlet'

- >> **Who:** The Naples Players
- >> **When:** April 19-May 14 at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday
- >> **Where:** The Sugden Community Theatre
- >> **Tickets:** \$35 (\$10 for students)
- >> **Info:** 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org



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Heaven Help Me – By The Marco Players April 19-May 7 at The Marco Players Theater. 1089 N. Collier Blvd. 642-7270 or www.themarcoplayers.com.

I Hate Hamlet – By The Naples Players April 19-May 14 at Sugden Community Theater. 701 Fifth Ave. S. 262-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org. See story on page C5.

Men Are Dogs – By the Island Theater Company April 19-23 at the Marco Island Historical Museum. 180 S. Heathwood Drive, Marco Island. 394-0080 or www.theateronmarco.com.

Cabaret – Through April 16 at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

These Shining Lives – By The Naples Players through April 15 at the Sugden Community Theater. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

The Merchant of Venice – By Gulfshore Playhouse through April 15 at The Norris Center. 755 Fifth Ave. S. (866) 811-4111 or www.gulfshoreplayhouse.org.

The Last Night of Ballyhoo – By Laboratory Theater of Florida April 14-30. 1634 Woodford Ave., Fort Myers. LaboratoryTheaterFlorida.com or 218-0481.

Doublewide – By Florida Repertory Theatre April 14-May 14 in the ArtStage Studio Theatre. 2267 Bay St., Fort Myers. 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org.

Clever Little Lies – By The Studio Players April 21-May 7 at the Golden Gate Community Center. 4701 Golden Gate Parkway. 398-9192 or www.thestudioplayers.com.

Legs Diamond – By TheatreZone April 27-May 7 at G&L Theatre. 13275 Livingston Road. (888) 966-3352 or www.theatrezone-florida.com. See story on page C1.

THURSDAY 4.13

Stingray Shuffle – Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park hosts an informational session on native stingrays and how to avoid them at 9:30 a.m. Free with park entry fee. 597-6196 or www.floridastateparks.org.

Take Me Away – Preferred Travel of Naples hosts an open house showcasing excursions with Tauck Small Ship Cruising from 1-4 p.m. 801 Laurel Oak Drive. 261-1177 or www.preferrednaples.com.

Free Film – Naples Regional Library screens “Florence Foster Jenkins” (2016) at 2 p.m. The story of a New York heiress who dreamed of becoming an opera singer, despite having a terrible singing voice. Free, but reservations required. 650 Central Ave. 262-4130 or www.collierlibrary.org.

Tango Concert – Tango S.V.P. performs from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Marco Island Center for the Arts. \$25. 1010 Winterberry Drive. 394-4221 or www.marcoislandarts.org.

Artful Life – Lee Hammond discusses her career, creativity and what it takes to survive as an artist at 6 p.m. at South Regional Library. Free. 8065 Lely Cultural Pkwy. 252-7542 or www.collierlibrary.org.

Gimme That – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts a handbag event where guests can purchase a wide array of purses while sampling hors d'oeuvres and enjoying cocktails from 6-8 p.m. \$45, includes bites, a drink and five raffle tickets. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.



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Ice Dancers – Stars on Ice performs at 7 p.m. at Germain Arena. \$27-\$147. 948-7825 or www.germainarena.com.

FRIDAY 4.14

Frankly Funny – Actor and comedian Frank Blocker performs monologues, improv, songs and more at 8 p.m. at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$15. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

SATURDAY 4.15

Eggs in a Basket – Waterside Shops hosts an Easter egg hunt from 9-11 a.m. to benefit Community School of Naples. \$10, reservations required. 598-1605 or www.watersideshops.com.

Best Breakfast – Miromar Outlets hosts breakfast with the Easter Bunny from 9-10 a.m. with photos following from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the restaurant piazza. 984-3766 or www.miromaroutlets.com.

Om in the Garden – Naples Botanical Garden hosts a yoga session courtesy of greenmonkey yoga at 10 a.m. \$10 for members, \$20 for others. 643-4737 or www.naplesgarden.org.

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Fists of Fury – The Naples Players hosts an introductory stage combat class from 4-6 p.m. \$30 for members, \$50 for others. 262-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

Colombiano – South American band Herencia de Timbiquí performs regional Colombian music at 8 p.m. at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$40-\$50. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Don't Look Back – Boston performs at 8 p.m. Germain Arena. \$40-\$100. 948-7825 or www.germainarena.com.



SUNDAY 4.16

Om in the Garden – Greenmonkey yoga hosts a morning session at 10 a.m. at Naples Botanical Garden. \$10 for members, \$20 for others. 643-4737 or www.naplesgarden.org.

Chamber Concert – Members of Naples Philharmonic perform works by Beethoven and Schuman at 3 p.m. at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

MONDAY 4.17

Walk the Walk – Naples Botanical Garden hosts a walking meditation from 9:30-10:30 a.m. \$15 for members, \$20 for others. 643-4737 or www.naplesgarden.org.

Screen Lecture – FGCU's Renaissance Academy presents a talk about MGM and the golden age of Hollywood movie studios 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.

Cruisin' – The Conservancy of Southwest Florida hosts an eco-cruise to view birds of prey from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. \$20-\$47. 213-2500 or www.conservancy.org.

Breeeeeeeeathe – Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park hosts a sunset yoga session on the beach at 6:45 p.m. \$5 plus park entry fee. 596-6196 or www.floridastateparks.org.

Films for Film Lovers – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs screens “Mysteries of Lisbon” (France, 2010) at 7 p.m. A jealous countess, a wealthy businessman and a young boy are scattered across Europe and connect with a variety of mysterious individuals. \$10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

TUESDAY 4.18

Pup Patrol – Naples Botanical Garden welcomes well-behaved, leashed dogs from 8-11 a.m. each Tuesday, 3-5 p.m. each Thursday and 9-11:30 a.m. each Sunday. Free for members and their dogs, regular admission plus \$9.95 for others with pooches. 643-4737 or www.naplesgarden.org.

Hello, Fresh – NCH Farmers Market posts up at the hospital's central campus from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. www.nchmd.org.

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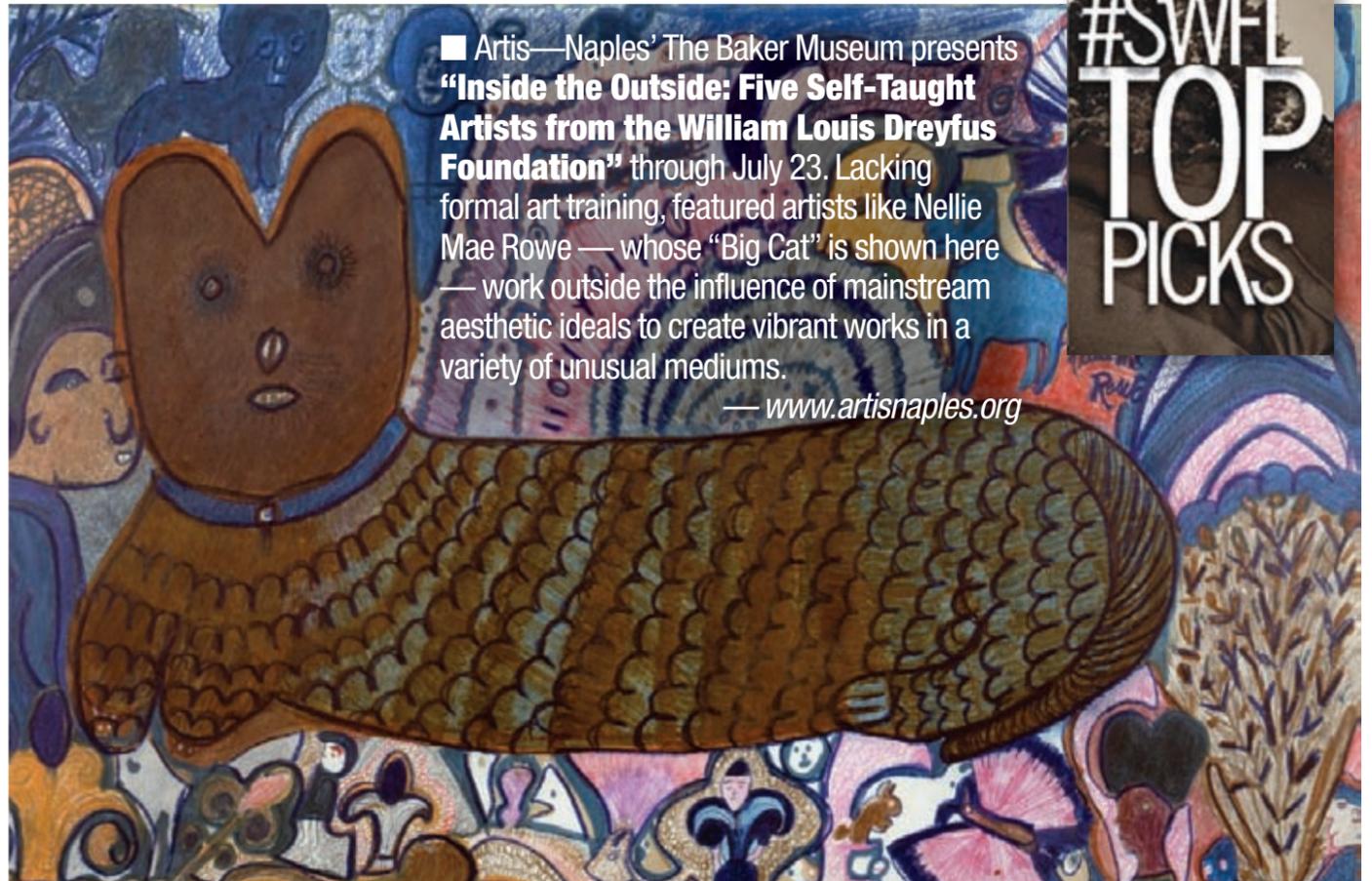
Chamber Concert - Naples Philharmonic presents a chamber performance featuring works by Beethoven and Schumann at 3 p.m. at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

WEDNESDAY 4.19

Sand and Serenity - Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park hosts a yoga session on the beach at 9 a.m. \$5 plus park entry fee. 597-6196 or www.floridastateparks.org.

Art Talk - FGCU's Renaissance Academy presents a lecture about impressionist J.M.W. Turner 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.

Book Discussion - South Regional Library hosts a discussion about Paulette Jiles' "News of the World" at 2 p.m. Free. 8065 Lely Cultural Pkwy. 252-7542 or www.collierlibrary.org.



■ **Artis**—Naples' The Baker Museum presents "**Inside the Outside: Five Self-Taught Artists from the William Louis Dreyfus Foundation**" through July 23. Lacking formal art training, featured artists like Nellie Mae Rowe — whose "Big Cat" is shown here — work outside the influence of mainstream aesthetic ideals to create vibrant works in a variety of unusual mediums.

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Perfect Harmony - Vocal group Flashback Four performs hits by The Beach Boys, BeeGees and The Four Seasons at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 21, at The Norris Center. \$25. 755 Eighth Ave S. 213-3058 or www.naplesgov.com.

Masterworks - Naples Philharmonic Chorus celebrates 25 years with a program of works by Tchaikovsky, Prokofiev and Vaughn Williams at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 21-22. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Master Lecture - Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs welcomes Marek Dyzewski, rector of The Academy of Music in Wroclaw, with a multimedia presentation titled "Voice of Music in Masterpiece Paintings," at 8 p.m. Friday, April 21. \$10. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Earth Day Party - Conservancy of Southwest Florida invites the public to enjoy guided walks, animal encounters, educational exhibitions, raffles and more in honor of Earth Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 22. Free with regular admission. 1495 Smith Preserve Way. 262-0304 or www.conservancy.org.

The Bard's Kids - The Naples Players' KidzAct Shakespeare Company performs "As You Like It" at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 22, on the outdoor stage at the Sugden Community Theatre. \$10. 262-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

Earth Day Walk - Pepper Ranch Preserve celebrates Earth Day with guided walks from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 22. Free. 252-2961 or www.colliergov.net.



■ A tisket, a tasket, so many **Easter** activities this weekend to fill your basket! Waterside Shops, Venetian Village, Miromar Outlets and many more favorite spots host egg hunts for the kids on Saturday.

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■ The Royal String Quartet of Poland performs contemporary compositions in "**Musica Vincit Omnia 2017**" at 8 p.m. April 20 at the Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$27-\$37.

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Student Concert – This year's winners of Naples Music Club scholarships perform in recital at 3 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at First United Methodist Church of Naples. Free. 388 First Ave. S. 384-9205 or www.naplesmusicclub.org.

Bluegrass Concert – Southern Express Band performs at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at The Norris Center. \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door. 755 Eighth Ave. S. 213-3058 or www.naplesgov.com.

Piano Concert – Celebrated Polish pianist Beata Bilinska performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at Center for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$27-\$37. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Thriller – Olivia Newton-John performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 22, at Seminole Immokalee Casino. \$39-\$125. (800) 218-0007 or www.moreinparadise.com.

Over the Rainbow – Ukelele virtuoso Jake Shimabakuro performs at 8 p.m. Sunday, April 23, at Southwest Florida Performing Arts Center. \$34-\$8. 11515 Bonita Beach Road. 389-6901 or www.swflpac.com.

Wild Child – Wellfit Girls hosts author Cheryl Strayed ("Wild") as she talks about her life and work from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, April 24, at Venue Naples. \$50-\$150. 13240 Tamiami Trail N. 989-5716 or www.wellfitgirls.org.

Broadway Voice – Lea Salonga, the original Kim in "Miss Saigon" and voice of two Disney princesses, performs at 8 p.m. Monday, April 24, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Take Me Away – Preferred Travel of Naples hosts a travel talk with representative from Abercrombie & Kent in a program about adventures to Europe and Australia at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 25. Free, but reservations required by April 21. 5801 Pelican Bay Blvd. 261-1177 or www.preferrednaples.com.

Political Film – Collier County Dems screen "A Face in the Crowd" (1957) at 5 and 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at Sugden Community Theatre. An Arkansas drifter becomes an overnight media sensation. As he becomes drunk with fame and power, will he ever be exposed as the fraud he has become? \$25-\$40, includes cocktails and appetizers before screening. 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

Piano Concert – Timur Mustikimov, winner of Heida Hermann's International Piano Competition, performs at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at Naples Botanical Garden. \$90 for members, \$100 for others. 643-7275 or www.naplesgarden.org.

Stay in May – Naples Art Association kicks off this year's Stay in May arts festival with an opening reception for its exhibit, "From Shanghai to Naples," at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 25. Stay in May continues through May 14 with more than 40 cultural events covering music, cuisine, art, film, dance and more. Reception tickets are \$17. 390-2788 or www.stayinmay.com.

Nature Talk – Conservancy of Southwest Florida hosts a lecture about Kemp-Ridley sea turtles at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 25. Free for members, \$10 for others. 403-4207 or www.conservancy.org.

Improv Night – Stage II Improv performs at 7 and 9 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at Sugden Community Theatre. \$10-\$20. 262-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

Classical Concert – Members of the Naples Philharmonic perform works from the Baroque era at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Chamber Concert – Violinist Paul Huang performs with pianist Tao Lin at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, at the David and Cecile Wang Opera Center. \$19-\$59. 2408 Linwood Ave. 963-9050 or www.operanaples.org.

Jazz Night – Naples Philharmonic Jazz Orchestra performs a tribute to Antonio Carlos Jobim at 6 p.m. Wednesday, April 26. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Turtle Time – Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park hosts a presentation about sea turtles at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 27. Free with park entry fee. 597-6196 or www.floridastateparks.org.

Cruisin' – The Conservancy of Southwest Florida hosts a mangrove cruise with expert Kathy Worley from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, April 27. \$20-\$47. 213-2500 or www.conservancy.org.

Nature Talk – Everglades Wonder Gardens provides smoked mullet and mojitos at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 27, before a talk about Cuba's pristine ecosystems at 7 p.m. \$15 for members, \$25 for others. 27180 Old 41 Road. 992-2591 or www.evergladeswondergardens.com.

Environmental History – Author Steve Noll examines the relationship of people to the land of Florida, starting with Native American settlements, at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 27, at the Marco Island Historical Museum. Free for members, \$5 for others. 180 S. Heathwood Drive. 642-1440 or www.themihs.com.

Latin Jazz – FONOPSIS performs from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$25. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Music at the Moe – Classical Jazz Quartet performs at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 27, at Center for the Arts Bonita Springs' Moe Auditorium. \$25. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Bluegrass Concert – Musicians Chris Hillman, Herb Pederson and John Jorgensen perform at 8 p.m. Friday, April 28, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$35-\$45. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Strings Sing – The Naples Philharmonic performs an up-close string concert for kids with instrument demonstrations at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 29. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Anniversary Party – Norris Gardens at Palm Cottage celebrates ten years with free admission from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, April 29, and a performance by Dixieland Band from 7-9 p.m. Concert is \$17. 137 12th Ave. S. 261-8164 or www.napleshistoricalsociety.org.

Broadway in Naples – The Naples Orchestra & Chorus performs hits from "Camelot," "Brigadoon," "Oklahoma!" and more at 7 p.m. Saturday, April 29, and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 30, at Golden Gate High School. \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door. 2925 Titan Way. 298-7911 or www.naplesorchestraandchorus.com.

WHERE TO GO



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Hometown Flavor – Taste of Collier offers samples from local restaurants, live music, demonstrations, competitions and more from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, April 30, at Bayfront. \$5 entry, food priced separately. 331.7371 or www.tasteofcollier.com.

Play Reading – The Naples Players' Etc.. Readers Theatre performs a reading of Samuel French's "The New York Idea" at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 30. \$10. 262-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org.

Art ALIVE – The Naples Art District, located behind Airport-Pulling and Pine Ridge Roads, opens its 40 galleries and studios to the public from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 3. 596-5059 or www.naplesartdistrict.com.

Jazz Concert – Bob Zotolla Jazz Cabaret performs from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, at Marco Island Center for the Arts. \$25. 1010 Winterberry Drive. 394-4221 or www.marcoislandart.org.

Author Talk – Barnes & Noble hosts a book signing and discussion with author Jennifer Linn ("Shanghai Faithful: Betrayal and Forgiveness in a Chinese Christian Family") at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 4. 598-5200 or www.bn.com.

Masterworks – Naples Philharmonic performs works by Wagner, Grieg and Beethoven at 8 p.m. Thursday and Saturday, May 4 and May 6. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

With A Paddle – The 41st annual Great Dock Canoe Races miraculously returns with the traditional races and new paddleboard races starting at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, May 6, at Crayton Cove.

Women's Work – Lunafest, a traveling film festival featuring short films by women, stops by Paragon Pavilion at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 11. \$25-\$35, proceeds benefit the Breast Cancer Fund and Girls on the Run of Collier County. www.lunafest.org.

Doo Wop – Rocky and the Rollers and Tokens perform at 5:30 p.m. Friday, May 12, at Naples Zoo. \$37. 390-2788 or www.stayinmay.com.

Opera Night – Opera Naples presents Mozart's "The Magic Flute" at 8 p.m. Friday, May 12, at Artis—Naples. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org. 825-1228 or www.greatdockcanoeraces.com.

Book Signing – Barnes & Noble hosts author Nathan Hill ("The Nix") at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 13. 598-5200 or www.bn.com.

Classical Concert – Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs hosts a concert featuring the flute and piano with works by Poulenc at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 18. \$25. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Ice Dancers – Disney on Ice's "World of Enchantment" visits Germain Arena at 10:30 a.m. Friday through Sunday, May 19-21. \$22-\$87. 948-7825 or www.germainarena.com.

Frankly Funny – Actor and comedian Frank Blocker presents a one-man show with zany characters, improv, special guests and more at 8 p.m. Friday, May 19, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$15. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Smooth Moves – The Tenors perform at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at Seminole Immokalee Casino. \$45. (800) 218-0007 or www.moreinparadise.com.

Country Crooners – Two Way Crossing brings four-part harmony to country music at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 20, at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Still the King – Western swing giants Asleep at the Wheel perform at 8 p.m. Monday, May 27, at Seminole Immokalee Casino. \$25. (888) 219-0007 or www.moreinparadise.com.

Vocal Concert – Terry Barber Trio performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 27, at Center for the Arts Bonita Springs. \$35-\$45. 10150 Bonita Beach Road. 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org.

Magic Carpet – The Naples Philharmonic performs an up-close concert for kids that focuses on woodwinds at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 28. 597-1900 or www.artisnaples.org.

Art Lecture – Naples Art Association hosts a pre-talk wine and cheese reception and a lecture about modern photographers with special guest speaker Gary Monroe at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, June 15. Free for members, \$10 for others. 262-6517 or www.naplesart.org.

Sail Away – David Lawrence Center Young Executives hosts its sixth annual sunset cruise about the Naples Princess from 7-9 p.m. Thursday, June 15. \$45-\$50. 550 Port o Call Way. 354-1434 or www.davidlawrencecenter.org.

Independence Party – Everglades City celebrates Independence Day with a parade, arts and crafts, family activities, fireworks and more starting at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 1, at McLeod Park. 695-3781 or www.evergladeshistorical.org. ■

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ARTS COMMENTARY

A magical, historical tribute
to a few brave women of the 1920s

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If you look at Catherine and Tom, you'd think he had the riskier job. After all, he walks on girders of buildings several flights up. One misstep, and he's a goner. She simply paints numbers on watch faces.

It's the 1920s, and Catherine is excited to join the work force, though her husband tells her that, "Work's work; that's why it's called work." He doesn't understand that she sees it as independence and a way to make some money. She'll earn 8 cents for each watch face she paints — more money than she could make elsewhere. Better yet, the harder she works, the more she earns.

When Catherine (a highly likeable JamieLynn Bucci) shows up for her first day at the Radium Dial Company, she's shown her workstation and introduced to co-workers. But what her supervisor, Mr. Reed (Mark Vanagas), doesn't tell her is that the radium she's working with will poison her and kill her.

Catherine and the other women who apply the radium onto watch numbers so the watches will glow in the dark are urged to continually put their paintbrushes in their mouths, in order to create a finer point and be more precise in their work.

Or, as they say, "Lip, dip, paint."

In "These Shining Lives," playwright Melanie Marnich looks at the lives of four real-life women who suffered from radium poisoning and bravely fought the company that employed them. It's well worth rushing to see it before its run at the Sugden Community Theatre closes.

The script is an odd mixture of lyricism and triteness. It opens with Catherine introducing the play: "This isn't a fairy tale, though it starts like one. It's not a tragedy, though it ends like one." Moments like these are highlights of the play.

On the downside, the playwright has characters saying such modern things as, "Woulda, coulda, shoulda," and, "Have a nice day," although these people are living in the 1920s and '30s. She also has a character, upon first meeting, comment on how Catherine looks like the actress Louise Brooks with her dark bob — though Ms. Brooks didn't make her film debut until a few years later.

But still, this play has enough magical



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Katherine Oni, Jasmine Vizena, JamieLynn Bucci, Amy Hughes and Mark Vanagas in Melanie Marnich's "These Shining Lives," playing through April 15 in the Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre.

moments to make it special.

Director Jessica Walck has cast well with giving Ms. Bucci the lead. The audience is on her side from the beginning, and we are horrified when we realize where she's going to work. We know, way before the characters do, that what they're doing will kill them.

We enter into contracts with the companies we work for; we give them our time and hard work, with the expectation that they in turn will treat us fairly, compensate us well and create a safe environment.

But the Radium Dial Company doesn't do that. It insists the women are safe and even touts the benefits of radium. It monitors their health, and when the women start developing symptoms, the company

prescribes aspirin.

If corporations are people, as Mitt Romney once said, then the Radium Dial Company is an abusive husband who continually harms his wife, all the while insisting there's nothing wrong.

"These Shining Lives" is an historical play. Catherine Donohue was a real person who painted radium on watches in Ottawa, Ill., and died of radium poisoning. She is both heroic and strong.

Jasmine Vizena as Charlotte, a sassy, outspoken co-worker, provides many of the play's laughs. She's a take-no-prisoners kind of woman, and her attitude helps liven the play.

Catherine's two other co-workers are not as well developed, leaving the actors

with not much to work with. Katherine Oni plays Frances, "the moral one," and Amy Hughes plays Pearl, the silly, giggly one who tells jokes. It's a shame the playwright didn't do more with these characters or the material she had at hand.

Mr. Vanagas plays a number of characters, from the company boss, Mr. Reed, to the company doctor who dismisses the women's concerns, to Leonard Grossman, the lawyer who takes up their case when they sue. He's perfect in each role, bringing a distinct personality to each.

Jesse Hughes, the cast's other male actor, also plays a variety of roles, including Catherine's husband. They don't seem to have much chemistry together. He complains about his wife working late and how he has to do things around the house. Yet when she notes all the times he's come home late from work, he says, "My late is different than your late" — a line that brought laughs and jeers from the women in the audience. Mr. Hughes also plays two doctors: Dr. Rowntree and Dr. Dalitsch.

The set by Mike Santos is one of the best The Naples Players have created for their Tobye Studio space. A raised, circular stage is echoed by a circular backdrop, making it look like an open pocket watch. There are minimal props, including factory-like windows suggested by panes against the wall. Craig Walck's lighting is especially important and full of surprises.

The sound effects could use more subtlety. For example, when the women go to the beach together, perhaps the sound of waves and seagulls could've been introduced more gradually.

The pacing is also problematic, but this is more the playwright's fault than the director's.

These brave, courageous women fought a major company and as a result, caused a major change in industrial safety standards. "These Shining Lives" pays tribute to them. It's magical. ■

in the know

'These Shining Lives'

- >> **Who:** The Naples Players
- >> **When:** Through April 15
- >> **Where:** The Tobye Studio at the Sugden Community Theatre
- >> **Cost:** \$30 (\$10 for students)
- >> **Info:** 263-7990 or www.naplesplayers.org

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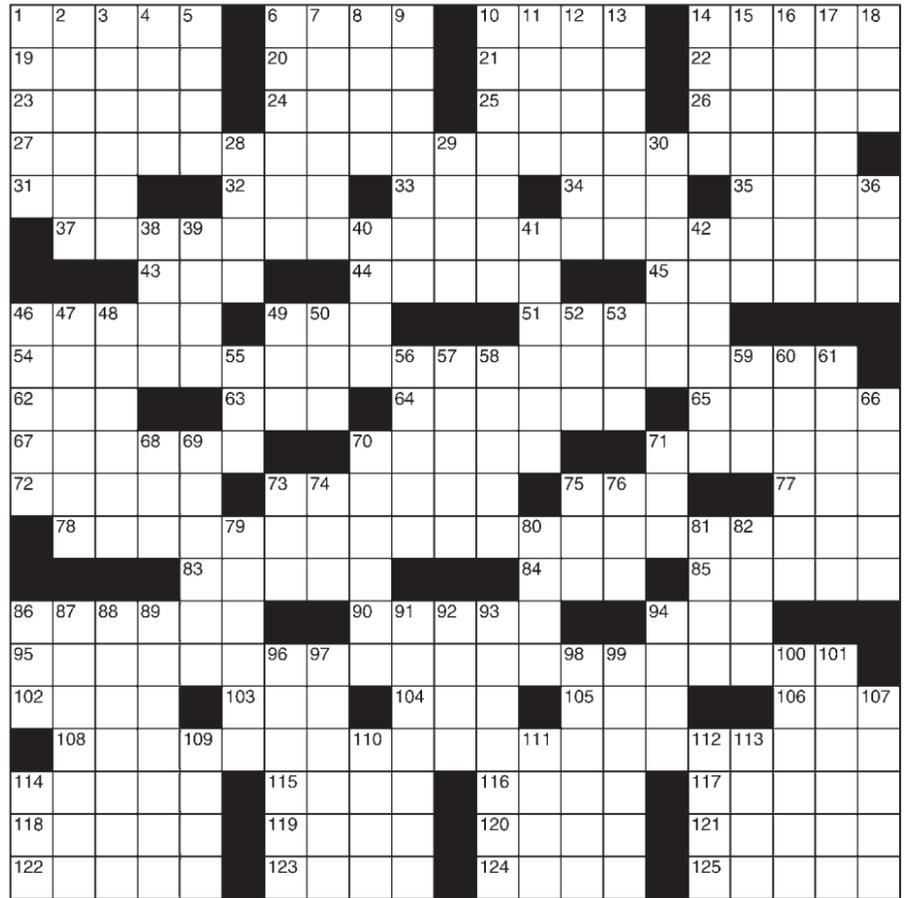
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 - 20 Difficult duty
 - 21 Jai —
 - 22 Not inclined
 - 23 Papal topper
 - 24 Long hike
 - 25 Crooner Crosby
 - 26 Tomb artifact, e.g.
 - 27 Failure to keep developing a villain's character?
 - 31 Summer zodiac sign
 - 32 On an ad — basis
 - 33 "Sprechen — Deutsch?"
 - 34 Decade count
 - 35 "I — care"
 - 37 Person forging duel weapons for a big film studio?
 - 43 Trailer-park parkers, for short
 - 44 "— deal?" ("Are we on?")
 - 45 Nun's string of beads
 - 46 Lederer who was better known as Ann Landers
 - 49 Poke (out)
 - 51 Nomadic sort
 - 54 Head demons licensed
 - 62 Article south of the border
 - 63 It increases on a birthday
 - 64 Single-file
 - 65 Somewhat, informally
 - 67 Alternative to a Cert or a Tic Tac
 - 70 Hamburger unit
 - 71 More gutsy?
 - 72 "— is human"
 - 73 Estevez of the screen
 - 75 Letter #26
 - 77 Gobble down
 - 78 Newly coined synonyms for depression?
 - 83 — buddy (close friend)
 - 84 Dad's mate
 - 85 Anxious peak in N. Oregon
 - 90 Limerick's rhyme pattern
 - 94 Cedar's kin
 - 95 Providing refuge for people who use bleach?
 - 102 Granola bit
 - 103 Adore, cutesily
 - 104 Hosp. test
 - 105 Exist
 - 106 Go quickly
 - 108 Babies seen moving wavily in prenatal scans?
 - 114 Shaw of jazz
 - 115 Rear, as legs
 - 116 Film director Ephron
 - 117 Puts freight on
 - 118 Very best performance
 - 119 Met melody
 - 120 A part of
 - 121 Action scene
 - 122 Fight off
 - 123 Nastassja Kinski film
 - 124 Camp sight
 - 125 Cheeky
- DOWN**
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 - 2 Shared views
 - 3 Speaking pro
 - 4 Old Italian coin
 - 5 Mill refuse
 - 6 Later
 - 7 Tenor Caruso
 - 8 Files a case against
 - 9 Gives a double cluck of reproach
 - 10 Diagnostic procedure
 - 11 Et —
 - 12 Wooed with a melody
 - 13 Contract inker, e.g.
 - 14 Rudely terse
 - 15 New York tribe
 - 16 LummoX
 - 17 Device used in Twister
 - 18 End-of-list abbr.
 - 28 Units of resistance
 - 29 "Oh yes, Juan!"
 - 30 Russia's Gromyko
 - 36 Go for it
 - 38 "— go brag!"
 - 39 With, to Yves
 - 40 Act of liturgy
 - 41 Battle shout
 - 42 To a greater extent
 - 46 Key above D
 - 47 Literary intro
 - 48 Pale shade
 - 49 Sprightly dance
 - 50 Consume
 - 52 "Looky here!"
 - 53 Ex-combat GIs' gp.
 - 55 Possessed
 - 56 Watch faces
 - 57 "Nay" voters
 - 58 Betray by blabbing
 - 59 And not
 - 60 Most arid
 - 61 Cooks, as some clams
 - 66 Dilettantish
 - 68 Gold, to Juan
 - 69 1950 Asimov classic
 - 70 "Simple Simon met a — ..."
 - 71 Prefix with caching
 - 73 Frozen water, to Wilhelm
 - 74 L followers
 - 75 Beastly site?
 - 76 Elegant tree
 - 79 First Ford car
 - 80 Online 'zine
 - 81 Increase
 - 82 Apropos of
 - 86 Eds.' piles
 - 87 See 94-Down
 - 88 Lift in the back of a shoe
 - 89 Quaint
 - 91 Task lists
 - 92 Ran in the wash
 - 93 Baseballer Randy Johnson's nickname, with "the"
 - 94 With 87-Down, get a strong desire
 - 96 Charge to attack
 - 97 Côte d'—
 - 98 Strong-force particle
 - 99 AWOL pupil
 - 100 Greek island
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 - 107 Elia offering
 - 109 Angling need
 - 110 États- —
 - 111 Nil
 - 112 "Ah, so sad"
 - 113 O'Hara home
 - 114 Swiss river



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HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A sudden change of plans could lead to a misunderstanding with a friend or family member. Be ready to offer a full explanation of your decision. A past favor is returned.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Expect pressure from those who want you to change your position on a matter of importance. However, the determined Bovine will be able to withstand the bullying and win out.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's time to stop dwelling on past disappointments and move on to other possibilities. By week's end, you'll be meeting new people and making new plans for the future.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A long-simmering situation between co-workers threatens to heat up and could create problems with your work schedule. Best advice: Consult a supervisor on how to proceed.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You

might have just learned that someone close to you is keeping a secret. And, of course, the Cat's curiosity has gone into overdrive. But be patient. All is revealed soon enough.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Don't give up. The recognition citing the good work you recently did will come through. Meanwhile, an opportunity opens up that can lead to a lot of traveling later on.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A financial crunch eases, but it's still a good idea to keep a tight rein on what you spend for nonessentials. Education becomes a major focus as the week winds down.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Recent encounters with stressful situations could require some restorative measures to get your energy levels back up. Talk to your doctor about a diet and exercise program.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) New connections follow changes on the job or in your personal

life. But keep your feelings reined in until these relationships have a chance to develop.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Pay more attention to your aches and pains, but avoid self-diagnoses. Seek professional advice to make sure these problems won't lead to something more serious.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You love doing research and learning new things, so you'll be happy to know that education becomes a big part of your life at this time, and for some time to come.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your Piscean penchant for doing things logically could be challenged by an equally strong emotional reaction to a new situation. Best advice: Keep the two factors in balance.

BORN THIS WEEK: You love music and nature. You would be an excellent environmentalist, as well as a fine singer or musician. ■

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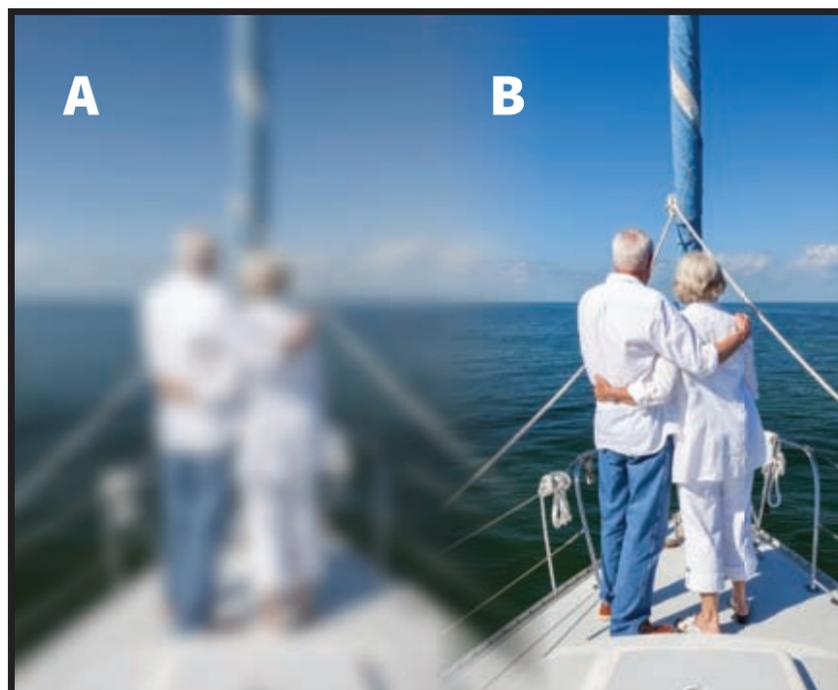


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By Linda Thistle

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Prudence and common sense

BY STEVE BECKER

In the play of many deals, the winning action is found only because of a fear that certain key cards might be unfavorably located. At times, however, this feat should assert itself during the bidding of a hand, before the play has even begun. For example, take this case where South wound up in six spades after the sequence shown.

West led a diamond, and the slam went down the drain when East took the first two tricks with the A-Q of diamonds. Undeniably, it was bad luck to lose the slam because West found the killing suit to lead and East held the ace and queen. Even so, the fact remains that North was remiss during the bidding when he chose to bid six spades instead of six notrump, which was ice-cold against any lead.

North should have reasoned that, if South had the seven spade tricks he was likely to have for his vulnerable four-spade bid, 12 tricks were certain — provided the defense did not take the first two diamond tricks. This should have convinced North — after using Blackwood and learning that South had only one ace — that the slam would be far safer if East was the opening leader instead of West.

It might seem odd for a player to

South dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

♠ 9 6 3

♥ A K 5

♦ K 7 2

♣ A K Q 4

WEST

♠ 7

♥ J 9 6 4

♦ 10 9 8 3

♣ J 8 6 2

EAST

♠ 8 4

♥ Q 10 7 2

♦ A Q 5

♣ 10 9 7 3

SOUTH

♠ A K Q J 10 5 2

♥ 8 3

♦ J 6 4

♣ 5

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
4 ♠	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♦	Pass	6 ♠	

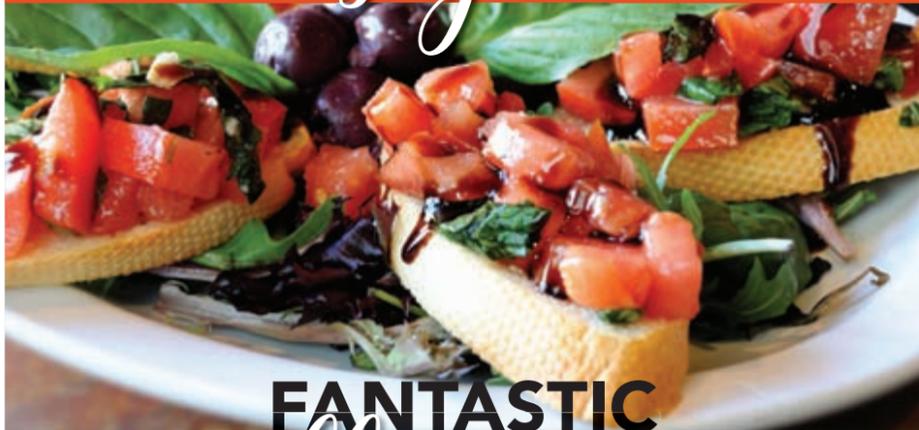
Opening lead — ten of diamonds.

prefer six notrump as his final contract when he knows that he and his partner have at least a 10-card trump suit to lean on. But prudence, common sense and the safety factor all dictate that North should be declarer, and that thought should take precedence over everything else. ■



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(Chris Evans, Jenny Slate, McKenna Grace) After her mother dies, a 7-year-old math prodigy (Ms. Grace) is the subject of a custody battle between her uncle (Mr. Evans) and grandmother (Lindsay Duncan). It's predictable and has the expected touching moments, but the best parts are the unexpected dashes of humor that make it endearing. Rated PG-13.

Smurfs: The Lost Village ★★★½

(Voices of Demi Lovato, Joe Manganiello, Rainn Wilson) With evil wizard Gargamel (Mr. Wilson) in hot pursuit, Smurfette (Ms. Lovato), Hefty (Mr. Manganiello) and other Smurfs seek out an ominous lost village in their forest. The animation, action and humor are all average. But the target audience is little kids, and it effectively conveys the message that girls can grow up to be whatever they want to be. Rated PG.

T2: Trainspotting ★★★

(Ewan McGregor, Ewen Bremner, Jonny Lee Miller) Twenty years after ripping off his mates, Mark (Mr. McGregor) returns to Edinburgh and gets mixed up with the boys once again. Danny Boyle's sequel to his 1996 hit isn't the adrenaline rush the original is, but it nonetheless tells a compelling story that's worth a look. Rated R.

Beauty and the Beast ★★★½

(Emma Watson, Dan Stevens, Ian McKellen) In Disney's live-action remake of its animated classic, Belle (Ms. Watson) is trapped in the Beast's (Ms. Stevens)

enchanted castle, but is helped by a clock (Mr. McKellen) and candelabra (Ewan McGregor), among other living furniture. It remains a sweet love story at its core, and the visuals are breathtaking. Still, the filmmakers took an animated 84-minute work of perfection and bloated it to a live-action 129 minutes that feels unnecessary. Rated PG.

The Sense of an Ending ★★★

(Jim Broadbent, Emily Mortimer, Charlotte Rampling) An elderly British man (Mr. Broadbent) has trouble retrieving a diary that is in the possession of the woman (Ms. Rampling) who was his girlfriend 40 years earlier. There are some nice themes and performances, but the ending, ironically, leaves a bit to be desired. Rated PG-13.

Kong: Skull Island ★★★½

(Brie Larson, Tom Hiddleston, Samuel L. Jackson) In 1973, a group of explorers encounter a giant ape and other creatures on a remote island in the South Pacific. The action and effects are impressive, but the story takes a turn for the worse in its second half. If you go, see it in IMAX 3D, as the visuals are tremendous. Rated PG-13.

Before I Fall ★★★

(Zoey Deutch, Halston Sage, Jennifer Beals) After dying in a car accident, a teenager wakes to relive the same day until ... well, that's what she needs to figure out. It's "Groundhog Day" as a teen girl drama, and though it has some intriguing ideas, it plays out in pretty standard ways. Rated PG-13. ■

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Is it worth \$10? Yes

Out of nowhere, he appears at the cemetery. Thin, frail, terrible mustache. He places flowers on her dead fiancée's tombstone. As he passes, the melancholy is unmistakable. His name is Adrien. Her name is Anna. Anna's fiancée was Frantz, and the movie, aptly titled "Frantz," is a taut, complex and deep-feeling drama about war, secrets and redemption.

It's 1919 in a small German village. The Great War has just ended, and many sons and fathers from this village didn't return. The locals hate the French, whom they blame for murdering their loved ones. So when Adrien (Pierre Niney) first appears to Frantz's father, Hans (Ernst Stotzner), who is a doctor, he's promptly kicked out. But Anna (Paula Beer), who still lives with her would-have-been-in-laws, sees Adrien at the cemetery and soon strikes up a conversation with him, and then vouches for him to Hans and Frantz's mother (Marie Gruber).

They ask Adrien probing questions, but he is reserved and doesn't volunteer information. He tells of his friendship with Frantz (Anton von Lucke) during the war and what Frantz meant to him. Naturally, Adrien is holding back, reticent to share anything offensive, or too much too soon. Like Anna, the audience wonders why Adrien is doing what he's doing. The fact that his true reason and motivation are revealed 50 minutes into the film, leaving another hour for the story to go in a different but worthwhile direction, is a credit to director Francois Ozon's ("Swimming Pool") ability to provide surprises in what you think is a predictable tale.

Mr. Ozon and cinematographer Pascal Marti present the film in striking black and white, with only dashes of color noticeable when Frantz "comes alive" for the protagonists. Aesthetically, the black and white reflects how we look back on a bygone era, but more than that it forces the viewer to focus on the characters and dialog, which feeds directly into "Frantz's" strengths.

The script by Philippe Piazzo is tight



and cool, rarely stopping for sentimentality within the bleakness of its characters' lives. The actors bring out the best of what the dialog has to offer, especially Beer, whose Anna is torn between mourning for Frantz, wanting to move on and not knowing what to make of Adrien. Given that we don't know what to make of him either, and Niney plays him so ominously close to the chest, the viewer is kept in a sustained state of wonder that's richly satisfying.

Another issue in play is how deep-seeded hatred lingers long after the last wartime bullet is fired. At the start, no one in Germany wants to give Adrien a chance, immediately branding him as a bad guy with disregard for his actual intentions. They're right to be suspicious, but as we learn, in a different time Frantz and Adrien would've been life-long friends, and Frantz's family, including Anna, would've warmly welcomed Adrien into the fold. In effect, war killed these relationships before they began, and because of the enmity that pervades, it could very well deter similar relationships for years.

"Frantz" is a gradually paced, highly effective drama that showcases tremendous acting and writing in the best ways cinema can. See it, or you'll be missing out. ■

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>> "Frantz" is loosely based on the Ernst Lubitsch film "Broken Lullaby" (1932).



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I recently found something grotesque.

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He co-founded the Steuben Glass Works of Corning, N.Y.

If Heisey is the Cadillac of American glassware, then Steuben is the Rolls-Royce, and it's all because of Mr. Carder, who began his career in the 1880s at the English firm of Stevens & Williams.

Stevens & Williams' glass is otherworldly and was made with layer upon layer of colored glass that must have appeared as pure fantasy to a gas-lit Victorian world.

Mr. Carder came to the United States around the turn of the 20th century and founded Steuben, named for the New York county in which it was situated.

It was there that Mr. Carder per-

fectured his art, turning out blown-glass confections that continue to whet collectors' appetites for more.

Mr. Carder loved his Grotesque line, essentially free-form pieces that transition from glorious color around the edges to crystal clear glass near the bottoms or centers.

The company turned out vases and bowls, including the one I found, by the dozens through 1932 or so.

The pieces in the company's opaque colors, including Iverene, Gold Aurene and Ivory, are exquisite.

But sometimes the clarity of a piece of glass tells you all you need to know about its quality, and that's the case with this bowl.

At one point, bowls such as this were priced in the \$1,000 range. As with most collectibles, prices for Steuben have fallen. There's a bowl similar to mine priced at \$895 on eBay; I probably would price this one at \$300-\$400.

As for Mr. Carder, he oversaw the spinning of fantasies in clear and colored glass at Steuben from 1903 until 1932, when the company reorganized and focused exclusively on clear glass. He stayed on with the company until 1959 and died in 1963 at the age of 100. ■



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This Steuben Grottesque bowl was made in the 7535 design, according to The Carder Steuben Club, at www.cardersteubenclub.org. It measures about 11 inches at its widest point.

THE FIND:

A Steuben Grottesque bowl

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The skinny: You never know where you'll find treasure.

In this instance, it was in the housewares section of the Riviera Beach Goodwill.

I couldn't believe this bowl was a piece of Steuben glass until I picked it up. It pings gloriously, thanks to all the minerals used to make the glass.

And it was clearly acid-etched "Steuben" on the bottom, though someone had written its \$9.99 price with a felt-tip marker across the hallmark.

The mystery to me is how something made more than 80 years ago survived the decades, let alone a trip in the bins to the Goodwill shelves.

As an added bonus, the store had no wrapping materials, so I carried it to my car without a bag and gently cushioned it in a pair of shorts I had bought elsewhere that afternoon.

It clearly is a survivor. ■



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ANTIQUES

Comic collectibles still a hit

BY TERRY AND KIM KOVEL

Comic collectibles remain popular as long as the comic characters are still seen or heard in comic books, cartoons, radio, TV, movies, plays or reruns. And B.O. Plenty, who was an early figure in the Dick Tracy comic strip that started in 1931, has been dropped and reintroduced many times. He married Dirty Gertie, and these two ugly people had a beautiful daughter, Sparkle Plenty, in 1947. Later, they had a very ugly son whose face was never shown in the strip.

The 8½-inch toy shown here shuffles across the floor while his hat tips.

Q: I just found a metal tin that seems to have held pepper at the White House. How much is a political piece like this worth?

A: Sorry to disappoint you, but White House is a brand name used by Wilson Burns & Co. of Baltimore in the 1930s. In those days, all grocery store containers of small amounts of spices were sold in tins. There still are collectors of the tins for their advertising or country-store collections. The best place to find them is at the back of the kitchen cupboard at a house sale. Most tins sell for \$15 to \$35.

Q: I bought a modern copy of a tall flower container with 24 tubes to hold flowers that go to a center section. I bought it to use as a vase and now I'm told it was used to grow indoor plants in

places like Williamsburg. Can you settle a bet about this for us?

A: The name "tulipiere" is used for tall, many-spouted vases like yours, and for a shorter vase with five spouts that looks like fingers on a hand or just a round vase with spouts facing in all directions.

The original tulipieres were made of 17th-century Delft. Queen Mary II of England liked flowers in the palace and ordered the vases to be refilled three times a week with cut flowers, including tulips. Part of the reason was renewed fascination with the flower due to the strange "tulipmania" of the 1630s, when rare tulip bulbs had become a very expensive status symbol. Like other economic bubbles, it burst in 1637 and caused financial ruin for many.

The many-spouted tulipiere also was used to grow flowers indoors, and each spout was made the right size to hold a bulb partially covered with water.

So both of you are right. They held either cut flowers or bulbs, now or in the past.

Q: My family heirloom is a divided child's feeding plate decorated with scenes of a girl playing with or feeding her toys. The back is marked "Thompson." What is its value?

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For our final solo exhibition of our 54th Season we welcome Reynier Llanes to the Harmon-Meek Gallery. Llanes was born in Pinar del Rio, Cuba in 1985. Llanes grabbed an opportunity to emigrate from Cuba in 2007 moving to the United States. While in Cuba, painting supplies were limited, so he created a medium using coffee that he still uses in his work today along with oils, watercolors, and pastels. This young artist has been well received by art critics and art museums, with works in the permanent collections of a number of museums. Llanes will have an exhibition at Northwestern State University in Louisiana this May.

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Florida Rep stages 'Doublewide' in partnership with new play network

BY TOM HALL
Florida Weekly Correspondent

Stephen Spotswood's "Doublewide," part of a Rolling World Premiere in which Florida Rep is participating in partnership with the National New Play Network in Washington, D.C., and two other regional theaters, begins April 14 in Florida Rep's ArtStage Studio Theatre.

"We read 'Doublewide' as part of our PlayLab Festival last year, and it became clear that this was the play we wanted to premiere in our 2016-2017 Season," said Florida Rep Producing Artistic Director Robert Cacioppo. "I am delighted that two other regional companies have committed to producing this important new work in the communities they serve. We are honored to be working with the NNPN and the artistic leaders at Vermont Stage and Williamston Theatre in giving this play a wider audience."

Florida Rep is the first of the three regional theaters to produce the play. Vermont Stage in Burlington will produce the play in January 2018 and Williamston Theatre in Williamston, Mich., will complete the three-theater Rolling World Premiere with a production in March 2018.

"National New Play Network is thrilled that this NNPN Rolling World Premiere is happening," said Executive Director Nan Barnett, "as it embraces one of the core founding concepts of the Network and specifically this program — bringing regional playwrights to audiences across the country. The Roll will introduce this D.C.-based playwright to New England, the Gulf Coast of Florida, and Michigan, adding to the growing legion of Spotswood fans as it

strengthens the play."

The play is an honest, heartfelt and often humorous story of one family's pursuit of the American Dream. It tells the story of Jim Starkey, a man who just wants to replace the doublewide trailer on his one-acre plot of land with a nice house that he can one day leave to his daughter, Lorelai. But when a highway expansion project and a freak hunting accident shatter his dreams, Jim must decide how far he can be pushed and Lorelai is left to build her own future.

"Doublewide" features Florida Rep ensemble members Rachel Burttram and Carrie Lund, Miami actor Gregg Weiner, former Florida Rep intern Dillion Everett, and Isabella Cintron, a junior at Cypress Lake High School Center for the Arts.

Maureen Heffernan directs, and is joined by ensemble set designer Ray Recht, ensemble lighting designer Jim Hunter, costume designer Alex Vazquez, sound designer John Kiselica and ensemble stage manager Janine Wochna. ■

in the know

'Doublewide'

- >> **Who:** Florida Repertory Theatre
- >> **When:** April 14-May 14 with performances at 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Thursday, Sunday and selected Saturdays
- >> **Where:** The ArtStage Studio Theatre
- >> **Cost:** \$45 to \$52
- >> **Info:** 332-4488 or www.floridarep.org



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Another Hallmark film for DeLoach

BY CINDY ELAVSKY

Q: Can you tell me what Nikki DeLoach has been up to since “Awkward” ended?

— *Ollie Y., via email*

A: Nikki has been hard at work, forming quite a relationship with the Hallmark Channel. Next up for her is Hallmark’s “The Perfect Catch,” which premieres at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 22. She stars as Jessica Parker, a diner owner and single mom to an 8-year-old son. When her former high-school boyfriend, superstar baseball player Chase Tanner (played by Andrew Walker), returns to town, Jessica finds the inspiration to reinvent her struggling restaurant and revisits the past to find something even better for the future.

Nikki could relate to Jessica, telling me: “I’ve been in this business for 30 years, and there have been several times in my career where I kind of lost everything and had to start all over. Every single time you have to start over, it gets harder and harder to take those risks because your heart has been broken and you’ve been disappointed so many times. I really related to the dreamer in Jessica; her dreams never really came into fruition, and she takes that one last risk to make everything happen. I feel like I did



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that in my own career and in my own way. It’s never too late to go for what you want in life.”

Q: I was so excited to read in your column about the “Will and Grace” revival. Do you have any scoop on that yet?

— *Eric P., Lancaster, Penn.*

A: At this year’s National Alliance for Musical Theatre spring conference in Los Angeles, NBC Chairman Robert Greenblatt was the keynote speaker and brought along Sean Hayes as his special guest. Regarding “Will and Grace,” they talked about that hilarious 10-minute campaign video that Eric McCormack, Debra Messing, Sean Hayes and Megan Mullally made in support of Hillary Clinton, and how it paved the way for the show to come back. From the little bit he revealed, the show will be much like it was before (same apartment, no new spouses, etc.). Look for a 10-episode ninth season to air during the 2017-18 TV season.

Q: Please tell me the rumor I heard about “Trading Spaces” returning is for real.

— *Layla F., via email*

A: TLC is indeed reviving the Emmy-nominated home-renovation series, although the cast and premiere date have not been announced. ■

— *Write to Cindy at King Features Weekly Service, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803. Or send an email to letters@cindyelavsky.com.*


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Boston in concert.

Boston's live show encompasses 40 years, half a dozen songs from 'Boston,' the first album

BY ALAN SCULLEY

Florida Weekly Correspondent

Forty-plus years ago, Tom Scholz saw his life and career path get turned upside down — in the best way — when he got a record deal, released his first album in 1976 as the musical genius behind the band Boston and watched that album turn the group into instant superstars.

The band plays Germain arena at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15.

"I was an engineer working full time (at Polaroid) and I saw what my sort of career path and my life was going to shape up to be, and I was perfectly happy with it," Scholz recalled in a phone interview. "Boston was a pipe dream ... even after I got the record deal, I went back to work at Polaroid."

Scholz had good reason to keep his expectations in check. For five-plus years he had been making demos of his songs, shopping them to record companies, radio stations and other music business contacts and getting nothing but rejections.

Finally, he decided to take one last run at making a new demo, and if it didn't get him a record deal, he would do the responsible thing as a husband approaching his 30th birthday: sell his studio equipment and continue his career at Polaroid.

But he got interest from three record labels with that final demo and a deal from Epic Records.

The guitarist/keyboardist is still going strong, touring and recording with the latest Boston lineup, which includes Gary Pihl (guitar), Tommy DeCarlo (vocals/keys), Tracy Ferrie (bass), Beth Cohen (keys/guitar) and either Jeff Neal or Curly Smith on drums.



Tom Scholz

Several songs from that debut album remain cornerstones in a live set that encompasses 40 years of Boston as a band — a career that has seen the group sell 75 million copies of its six studio albums, including 17 million copies of the first album, one of the best selling debut records in history.

Scholz aims to properly represent Boston's career in the live set, but keeps the flow of the set as a top objective.

"My most important goal is to provide our audience with an experience that will both excite and delight them, be the most fun possible for that evening," Scholz said. "You have to pace the set in a way that makes sense with the energy level that you want from the audience, and let them calm down and be thoughtful or insightful at certain spots and bring them back. That kind of thing has to be done." ■

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- >> **When:** 8 p.m. Saturday, April 15
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■ **Pilot Club of Naples/Naples Pilot Foundation** meets at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 13, at Perkins on Pine Ridge Road. Guests and new members are 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 Zonta Club of Bonita Springs** honors Brenda Tate as 2017 Woman of the Year at its luncheon set for Tuesday, April 18, at the Bonita Bay Club. Ms. Tate is the president and founder of the Women's Foundation Southwest Florida, an organization dedicated to helping women grow, achieve and inspire through education, mentorship and advocacy. To reserve a seat at the luncheon, call 434-5134 or visit www.zontabonitasprings.com.

■ **The DPI-SIG Naples Digital Photography Club** meets from 7-9 p.m. on the second Thursday of the month at Florida SouthWestern State College, 7505 Grand Lely Drive. Meetings are open to the public, and all levels of photographers are welcome. The next meeting is April 13. For more information, visit www.dpi-sig.org.



■ **The Naples chapter of PFLAG**, Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, a support, education and advocacy group for families with gay or transgender members, meets at 7 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month at Naples United Church of Christ, 5200 Crayton Road. The next meeting is April 20. For more information, call 963-4670 or visit pflagnaples.org.

■ **The Naples chapter of Sigma Chi alumni** meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, April 14, at the Naples Sailing & Yacht Club, 896 River Point Drive. Guest speaker is Chris Rozansky, executive director of Naples Municipal Airport. Cost is \$25 for dues-paying members, \$30 for others. RSVP by calling 293-5239.

■ **The PCBUG computer and technology club** invites all those interested in learning more about computers and mobile devices to its regular meetings at 5 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month at Naples Regional Library, 650 Central Ave. The next meeting is April 20. For more information call J. Burke at 659-0659 or email paddyeb@hotmail.com.



■ **Toast of The Coast Toastmasters Club #6544**, recognized by Toastmasters International as a President's Distinguished Club, meets from noon to 1 p.m. on the second and fourth Friday of every month at the American Cancer Society office, 5020 Tamiami Trail N. The next meetings are April 14 and 28. Visitors are always welcome. For more information, call 777-0416 or visit www.ToastOfTheCoast.org.

■ **The Gulf Coast Orchid Alliance** meets from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of every month at the Naples Conference Center, 1455 Pine Ridge Road. Admission is free, and all are welcome. The next meeting is April 20. The alliance welcomes donations of out-of-bloom or unwanted orchids, which members use for educational purposes. Free pick up is available and can be arranged by calling 498-9741. For more information, visit gulfcoastorchidalliance.com.

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■ **The Collier County Stamp Club** meets from 7-9 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Naples Airport Office Building, 200 Aviation Drive. The next meeting is April 27. Stamp trading follows the evening's program. All stamp enthusiasts are welcome. For more information, call 348-9845.

■ **Pi Beta Phi alumnae** in the Naples, Bonita Springs, Estero and Marco Island areas are invited to an "Angels on the Town" mixer from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, April 27, at Pelican Bay North Beach. For more information and for required reservations, call (240) 498-6630 or email KFKBG@comcast.net.

■ **The Gulf Breeze Button Club** meets at 11:30 a.m. on the first Tuesday

of every month at the Golden Gate Community Center. The next meeting is May 2. All who are interested in collecting and studying antique clothing buttons are welcome. For more information, call 682-6117.

■ **Tech4Good SWFL** meets from 6-8 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6340 Napa Woods Way, Naples. Members enjoy informal group discussions about using online technology tools such as Facebook and Twitter to communicate, campaign and collaborate. The free club is for staff and volunteers of nonprofit organizations who want to learn more about using technology to advance their mission, community engagement and fundraising. Admission is free and a light dinner is served. The next meeting is May 2. RSVPs are requested via email to birgit.pauli@gmail.com. For more information, visit www.tech4goodswfl.org.



■ **The Experimental Aircraft Association Chapter 1067-Naples** meets at 7 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month at Naples Municipal Airport. The next meeting is May 3. Members also serve a pancake breakfast from 8-11 a.m.

on the second Sunday of each month in the pilots' lounge at Naples Municipal Airport. Admission for \$5 includes coffee, pancakes, bacon or sausage and orange juice. All proceeds benefit the EAA Young Eagles program that acquaints youth ages 8-17 with aviation as a career. The next breakfast is May 14.

The Naples EAA chapter is one of approximately 1,700 chapters worldwide. Members are pilots, student pilots, plane builders and aviation enthusiasts.

For more information, call 649-6627 or visit www.eaal067.com.

■ **The Naples Press Club** meets from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month at Tiburon Golf Club. For more information email RSVP@naplespressclub.org.

■ **Civitan Clubs** are dedicated to serving the needs of the community with an emphasis on the disabled. The Civitan International Research Center is dedicated to finding the cause, cure and better treatments of brain disorders including autism, Alzheimer's disease and Down syndrome, among others. The Marco Island Civitan Club meets the second Tuesday of the month and has social/educational meetings the fourth week of every month. The Naples Civitan Club meets the first Wednesday of the month and has social/educational meetings the third week of the month. For more information, call 774-2623 or e-mail swflcivitan@gmail.com.

■ **Naples Men's Bridge** members and guests meet for rubber bridge at

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■ **Coastal Chess clubs in Naples and Marco Island** welcome players of all levels for casual games and occasional tournaments. Marco meetings are from 9 a.m. to noon every Monday at the Lutheran Church, 525 N. Collier. Naples meetings are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday in the clubhouse at Moorings Park, off Goodlette-Frank Road just south of Pine Ridge Road. For more information, call Wade Keller at 389-2525, email wk@kellerpublishing.com or visit WWW.chess7.net.

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

■ **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.

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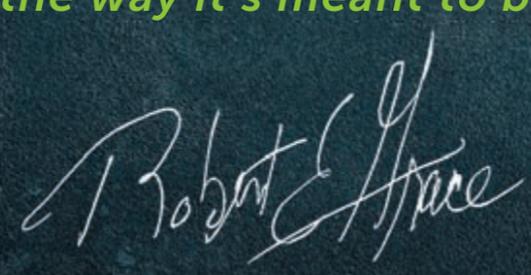
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MINIATURES

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“There’s a lot of disbelief: ‘Whoa, no way.’ People shaking their heads saying, ‘I can’t believe it.’ Questions about how the paintings were made.”

The works don’t look the way you might expect a watercolor would, with washes and transparency.

“These look real,” says Mr. Gerhard. “They have a real physicality to them. For such small paintings, they look very solid. It’s something that holds up really well.”

The Siegrists specialize in wildlife imagery, but the exhibit also contains still lifes, landscapes and cityscapes. One even shows a person looking at paintings in a museum.

Landscapes vary from sequoias in California to the Smokey Mountains, which the artists see everyday from the foothills where they live, in Townsend, Tenn.

How it started

The Siegrists stumbled upon the world of miniature art back in the late 1990s, while living in Okeechobee and working as conventional-scale artists. They were looking to expand their business, but they wanted to be able to ship more of their paintings instead of drive them around from art festival to art festival.

So they started thinking small.

But small to them meant paintings 9-by-12 inches, or perhaps 16-by-20 inches.

By serendipity, they received an application to the Miniature Art Society of Florida.

“Initially looking over the rules and guidelines, we thought they were so stringent, that in our minds, we said it was ridiculous,” Mr. Siegrist says. They tossed the application to the side, but didn’t throw it away.

“A week or so later, I had some time on my hands and decided I was going to do one of those tiny little paintings,” he says. “We’d been working in that size, but not in the scale, and not in that refined technique. We had been doing songbirds and flowers and butterflies and bees, but we were painting them life-sized or larger.”

He learned that miniature art has three components: They’re small sized, they’re on a small scale and they have a refined technique.

The scale for images in a miniature in the U.S. is typically one-sixth of life-size or less.

“It’s easier to paint an elephant, harder to do a hummingbird,” he explains, adding, “they call them guidelines, not rules, so there’s some flexibility in all this.”



“Say it with Flowers,” Wes Siegrist



The refined technique means a meticulous attention to detail. Or, as Mr. Siegrist puts it, “You don’t want people to be disappointed when they pick up a magnifying glass to look.”

His first miniature painting was of a burrowing owl that lived in their side yard.

His wife’s reaction upon seeing it was, “That’s just so cute!” The next morning, she tried her hand at miniature painting. She did a portrait of her brother, then one of her grandfather.

Initially, the couple didn’t use magnifying glasses while painting.

“We were young enough that we could see,” he jokes, noting that he was in his 30s and Rachele in her 20s.

“As we got older, we started wearing reading glasses and picking up magnifying glasses (while doing our paintings),” he says. Mr. Siegrist is 51, his wife is 46. The two have been married for 27 years, and dated for one.

Their friends call them the Siamese twins, because they do everything together and share the same hobbies and interests.

“In our 28 years, the longest we’ve been apart is 10 hours, when I was in a board meeting with the Society of Animal Artists,” he says.

They paint in their 10-by-10 studio, sitting 18 inches apart at the same table (one they built). They each usually work on their own painting, though on occasion they work together on the same one.

Most of their work is on watercolor board, but some are on ivory, a synthetic ivory developed in the 1890s.

Early history

“Historically, miniature art came from the portrait tradition, before it was supplanted by photography,” Mr. Siegrist says, explaining that women would wear lockets with images of loved ones while gentlemen carried miniatures in their pockets or wore them as a watch locket.

“They were made to be held very close and intimately examined,” he says. “Generally, anywhere today where there’s a need for photographs, that would’ve been a miniature painting,” he says, calling it a lucrative, ubiquitous business.

“Some of the first artists to travel to America in the 1600s were miniature artists,” he says. “In the Revolutionary War, they carried miniature portraits, or portrait miniatures — the two terms were used interchangeably.”

By the time of the Civil War, people carried photographs of loved ones.

Photography decimated what had been an extremely lucrative art form, and artists had to adapt to survive. Many began working in photography studios where they colored and tinted the photographs. They became upset, however, when people began calling the colored photographs miniatures.

“They were painted-over photographs,” Mr. Siegrist says. “So the artists founded the very first miniature societ-

in the know

‘Exquisite Miniatures’

- >> **What:** A traveling museum exhibition of miniature paintings by Wes and Rachele Siegrist
- >> **Where:** Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs/Center for Visual Arts, 26100 Old 41 Road
- >> **When:** Through April 29
- >> **Hours:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Saturday
- >> **Admission:** Free
- >> **Info:** 495-8989 or www.artcenterbonita.org

ies, to define what was a miniature versus a painted-over photograph.”

The first society was founded in England in 1896, he says; in 1899, the first society was formed in the U.S.

“Rachele and I are two living proponents and living members of those societies trying to carry on those traditions,” he says. “It’s like working jigsaw puzzles. You zone into it, and you become part of that tiny little world.”

The couple belong to the Miniature Artists of America; the

Miniature Art Society of Florida; the Miniature Painters, Sculptors & Gravers Society of Washington, D.C.; the Cider Painters of America; and the Hilliard Society of England. And they are the authors of the world’s first standard definition of miniature art adopted by the Association of Miniaturist Artists.

Steady and patient

The key to creating miniature paintings is having patience, Mr. Siegrist says. And secondly, a steady hand.

“If we’ve had too much caffeine, (we can’t paint),” he says. “Your hand has to be rock solid.”

“When you start some paintings, you know it’s going to take a long time. We want viewers to be impressed. We want the painting to look like it took forever.”

His wife tends to be more patient and more meticulous, he says.

Their brushes hold minute amounts of paint. The biggest can hold enough paint to last for a few minutes at a time without reloading.

“It’s almost like a needle,” Mr. Siegrist says.

The tiniest of them has maybe a dozen hairs on them.

“If you hold a brush out in front of you, you can’t see the end of the brush on the tiniest one,” he says.

“Sometimes, if we’re at a show, we tease and tell kids we paint with gnat eyelashes.” ■

— “Exquisite Miniatures: A Traveling Museum Exhibition of Miniature Paintings by Wes and Rachele Siegrist” is produced by David J. Wagner LLC, with company president David Wagner, Ph.D., serving as curator/tour director.

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■ **Literacy Volunteers of Collier County** welcome Naples resident and acclaimed novelist Robin Cook, author of 34 international bestsellers — among them “Fever,” “Cure,” “Terminal,” “Outbreak” and “Coma” — as guest speaker at the LVCC Literary Lunch at 11:30 a.m. Friday, April 21, at Stonebridge Country Club, 2100 Winding Oaks Way in Naples.

Since 1984, LVCC has provided confidential one-to-one tutoring to adults and children who want to improve their reading, writing and English speaking skills so they can participate more fully in the daily tasks of life such as family, employment, school and community.

Signed copies of Mr. Cooks books will serve as table centerpieces and auction items at the Literary Lunch. Tickets for \$75 are available by calling LVCC at 262-4448 or by going to www.collierliteracy.org/events.

■ **Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida** holds its Breaking Par Gala & Golf Tournament on Saturday and Sunday, April 22-23, at The Club at Grandezza in Estero. The Saturday evening gala dinner includes live and silent auctions. The Sunday morning shotgun scramble concludes with a luncheon and awards ceremony. Tickets for the dinner and tournament are \$175; tickets for dinner only are \$65. For reservations or more information, visit www.jaswfl.org.

■ **Legal Aid Service of Collier County** holds its annual Barristers Bash from 6-9 p.m. Thursday, April 27, at the Hilton Naples. Tickets are limited to the first 300 sold. For more information, call Logan Meester at 775-4555 or email lmeester@legallaid.org.

■ **Collier Child Care Resources** holds its fifth annual “Big Impressions by Little Artists” from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, May 5, at the Hilton Naples. This year’s artwork will be inspired by the natural environment in harmony with CCCR’s arts-based program and

follows the Reggio Emilia educational philosophy. Creations by the children of CCCR’s early childhood development programs, the works of local artists plus other items will be featured in live and silent auctions. Rick Gallo will serve as live auctioneer. The event will also include CCCR’s annual Family Friendly Business Awards. Co-chairs are Lisa Gruenloh of Purpose Journey and Kathy Bamberg of Lutgert Insurance. Tickets for \$75 are available by calling 643-3908 or by visiting www.collierchildcare.org. For information about sponsorship opportunities, email Dianne Reed at dianner@collierchildcare.org.

“Big Impressions by Little Artists” is hosted by the CCCR Business 100, a group of local businesses that support CCCR’s mission and programs by making an annual donation to benefit its four child development programs. CCCR operates two centers in Naples — Child’s Path (ages 2-5) and Little Wonders (ages 1-5) — as well as A Step Up Child Development Centers at Golden Gate and Immokalee high schools for preschoolers of teen parents who are completing their high school education.

■ **Young Executives of the David Lawrence Center** invite everyone with a passion for supporting mental health awareness and helping others to climb aboard the Naples Princess for an evening of networking, friend-raising and philanthropy Thursday, June 15. Boarding begins at 6 p.m. and the ship sets departs at 7 p.m. for a two-hour cruise. Passengers will enjoy music, hors d’oeuvres, drinks and a beautiful Naples sunset. Red, white and “nautical” blue attire is encouraged. Tickets for the sixth annual DLC Young Executives Sunset Cruise are \$45 until June 2, \$50 thereafter. One drink ticket is included, a cash bar will be open. For reservations or more information, visit www.david-lawrencecenter.org. ■

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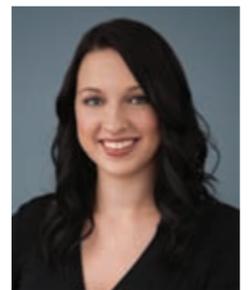
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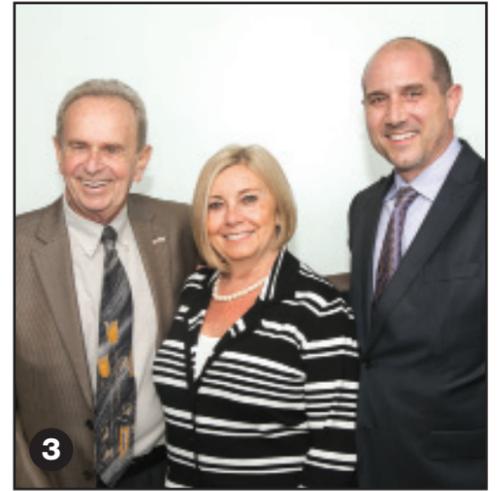
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6. Ellen and Mike Elleman and Ainsley Malone
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Friends of the Library host Karin Slaughter for Nick Linn Lecture



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3. Marlene Kern and Cynde Decker
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Chaine des Rotisseurs induction ceremony at Royal Poinciana Golf Club



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3. Brian Kelly and Nancy Nicoletti
4. Michel Franklin
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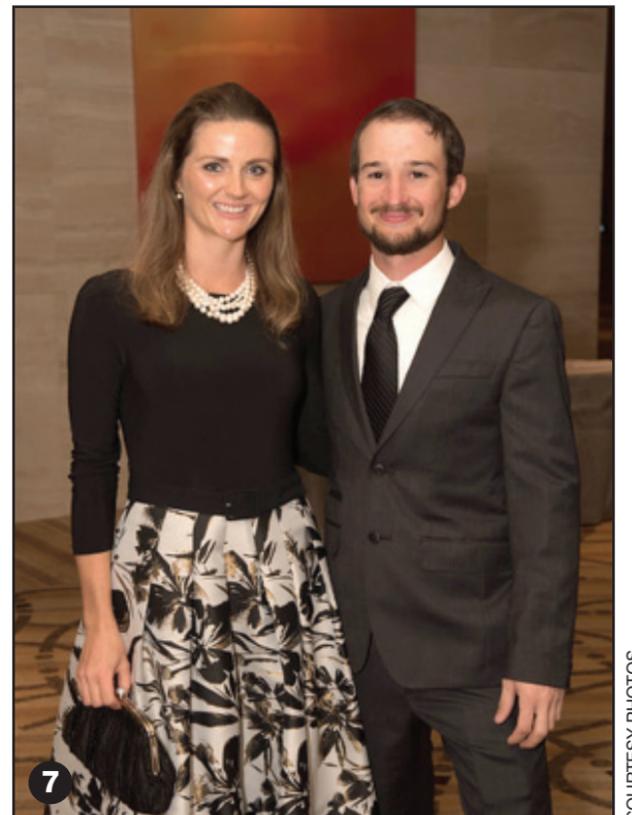
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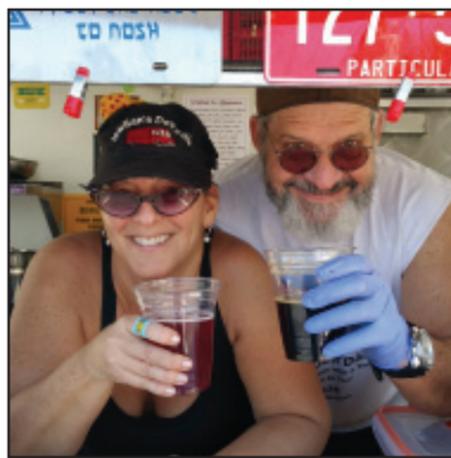
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11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, April 14: Collier County Courthouse.

Noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 15: Millennial Brewing Company in Fort Myers.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, April 16: Sugden Community Park.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 18: NCH Pine Ridge campus.

Noon to 3 p.m. Wednesday, April 19: Naples Beach Brewery.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, April 21: Collier County Courthouse.

6-9 p.m. Saturday, April 22: Oil Well Craft Beer in Ave Maria.

For an extended schedule, visit www.jewbansdelidale.com or follow Jewban's Deli Dale on Facebook.

■ Southwest Florida loves chef competitions and we get a chance to see some local food artists go nose to nose at K2 Kitchens & K2 Design Group's **Culinary Battle for the Arts** from 6-9 p.m. Thursday, April 20. Competing to make culinary magic from a box of mystery ingredients are Kristin San Filippo (Purple Spoon Culinary),

Jeremy Hatfield (C Level Wine Bar & Bistro), Lisa Fidler (Fine Mark National Bank & Trust) and Sebastien Mancera (Juicelation).

Attendees will enjoy kids' artwork and a silent auction before the battle begins, and judges and guests will choose the winner.

Tickets are \$50 to benefit youth programming at Centers for the Arts Bonita Springs.

K2 Kitchens & K2 Design Group is at 25081 Bernwood Drive in Bonita Springs. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the art center at 495-8989 or visit www.artcenterbonita.org.



Survey Cafe

■ **Survey Café**, the adorable little breakfast and lunch (twice weekly dinner) spot off Old 41 Road in Bonita Springs, could see some changes in the coming months. New owners Paul Crepin-Leroux and Sophie Leroux, who bought the café in November, are planning to renovate the 1940s cottage that houses the restaurant to include an upgraded bar area, larger kitchen and changes to the patio.

An updated menu that includes fresh croissants and quiches is already in place, but Mr. Crepin-Leroux says more changes are coming to that as well, including an expanded pastry and soup selection.

At 10530 Wilson St., Survey Cafe is open from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday and also 5-8 p.m. Friday-Saturday. For more information, call 992-2233 or visit www.surveycafedowntown.com.



Sea Salt

■ **Sea Salt** hosts a four-course wine dinner with Sabrina Massola, winemaker for the Michael Mondavi Estate, at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 19. The menu includes tartare of crab and Florida peach, seared tuna with torched foie gras crème, Koji-rubbed Wagyu New York striploin and dessert of 70 percent dark chocolate ganache chocolate sponge, with yoghurt gelato and purple basil. \$145. 1186 Third St. S. 434-7258 or www.seasaltnaples.com.

■ **Ridgway Bar & Grill** hosts a wine dinner featuring Orin Swift Cellars from 6:30-10 p.m. Monday, May 1, with winemaker Dave Phinney. Guests will enjoy house-smoked Niman Ranch ribs with corn pudding, ricotta and spinach gnocchi with braised lamb shoulder and New York strip steak with celery root gratin. \$125 per person. 1300 Third St. S. 262-5500 or www.ridgwaybarandgrill.com.

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The Details: One recent afternoon, our boy was doing poorly but recovered enough to tear through the pantry, the refrigerator and his lunchbox upon waking. What to do? Fill him up with a man's meal, that's what. I had to eat, too, so we went to Jimmy P's Burgers & More, which is conveniently located in our neighborhood, and ordered the

pastrami sandwich. Served on a brioche bun with homemade pastrami, deli mustard and Swiss cheese, my lunch was simple, substantial and surprisingly not greasy. One of these days I'll be hungry enough order a serious burger, but this was indulgence enough to satisfy.

One More Thing: If my notoriously picky eater could take down a hamburger during his monologue about a fight between the Teletubbies and the Mario Brothers, it has to be good. That kid does not abandon his train of thought easily and wouldn't normally be distracted by food. ■

— Lindsey Nesmith
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CUISINE NEWS

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Ridgway Bar & Grill

■ In observance of the Lenten season, **The Local** offers \$15 dinner specials featuring fresh Florida fish every day through April 15 (Holy Saturday). Depending on availability, sustainably harvested triggerfish, amberjack, margate, grouper, snapper and golden tilefish are on the menu. Diners can select the chef's recommended preparation or choose to have the catch of the day sautéed or grilled. The entrée can be served atop greens as a salad or with two sides. 596-3276 or www.thelocalnaples.com.

■ Want to work on your skills in the kitchen? Here are some **cooking classes** on the front burner:

The Good Life of Naples, 2355 Vanderbilt Beach Road; 514-4663 or

www.goodlifenasles.com - Sunday Italian Family Dinner: Thursday, April 20 (\$69); Modern Asian Flavors: Wednesday, April 26 (\$75); Celebration of Spring from the Hills of Italy: Friday, May 12 (\$75).

Purple Spoon, 25151 Chamber of Commerce Drive, Bonita Springs; 908-3842 or www.chefkristina.com - A Bounty of Seafood: Friday, April 14 (\$74); Grazed to Perfection: Saturday, April 22 (\$74); Pizza: Friday, April 28 (\$60).

Sur La Table, 9501 Strada Place, Mercato; 598-1463 or www.surlatable.com - Authentic New York Bagel Workshop: Thursday, April 13 (\$69); Girls Night Out Best of Spring: Thursday, April 13 (\$69); Easter Baking Workshop: Friday, April 14 (\$69); Date Night Sicily: Friday, April 14 (\$79); Spring Macaron Workshop: Saturday, April 15 (\$69); Knife Skills 101: Saturday, April 15 (\$59); Date Night Springtime in Paris: Saturday, April 15 (\$79); Easter Baking Workshop: Sunday, April 16 (\$69); Family Fun Easter Sweets: Sunday, April 16 (\$49); Tasty Thai from Scratch: Sunday, April 16 (\$69); Tasty Thai from Scratch: Monday, April 17 (\$48.96); Advanced Skills for Adventurous Cooks: Monday, April 17 (\$79); Easter Baking Workshop: Tuesday, April 18 (\$48.96); Restaurant-Style Ramen: Tuesday, April 18 (\$69); Restaurant-Style Ramen: Wednesday, April 19 (\$69). ■

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Global warming — does it affect wine production?



Whether or not you accept the science behind global warming studies, it's a fact that weather has a huge role to play in the quality of the wines we enjoy. For example, in the last few years the Bordeaux region in France has experienced warmer-than-usual summers. The result: excellent vintages, because of the increase in sunlight.

According to a recent article by Benjamin Plackett in *USA Today*, winemakers in the region are predicting that the 2015 vintage will be "historic," and that the wines will be able to stay in the cellar, gaining quality, for up to 30 years. I won't be buying any — unless I want to leave them to my grandchildren.

In Bordeaux, as well as in other wine-growing regions, quality has been on the rise because growing seasons have become progressively warmer, yielding riper grapes with higher concentrations of sugar and other critical flavor and structural components. Also, the increase in temperatures allows for an earlier harvest, often in September instead of October. What's the difference? It starts raining in October, and the last thing growers want is rain during harvest: the grapes take up the water, diluting the strength and quality of the juice, and making the wine weaker and less palatable. Picking in drier September — if the grapes are ripe enough — avoids

that serious problem.

Agencies that measure this sort of thing report that average temperatures in France have risen by a bit more than half a degree per decade since 1960. That means summers are now about 2.5 degrees warmer than they used to be. It doesn't sound like a lot, but it's a big deal when you're a grape.

Plackett's article reports that many French winemakers are convinced warmer summers have been beneficial to the harvests. Beatrice Laurensan from Château la Gaffilière is quoted as saying "The term 'bad vintage' is gone."

The news, however, is not all good. Looking to the future, continued rising temperatures and less rainfall mean that good vintages may well become less frequent. France's southerly wine regions, which are closer to the Mediterranean, are already reporting water stress due to lack of rain.

Studies during the last few years by the National Academy of Sciences indicate that rising temperatures will force winemakers to make some adjustments in their techniques, even forcing them to move vineyards to higher ground, where temperatures are cooler. And the correlation between higher heat and lower rainfall doesn't hold true everywhere. While this phenomenon might be beneficial (at least in the short term) in Bordeaux and Burgundy, it could easily have the opposite effect in California. The recent enormous flooding in that state's winegrowing regions may well be just the beginning.

As with most global trends, only time



in new oak. WW 88-89.

Bellevue de Dayac Margaux 2012 (\$60) — A nose of vanilla and deeply concentrated fruit is the gateway to old world flavors of smoke, cedar, blackberry and black cherry. The tannins are soft and round for such a young Bordeaux. This wine can be sipped and enjoyed on its own. My tasting panel loved it. WW 93.

Chateau Fonbadet Pauillac Cru Bourgeois 2012 (\$40) — Very approachable for a young wine, with black earth, deep dark fruits, and smoke overtones. Quite pleasing. WW

90. will tell. For now, however, the Bordelais, Burgundians, and their compatriots in Champagne and the Rhône are enjoying all that summer sunshine.

This week's delights and discoveries include:

Les Dauphins Côtes du Rhône Reserve NV (\$13) — Ruby red and translucent, with a nose of pomegranate and some green undertones. This is a Beaujolais style wine — very soft, fruity and juicy with virtually no tannins, and a pleasant finish. A great value. WW 87-88.

Chateau Rollan De By Medoc Cru Bourgeois 2011 (\$25) — Dark purple with aromas and flavors of barbecue smoke, black earth, barnyard and leather with fruit notes breaking through on the midpalate and finish. Mostly Merlot, aged 18 months

Ask the Wine Whisperer

Q: When I was in Napa last summer, I saw people in the vineyards cutting bunches of grapes off the vines and dropping them on the ground. Why would growers waste the grapes like that?

— Ron S., Port Charlotte

A: Winegrowers "drop fruit" to increase the intensity of flavor in the remaining grapes on the vine. Too many bunches result in diluted, weak flavors. The fewer the bunches, the more intense the flavors in those that are left. ■

— Jerry Greenfield is *The Wine Whisperer*. His book, "Secrets of the Wine Whisperer," is available through his website or on Amazon. Read his other writings on his website, www.winewhisperer.com

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CUISINE

9 Thai-Sushi offers twice the Asian cuisine



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Because I'm always on the hunt for new restaurants, it's not often that one opens without so much as a blip on my radar — especially one serving Thai food, one of my favorite cuisines. But somehow 9 Thai-Sushi in Bonita Springs did just that — sometime last summer, judging by reviews posted online that finally clued me.

We experienced a touch of déjà vu walking into 9 Thai-Sushi. The spare décor and vaguely Asian paneling struck a chord. Isn't this where Thai Star operated before moving to south Fort Myers? Sure enough.

With such a hazy long-term memory, I can't say whether the interior has been changed much since its last incarnation. But it's a pleasant space, with the wooden flooring and paneling adding warmth to the long, narrow room. Classical piano music was playing softly in the background as our ever-smiling waiter stealthily served the few tables that were occupied.

Eight varieties of saké are offered, and my companion chose a small serving of the cold house brand (\$5.95). It was elegantly presented on a bed of crushed ice with a panel of twigs providing an artistic backdrop. The wine list is strictly no-name varietals, but the beer list includes five Asian brews as well as other imports and domestic bottles. I enjoyed a crisp, cold Singha (\$4.95), a lager available at most Thai restaurants.

The sushi list includes a lot of the standard rolls. I guess I can understand wanting to offer patrons more than one cuisine, but there are so many reliable sushi outlets these days that I'm not convinced the pan-Asian approach is truly beneficial. Why not focus on perfecting the pad Thai and the curries?

We ordered one roll that caught our eye as an appetizer — the spicy blue crab roll (\$12.95) — mainly because most sushi restaurants use imitation “krab” rather than the real thing, which is abundantly available locally. There was no “bait and switch” here — we could taste the mild, sweet crab tucked into the roll along with creamy avocado and crunchy cucumber. The exterior was coated with bright orange masago and drizzled with spicy mayo. Other sushi restaurants would do well to copy this roll.

The shrimp cakes (\$10.95), on the other hand, could use some improvement. The



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Green curry with chicken, green beans and bell peppers is one of several Thai curry offerings.

four patties made from ground shrimp would have tasted so much more interesting with some seasoning — perhaps fresh ginger or minced scallions or a splash of soy sauce? Despite an enjoyable golden crust, the fried cakes tasted bland and sorely needed the sweet chili sauce provided as a condiment.

Our server promptly cleared away dishes and offered drink refills. Oddly, he did not suggest dessert later even though the menu features a half-dozen selections. Were we so gluttonous in devouring our entrees that he couldn't conceive of us ordering something sweet to finish? Should you be offered dessert, the choices include Thai doughnuts, fried ice cream and baked taro custard. Mango sticky rice is available in season.

In addition to the usual curries, stir-fries and noodle dishes, 9 Thai-Sushi offers specials such as tamarind duck, flounder with black garlic sauce and whole snapper with chili sauce.

From the Thai noodle dishes, we chose pad kee mao, also known as “drunken noodles” (\$17.95), with shrimp. The shellfish were jumbo sized, tender and plentiful — we counted eight shrimp. The broad rice noodles were slick with mahogany-hued sauce tasting of soy, garlic and fish sauce, and tossed with bits of egg, onion, bamboo shoots, onion slivers and fresh basil leaves.

All in all, a satisfying dish.

No less plentiful was the lush green curry (\$14.95), which I ordered with chicken. The dish had a good amount of perfectly cooked chicken breast, mingling with crisp green beans and julienned bamboo shoots and bell peppers. The only problem with this dish was the sauce, which was out of balance: too much coconut milk, not enough curry paste. The sauce was so sweet and milky that it washed out the classic complex curry flavor profile, which usually blends notes of lemongrass, chili, lime leaves, coriander and other ingredients.

This brings me back to the point I raised earlier about restaurants trying to be all things to all people and in the process falling short of expectations here and there. If 9 Thai-Sushi focused more on



A spicy blue crab roll contains real blue crab meat, not the imitation “krab” most sushi restaurants use.



Top: “Drunken noodles” with shrimp, also known as pad kee mao.
Above: Sake is served elegantly at 9 Thai-Sushi.

one or the other, the overall quality might score higher. ■

in the know

9 Thai-Sushi

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Ratings:
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Atmosphere: ★★★

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Seaglass lifestyle to include Bonita Bay's diverse dining options



With The Ronto Group's 26-floor, 120-unit Seaglass high-rise tower within Bonita Bay on schedule for completion 14 months from now, future residents are looking forward to enjoying the community's award-winning lifestyle that includes the Bonita Bay Club's dining options and facilities. With various membership opportunities, future residents of Seaglass will have an array of on-property dining and lounge choices.

As part of its Vision 2013 initiative, the Club redesigned the kitchen and traditional dining areas in the clubhouse. The redesign incorporated a 40-foot long buffet station in the dining space. Areas with solid surface cooling tops, a cooking area in the center, and sub-surface mounted heating elements that allow sterno-free warming of chaffing dishes and banquet warming vessels are included in the design. The unique shape of the buffet station enhances the visual appeal of the dining room and contributes to a more efficient service fulfillment.

The Club also transformed the former golf pro shop into what is now the 55th Hole, an approximately 3,500 square feet high-end casual bar experience. The design capitalizes on the immediately surrounding areas to create a captivating indoor/outdoor venue. Nano doors open the inside to covered and open outdoor spaces and a patio between the golf practice area and clubhouse dining area that hosts the largest fire pit in Florida. Inside, the design affords views of a minimum of three televisions from every seat. Eight 60-inch television screens are incorporated into a ceiling-mounted structure suspended over a square bar in the center of the room. A media wall with 18 LED panels can function as one screen or as four.

The focal point of its Vision 2015 initiative, the Bonita Bay Club completed a three-story, 60,000 square feet Lifestyle Center in the Promenade complex adjacent to Bonita Bay. The completion of the Lifestyle Center contributed to Bonita Bay being recognized as

one of the ten healthiest clubs in America by Prevo Health Solutions. The first-floor lobby of the building features a soaring two-story atrium. Situated adjacent to the 20,000 square feet fitness center on the second floor, the Lifestyle Center's WAVE Café serves healthy fast food, freshly made organic juices, and smoothies that can be enjoyed on-site or prepared to go. The WAVE acronym serves as the brand for the Bonita Bay Club's healthy initiatives and stands for "Wellness and Vitality Enhancement." Menu selections at the café include salads, bowls, pressed sandwiches and wraps, soups, and a variety of protein selections such as salmon, steamed chicken, grilled lean beef, and protein alternatives for vegetarians. An assortment of freshly made toppings is available. Hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with food service available at 10:30 a.m.

Backwater Jack's, a waterfront restaurant and bar located at the full-service Bonita Bay Marina, is a favored gathering place for the community's boater enthusiasts. The relaxing dining and lounge experience is overseen by manager Matt McNeff, formerly managing partner at Bonefish Grill in Bonita Springs. An all-new menu offering flavorful twists on Backwater Jack's heralded casual dining selections has been introduced for season. Dinner is served Tuesday through Sunday evenings and lunch service will extend through season. A 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. happy hour includes drink discounts and a bar food menu. All menu selections are available for take-out. Live music by a varied assortment of artists is featured Friday and Saturday nights during season. Regularly scheduled special events and



Top: The award-winning Ronto Group's 26-floor, 120-unit Seaglass high-rise tower within Bonita Bay is on schedule for completion just 14 months.

Left: The WAVE Café at the Bonita Bay Club's Lifestyle Center serves healthy fast food, freshly made organic juices, and smoothies that can be enjoyed on-site or prepared to go. The WAVE acronym stands for "Wellness And Vitality Enhancement." **Above:** Bonita Bay's 55th Hole offers an approximately 3,500 square feet high-end casual bar experience. The design capitalizes on both the interior space and the immediately surrounding areas to create a captivating indoor/outdoor venue.

themed parties are open to all Bonita Bay residents and their guests. Backwater Jack's is also available for events by special interest clubs, community parties, and private dinners.

Bonita Bay's Naples Club facility on Immokalee Road is home to two of the community's five golf courses. The Club offers a pure golf experience on over 1,000 acres with preserved wetlands and no residential development. A Club Room within the clubhouse offers additional dining options and serves as the Naples Club's primary dining venue.

Now more than 50% sold, Seaglass offers fully-completed, ready-for-occupancy residences with designer-selected premium finishes. Each residence will come with two protected access under-building parking spaces. Private enclosed two-car garages will be available. Seaglass will showcase the open living environments that luxury homebuyers prefer and offer a level of livability rarely found in high-rise environments. The elegant residences will be accessed by private elevator foyers and feature spacious great rooms, large centrally located kitchens, and two or three expansive outdoor terraces per residence, one of which will include a

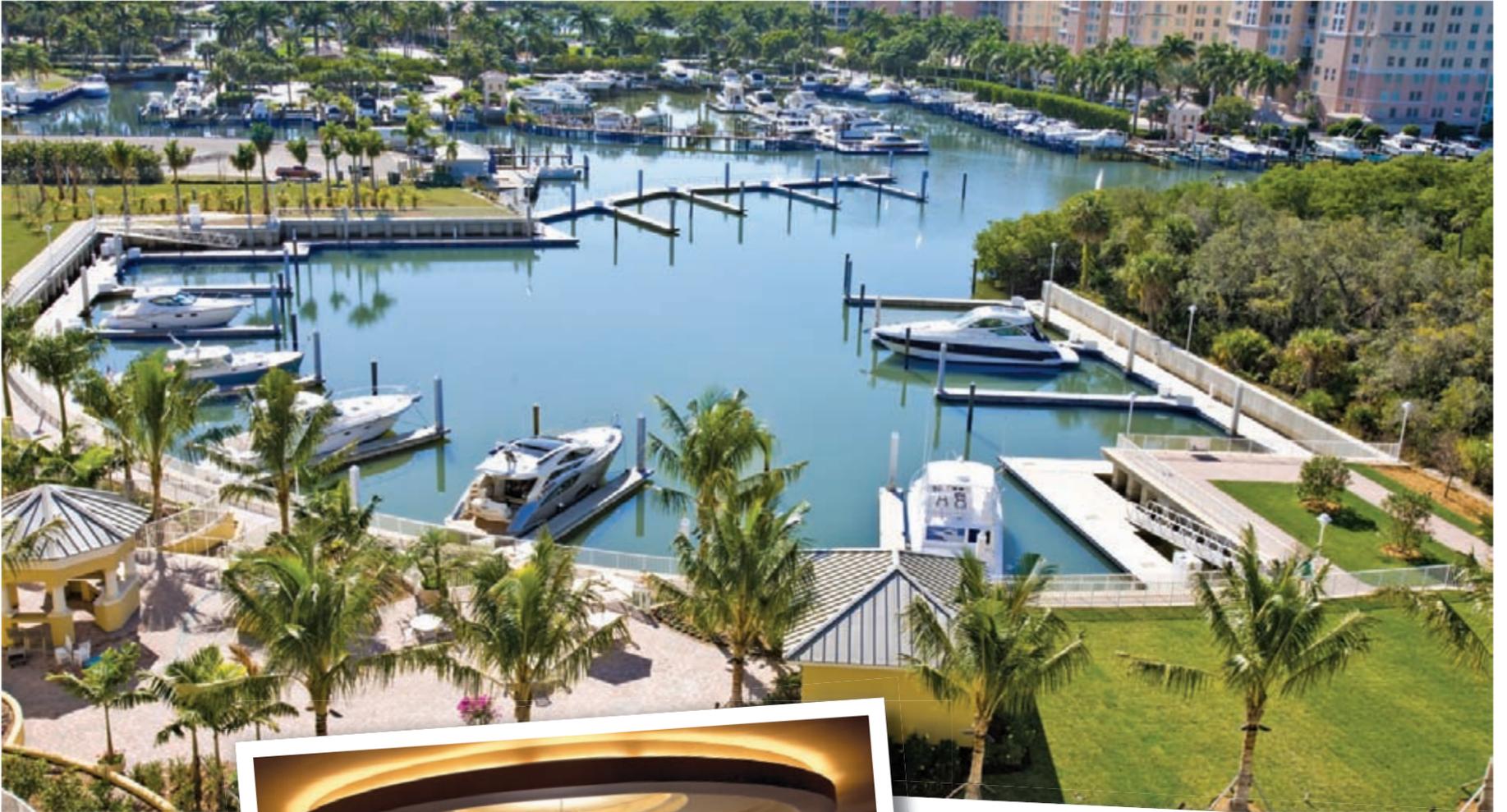
gas grill. The terraces and extensive use of glass throughout the residences will provide stunning views of Estero Bay and the Gulf of Mexico, Bonita Bay's golf courses, and mangrove preserves.

With the combination of the building's tower floor plan choices and amenities that include the five championship golf courses, 12 miles of on-property hiking and biking trails, numerous parks, a planned expansion of the Club's 18-court tennis complex, and a residents-only private beach park, Seaglass is redefining the luxury high-rise living experience in Southwest Florida. The tower's second floor will connect to an award-winning amenity complex that includes a theater, guest suites, card and club rooms, a fitness facility featuring men's and women's spas with steam and massage rooms, a resort-style walk-in pool and spa, and a deck with a covered cabana that includes a bar and grill.

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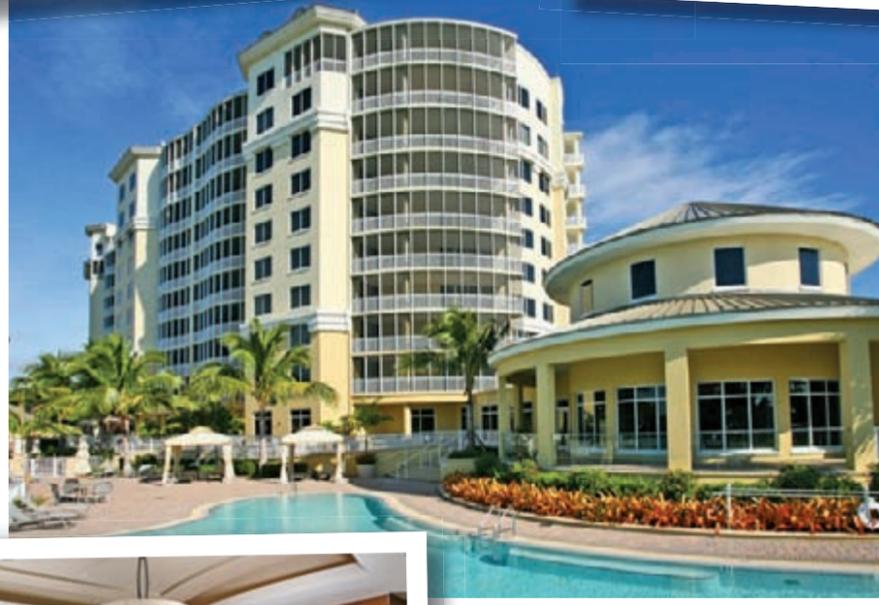


AQUA at Pelican Isle offers residents a unique opportunity to create a custom home with access to an outstanding variety of amenities. The first tower is completely sold out. The second tower, currently under construction, sets a new standard for luxury waterfront living. Exceptional conveniences offered at AQUA include the community's private yacht harbor with direct access to the Gulf and 29 boat slips for purchase to accommodating boats up to 55 feet.

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The launch of the second 11-story tower includes new amenities including a social room complete with large screen



television and sound system, relaxed seating area with fireplace, bar and card tables; three spacious guest suites which

include high ceilings, gourmet kitchens with wolf ovens and five-burner gas cooktops, Sub-Zero refrigerators and wine coolers, Miele dishwashers, Franke sinks, Hansgrohe faucets and premium-quality finishes throughout including paint, trim, quartz, granite and marble countertops, luxurious carpet, wood and marble flooring, sunlit back-to-front living areas, spacious master bedroom suites, lavish master bathrooms with generous closet space and more. The two remaining penthouse suites on the top floor are more than 6,500 square feet featuring grand terraces and private balconies.

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Enhanced Phase III floor plans generating interest at Naples Square

ARonto Group development, Naples Square's site plan, walkability, and the availability of light-filled one and two-story, two and three bedroom plus den open-concept floor plans with open-air terraces are transforming how people live in downtown Naples. Situated at the corner of 5th Avenue South and Goodlette-Frank Road in downtown Naples, the community's walkable lifestyle has connected 5th Avenue to Bayfront with access on 10th Street via 3rd Avenue South. A Phase III construction permit application has been submitted to the City of Naples and construction is expected to start upon permit approval. Purchase agreements are being accepted.

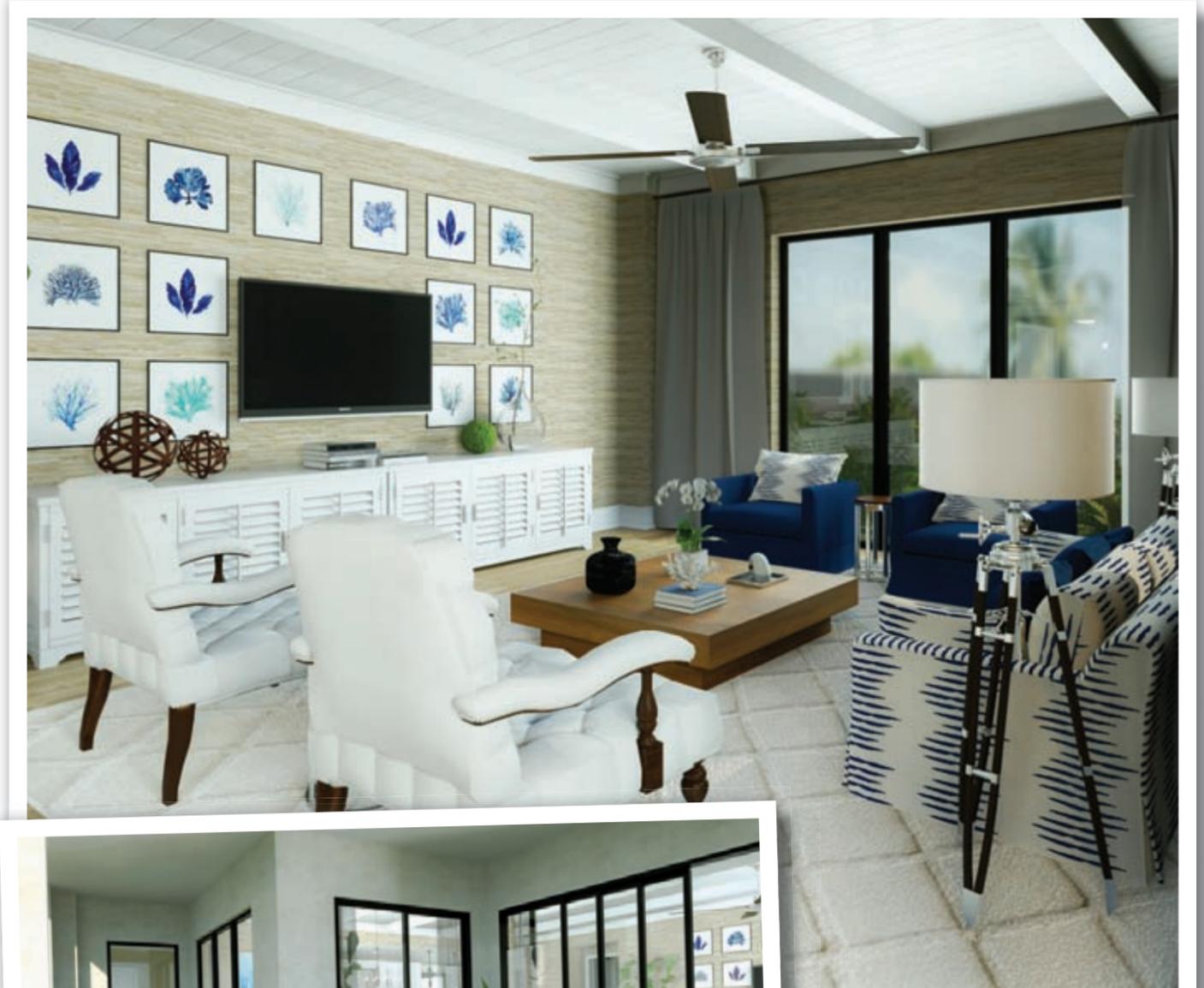
Eight Phase III floor plans range from 1,720 to 3,561 total square feet and are base-priced from \$695,000. The one and two story, two and three bedroom plus den plans include spacious living areas and open-air terraces. The plans feature 10' ceilings, designer kitchens with gas cooking, chic owners' bedrooms and designer flooring. The Phase III plans offer renamed and enhanced iterations of Naples Square's Phase I plans.

Based on the 2,264 square feet Phase I Denison plan, the Phase III Dover plan offers 2,375 square feet of living space, an increase of 111 square feet. The Dover also includes a 314 square feet terrace. Base-priced at \$1,150,000, the plan features three bedrooms, a den, three baths, a large great room and dining room, an island kitchen with bar seating, and an L-shaped balcony that wraps the corner of the building. The great room, dining room, and one of the guest bedrooms open to the balcony. The owner's suite includes a bedroom with a balcony, walk-in closets and a bath with his and her vanities, a soaking tub, glass-enclosed shower, and a separate water closet. The Phase III Dover plan is available with eastern, southern, western, northern, and courtyard exposures.

Ronto enhanced the space sequences in the Phase III Dover by pushing the corner unit's great room and dining area out toward the exterior of the building to increase the depth by four feet and the width by two feet. The increased depth and width allowed Ronto to add a third panel of glass to the main great room window and to add a fourth panel to the slider opening to the balcony. The additional panels of glass will allow more natural light to flow into the residence. The enhancements in the great room also increased the size of the balcony compared to the Phase I Denison. Ronto also increased the Dover's study by 30% when compared to the Phase I Denison by repositioning the laundry room. Two feet of depth was added to one of the guest bedrooms.

The Phase III Dover will offer an exceptional level of livability to complement Naples Square's walkable lifestyle. The enlarged study is situated at the front of the residence. The foyer leads to the home's living space that includes the great room, dining room, and island kitchen. Three banks of sliders will open the living area to the balcony to create an indoor/outdoor experience. The enlarged guest bedroom also opens to the balcony.

Fashioned after the Phase I Alton floor plan and base-priced at \$695,000, the Phase III Astoria plan offers 1,460 square feet of living space, an increase of 15% compared to the Alton. The Astoria also includes a 260 square feet open-air balcony. The Phase III Astoria residences are east and west facing. With a great room, dining area, island kitchen, two bedrooms, and two full baths, the Astoria plan offers an ideal pied-a-terre or full-time residence. The great room and owner's bedroom



Above: Based on the 2,264 square feet Phase I Denison plan, the spacious Phase III Dover plan at Naples Square offers 2,375 square feet of living space, an increase of 111 square feet. The Dover is base-priced at \$1,150,000. **Left:** The Phase III Dover plan is available with eastern, southern, western, northern, and courtyard exposures and includes a 314 square feet open-air balcony. **Below:** The Ronto Group enhanced the space sequences in Naples Square's Phase III Dover floor plan by pushing the corner unit's great room and dining area out toward the exterior of the building to increase the depth by four feet and the width by two feet.

open to the balcony. The gourmet kitchen's counter height bar and food preparation area includes a double stainless steel sink, dishwasher and seating. The plan's open feeling continues with a dining area that merges with the great room. The plan includes a walk-in closet in the owner's bedroom, a separate water closet in the owner's bath, and a laundry room.

To enhance the openness of the Phase III Astoria, Ronto pulled space from the elevator lobby to increase the width of the great room, balcony, and kitchen by approximately three feet. The great room and balcony are more than 17-feet wide and the kitchen is more than 15-feet wide. The great room's additional width allowed Ronto to add a fourth panel of glass to the sliders leading to the balcony. The wider glass will enhance the Astoria's light-filled ambiance and easterly or westerly views. Space was added to the owner's bedroom to provide a larger walk-in closet.

Standard Phase III details include porcelain tile flooring in the living areas, kitchens and baths, 8-foot solid core interior doors, 8-foot exterior and sliding glass doors, 8-inch baseboards, 7-inch



crown molding per plan, ventilated wood shelving in the bedroom, linen and pantry closets, and laundry rooms with a Whirlpool Duet front load washer and dryer and a utility sink in most plans. Phase III's open kitchens will feature an enhanced appliance package with a gas cooktop and hood and a wall mounted oven and microwave. European frameless construction, full-overlay cabinetry with a variety of door profiles, finish selections and hardware, a stainless

steel, under-mount sink, and granite and quartz countertop options are included. Master baths feature marble-topped vanities with dual sinks, showers with bench seats and glass enclosures, soaking tubs with most plans, and separate water closets.

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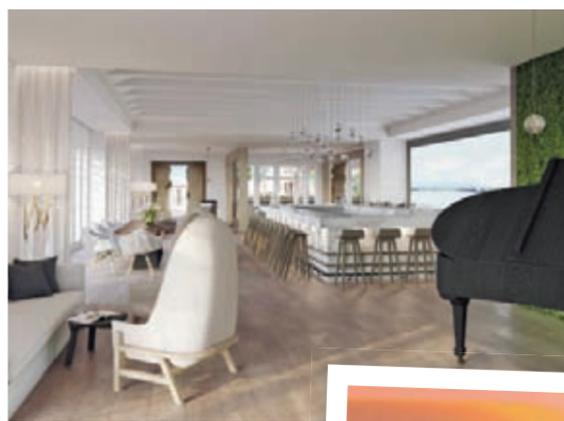
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If the clubhouse is the social and recreational centerpiece of a community then Kalea Bay's will surely be one of the busiest places in the gated, luxury residential high-rise community located on Vanderbilt Drive in North Naples.

"There are several reasons buyers have decided to purchase at Kalea Bay," said Inga Lodge, 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.

The clubhouse, which is currently under construction, 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 café, a gifts and sundries shop, and a state-of-the-art fitness center.

"All three pools will overlook the lake and provide a multitude of recreational options for everyone who lives and visits here," said Lodge.

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.

"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," stated Lodge. "This is what living in Florida is supposed to be."

Just a short walk from the clubhouse will be the tennis pavilion with six lighted Har-Tru tennis courts. Nearby are 24 guest suites to accommodate overnight guests and family members.

"Having that number of guest suites is unusual for a luxury high-rise community, but it's an amenity many of our residents are excited about especially when they have extended family visiting," said Lodge. "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.

Construction on the clubhouse is slated for completion in the fall and will coincide with the anticipated November completion of the first residential tower, which is nearly 90 percent sold.

"The approaching sellout of Tower 1 and the overwhelming response from our buyers prompted us to recently release Tower 2 earlier this year," said Lodge. "As of early April, the number of residences already reserved in our second tower exceeds the \$40 million mark."

The new 22-story tower, with 120 residences, will have 20 floors of residences over two floors of parking. The incredibly designed residences offer views of the Gulf of Mexico and pristine nature preserve.

Above: Kalea Bay's 88,000-square-foot clubhouse (in foreground) will be completed around November, the same time as the community's first tower (in background). The Bistro is the ideal place for Kalea Bay residents to enjoy a snack. Kalea Bay's clubhouse has a lounge that opens out to the adults-only pool. The fitness center features state-of-the-art equipment. Left: Due to the approaching sellout of Tower 1, Kalea Bay released its second tower earlier this year.

tops, 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. They are perfect vantage points to watch our spectacular sunsets," Lodge said.

Additional residential features include floor-to-ceiling windows and doors that open to large lanais with transparent glass rails. "We take our outdoor living as seriously as our indoor living with oversized lanais on every residence," said Lodge. High-tech wiring and fully equipped laundry rooms round out the list of features, she noted.

Dramatic Gulf views are available to every homeowner, no matter which floor they live on as the tower's amenities are located on the rooftop including the sky lounge, a dramatic pool and the open-air fitness center.

Prices at Kalea Bay begin at \$1.3 million in Tower 1 and \$1.4 million in Tower 2.

For more information regarding Kalea Bay visit the on-site sales center. Due to bridge closings in the North Naples' area, take US 41 to Wiggins Pass Road, then right on Vanderbilt Drive, two-tenths of a mile. Additional information is available by calling (239) 793-0110 or online at KaleaBay.com. ■

Residences 1 and 6 are 3-bedroom plus den/3.5 bath plans with 3,704 total square feet. Residences 2 and 5, with 4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, have 3,791 total square feet. Residences 3 and 4 are 4-bedroom/4.5-bath plans also with 3,791 total square feet.

"Residents will revel in Gulf views, open floor plans, a private elevator leading directly into their residence and wood floors throughout," said Lodge.

The custom kitchens have Wolf and SubZero appliances, a natural gas range, luxury cabinetry, quartz countertops, a Butler's pantry and oversized island, all of which are standard features.

"Our floor plans have an open design we call 'lifestyle designs' that blends the kitchen seamlessly into the living and dining rooms, perfect for the way people live today," said Lodge.

The master bedroom includes an oversized walk-in closet while the master bath has his and hers vanities, quartz counter-

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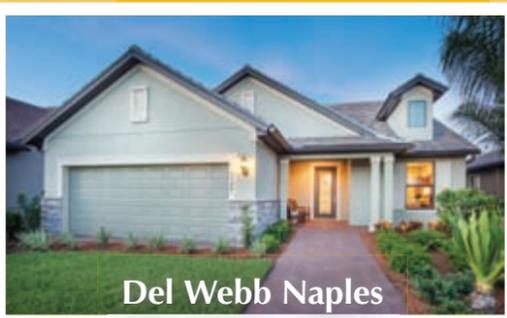
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Oakstone, the newly completed assisting living and memory care center, is just one more example of that commitment. And as such, the public is invited to learn more about the new center during an upcoming event at Grande Place, on its Grey Oaks campus.

The event is slated for Friday, April 21, at 11:30 a.m., in the Grande Place Ballroom, with a luncheon following the presentation.

Those wishing to attend should RSVP by end of day on Tuesday, April 18, by calling (239) 919-1732. Seating is limited so early reservations are highly recommended.

The luxurious 38 assisted living and memory care residences offer Simply the Best® quality healthcare services in a family friendly environment.

Oakstone provides 24-hour all-inclusive assistance with the activities of daily living in the assisted living private suites. Residents receive all the features and benefits of Moorings Park's award-winning continuum of care that includes social, intellectual, spiritual and recreational activities and events, as well as dining, in a beautiful setting.

Oakstone's memory care suites provide certified, compassionate care to residents and their families who are in the early stages of Alzheimer's and other related dementias.

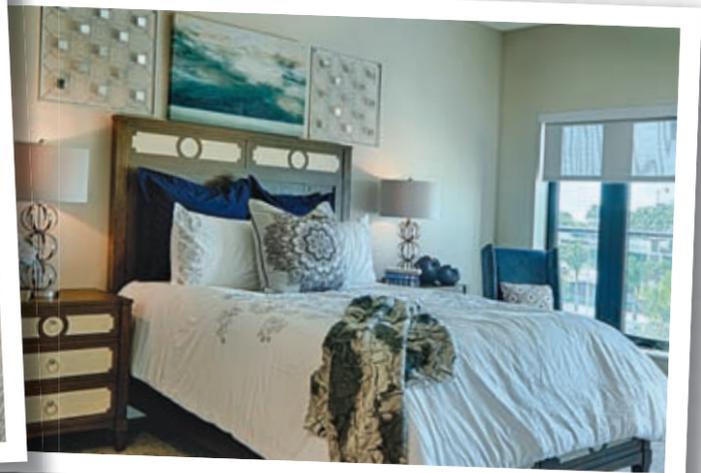
As residents experience memory loss, the acclaimed "Best Friends" approach offers person-centered care to Oakstone residents by utilizing unique tools designed to engage residents in purposeful communication and camaraderie with their neighbors, thereby helping residents with dementia feel safe, secure and valued.

Oakstone offers both short and long-term care, with month-to-month rates available and is located in the elegant Grande Place, which also houses the community's clubhouse.

The new center provides residents with many innovative programs including Opening Minds Through Art, where student volunteers assist residents in creating beautiful art, as well as meaningful relationships.

There are also regularly scheduled music programs, parties and celebrations to stimulate socialization, and programs that promote positive well-being, as well as physical exercise programs designed to build strength, while also having fun.

Programs and activities take place both inside and out as the center's outdoor gardens were specifically designed



to foster a sense of independence in a secured setting, while providing residents with a daily dose of sunlight.

Moorings Park is a nationally accredited, nonprofit, Medicare-certified community and the only A+ S & P and Fitch rated Life Plan Community (formerly known as Continuing Care Retirement Community) in the country. It has been repeatedly acknowledged as Southwest

Florida's premier retirement community for more than 35 years. It was the first and only Life Plan Community located in the City of Naples. Moorings Park at Grey Oaks is the second.

For additional information about Oakstone, visit MooringsParkGO.org, call (239) 919-1732, or stop at the sales center located at 2355 Rue du Jardin in Moorings Park at Grey Oaks. ■

Above: Entrance to Oakstone, Moorings Park at Grey Oaks' newly completed Assisted Living and Memory Care Center. Exterior view of Oakstone Assisted Living and Memory Care Center. Oakstone Assisted Living residences feature spacious open floor plans. Large windows in the master bedroom make the room bright and airy.



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Waterfront lots making waves in Egret Landing at Naples Reserve

In Naples Reserve's Egret Landing neighborhood, savvy single-family homebuyers are seeking the casually awesome lifestyle for which Naples Reserve is known. Eighty-six percent of the neighborhood's waterfront lots have been purchased.

With lake- and nature-view homes starting under \$400,000, plus low homeowners association fees and access to Naples Reserve's island-inspired amenities, homebuyers in Egret Landing are embracing a community-centered lifestyle, with open spaces designed for entertaining and gathering with family and breezy lanais for alfresco enjoyment, day and night.

The Southern Coastal-style homes echo Naples Reserve's old Florida beach town vibe, with welcoming front porches, columns, triangular gables and standing-seam metal roofs. Offering premier lakefront living and resort-rivaling amenities on the water's edge, Naples Reserve's neighborhoods of attached villas, single-family homes and custom estate homes are nestled amongst 22 freshwater lakes throughout the 668-acre community.

A selection of one- and two-story home designs from Ashton Woods and D.R. Horton offers up to four bedrooms and three-and-a-half baths in 3,000 square feet of living space.

Homebuyers looking for inspiration can visit the three-bedroom, three-and-a-half-bath Capri model home from Ashton Woods, elegantly illustrated in sophisticated shades of gray, taupe and white with textural accent pieces. The 2,294-square-foot pool home, with interior design from Centro Stile by Ashton Woods, features dove gray cabinets complemented by marbled quartz-topped countertops and an icy gray glass backsplash. The coffered ceiling living room's focal point is a marbled wall with a built-in fireplace, flanked by windows and built-in espresso cabinetry. Contemporary burnished bronze lighting fixtures and wide-plank oak flooring unify the living spaces.

Naples Reserve's \$7 million Island Club social center features a 5,160-square-foot clubhouse and an adjacent 3,500-square-foot fitness center with state-of-the-art equipment and a movement studio for spinning, Zumba and yoga.

The community's Welcome Center, evocative of Key West with its palette of turquoise, beige and white, features a wraparound porch overlooking the lake and floating docks.

An expansive, resort-style zero-entry pool offers dedicated lap lanes and ample room for relaxation. Indoor and alfresco gathering areas at the Island Club include a lakeside fire pit and casual beverage and dining options at the Chat 'n Chill Tiki Bar and Latitudes Cafe. At the Outrigger Center, paddleboards, kayaks and canoes are available for residents use, as well as a flex-space for game days, special events and other activities. Cruises on the community's two Duffy boats depart from the center's floating docks for residents to explore Eagle Lake and Kontiki Island.

The lakefront Match Point complex, offering tennis and pickleball courts, as well as a community boat ramp, is nearing completion.

In the neighborhoods of Parrot Cay and Sparrow Cay, limited lakefront lots are also available – including some with the opportunity for a personal floating dock.



Above: Naples Reserve Island Club. Ashton Woods Capri model in Egret Landing at Naples Reserve. Left: D.R. Horton Delray model lanai in Egret Landing at Naples Reserve.

Naples Reserve offers 17 fully decorated models available for viewing in six of 11 planned neighborhoods built by Southwest Florida's premier homebuilders, including Ashton Woods, D.R. Horton, Florida Lifestyle Homes, KTS

Homes, Lundstrom Development, Marvin Development, McGarvey Custom Homes and Stock Signature Homes. Homes are priced from the high-\$200s to more than \$1 million. Homebuyers can also take advantage of limited-time builder incentives.

Created by award-winning developer iStar, Naples Reserve is close to downtown Naples and miles of Gulf of Mexico beaches. Naples Reserve is located off U.S. 41, 2 miles southeast of the Collier Boulevard/CR 951 intersection and 10 minutes from I-75, Exit 101. Visit the community at 14885 Naples Reserve Circle or online at www.naplesreserve.com. ■

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Ask any golfer about their first time stepping up to a tee along Mediterra's two championship courses and they'll describe the experience to, well, a tee. Early morning sunlight erasing the last signs of dew, wildlife awakening from slumber, a setting so beautiful it necessitated a pause before the inaugural drive. Then, they'll recount their game, the challenges, the victories, and the camaraderie.

Golf members at The Club at Mediterra enjoy an elite experience—one praised worldwide for its award-winning Tom Fazio-designed courses, a setting immersed in nature, a casually elegant 32,000-square-foot clubhouse and the exclusivity of only 450 memberships that allow them to play when they want.

Golf at Mediterra is so revered, there's a year-long waiting list for golf membership—except for those who buy a new home through London Bay Homes. The builder has reserved 28 memberships for clients and offers the only opportunity for new members to play without delay.

"Golf membership at Mediterra is a hot commodity," said Mark Wilson, president and CEO of London Bay Homes, which manages all new home construction sales and marketing for the community. "We know many homebuyers are looking for a home in a golf club community because they want to play golf, and they're looking specifically in Mediterra because of its reputation for great golf. With a new home purchase,

homebuyers can also buy a membership without the wait."

London Bay Homes offers luxury and custom single-family estate and villa homes, some maintenance-free for more time on the course. With fully furnished models ready for immediate move-in and a choice of floor plans for complete customization, new and future residents are discovering just how quickly they'll find a home and feel at home in Mediterra, Naples' 10-time Community of the Year.

As a leading homebuilder and developer in the luxury home market for more than 25 years, London Bay Homes continually raises the bar on premier home amenities, including expanded outdoor living destinations and the newest life-enhancing technology. Its homes in Mediterra are priced from \$1 million to more than \$7 million and reflect the homebuilder's commitment to Private Label Living, embodied in its attention to detail and emphasis on quality and personal expression.

The same high standards are evident in Mediterra's golf experience—both on the course and off. The clubhouse offers gourmet cuisine and bistro fare and embraces the social nature of Mediterra's golf culture with special events, dinners and destinations for gathering with fellow golfers to relive the day's great shots.

Recent renovations on both courses enhanced their playability. Enhance-



Above: The Bettina is fully-furnished with stunning views of the lakefront. The Isabella two-story offers 4,285 square feet of living space.

ments included replacing irrigation, bunkers and re-grassing with Platinum TE seashore paspalum. Practice facilities and ranges were also renovated.

"From the tee box to the out-of-bounds area and each grain of sand, everything is brand new," said Carmen Mauceri, club general manager and chief operating officer. "The only thing we didn't touch were the greens."

"The grass was chosen for its color, cold-weather and low-light tolerance, playability and performance," said Tim Hiers, director of agronomy for The Club at Mediterra. "It has very deep roots and is the best on the market. We now have 200 acres of new grass on 36 holes."

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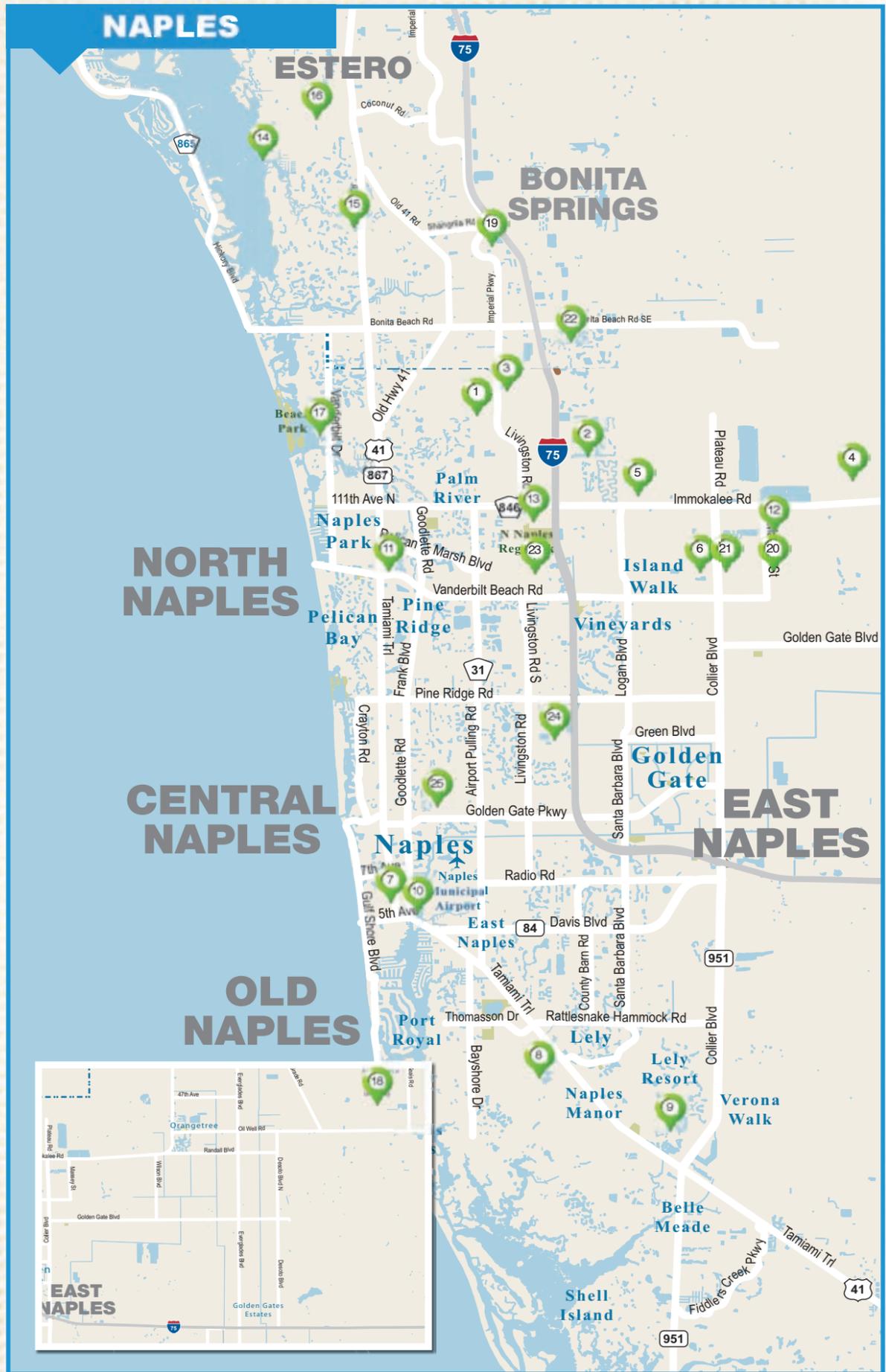
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Golf members also enjoy state-of-the-art practice facilities, pro lessons, a learning center, and regular league and tournament play.

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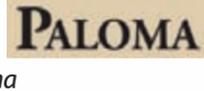
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Shadow Creek at Hibiscus offers luxurious condominiums

Prices start in the \$300s

Shadow Creek at Hibiscus, the gated condominium community being developed in Naples at the entrance to the Hibiscus Golf Club on Rattlesnake Hammock Road, just opened its onsite sales center and has officially launched its sales effort.

Developed by Hibiscus Land of Naples, who has tapped NM Development Group to assist in the planning and development of the project, Shadow Creek will consist of nine two-story, coastal-inspired buildings, each with six residences for a total of 54 homes.

Many of the homes offer views of the Hibiscus golf course and will include one covered parking space per residence within the private, gated community.

Prices start in the \$300s and include a myriad of standard features others consider upgrades.

Two spacious floor plans are available.

The two-bedroom/two-bath Jasmine plan has 1,355 square feet under air. A gracious foyer leads to an expansive open-concept great room that includes the kitchen, dining and living areas.

Standard in every kitchen is a large island counter with breakfast bar seating, and a stainless steel GE appliance package including a refrigerator, 30-inch electric range, microwave and dishwasher. Kitchens also feature quartz countertops, luxury cabinetry with soft-close doors and 42-inch upper cabinets, as well as stainless steel under-mount sink featuring Grohe faucets with pull-out spray.

The dining area includes a wet bar with built-in shelving. The living room features large sliding glass doors that access the screen-enclosed lanai which has ample room for both a seating area and an outdoor dining table.

The kitchen, dining and living room areas all include 20 by 20-inch porcelain tile.

A privacy vestibule off the living room leads into the spacious master bedroom, also with direct access to the lanai. A walk-in closet separates the bedroom from the master bath, which features Grohe fixtures, dual sinks and a luxurious shower.

The Jasmine residence also includes a large guest bedroom and bath.

The three-bedroom/two-bath plans, the Magnolia and Hibiscus, are both corner units with 1,622 square feet under air.

The dining area in this home is positioned between the foyer and the open kitchen which features all the amenities of the two-bedroom floor plan.

The living area features large sliding glass doors that lead onto the spacious screen-enclosed lanai. The master bedroom, with a private vestibule, also features sliding glass doors that lead to the lanai.

The guest bedrooms in the Magnolia and Hibiscus are located in a separate wing of the residence with a guest bath conveniently located between the two bedrooms.

Within a short walking distance of each residence will be Shadow Creek's open-air clubhouse, which will include a pool and Jacuzzi, outdoor shower, expansive sun deck, outdoor grilling area, fire pit, and covered patio and bar, as well as restrooms.

In addition to the community's clubhouse, residents of Shadow Creek are



Above: Two- and three-bedroom floor plans are offered in Shadow Creek's coastal-inspired buildings. Right: Residents are automatically enrolled in the Shadow Creek Preferred Players Program, which affords them discounted rates and advanced tee times at the Hibiscus Golf Club.

Below: The Hibiscus clubhouse has a pro shop and is home to Erin's Isle Restaurant and Irish Bar, which serves lunches and dinners. The sales center for Shadow Creek is now open and located at 5360 Hibiscus Drive, at the entrance to the Hibiscus Golf Club.



no matter the golfer's skill level. Wide fairways, bunkered greens and numerous lakes and streams make each hole a new challenge and a pleasure to play.

Residents can also enjoy a short stroll to the newly remodeled clubhouse at Hibiscus, as well as its pro shop, and Erin's Isle Restaurant and Irish Bar serving lunches and dinners daily.

NM Development Group is a full-service real estate development, investment and advisory firm focused

on both the development of its current real estate portfolio as well as acquisition of residential and commercial assets.

The development partners, David Nassif and Albert Moscato, Jr., have nearly 50 years of combined experience in real estate development, land ownership, joint ventures, leasing, property management, financing, marketing and sales.

In addition to Shadow Creek, the principals of NM Development are involved in a number of other projects and land holdings including, University Highlands in Estero, Hibiscus Golf Club in Naples and Marco Shores in Naples.

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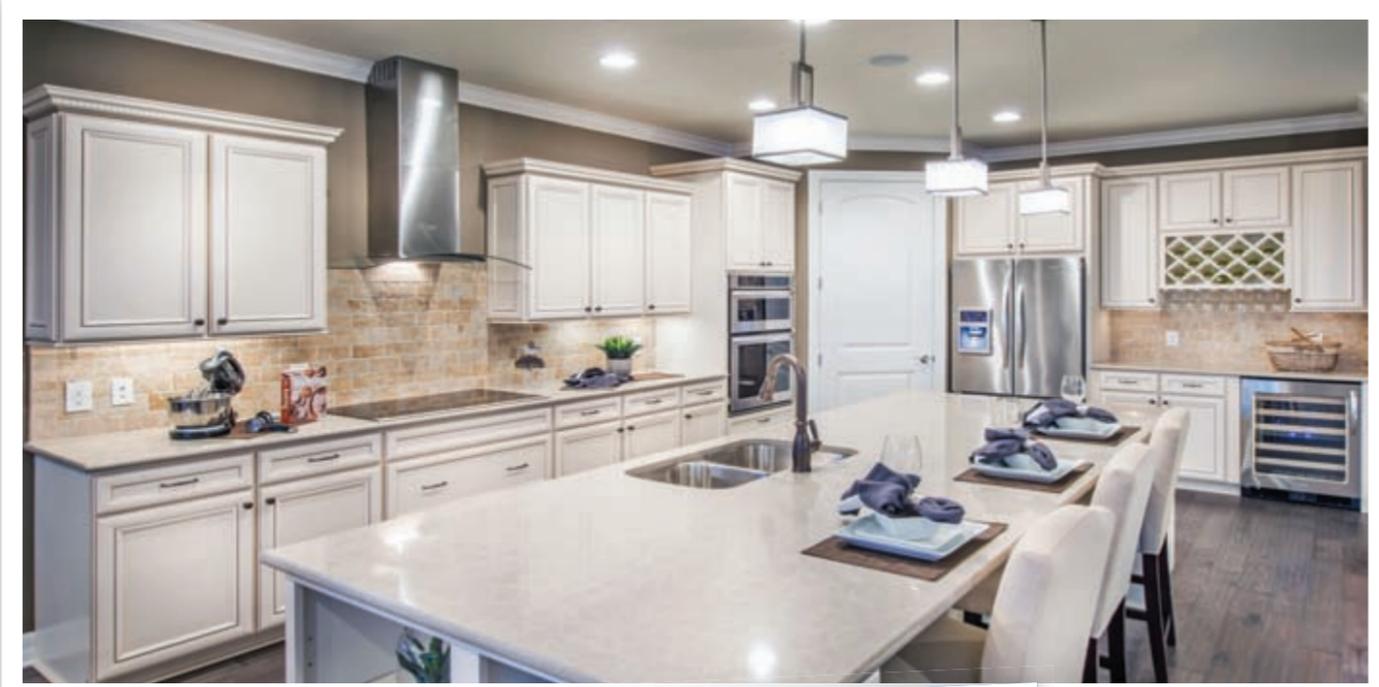
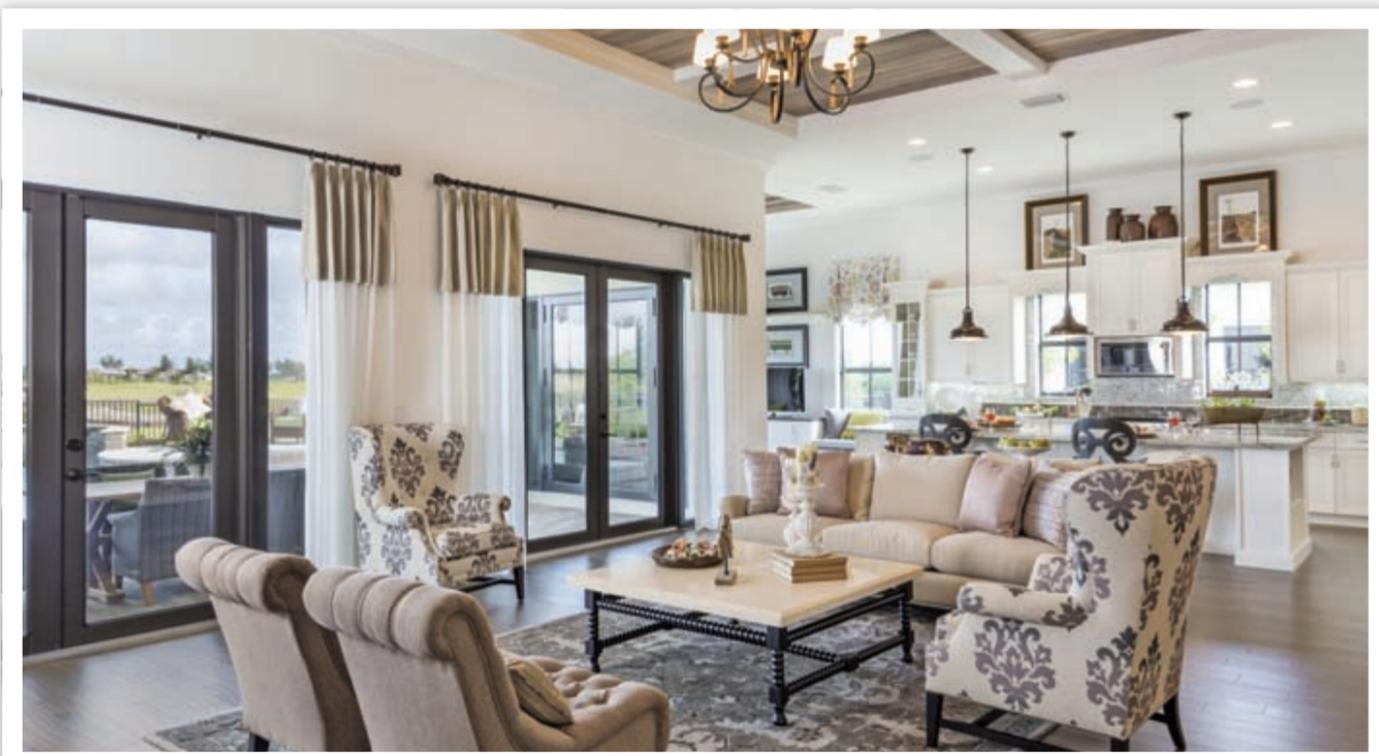
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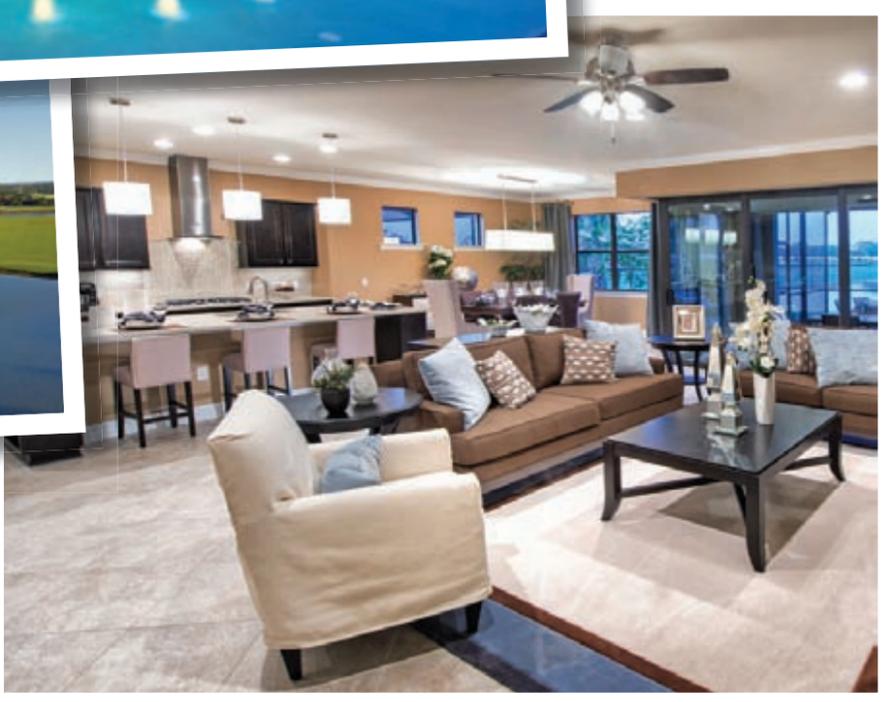
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ONE Condominium reports 40% sold since January 2017 launch

In just under 3 months since the launch of sales at ONE, the new 18-story waterfront condominium to be built in the Historic Fort Myers River District, 40% of the residences have been reserved. Designed as an exclusive urban enclave to rise on the bank of the scenic Caloosahatchee River, ONE will feature just 28 luxurious homes priced from the high \$500,000's to over \$2.7 million.

"The sales success has been an affirmation of our belief in the quality of our product and the strength of our location in the history-rich Fort Myers River District where a variety of arts, entertainment, shopping and dining options are plentiful," says ONE Director of Sales and Marketing Barbara Bengochea-Perez.

"The location is like no other. In addition to the impressive roster of resort-style building amenities afforded our residents, there are five square miles of additional amenities just a nice stroll or trolley ride away from ONE,"

— Barbara Bengochea-Perez,
*ONE Director of
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"We are extremely pleased with the response ONE has received in such a short period of time since we launched sales," says developer JAXI Managing Member Eduardo Caballero. Caballero also reports that the prices at ONE will soon be increasing at least 8% to meet the skyrocketing costs of materials in a booming local construction market. "For that reason, I would urge any interested buyers to take advantage of the pre-construction prices now."

Designed by world-renowned architects Behar Font & Partners with interiors inspired by Adriana Hoyos Design Studio, ONE will be located at 2583 First Street. Estimated delivery is scheduled for the last quarter of 2018. The elegant tower will feature two-and three-bedroom residences ranging from 1,624 to 3,900 square feet, as well as two penthouses, one of which is already reserved.



Luxurious features at ONE include private entrance elevators, porcelain flooring, natural gas ranges, five-burner cooktop, double oven, quartz countertops in chef-inspired kitchens, and floor-to-ceiling windows, expansive balconies, and large walk-in wardrobes. Smart technology, assigned covered garage parking with 24-hour controlled access will also be included.

In addition to all of the enviable unit features, ONE will provide indulgent building amenities including: a heated, cascading, infinity-edge pool overlooking the water; a serene, landscaped riverfront promenade; a fitness room with water views;

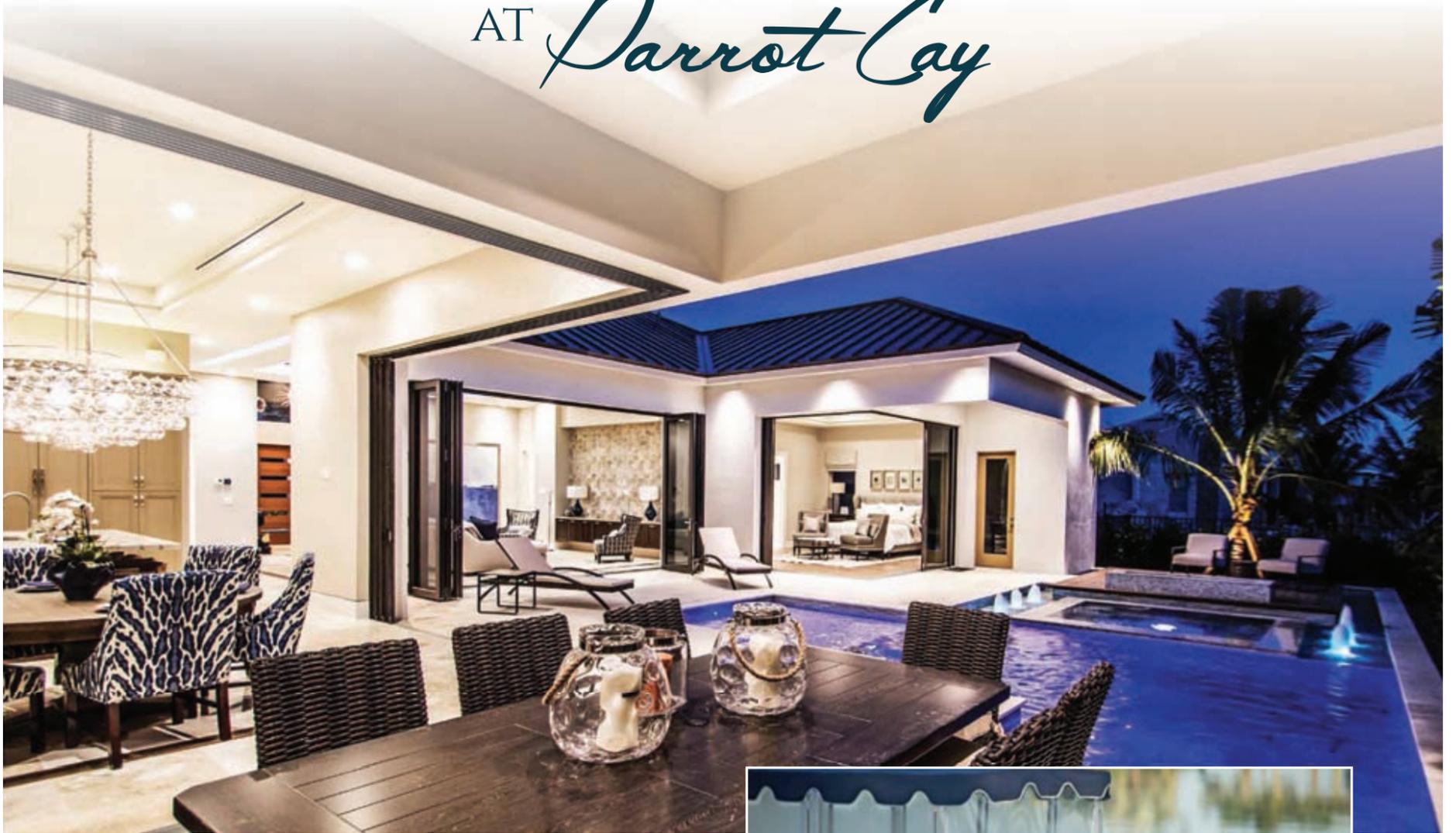
an elegant lobby; an owners' lounge with bar; pet grooming salon; concierge services; high-speed internet and Wi-Fi in all public areas.

ONE's prime location in the Historic Downtown Fort Myers River District, puts residents in a vibrant neighborhood with over 65 cafes, bars and restaurants. The streets of the pedestrian and pet-friendly downtown are lined with eclectic boutiques and art galleries, historic landmarks and architecture, museums, and even a professional theater.

Sales for ONE are being conducted from the beautiful sales gallery located on the first floor of the Fort Myers City Pier building at 1300 Hendry Street. To learn more call (239) 500-JAXI (5294), ext. 1 or visit www.OneFtMyers.com. ■

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Engaging lifestyle continues to hold appeal for homebuyers at Talis Park



Anchored by the award-winning Vyne House clubhouse and the glittering lakes and emerald-toned Sea Dwarf Paspalum fairways of one of just two Greg Norman-Pete Dye designed golf courses in the world, Talis Park continues to be acknowledged for its unparalleled amenities, luxurious single-family residences, and the engaging lifestyle enjoyed by a youthful group of residents who enjoy spending time and creating memories together. The array of amenities Kitson & Partners has presented at Talis Park ensures residents can enjoy an active, healthy lifestyle while connecting with one another on a personal level. A relatively new community, Talis Park is a place where new residents receive a warm welcome and are encouraged to join their neighbors in a variety of community gatherings and events.

Talis Park has been named recipient of more than 20 industry awards, including being named Community of the Year by both the Collier and Lee Building Industry Associations, as well as awards for Best Landscape Design, Best Clubhouse Exterior, Best Clubhouse Interior Design, Best Sales Center, and Best Website. The community's Vyne House Clubhouse received First Place and Best of Show honors in the New Construction/Private Club category in Golf Inc.'s 2016 Clubhouse of the Year competition. The awards reflect Kitson's commitment to creating a different, better way of living at Talis Park that eschews the traditional country club model.

Vyne House is the epicenter of life at Talis Park and includes a total of 32,052 square feet under air and 25,065 square feet of outdoor space. The upper level includes formal indoor dining, casual indoor and outdoor dining, Fiona's Market Café, covered outdoor terraces, a multi-purpose room, aerobics and cardio workout rooms, a Wine Room/Board Room, and the Esprit Spa. The lower level hosts the golf pro shop as well as men's and ladies' locker rooms. A resort-style pool with a massive pool deck and cabanas is included, as well as a rotunda featuring a two-sided fireplace and overlooks the 18th green. Situated directly in

front of Vyne House, the Great Lawn is a green space that serves as the backdrop for community events or impromptu gatherings by residents.

Talis Park presents a spectacular tableau. An exquisite boulevard winds its way through the community and offers preserve, water, and golf course views. Acknowledged for its physical beauty and playability, Talis Park offers one of the nation's premier golf experiences. The course is consistently ranked among the top twenty golf courses in Florida and was ranked #91 in Golfweek's 2014 Best Residential Courses.

Golf at Talis Park is, above all else, about the course's Sea Dwarf® Paspalum turf. The course includes 133 acres of manicured turf. Everything, the tees, fairways, roughs and greens, is 100% Paspalum mowed to different heights. The course is challenging yet extremely playable thanks to the Paspalum turf, wide fairways and a layout that provides left and right escape routes on second and third shots. The turf allows the ball to sit on top of the grass rather than down in it even in the rough. Average golfers can enjoy a round that is more about shot execution than coping with less desirable lies they cannot control.

Situated at the south end of the community and adjacent to the Corsica single-family and coach home and Viansa terrace home neighborhoods, Talis Park's approximately three-acre Sports Complex features six lighted Har-Tru tennis courts with directionally focused lighting and pavilions for resting between matches, a tennis pro shop and clubhouse with restrooms and a beverage center, four bocce ball courts, a fifty-foot two-lane lap pool, and landscaped areas. An enchanting green space provides a children's playground and a social gathering and event



Above: The Vyne House Clubhouse is the epicenter of life at Talis Park. Vyne House received First Place and Best of Show honors in the New Construction/Private Club category in Golf Inc.'s 2016 Clubhouse of the Year competition. Talis Park offers one of the nation's premier golf experiences. The course is consistently ranked among the top twenty golf courses in Florida and was ranked #91 in Golfweek's 2014 Best Residential Courses. Left: Talis Park's Sports Complex includes six lighted Har-Tru tennis courts with directionally focused lighting and pavilions, a tennis pro shop and clubhouse, four bocce ball courts, a two-lane lap pool, and a children's playground.

place reminiscent of the Great Lawn.

Kitson & Partners has further enhanced the array of amenities it has designed and constructed to suit Talis Park's engaging lifestyle. The North Naples community's Casa Cortese that offers an outdoor lounge experience adjacent to the Talis Park Golf Club's pristine driving range has been transformed into a sports center complete with a pool table, shuffle board, darts, and a high-tech golf simulator that will be used for both indoor instruction and indoor practice. The sports center provides residents and their guests with yet another venue for enjoying Talis Park's relaxed lifestyle.

Talis Park's Gold Pass program is designed to provide homebuyers considering purchasing a residence an opportunity to experience the community's amenities and lifestyle. The Gold Pass allows the holder to enjoy member status and access to amenities throughout the community for two consecutive days. One round of golf will be offered to the cardholder at the member guest rate,

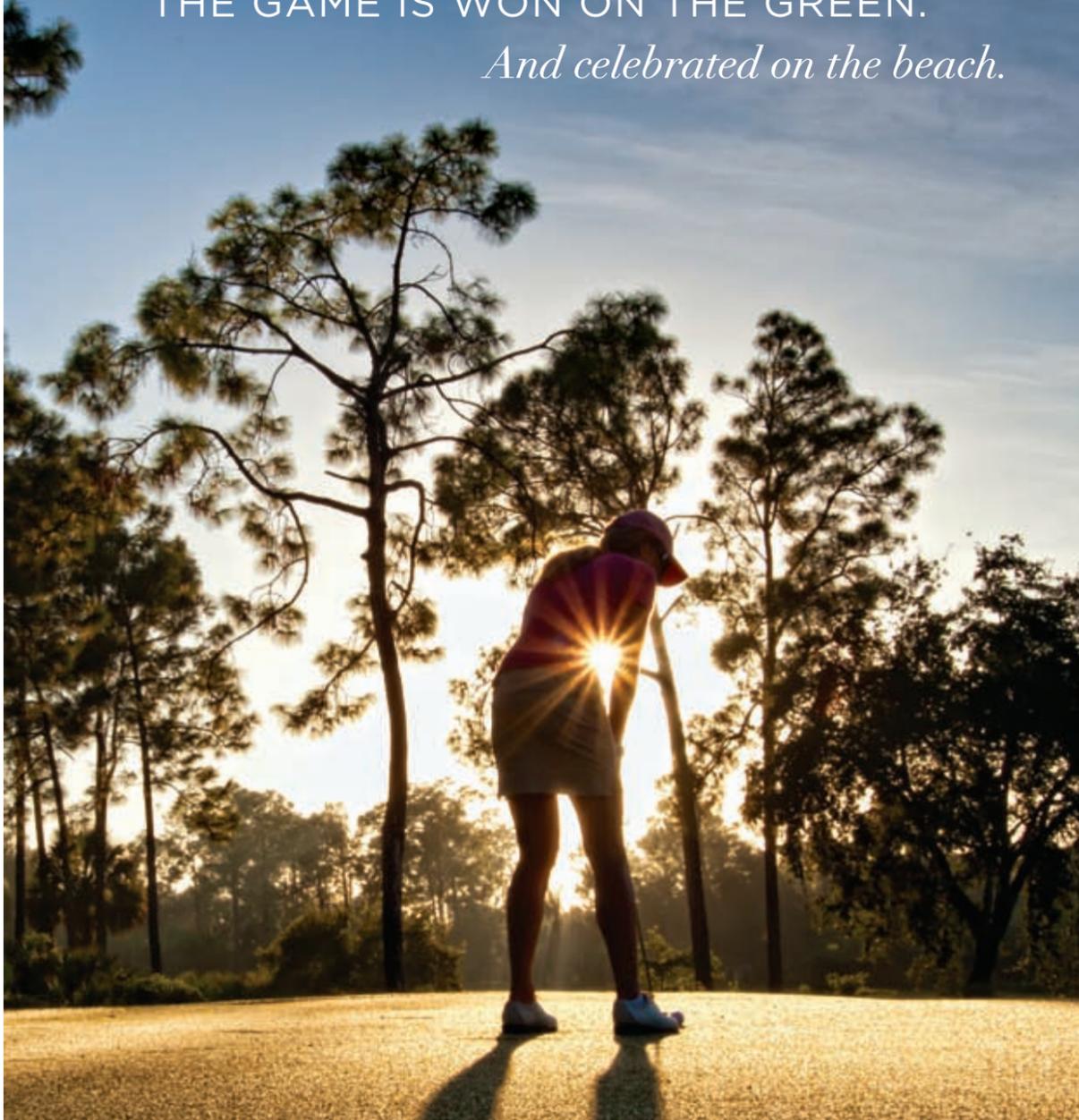
scheduled by the membership director and subject to availability. Gold Pass participants will be asked to make all payments with a credit card.

To qualify for the Gold Pass, participants must schedule a meeting with the membership director or her representative. At the meeting, the membership director will further explain the program and provide an overview of all of the amenities at Talis Park along with membership information. To schedule a meeting to receive the Gold Pass, call or email Nancy Muschong at (239) 292-0846 or nmuschong@kitsonpartners.com.

Residential opportunities at Talis Park include terrace homes, penthouse style condominiums, resort style coach homes, single family residences and grand estate residences priced from the \$600's into the millions. Talis Park is located in North Naples on Livingston Road just north of Immokalee Road. Visit Talis Park's Garden House Sales Center at 16980 Livingston Road in North Naples, or visit Talis Park online at talisark.com. ■



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Florida Lifestyle Homes' Taylor Model poised to open at Babcock Ranch



Florida Lifestyle Homes' Taylor model is expected to be open for viewing by April 22nd in the Lake Timber neighborhood at Babcock Ranch. A second model featuring Florida Lifestyle's Lauren floor plan will be completed in approximately 60 days. Babcock Ranch is a new solar powered town being developed by Kitson & Partners 20 minutes east of Fort Myers off Florida State Road 31 just north of the Lee Civic Center in Charlotte County. The homes at Babcock Ranch are being built to Florida Green Building Coalition Certification standards.

Babcock Ranch's residential choices include twin villas by Lennar base-priced from around \$180,000; single-family homes by Lennar base-priced from \$220,000; single-family residences by Homes by Towne and Fox Premier Builders base-priced

from the \$300's; single-family homes by Stock Development base-priced from the low-\$400's; and single-family residences by Florida Lifestyle and Castle Harbour Homes base-priced from the \$500's. Models by Homes by Towne and Stock Development are open for viewing.

Situated on a 80 x 130-foot home site, Florida Lifestyle's 2,784 square foot Taylor model features an additional 1,029 square feet of covered front and rear porches. The open-concept plan includes a great room, island kitchen, and breakfast nook with two sets of double doors leading from the great room to the covered rear porch. The plan features a formal dining room, three bedrooms, a study or fourth bedroom, three baths, a two-car garage, and a swimming pool.

The two-story Lauren plan offers 4,081 square feet plus 835 square feet of cov-

ered front and rear porches. The open-concept plan features a great room, island kitchen and breakfast nook, and a formal dining room. The great room, master bedroom and one of two guest bedrooms on the first floor open to the rear porch that will include an outdoor kitchen and dining and conversation areas overlooking a pool. A two-car garage is included. Upstairs, a loft and a separate bonus room offer additional places for entertaining. The upstairs includes a full bath and a fourth bedroom.

Lake Timber's lakefront green spaces, internal lakes, trail head facilities, fishing dock, and town garden provide a connection with nature. The Lake House neighborhood center scheduled for completion in late May will include a pool, barbecue area, and playground. Lake Timber is a short walk or bike

Above Left: Kitson & Partners announced that Florida Lifestyle Homes' furnished Taylor model is expected to be completed and open for viewing by April 22nd in the Lake Timber neighborhood at Babcock Ranch. Above Right: Florida Lifestyle Homes' Lauren model is on schedule for completion in approximately 60 days in Lake Timber at Babcock Ranch.

ride from Founder's Square, a lakefront green space that features a band shell, boardwalk, splash pad, picnic tables, and shady areas for relaxing. Live music is featured at the band shell Tuesday and Saturday evenings. The Table & Tap restaurant provides an indoor and outdoor lakefront dining experience. Woodlea Hall is home to the Discovery Center and to Curry Creek Outfitters.

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Q: Was there a specific moment when you knew you wanted to be a designer?

A: Interestingly enough, I probably knew I was interested in design in a general sense when I made my first trip to Europe with my family. Throughout the trip we saw exquisite details and stunning architecture, wonderful museums, beautiful landscapes. Even the carving on an old door was exciting to see.

My interest in design was becoming more evident in my high school and college years: always wanting to be different, dress different and look different, with my own style that was simple and serene and with a European flair. I loved to find new bookstores and look for magazines, digesting different architectural styles



Lou Shafran



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both modern and traditional. Living in Los Angeles afforded me the opportunity to see varying styles of design. I used those styles to build my future.

Q: Are there elements to all of your designs that you feel are important in order for you to be satisfied with your project?

A: I am a fan of simplicity. Good design is timeless. I really encourage clients not to over-complicate design. Today, we are inundated with decorating ideas from books, magazines and the internet. But this myriad of ideas do not all belong in one room or even in one home. Overuse of color, pattern and fabric can be discordant. Balancing shapes and textures with classics keeps the eye interested.

My goal is for everyone to feel at home and at ease in the spaces we create. That said, I love eclectic style — meaning the pairing of different styles from different periods. These types of combinations do need to be artfully managed, and even great talents do better with years of practice.

Q: What's your background? Where did you learn your craft?

A: My first job after graduating UCLA, where I majored in political science, was an interior design project. I had intended to make my parents happy and attend law school, but that first interior design project reaffirmed my love of art and design, and so it was “Bye, bye law” and “Welcome to the world of design.” The gods were in my favor when I teamed up with some of the nation's top designers at Pacifica Design Center Showroom to participate in the design of award-winning, high-end commercial and residential projects in Beverly Hills, West Los Angeles, Santa Monica and Newport Beach.

Learning how to design furniture and then have it made has always given me — and my clients — the option to create something that is one-of-a-kind, or even just something that is of the proper scale and proportion. Now, 30 years later, I still feel the excitement of designing smart, stylish residences that give my clients interiors they never dreamed of.

Q: Can you walk me through your process? What are the steps you go through in order to feel you understand exactly what the client is looking for?

A: Guiding a client through the process, whether the project is large or small, is the most important thing. Every client is unique, and that's the challenge. I always know that it is important to evaluate the client's needs, desires and budget, and



Left: This massive great room is a combination of the traditional family room and formal dining room, comfortably flowing from the kitchen and parlor.

Below: A custom console provides a subtle metallic shimmer over gray and white Carrara marble that's laid in a herringbone pattern to create the illusion of a rug across the hardwood floors in this foyer.



Above: In an eclectic master suite, mirror-fronted bedside chests flank a stunning four-poster bed in walnut and silver-leaf. Crystal lamps and a custom-designed chandelier in iron and crystal complete the intimate scene.

Right: Embracing practical sophistication, this kitchen has two 10-foot-long islands.



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Q: What emerging trends are you excited about?

A: Even though I am not a fan of “trendy design,” I do appreciate today's movement toward cleaner, airy spaces that can be transformative and evolve over time. Departure from dark colors, heavy fabrics and trims gives designers the opportunity to focus on texture and style. I'm loving whites and neutrals, grays and blues. The new

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From Tuscan to transitional

Kimberly Bright of Design West brings a Pelican Bay condo back to life

BY MICHAEL KORB
Florida Weekly Correspondent

It's a story as old as time. Northern couple buys dated Tuscan-styled Gulf-front condo and calls talented interior designer to save the day. And just in the nick of time.

"It was heavily ornamented with a lot of orange and brown and dark wood with marble floors," says Design West's Kimberly Bright. "It had a formal dining room separate from the kitchen, which created a very small kitchen."

At 2,200 square feet, the three-bedroom, three-bath condo could certainly benefit from a few fewer walls. Luckily, the new owners didn't want the formal dining room, so Ms. Bright made a more casual dine-in kitchen that's bigger and opens onto a smaller dining area.

"They definitely wanted to lighten up the space," the designer says of the homeowners. "They had never really done much renovation in the past, so they were very trusting of us and let us take the lead."

"Their only (instruction) was that they wanted really clean lines and not a lot of goopy, tchotchke-type things."

So by removing that wall in the kitchen, it allowed a great deal more light to flow from the east side of the condo right through to the Gulf side.

The expanded space accommodates a beautiful kitchen island and peninsula surfaced by a silver-flecked quartz that "flows" over the side and screams luxury.

"Everyone who has come into the unit has commented on how beautiful that quartz is," Ms. Bright says. "I love that waterfall edge. If you asked me what one of my favorite things would be, that's it. It's a really nice product."

Paired with wide-plank European white oak flooring run on a diagonal throughout, the entire space feels impressively larger, brighter and much more current. And the muted blue glass back-



Top and above: It's hard to believe this bright and airy space was once dark and cramped and decidedly Tuscan. Removing a wall and installing light-colored hardwoods, white cabinets and shiny surfaces refreshes the entire kitchen/dining area. Note the waterfall edge of the quartz on the dining island, one of the designer's favorite details.

Left: Wood-Mode panels on the entertainment wall in the living room modernize the area and allow boxed-out shelving to pop thanks to wave-like lighted insets.

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plash gives the space a hint of a coastal vibe without being overpowering.

Meanwhile, in the living room, Ms. Bright used Wood-Mode paneling for the entertainment wall and added cantilevered shadowbox shelving backlit with a wave wall to display decorative accents. The dining area features a wave wall that ties everything together nicely.

In the master bedroom, space restrictions made brightening the space a must.

“The bed that was in there before was a dark wood with red bedding, and there was a huge armoire that really weighed down the room,” she says.

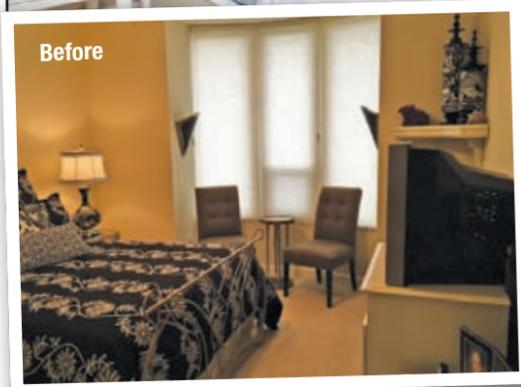
An elegant new king-sized bed outfitted with lovely, light linens creates a classic, clean and restful vibe.

Mirrors over the nightstands reflect the light more and make the room feel bigger. “They kind of act like pseudo-windows,” Ms. Bright says about the mirrors, adding, “The owners really like that.”

“I think the only thing we didn’t pick out in that (room) was the computer.”

In addition, the master bathroom was completely gutted. The old tub had a raised surface decking around it, so you had to climb into it. The new freestanding tub is modern and clean and makes a statement when silhouetted by walls of Carrera marble and outfitted by polished chrome fixtures. ■

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Above: It might not be the biggest master bedroom in Southwest Florida, but thanks to new wall color and crisp, light bedding, this space dazzles. Mirrors behind the nightstands reflect light and mimic windows, giving the room a more open feel.

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Left: Now that’s a bathtub. The master bathroom was so desperately in need of updating that the gold fixtures almost came back into style. Almost. The space was reimagined and updated with chrome fixtures and the generous use of Carrera marble.

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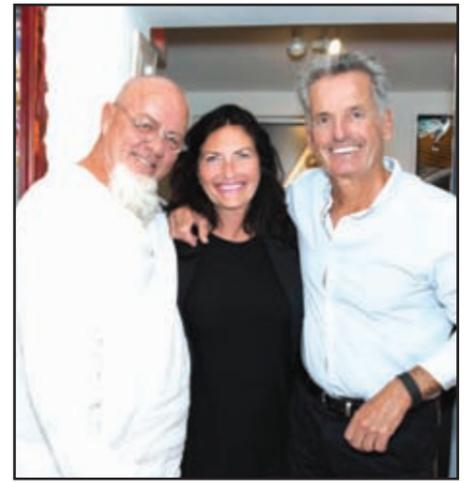
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BY MICHAEL KORB

Florida Weekly Correspondent

Having built their previous home and lived in it for 12 years, Joy and Dustin Rautenkranz realized there were many things they'd do differently if they ever built another house.

"Things that aren't particularly glamorous," says Mrs. Rautenkranz. "Closets, kitchen storage and functionality. You know, the things you need to live. We have three children and wanted it to be functional for them and for us."

When they found a piece of property they liked in Coquina Sands, they called Tommy Houchin of Houchin Construction, who had built Joy's brother's home as well as the Tamiami Ford and Tamiami Hyundai car dealerships, which are owned by her family.

Then they picked Tony Boyatt of Boyatt Design to design the home.

"We knew we wanted a home that didn't look like it was built in 2016," Mrs. Rautenkranz says. "We wanted to build something that you couldn't tell if it was built 10 years ago and that that, in 20 years, will still look timeless."

They had initially been leaning toward the West Indies style that has become so popular, but they were already feeling it was becoming dated. So what they decided on was clean Old Florida on the outside and transitional on the inside.

"It's a bigger single-story house, which I've always liked," Mr. Houchin says. "The footprint of the house gets to spread out, which I think is much more interesting and also more unique than the narrow, tall designs of so many houses these days."

And it took up virtually every square inch of that lot.

Above: This new construction in Coquina Sands blends Old Florida style with transitional livability for the family of five who call it home, sweet home. A stucco exterior gives a much more durable finish than traditional wood or even cement board.

On the cover: The classic Old Florida exterior gives way to light, bright, wide open spaces inside.



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At approximately 7,500 square feet under roof and 4,700 square feet under air, the five-bedroom, 4½-bath home is larger than it initially appears thanks to its proportions. And that classic Old Florida exterior gives way to beautiful wide-open spaces once inside.

One of the first things visitors notice is the flooring: a nice washed white oak look that is actually large-scale tile. Mrs. Rautenkranz, who handled interior design duties on her own, chose a variety of wood-look tiles throughout the home for durability. But it's the way they were laid, with virtually no visible grout lines, that adds to the real wood look.

"They did a great job on the selection of the materials," the general contractor says of his clients.

Another nice touch is that all of the mirrors in the bathrooms (sans the master) are illuminated by LED lights within the mirror itself, so you get that light-ring look as though you are living full-time with a SnapChat filter.

"Someone came to see the house last week and said they needed to carry that mirror around with them," Mrs. Rautenkranz says with a laugh. "They said, 'I look really good with this light.'"

"The only must-have I didn't get out of my five must-haves is a TV in the mirror of the master bathroom," she adds. "Everyone said, 'Those are not a good idea, they break and then you have to replace them.'"

Her other must-haves? A his-and-hers

master bathroom; a hood over the kitchen stove; the standalone tub that fills from the ceiling; and a 100-percent infinity-edged pool. And the latter is certainly the showstopper in the outdoor living space.

Mrs. Rautenkranz had seen similar pools out west but none locally. In fact, the pool builder, Nassau Pools, had never built one in Collier County.

"It was definitely an expense, but one, now that you see it, especially at night, that's totally worth it," she says. The pool, she adds, is "the house's claim to fame. The water looks like it's flowing up onto the pavers."

Everyone should have one — it's just that cool.

But inside there's still plenty to love. Several rooms feature vaulted ceilings with varieties of wood. And though the vaulted ceiling in the master bedroom is lovely, it became a bit of a challenge.

"That gave us the most heartache," says Mrs. Rautenkranz, "because of the light fixture (a crystal chandelier). The ceiling is not flush, and that's a flat light fixture that has to hang down. It probably took us a good six weeks to figure out how we were going to use beams to make it work."

All because of a light fixture purchased before construction began. (I bet a lot of us can relate to that one.)

"It was the first light fixture I bought and so I was like, 'We have to make this work because I bought this a long time ago. We're using it. I don't care,'" she says.

Mr. Rautenkranz has his own stamp on several features within the home. A gifted woodworker, he built the fireplace mantle, window seats for each daughter's bedroom and a "marble door" for their son's bedroom.

"At Disney's Rock 'n' Roller coaster there's this door with grates on it and

Top: Wood-look tiles imitate real wood flooring throughout the home's mainliving area and in the bedrooms. (Three kids under the age of 15 makes this a no-brainer.)

Above: But who wants to stay inside when you have a fabulous zero-edge pool like this one to play in? It was the first of its kind in Collier County built by Nassau Pools. Even the spa is flush with the water surface.

these individual marbles in the door and they move," Mrs. Rautenkranz explains. "Our son asked for that and we said we couldn't. Then we secretly built it for him. It has 1,857 marbles in the door. He bought 300 marbles at first, but quickly realized that was only filling half a foot."

Hmm. That's not what I thought she meant when she said marble door.

But there is clearly a lot to love about this new Old Florida home. And with all of those personal touches, it seems there's a lot of love inside as well. ■

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Ooh, la la!

French boutique Little Paris brings a bit of Europe to the Promenade



BY MICHAEL KORB
Florida Weekly Correspondent

If you've ever dreamed about wandering into a little French shop filled to the brim with cute furnishings and terrific gifts but then were startled awake by the realization that the shop wasn't perfect because it didn't have a friendly basset hound named Basile wandering around sniffing the handmade soaps from Normandy — I'm about to blow your mind.

Little Paris, a charming boutique that recently opened in Promenade at Bonita Bay (behind DeRomos), features a majority of European imported furnishing, accents and more — from crystal chandeliers to fragrant soaps. It's as though the mother-daughter co-owners are from France or something. Oh wait, they are. (Hence the authenticity.)

"When you walk in the first thing you see is a big white table that I've laid out as though you're walking into a house," says Felicia Derell, the daughter in the equation. "It has dishes, crystal glasses, chandeliers



If you'd like to visit the French countryside but can't spare the time, we suggest you drive to the Promenade at Bonita Bay and walk through Little Paris. The new boutique features a number of authentic French items including dinnerware, fragrant bath soaps shaped like cupcakes and wingless ceramic hens that the owners say are "flying off the shelves." Be prepared to be greeted by the resident *chien*, Basile the basset hound, below left.

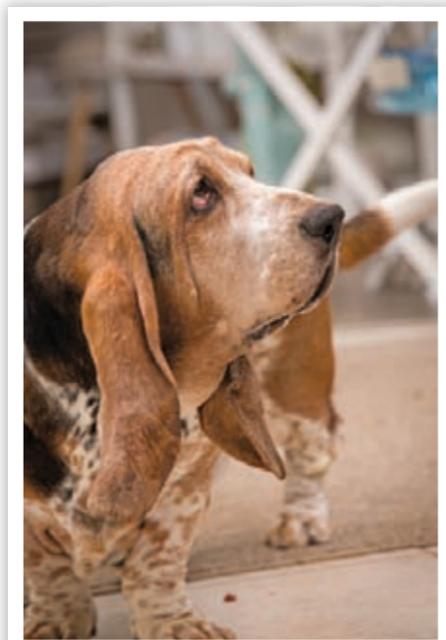
and turquoise. Just above that is a big, gray/natural shade mirror."

Basically, what she's saying is that she just saved you round-trip airfare to Charles de Gaulle Airport. And that goes doubly if you happen to be in the market for décor such as bath accessories, vases, pillows and throws and artwork; tableware such as flatware, glassware, dinnerware and linens; furniture such as chests of drawers, armchairs, desks and metal benches; and any-occasion gifts such as handbags and small jewelry.

"It's an interior décor store with lots of gifts," Ms. Derell says. "We realized that people on holiday are going back to their homes up north so they need to bring little things back — and they can't take a (large) mirror obviously. That's why we're selling small items at all prices, too."

For that very purpose they bought 24 small crystal butter dishes and put them out on the table. They were sold out in three days.

"I don't know why," says Ms. Derell, with a laugh. "People just loved them. And we've



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Above: If you love preparing French food, it makes sense to plate it authentically. Little Paris has a wonderful selection of dining accessories that will add more than a bit of joie de vivre to any table setting (even when what's on the menu is far from French cuisine).



got some porcelain hens with funny faces that we've nearly sold out of as well." Go figure.

They've sold out of porcelain bunnies as well. Yep, there goes Easter. Luckily, Basile the basset hound sports big floppy ears and could double for the Easter Bunny if you take your glasses off.

Both mother and daughter bought "flats" here four years ago and decided this was the time to live their dream of opening a small shop.

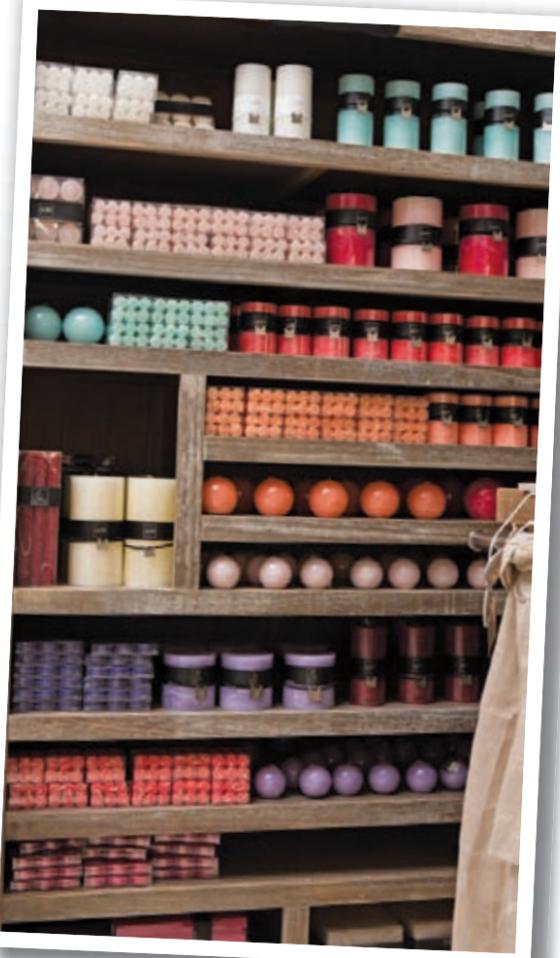
Felicia has been working for the Ministry of the Interior of France for the past 20 years, but has always liked home décor.

"My mother told me, 'If you want to go for your dream, you've got to do it now,'" she says. "We thought, 'Well, we love Florida. It's beautiful. I'm half British and half French, so the language isn't an issue. And my mother is bi-lingual, too. So I took three years away from my job — I can return if I want to, but I don't really want to — and I came last year to choose a location ..."

"When I saw the shop with all the white walls and the windows, I knew it would be lovely for the furniture."

Stop in and see if you agree. ■

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Middle: Felicia Derell and her mother, Jany, decided the time was right to live their dream by moving to Southwest Florida and opening a boutique that specializes in French and European goods and accessories.

Above: Many of the items at Little Paris, including these fragrant candles, are sourced directly from France.



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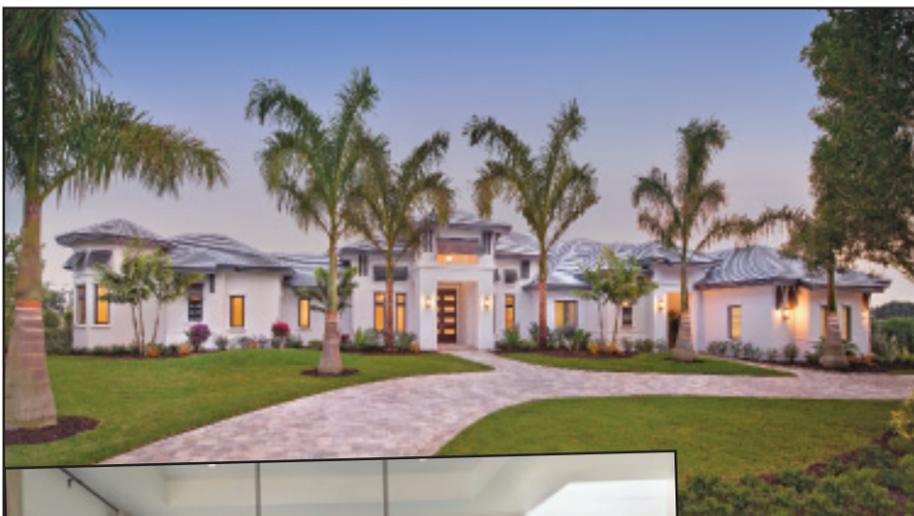


Everybody loves the CBIA Parade of Homes



Top: KTS Homes' Newport at Naples Reserve won for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$1,251,000-\$1,500,000 category.

Above: The CBIA 2017 Parade of Homes committee: Paul Messino, Taylor Woods, Joann Whitney, Jackie Nelson, Erin Otterbeck, Jo Carter, Cali Clardy, Barry Boran, Bridgette Whalen and Denise Ogden.



Above: Ashton Woods' The Coastal at Naples Reserve won a Merit Award for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$701,000-\$800,000 category.



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More than 30 overall excellence in construction design and merit awards were presented at the Collier Building Industry Association's 2017 Multi-Site Parade of Homes awards breakfast at the Hilton Naples. Entries were peer-judged by a panel of industry experts from across Florida.

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- \$601,000-\$700,000: Stock Development for the San Marco in Lely Resort
- \$801,000-\$900,000: Pulte Homes for the Pinnacle at Golf Club of the Everglades
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Left: Florida Lifestyle Homes' Casa Kae model in Quail West won for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$4,000,000-\$4,500,000 category.

Below: McGarvey Custom Homes' High Tide at Naples Reserve won for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$1,501,000-\$1,750,000 category.

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\$1,751,000-\$2,000,000: Lutgert Construction for the Azure at Residences at Mercato

\$2,001,000-\$2,250,000: Stock Development for the Windsor III at Esplanade Golf & Country Club of Naples

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\$801,000-\$900,000: D.R. Horton for the Langford at Mockingbird Crossing

\$901,000-\$1,000,000: WCI Communities for the Agostino at LaMorada

\$1,001,000-\$1,250,000 (tie): Stock Development for the Muirfield III at Naples Reserve and Lundstrom Development for the Belvedere, also at Naples Reserve

\$1,251,000-\$1,500,000: Marvin Development Corp. for the Captiva at Naples Reserve

\$1,501,000-\$1,750,000: Stock Development for the Glenmore at Esplanade Golf & Country Club of Naples

\$1,751,000-\$2,000,000: Stock Development for the Windsor II at Twin Eagles

\$2,001,000-\$2,250,000: London Bay Homes for the Benita model at Miromar Lakes Beach and Golf Club

\$2,251,000-\$2,500,000: Florida Lifestyle Homes for the St. Martin at Quail West



Above: Lutgert Construction's LeParc at Residences at Mercato won for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$2,251,000-\$2,500,000 category.



Right: Minto Communities' Alamanda at The Isles of Collier Preserve won for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$1,001,000-\$1,250,000 category.



Florida Lifestyle Homes' St. Martin at Quail West won a Merit Award for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$2,251,000-\$2,250,000 category.



Stock Development's Anastasia at Naples Reserve won for Overall Excellence in Construction and Design in the \$901,000-\$1,000,000 category.

\$2,251,000-\$2,500,000: Lutgert Construction for LeRivage at Residences at Mercato

\$3,001,000-\$3,500,000: Stock Development for a model at 3750 Fountainhead in Parkshore

\$3,501,000-\$4,000,000: London Bay Homes for the Capriano at Mediterra (in the Cortile neighborhood)

\$4,000,000-\$4,500,000: Seagate Development Group for the Oakmont in Quail West.

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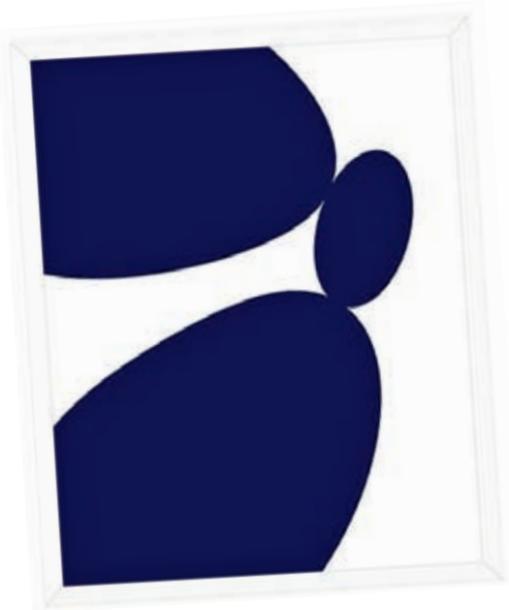
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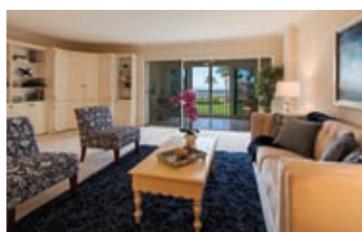
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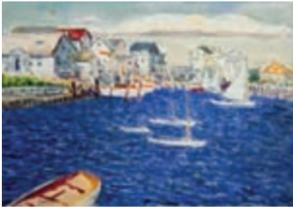


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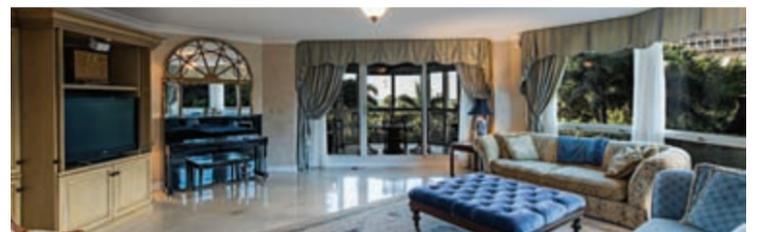
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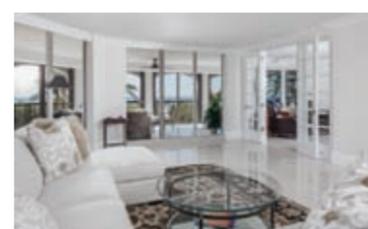
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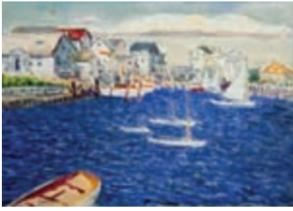
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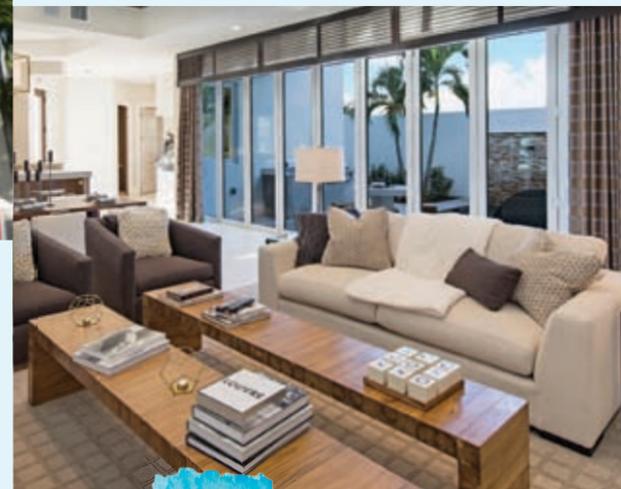
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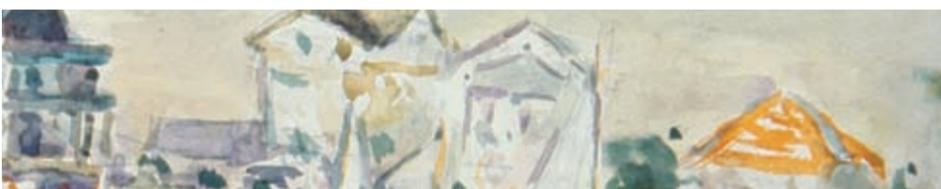


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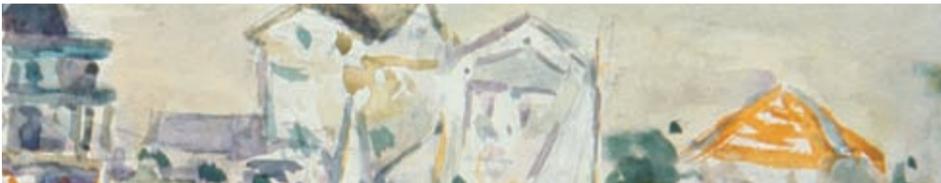
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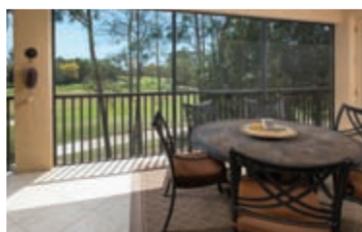
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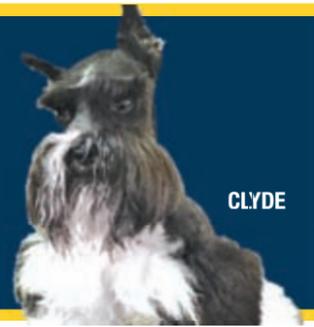
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NAPLES



The Shores at Berkshire Lakes

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BONITA SPRINGS



Well Maintained Home w/New Roof

Open floor plan, volume ceilings, bay windows, hurricane shutters, 2 car garage. On an oversize lot! **\$329,000**

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Great Opportunity in Bonita Springs

Three bedroom, 2 bath home in a great location in Bonita Springs. **\$335,000**

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Cape Coral Pool home

Stunning remodeled Gulf Access Pool home overlooking a wide 110 foot canal. Over 2,035 sqft air conditioned!! **\$342,000**

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Silver Oaks Beauty

More than wow factor move in ready!! **\$349,000**

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Custom Home in Bell Villa with In-law Apartment

Price reduced on this beautiful corner lot ,3 bed/3 bath custom home in private Bell Villa with in-law apartment. **\$350,000**

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800BS066177.

PORT CHARLOTTE



Never Before Offered

Beautiful sprawling 3 bedroom/2 bath home on 11th fairway of golf course. Loaded with luxurious upgrades. **\$369,000**

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800BS080608.

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3/2 Pool Home in The Timbers

3/2 pool home in affordable community. Low HOA fees. Smart Home Technology supported. **\$374,900**

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800CC073318.

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Bridgetown at The Plantation

Majestic 3 bed + den/3 bath/2 car garage home has everything you wanted & more. 2562 sqft under air. **\$399,900**

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800FM080449.

CAPE CORAL



Great Location

3/2 Gulf access pool home with boat life in SW Cape Coral. 2000 + sqft of living space. Tile floors throughout! **\$409,900**

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800CC017126.

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Erington Model Million

This magnificent 2 bedroom 2 bath will leave you speechless. **\$419,900**

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800FM002783.

ESTERO



Colonial Oaks Lakeview, Pool Home

This spacious 2 story home offers a lake view, southern exposure and features 3 bedrooms plus a den. **\$419,900**

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800BS021472.

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Spectacular Lake Views

Waterfront home! Gated community-clubhouse & pool! Custom lanai w/spa! Builder warranty! Low fees! **\$425,000**

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Large Gulf Access Pool Home
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\$429,000
800CC035867.
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SW Cape Gulf Access Luxury
Gulf access southern exposure 4/2/2 in highly desired SW Cape Coral. Oversized solar heated pool.
\$449,900
800FM017821.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



SW Cape Coral Pool Home-Assessments in and Paid
4 Bed/3 bath, 3 car garage pool home in SW Cape Coral with all assessments in and paid. Corner sliders, 3 zoned A/C
\$455,000
800CC006176.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



Big Water Views, Gulf Access Heated Pool/Spa
Reduced thousands! Immaculate Oyster Bay Home, 4/2, formal living, dining, family room. Counter bar kitchen, dock/lift.
\$459,900
800CC045356.
1-866-657-2300

BONITA SPRINGS



3/3 Condo in Bonita Bay
Perfect for seasonal or full time use. Spacious great room plan w/cathedral ceilings. Remodeled master bath.
\$474,900
800CC008628.
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PORT CHARLOTTE



Beautiful Canal Front Pool Home in Port Charlotte
Beautiful well kept 4/2 canal front pool home. Beautiful living space and outdoor landscaping! Don't miss it!
\$499,000
800CH235381.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



River View and Basin View from this Property
Walking distance to downtown Cape Coral. Beautiful direct sailboat access home features 2 bedrooms and plenty of space!
\$499,000
800CC020088.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



Gulf Access
3 bed + den, 2.1 bath pool home w/fabulous view of 200' wide canal, upgrades galore, oversized garage, 8500 lb boat lift!
\$499,900
800CC019547.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



Exquisite Gulf Access Pool Home
This gorgeous 2 story home offers 2251 sqft of paradise living with 3 bed 3 bath 3 car garage + bonus room!
\$549,000
800CC062342.
1-866-657-2300

FORT MYERS



The Perfect Home to Live
A beautiful professional designer 4 bed +den 3 bath with a lot upgrades and nice pool.
\$559,900
800BS074637.
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CAPE CORAL



Triple Lot Home in SW Cape Coral
4 bed/3.5 bath pool home with open spacious floor plan. Western exposed home for beautiful sunsets.
\$559,900
800CC014065.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



Gulf Access Pool Home
Beautiful 3 bed, 2 bath SW Cape sailboat access home on a wide canal. Open floor plan, pool, spa. Large undercover.
\$599,900
800CC014769.
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CAPE CORAL



Stunning Waterfront Home
Located on spreader preserve with gulf access - no bridges! Ideal vacation rental w/3785 sqft room for the entire family!
\$610,000
800CC062414.
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ST. JAMES CITY



Direct Sailboat Access Pool Home
3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms. Newer build pool home with direct sailboat access in St. James City.
\$625,000
800CC018533.
1-866-657-2300

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7 Bedroom Ranch Home in Briarcliff
Room for the entire family. Everything you need. Heated pool & spa! 3 stall barn w/600 sqft air conditioned office!
\$875,000
800CC067982.
1-866-657-2300

BOKEELIA



Four Story 3/2.5 Pool Home on the Water
Completely updated Island Home with expansive water views. 4 floors total w/ 3 bed plus a Den. Wood and tile flooring.
\$889,650
800CC000210.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



One of a Kind-Custom Home
Builder show home-one of a kind, immaculate gulf access custom residence w/gorgeous landscaping & breathtaking Interior.
\$948,000
800CC018656.
1-866-657-2300

CAPE CORAL



Location Location Location
4/3 pool home with sailboat access!! Minute to river for boating and great fishing. Very sleek and modern in design.
\$1,057,000
800CC002935.
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NAPLES



Lakefront Park Shore Home
Walking distance to private beach for Park Shore residents only! 4 bed/3 bath pool home with impeccable landscaping!
\$1,400,000
800NA011082.
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FORT MYERS BEACH



Ft. Myers Beach Bayfront Home
Over 5,000 sqft with a private boat dock! One of a kind home on the bay.
\$1,799,000
800FM033960.
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